DEAN'S OFFICE

HOLD the DATE: Monday, January 7, 2008 – Annual CALS Faculty Meeting

We will hold the Annual CALS Faculty Meeting in conjunction with the CALS Teaching and Advising Effectiveness Workshop (listed below under Academic Programs).

Annual 14th Faculty Recognition Reception

As many of you may know, we held another successful Annual Faculty Recognition Reception on Tuesday afternoon, September 25. We will be placing a copy of the program as well as some pictures that were made during the reception on our college webpage.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OFFICE

HOLD the DATE: Monday, January 7, 2008

CALS faculty seminar sponsored by the CALS Teaching and Advising Effectiveness Committee - "Transforming the Land-Grant University through Collaborative Teaching, Research and Outreach"

9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (includes lunch for registered participants) - McKimmon Center

Academic Programs Session coordinated by the CALS faculty seminar sponsored by the CALS Teaching and Advising Effectiveness Committee

Seminar Keynote speaker:
Dr. Kirby Barrick, Dean College of Ag and Life Sciences, University of Florida

Dr. Barrick is an active leader in the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges and recognized by NACTA as an outstanding teacher and scholar. His presentation highlights recent discussions of the Academy of Science’s “Reinventing teaching in colleges of agriculture and life sciences to meet changing student needs”

Breakout Sessions include:

- Distance Education collaboration with Community Colleges (Sampson, Rowan/Cabarrus, and other initiatives)
- Student Research Opportunities - UG Research: Dr. Barthalmus, Ms. Jenny LaMonte (Scholarship and Fellowships), Kannapolis opportunities
- Program and Curriculum transformations

Lunch and wrap-up

Fall 2007 Enrollment

Based on census-date figures for the 2007 Fall Semester, total enrollment for NC State reached 31,792 students rising from 31,130 last year. Total enrollment in the College of Agriculture also increased from 5,124 last year to a total of 5,323 for the 2007 Fall Semester. This total includes 374 students enrolled in the Agricultural Institute, 4,104 students enrolled in the 4-year undergraduate program, and
845 students enrolled in graduate-level programs. The total enrollment of 845 graduate students includes 42 students who are enrolled through distance education programs.

**New Admission Notification Date System**

NC State University has adopted an Admission Notification Date system for most freshmen applicants beginning with applications for Summer/Fall 2008 admission. This does not apply to spring semester applicants, international applicants, transfer applicants or applicants to the 2-year Agricultural Institute Program. For all other applicants there will be four application deadlines and four notification dates:

- **Deadline 1**: October 15
  - Notification Date: December 15

- **Deadline 2**: November 1
  - Notification Date: January 30

- **Deadline 3**: December 1
  - Notification Date: March 15

- **Final Review Deadline**: February 1
  - Final Review Notification Date: March 30

A description of the new freshmen notification dates may also be found at the following website: [http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/uga/notification_dates.htm](http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/uga/notification_dates.htm)

**Open House – October 20, 2007**

Visiting the campus is the best way for students to get a complete picture of a university and its programs. The CALS departmental displays will once again be in the Ballroom of the Talley Student Center. Departments can set up their displays on Friday, October 19 between 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Departmental representatives should be ready to go on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and be prepared to stay until 1:00 p.m. before taking down their exhibits.

**University Teaching Awards**

Nominate excellent teachers

Deadline: October 24, 2007

[www.ncsu.edu/fctl/awards](http://www.ncsu.edu/fctl/awards)

**Upcoming Dates of Importance -- 2007 Fall Semester**

- October 3 – Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade at the 400 level or below; Last day to change from credit to audit at the 400 level or below; Last day to change to credit only; Last day to submit Request for Course Repeat Without Penalty forms; Packs Tracks closes for undergraduate drops at 11:59 p.m.
- October 10 - Fall Break begins at 10:15 p.m.
- October 11 and 12 - Fall Break
- October 15 - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.
- October 15 - Registration advising for 2008 Spring Semester begins
- October 16 - Registration for 2008 Spring Semester begins
- October 26 - Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade at the 500-900 level; Last day to change from credit to audit at the 500-900 level; Pack Tracks closes for Graduate drops at 11:59 p.m.
- November 21 thru 23 - Thanksgiving Vacation for students; no classes
- November 22 – 23; Thanksgiving Holidays; university closed
November 26 - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.
December 3 thru 7 - "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 7 - Last day of classes
December 10 thru 18 - Final Examinations
December 19 - Fall Graduation Exercises
December 24 thru January 1 - Winter Holiday; university closed

Agricultural Institute Office
The Agricultural Institute’s Alumni Committee will host a breakfast for graduating seniors on Wednesday, December 5 at 7:30 a.m. in 2405 Williams Hall. Please mark your calendars.

The Agricultural Institute’s Fall Graduation Ceremony will be held Wednesday, December 19 at 3:30 p.m. at the University Club. Please mark your calendars.

AGI Student Success Workshops
The Agricultural Institute and the University Counseling Center have teamed up to offer Success Workshops for students. There will be five workshops offered throughout the Fall 2007 semester. Workshops remaining are as follows:

- Monday, October 8 – Alcohol Education
- Monday, October 22 – Communication Skills/Anger Management

If you have a student that may benefit from one of these workshops, please have him/her email Alease Hancock at alease_hancock@ncsu.edu.

