We would like to say a special thank you to each of you that helped make New Student Orientation a success. We had over 800 students to attend the three CALS sessions. Again, thanks to each of you for your hard work.

Hold the Dates

- **Wolfpack Welcome Week --** The College Connection piece of Wolfpack Welcome Week will take place on Tuesday, August 19. We will be hosting various events from 2:00-4:00 p.m. under Harrleson Hall. We will also have Da Chen, author of the summer reading, *Sound of the River*, with us for story time from 2:45-3:30 p.m. This will also take place under Harrleson. We hope that you will join us to meet and greet the new freshman class and be a part of this exciting event for our incoming freshmen.

- **The New Faculty Advising Workshop - Note Date Change --** New faculty advisers should plan to attend our annual advising workshop on Friday, August 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Williams Hall (1400 and 2405). This will better accommodate the agenda and not conflict with New Student Orientation sessions. Please see the attached agenda. Registration for the workshop can be completed between now and August 13 at the link below.


- **CALS Academic Programs Fall Faculty Meeting --** We will be holding our annual Academic Programs faculty meeting on Tuesday, August 19 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. The meeting will be held in 2215 Williams Hall.

Other Upcoming Dates of Importance

- July 30 – Last day of Monday/Wednesday classes for Ten-week Session participants
- July 31 – Final examinations for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 4 – Final examinations for 5:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 5 – Final examinations for 7:15/7:40 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 6 – Final examinations for 7:15/7:40 p.m. Monday/Wednesday classes (Ten-week session only)
- August 8 - Last day of classes for Summer II participants
- August 11 thru August 12 - Final Examinations for Summer II participants
- August 20 - First day of classes
- August 26 - Last day to add a course without permission of instructor. MyPack Portal closes for adds at 11:59 p.m. (After this day, adds processed in 1000 Harris Hall)
- September 1 - Holiday (Labor Day); university closed
- September 2 - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.
- **September 3** - Last day to enroll (register) or to add a course. Last day to drop a course, or change from credit to audit with tuition adjustment. Last day for undergraduate students to drop below 12 hours.
- **October 8** - Fall break begins at 10:15 p.m.
- **October 9 thru October 10** - Fall Break
- **October 13** - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.; Enrollment (Registration) advising for 2009 Spring Semester begins
- **October 14** - Enrollment (Registration) for 2009 Spring Semester begins
- **October 17** - Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade at ALL levels. Last day to change from credit to audit at ALL levels. Last day to submit Request for Course Repeat Without Penalty forms. MyPack Portal closes for Undergraduate and Graduate drops at 11:59 p.m.
- **November 26 thru November 28** - Thanksgiving Vacation for students; no classes
- **November 27 thru November 28** - Thanksgiving Holidays; university closed
- **December 1** - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.
- **December 1 thru December 5** - "Dead Week" - Last week of classes. In order that students may complete semester projects, take lab tests, and prepare for final examinations, faculty members shall not give any test or quizzes or assign any additional papers or project during the final week of the semester. Exceptions to this policy must be approved in advance by the department head and the dean of the college involved.
- **December 5** - Last day of classes
- **December 8 thru December 16** - Final Examinations
- **December 17** - Fall Graduation Exercise
- **Dec 24 thru January 2** - Winter Holiday; university closed

**Admissions Information on New Students**

Of the 2,888 freshmen who had applied for entrance into CALS as of July 16, 2008, 1,855 have been accepted by the University and 846 have already responded that they will accept their offer of admission.

For CALS students who have accepted enrollment, the average SAT total is 1,156, the average high school GPA is 4.20 and 47.2 % are in the top 10% of their class. This is comparative to the overall numbers for the incoming accepted class (SAT = 1,176; high school GPA = 4.17; % in the top 10% of their class = 41.9%). It also represents an increase over the numbers for last year’s accepted class in CALS (SAT = 1,148; high school GPA = 4.12; % in top 10% of their class = 36.5). Of those who have accepted enrollment at NC State:

- 568 are female (67%) and 284 are male (33%)
- 756 are from in-state (89%) and 96 were from out-of-state (11 %)
- Diversity breakdown:

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Note: If you would like additional information and breakdowns of enrollment data, you can access this information by visiting the University Planning and Analysis website and accessing the “Secure Data” link. The link for University Planning and Analysis is:

http://www2.acs.ncsu.edu/UPA/index.html

CAREER SERVICES OFFICE
Career Services is proud to announce a new partnership with Monsanto. Monsanto will be sponsoring "Power Half Hours" targeted career talks to student clubs.

Career Services has just completed presentations to parents of incoming freshman. "Sail your sea, a parent's guide to being the harbor." was a popular break-out session with over 300 parents attending. If you are interested in knowing all the career resources available to students in CALS, feel free to make an appointment to talk to Marcy Bullock. Simply call 919-515-3249 or stop by 107 Patterson Hall.

Career Services professionals are available to give customized career lectures to your classes. As you finalize your syllabus, please consider inviting us to do a presentation. Call 919-515-3249 to discuss the career topic your students want to hear. The menu includes, the newest information on resume, interviews and internships to start, but the list of topics is endless. If you know you have to miss a class, don't cancel, enrich your students with a dose of CALS Career Services. Book our calendar in August before our fall semester gets underway.

Registration has begun for the CALS Career Expo, which is scheduled for October 23, 2008. The theme is "Expand your career playlist." We have already received a great response from employers and organizations that wish to attend. If you know of any organizations that may be interested in talking to students about internships or jobs, please contact our office for information on how to register 919-515-3249. Don't delay, space is limited!

Career Services will host Focus on Your Future during Wolfpack Welcome Week on August 19. This half-day seminar is designed to teach students all the basics of resumes and cover letters, interviews, and other career planning information. Interested students should visit www.cals.ncsu.edu/career to register.

Also as a part of Wolfpack Welcome Week, incoming freshmen are invited to Your Future Starts Now from 1:00-2:00 p.m. on August 19. This is a great way for new students to “kick off” their first semester at NC State! It is guaranteed to get them excited about their future plans and about the resources that are here to help in achieving them. Students must register ahead of time by visiting the Career Services website.

AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE OFFICE

AGI Orientation

Orientation for new Agricultural Institute students will be as follows:
• New Student Orientation (Session 9) – July 31-August 1

• The Agricultural Institute Office will host a BBQ and Chicken picnic for new students and their parents beginning at 5:30 p.m. on July 31. The picnic will be held on Harris Field (in front of Witherspoon Student Center). All AGI faculty are encouraged to attend. Please visit the following website to sign up. The password is: sweet tea

http://harvest.cals.ncsu.edu/applications/cals_registration/index.cfm?eventID=193

AGI Faculty Meeting
There will be an AGI Faculty meeting on Monday, August 18, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The meeting room will be announced at a later date. All AGI Faculty are strongly encouraged to attend.

Wolfpack Welcome Week
The Agricultural Institute Office will host its annual Wolfpack Welcome Week event on Tuesday, August 19 beginning at 5:00 p.m. The event will be held at D.S. Weaver Labs. New students, current students and faculty are invited to attend. Stop by for fun, food and games!! This is a great opportunity to meet our new students as well as catch up with current ones. We look forward to seeing you there. An event website will follow.

NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

UIC 2008 Fall Meeting
BASF and North Carolina State University are hosting the UIC 2008 Fall Meeting on October 29-30 in Research Triangle Park, NC. Wednesday afternoon will be a tour of the Lake Wheeler Road Laboratory and the Biomanufacturing Training and Education Center. Cellulosic biofuels, fertilizer, biosensors, and global economics are a few of the topics on which the meeting will also focus.

Agenda and registration materials along with logistical information are available electronically from Trish Rollins trish_rollins@ncsu.edu in the NCARS Office.

The registration fee is estimated to be $450 and is due by October 1, 2008. Invoices for the exact amount will be emailed to registrants in early October. Please contact Lori & Ralph Tisher at Foundations First with any questions or requests. The email address is uic@foundationsfirst.com and the phone number is 573-486-9996.

Field days Highlighting our Field Days
Field days that highlight our research and extension programs in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences are plentiful this year. Field days are scheduled across North Carolina both on research stations and on growers’ farms. Over the next few months are – 2008 Fresh Market Tomato and Vegetable Field Day (August 7, Mountain Horticultural Crops Research Station); 2008 Apple and Peach Field Day (August 12, Mountain Horticultural Crops Research Station); 2008 Hay Field Day (August 12 at the Mountain Research Station); 2008 Turfgrass Field Day (August 13 at the Sandhills Research Station) and 2008 Peanut Field Day (September 4 at Peanut Belt Research Station). For the complete listing of the field days and programs, go to the web site:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/agcomm/writing/Field_Days/
Field days are great opportunities for not only growers to see the latest developments in research, but also great opportunities for faculty, graduate students and others within the college to see crop or animal systems and technologies in which they are not familiar or up to date. Thus, please take the opportunity to participate in one or more field days.

**Environmental Compliance Audit**

NC State University recently went through an Environmental Compliance Audit by a private audit team. The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences participated in this audit to help identify areas that might need addressing for the University to be compliant with the Environmental Protection Agency regulations in areas such as disposal of waste materials (batteries, oil, chemicals, etc.), lead-based paint in older living structures, licensing of technicians handling refrigerants, pesticide storage and management, and waste management. The audit is now complete and Environmental Health and Safety has received the audit report from the audit team. The findings for CALS will be received in the next few weeks from Environmental Health and Safety at which time we will be able to see areas that will need to be addressed to meet compliance.

**Kannapolis Update**

The July 9 Town Hall Meeting was well attended by representatives from CALS, Engineering, PAMS, Facilities Operations and partner institutions at the NC Research Campus. Dr. Steve Colman described plans for the DHMRI Core Laboratory. Dr. Steve Lommel discussed the progress on the Fruit and Vegetable Science Institute (FVSI), the budget for the previous and upcoming years and the hiring strategy. Offers will be made to the four candidates selected for the Horticultural Science positions – leafy green vegetable breeder (lettuce), fruit breeder (strawberry), marker assisted trait, wide-cross geneticist and plant postharvest physiologist. Positions for the second round of searches will be in the areas of plant metabolic pathway engineering, plant metabolomics/nutrigenomics, phytochemistry of plant bioactive products, plant pharmacogenomics, and plant genomics or systems biology. The NCSU faculty house has been completed and will be available for visitors later this fall in coordination with the opening of the FVSI.

**2008 CALS Intellectual Property Disclosures and Activity**

Development of new technologies and processes, their disclosure, and subsequent patents and/or licenses represent an important measure of performance and success of the college. New intellectual property is generated from an array of departments across the college, representing contributions both from agriculture and life sciences disciplines.

During FY2008, CALS submitted 36 invention disclosures and had 11 patents issued. The value of intellectual property is often realized only after it has been licensed for use to a company that generates the technology or product and markets it to customers. During the year, the NCSU Office of Technology Transfer executed 35 licenses or options on behalf of the college.

A subset of this activity is represented by the college’s plant breeding program in the Departments of Crop Science and Horticultural Science, and often in cooperation with other departments in the college. During FY2008, CALS plant breeders officially released 18 plant varieties or breeding lines of raspberry, strawberry, soybean, peanut, tomato and flue-cured tobacco. Some of these are public releases, while many will be licensed exclusively to seed companies to produce and sell the plant material for commercial production.

Disclosure and licensing of intellectual property is a process by which new technologies are turned into value to businesses, communities and society. CALS has been a consistent contributor of new intellectual properties in the NCSU community.
NC Agricultural and Life Sciences Research Foundation Conference -- Stewards of the Future: Research for Global Sustainability

On January 22, 2009, the NCALS Research Foundation will host a conference of national scope focusing on sustainability in the areas of agriculture and the life sciences. The conference will include top-level speakers; an “Innovation Fair” designed to provide networking opportunities for CALS faculty with potential funders; and discussions led by university and other public and private sector leaders addressing ways to advance public/private partnerships. Patrick Moore, co-founder of Greenpeace International, will be one of the keynote speakers.

The purpose of the conference is three-fold:

- To provide a powerful forum for the discussion of sustainable development in agricultural and environmental arenas;
- To showcase the research achievements and capacity of CALS scientists, and further establish the College as a leader in advancing the innovation, education, stewardship, and advocacy required to ensure healthy communities, sustainable businesses, and an abundant future;
- To stimulate new research collaborations between CALS faculty and potential public and private partners at the conference, and to stimulate other new areas of investment in CALS research.

The target audience for the event includes corporate CEOs, directors of R&D and business development, entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, public officials, current and retired CALS faculty and administrators. The event will be funded by sponsorships, so there will be no charge for attendance. Faculty members are encouraged to invite their own current and prospective funders to the event. Please contact Catherine Maxwell (catherine_maxwell@ncsu.edu) for print or email invitations to share 919-513-8294.

The purpose of the NCALS Research Foundation is to increase funding, raise awareness, and facilitate partnerships in support of CALS research programs.

Bayer Environmental Science (BES) Celebrates Creation of Bayer Professorship

College leadership and faculty leaders of the NC State Turfgrass Program joined top Bayer Environmental Science leadership and scientists at their Clayton Field Laboratory in early July, to celebrate new areas of partnership. The highlight of the evening was Global CEO Pascal Housset’s presentation of a gift establishing the Bayer Environmental Science Professor of Sustainable Development at NC State University. BES is also partnering with CALS faculty in a range of plant health initiatives and has pledged lead sponsorship of the upcoming NCALS Research Foundation conference.

NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Registration for 35th Annual NCCE Secretaries Association Conference Closed August 1 (but there’s still hope!)

Just add a late fee of $10.00 to the $85.00 registration to sign up after August 1. Send completed form and your check (payable to NCCES-SED) to Patty Cain, NCCES – New Hanover County Center, Agricultural Extension Building, 6206 Oleander Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403-3822.

Registration includes the lunch and evening banquet on Thursday, breakfast on Friday, along with a tour and workshop. Please note the separate registration forms! One is for active members and one is for retirees/guests – all are welcome!
Register through LMS at www.ces.ncsu.edu/xlms. For LMS questions, contact Makia Tillman at 919-513-0036.

**Still Time to Register for North Carolina Association of Extension Program Assistants, Associates and Technicians Conference 2008**

Just $10.00 more until August 15 and then the walk-in rate applies. The conference is August 18-20 in Hickory, so don’t miss out! Details and registration are available at http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/assn/ncaepaat/2008%20conference%20registration.pdf.

Please note any special dietary needs on your registration form. Already sent in your form? E-mail Fran_Senters@ncsu.edu or Melissa_Keller@ncsu.edu.

**National Association of County Agricultural Agents Conference A Success**

The N.C. Association of County Agricultural Agents hosted the 93rd Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference July 13-17 in Greensboro. More than 1,500 attendees from 46 states enjoyed Cooperative Extension hospitality and organization while networking, learning and refreshing themselves professionally.

Starting with Dean Johnny Wynne’s welcome speech, conferees heard from notables such as leadership consultant General Hugh Shelton, Ralph Otto from USDA-CSREES, Dr. James Johnson (Urban Investment Strategies Center) and Extension Director Dr. Jon Ort, who gave a speech to administrators. Dr. Marshall Stewart, 4-H/FCS department head, served as emcee for the 4-H Talent Review. And on Wednesday, 30 tour buses crossed the Tarheel state, highlighting Cooperative Extension programs and projects designed to conserve, protect and improve the state’s agricultural bounty and diversity. For photos, visit www.nacaa.com/ampic/2008 and click on either AMPIC link.

**Return to Raleigh: Extension Conference 2009**

Planning is underway. See this space next month for a save-the-date notice!

**NC Commissioners Honored with Annual Horn of Plenty Dinner**

Cooperative Extension hosts the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners with a Horn of Plenty dinner in New Bern on August 22. Horn of Plenty is a dinner prepared by Extension during the annual NCACC conference to express appreciation for the 94-year old partnership with county government.

This year the NCACC turns 100, so the dinner coincides with an evening of entertainment that includes a 1908 street fair with entertainers in period clothes providing activities and games in streets closed for the festivities. Music by the Band of Oz will keep toes tapping as revelers explore downtown stores and antique shops, including Caleb Bradham’s original pharmacy where Pepsi-Cola was invented.

**Community Impacts**

This year’s Festival for the Eno recovered 93% of its waste through composting and recycling. Extension Solid Waste Specialist Rhonda Sherman, in the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, worked with vendors, event organizers and festival goers to reduce the landfill load. Festival organizers erected 12 trash recovery stations, staffed with volunteers, to help festival goers choose which items they could compost or recycle, and which had to go in the trash. Of the 5,300
pounds of waste generated, 4,929 pounds will not be thrown away. As a result, other event planners are contacting Cooperative Extension for assistance in composting and recycling at other events.

**Extension Stimulates Alleghany County**
Of the more than 130 million households eligible to receive Stimulus Payment checks, many do not normally file tax returns. To reach the retirees, disabled veterans, railroad retirees and others, the State Employee’s Credit Union partnered with Extension’s Alleghany County Center to offer guidance and “free filing” for people and families not accustomed to filing returns. The collaboration estimates their efforts saved 120 people approximately $18,000 in tax preparation fees and refund loans to date.

**E-Conservation**
High energy costs got you down? Consumers seeking ways to reduce energy bills can turn to E-Conservation – a collaboration between the State Energy office and Extension. E-Conservation helps consumers identify ways to conserve energy. Offered in 78 of Extension’s 101 centers, the program, which started in 2005, involves family and consumer sciences agents, as well as natural resources, agriculture and 4-H agents. The program will be featured at the annual county commissioner’s conference in New Bern this August.

**Low Impact Summit**
Some 300 engineers and city, county and federal officials attended the Low Impact Development (LID) summit in Asheville on June 23-24 to learn more about planning, policy and financial aspects associated with Low Impact Development. Speakers included many Extension professionals, who are recognized as national leaders in the field.

LID is an alternative to traditional site design that builds water treatment structures into landscapes and structures. Using research-based storm water best management practices, LID improves water quality by reducing surface runoff, erosion and pollution not from specifically identifiable sources, such as waste treatment or industrial sites.

**4-H Centennial Kickoff**
About 750 4-H’ers braved temperatures in the 90s on Monday, July 21, to kick off the centennial celebration for North Carolina’s 4-H program that will take place in 2009. The group gathered in Carter-Finley Stadium, attempting to form a human 4-H clover. Some wore green t-shirts for the clover and others wore white for the four H’s. While they were developing the clover, the group heard welcoming remarks from Dean Johnny Wynne and Cooperative Extension administrators. The event kicked off a week of 4-H activities in Raleigh, including Honor Club tapping and a Fashion Revue on Monday, workshops and presentations on Tuesday, Hands to Service activities, a talent show on Wednesday, and officer elections on Thursday.
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE

International Visitors

Croatia
On July 10, the CALS IP office received two administrators from the University of Zagreb, Croatia, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Dr. Davor Romic and Vice Dean Dr. Milan Mesic. The Croatian scientists visited the office of CALS Associate Dean for Academic programs and the University Study Abroad Office as well as CALS faculty members concerning potential collaborations between NCSU and University of Zagreb. The two Croatian administrators are anxious for NCSU faculty to visit Zagreb in the near future to elaborate specific areas of collaboration between our universities.

Honduras
On July 18, Dr. John Sabella, from the National Agricultural University of Honduras (UNA) visited CALS to make arrangements for an October visit from UNA students. The Rector and other administration from UNA will visit the NCSU campus during this period. Dr. Sabella also had appointments with the College of Natural Resources and the College of Veterinary Medicine to discuss potential collaborations in these areas.

**Cochran Fellowship Program Grant**
CALS will host another Cochran Fellowship group from Macedonia in August. The participants arrive here in Raleigh on August 3 and will be trained in agricultural marketing information services. Dr. Bob Wells is the coordinator for the two-week program. The goal of this training is to equip the participants with the knowledge and tools to develop a sustainable agricultural marketing information system in Macedonia.

**2008 Borlaug Lecture Series**
Save the date! – The 2008 Borlaug Lecture Series is scheduled for October 6-7. We are working with the offices of our speaker, Mr. Peter McPherson, and Chancellor Oblinger on the two-day agenda. We do anticipate the main lecture on Monday, October 6 to begin earlier than in past years, with a reception for Mr. McPherson prior to the lecture. Mark your calendars for this mid-day event on October 6, and stay tuned. We will publish the agenda as soon as it is finalized.

**Borlaug Award Nominations**
The deadline for nominations of this year’s recipient of the CALS-CNR Joint Award for Service to Environment and Society is Monday, September 8. This award is open to any tenure-track faculty member at NCSU regardless of College or unit affiliation. The awardee will be provided a chance to speak at the lecture and receive a certificate, $1,000 and a token gift. Please visit this link: [http://cnr.ncsu.edu/CNR-CALS-JointAward.htm](http://cnr.ncsu.edu/CNR-CALS-JointAward.htm) or contact Patricia Holoman for more details at 919-515-2818 or patricia_holoman@ncsu.edu.

**OFFICE OF DIVERSITY**

**Opening Doors: A Personal and Professional Journey**
Over the past three years the College has sponsored Opening Doors which is a three-day retreat that provides a framework for increasing diversity awareness and enhancing a person’s ability to create an inclusive organization. The College consistently receives excellent feedback on the Opening Doors training and its impact from a wide range of participants. The next Opening Doors session will be held from September 9 – 12, 2008 at the St. Francis Springs Center in Stoneville, NC. There is no registration fee for CALS employees. This is a personal and professional development opportunity that you do not want to miss. To register for Opening Doors go to [http://harvest.cals.ncsu.edu/index.cfm?showpage=770](http://harvest.cals.ncsu.edu/index.cfm?showpage=770). For more details on Opening Doors, please contact Dr. Harvey Lineberry, Lead Facilitator, at 919-515-2708.

**North Carolina Cooperative Extension Secretaries Association**
The Interim Assistant Dean for Diversity will make a presentation on workplace diversity during the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Secretaries Association meeting on August 1, 2008.

**COLLEGE ADVANCEMENT**

**CALS Donor Recognition Gala & Campaign Celebration**
The CALS Donor Recognition Gala and Campaign Celebration will be held on November 2, 2008, at the Sheraton Imperial. More details to follow.

**Save the Date for Upcoming CALS ALUMNI & FRIENDS sponsored events for 2008**

- **CALS Tailgate 2008!!! -- Celebrate the Tradition**
  CALS Tailgate 2008 is scheduled for Saturday, September 6, in Dorton Arena (1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.) in conjunction with the NC State vs. William and Mary football game (kick off is 6:00 p.m.). Celebrate the tradition and join over 1,500 plus faculty, staff, students, alumni and their families and enjoy this great event! Early registration is requested as football tickets are limited; secure online registration is now available, as well as forms that can be printed and mailed or faxed, at [www.cals.ncsu.edu/alumni](http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/alumni)

  Would you like to help out for this event as a volunteer? Volunteers are needed, so sign up with the CALS Alumni & Friends Society Office. All departments and student clubs are welcome to set up exhibits. An exhibit form will be available soon.

  Tax-deductible auction items are being accepted now at the CALS Alumni & Friends Society Office. All proceeds of this silent auction go to CALS student scholarships.

  We hope to see you at the largest event in our College!!

- **AGI Reunion - Saturday, September 27, 2008 — L.R. Harrill Youth Center (NC State vs. S. Florida game) Time TBD**

- **CALS Alumni Awards Reception – Friday, October 3, 2008 – University Club (5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)**

- **CALS Retiree Luncheon – Saturday, December 6, 2008 – McKimmon Center (11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)**

For more information on these events, contact julia_brooks@ncsu.edu or call 919-515-7222 or 919-515-6212.

**CALS Chronicle Enewsletter!**
The official enewsletter of CALS Alumni and Friends Society is sent quarterly. Please send your announcements, departmental events, updates and departmental news for the next issue to calsalum@ncsu.edu. If you wish to subscribe to the enewsletter, email calsalum@ncsu.edu.

**The Silver Wolf Newsletter**
The Silver Wolf (a bi-annual publication) is a hard copy newsletter for CALS retirees and their spouses. If you have departmental information, retiree information, announcements, events, printed material you would like to insert, resource information, or a "departmental ad" to submit for our next edition, please send to Julia Brooks, julia_brooks@ncsu.edu.

**Employee Retiree List**
We need your help! We request that all departments and county offices please continue to send us your updated retiree lists with all contact information available. Once an employee retires, please send Julia Brooks julia_brooks@ncsu.edu a quick e-mail notifying her know so that she can add them to our list.
North Carolina 4-H Centennial Ice Cream Flavor
In partnership with the NC State Food Science Dairy, the North Carolina 4-H program is developing its own North Carolina 4-H Centennial Ice Cream Flavor. In a contest to be unveiled at the 2008 NC 4-H Congress, 4-H’ers, volunteer leaders, agents and friends have been asked to hold county competitions to select a semifinalist flavor to be submitted for competition on the state level. A select committee will then narrow the field to 10 finalists, with final selection going out to counties for voting for the top three. Once trial batches are created, a final selection committee will determine the best flavor fit for the North Carolina 4-H Centennial. We have proposals in front of Commissioner Troxler to be able to sell pints of ice cream at the 2009 NC State Fair, and a marketing plan is in place to promote the product throughout 2009. Proceeds from the ice cream sale will be used to fund other programming possibilities during the Centennial year.

Got Gifts-In-Kind?
If you have received donations of equipment, materials, supplies or services, please complete the form BA-151 (http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/ba151.doc) and forward to chris_wessel@ncsu.edu. We will make sure your donors are sent University receipts and acknowledgment letters showing how important their support is to CALS.

Call Chris at 919-515-7678 if you have any questions about non-cash gifts.

CALS Gift Legacy Web Site
In an effort to better serve faculty and staff with helpful information, we have created a comprehensive gift planning Web site. We have an increasing number of friends of the College who now are benefiting from life income gifts, gift annuities and other charitable vehicles. Thank you for taking the time to explore the benefits of gift planning at http://cals.giftlegacy.com/.

You may support any area of the College and join or renew your Arboretum membership online using our secure website. Visit http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/givenow for safe, convenient online giving!

Advancement Advantage Guide to Services
College Advancement is pleased to announce the availability of our Advancement Advantage Guide to Services on-line. This information is designed to educate CALS faculty, staff and administrators about the resources available through these divisions. By doing so, we hope to expand access to our services, and increase support of and service to departments and college-wide initiatives. This Web site is a work in progress and will be updated on a regular basis. To access this information, just click on the following link http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/resource_guide.htm

CALS PERSONNEL OFFICE—NEW HIRES FOR JULY 2008

New Campus Employees - Faculty
Jacquelyn Hoffman, Assistant Professor, Poultry Science
Vasu Kuraparthy, Assistant Professor, Crop Science

New Campus Employees - Staff
Kathryn Wineland, Extension Associate, 4-H Youth Development and Family & Consumer Sciences
Bruce MacRae, Technology Support Analyst, Dairy Records Processing
Phillip Matthews, Research Technician, Entomology
Jennifer Lowther, Research Specialist, Genetics
Melody Jo Yarley, Administrative Support Specialist, Personal and Organizational Development
New County Employees
Mildred Vanterpool, Program Assistant (4-H), Chowan County
Katherine Irby, Program Associate (4-H), Dare County
Sonja Ballance, Program Assistant (4-H), Dare County
Susan Colucci, Assistant Area Specialized Agent, Henderson County
Natalie Washington, Program Assistant (4-H), Hertford County
Shirley Rush, Program Associate (4-H), Hoke County
Claire Hetzel, Assistant Extension Agent, New Hanover County
Sharon English, Assistant Extension Agent, Scotland County

2008 FIELD DAYS

Please see the following URL for Field Days:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/agcomm/writing/Field_Days/

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<td>Bus Tour: Base Williamston, NC; Day 1-Knotts Island; Day 2-Manteo</td>
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<td>41st Annual NC Poultry Federation Membership Meeting</td>
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