Career Services Office
CALS Career Expo
Our annual CALS Career Expo is coming up on Thursday, October 25. Please encourage your students to come to the Expo from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Talley Student Center. To help students prepare for this event, we are offering a “Focus On Your Future Workshop” that will be held on Tuesday, October 2 in 2215 Williams Hall. Students may register online at www.cals.ncsu.edu/career

Recruiters coming to campus during October include Kraft, Campbell’s, Philip Morris, and Murphy-Brown. Students can view and apply for these interviews by logging into ePACK www.cals.ncsu.edu/epack

Minute Clinics
The REACH Team will continue setting up Minute Clinics outside various CALS classrooms to promote CALS Career Services and the Kick Start Your Career Workshop Series. Please encourage your students to stop by and get more information about how CALS Career Services can help them.
North Carolina Christmas Tree Association

The North Carolina Christmas Tree Association met September 7-8 in Cullowhee, NC for their summer meeting. Approximately 100 people attended the meeting on the campus of Western Carolina. Concerns of the membership included loss of market share to artificial trees, the drop in sources of funding to support Christmas tree research, the Phytophthora disease, legislative restrictions on burning of trees, application of agricultural chemicals, and the threat of taxes being levied to the industry. Neighboring states have made it difficult on their growers by placing a number of restrictions on them (taxes, restrictions on pesticide application, etc). Our North Carolina growers, again, will provide the Christmas tree for the White House. They have been very successful over the last several years in achieving this and it continues to be a great advertisement for the industry.

This year the industry is participating in the Trees for Troops campaign. Customers will have the opportunity to buy their own tree and also buy, at a reduced price, a tree for our troops. The trees that are purchased for troops will be placed in a large truck and then hauled to the appropriate location for distribution. In addition, when growers participate in this program they donate $5 per tree to the Christmas SPIRIT Foundation. For more information, go to [www.treesfortroops.org](http://www.treesfortroops.org). The North Carolina Christmas Tree Association winter meeting will be at the Broyhill Convention Center in Boone, NC February 29 - March 1, 2008.

W.T. “Bill” Fike Crops Garden Dedication

The dedication of the W.T. “Bill” Fike Crops Garden occurred on September 8, 2007 at the Lake Wheeler Road Field Lab in Raleigh. Many former students in the Agronomy program attended the program honoring Dr. Fike’s many years of teaching. The crops garden contains plots of corn, cotton, peanuts, pumpkins, soybeans, switch grass, sorghum, squash, sweet potatoes, and tobacco. The dedication, which was held in conjunction with the Agronomy Reunion, provided lunch and tours of the garden, the Turfgrass Field Lab and the Lake Wheeler Road Field Lab (soils related tour).

2007 Muscadine Field Day

The Muscadine Field Day was held on Wednesday, September 12th at our Horticultural Crops Research Station in Castle Hayne, NC. Prior to the field day there was a tour of the muscadine propagating operation at the nearby Tinga Nursery. The formal program followed at 10:00 AM with over 80 people attending, exclusive of University personnel. Pesticide applicator’s accreditation was available to attendees.

Dr. Winston Hagler, Assistant Director, North Carolina Agricultural Research Service (NCARS), opened the field day with welcoming remarks and updates from the College; Mr. Eddie Pitzer, Director, Research Stations Division, NCARS and the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA&CS); Mr. Kent Rorem, Horticultural Crops Station Superintendent, and Connie Fisk, Extension Associate for Muscadine Grapes also provided opening remarks and helpful information for participants in the field day.

Others in attendance were from the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service (Whit Jones and Dr. Tom Melton), the Departments of Plant Pathology (Dr. Bill Cline and Dr. Turner Sutton), Horticultural Science (Dr. Julia Kornegay and Dr. Barclay Poling), as well as a number of graduate students and post-doctoral associates. Students from James Sprunt Community College were present because of the outreach effort of Extension Associate, Connie Fisk. Mr. Phillip Winslow, Superintendent of Cunningham Research Station in Kinston, NC and Mr. Peter Gilmore, Vice President of Dole Foods, Eastern Seaboard Sourcing were also in attendance. The station was in very attractive condition and the credit, of course, goes to Mr. Rorem and his staff.

The emphasis was on fresh market fruit and the field day topics included: 1) the recent USDA Grading Standards, packaging, and uses for culled berries; 2) diseases, insects and weeds in fresh...
market production; and 3) discussion of variety trials and taste testing followed by a question and answer session conducted in the vineyard.

2007 Nursery Short Course and Field Day
The Nursery Short Course and Field Day was an excellent daylong meeting held on September 20 at our Mountain Horticultural Crops Research Station in Fletcher, NC. There were well over 100 nursery owners and operators and NCCES personnel in attendance. Dr. Winston Hagler, Assistant Director, NCARS; Richard Reich, Assistant Commissioner, NCDA & CS; Dr. Julia Kornegay, Head, Department of Horticultural Science; John Allen, President of the North Carolina Nursery and Landscape Association and President of Shiloh Nursery, Harmony, NC; and Dr. Anthony LeBude, Assistant Professor, Department of Horticultural Science were on hand to provide updates, welcoming remarks, and helpful information for the field day. Pesticide applicator’s accreditation was available to attendees.

The field tour comprised of 13 exhibits devoted to trial plants; plant breeding; propagation techniques; including novel tissue culture applications, taxonomy and nomenclature, weed control in containers, screening for resistance to Phytophthora, growth media technology, improving drought resistance with growth regulators, evaluation of hemlock and holly species for adaptability to western North Carolina, and other issues of interest and importance to nursery operators.

The afternoon session, held in the Research and Extension Center auditorium, and limited to 100 pre-registered attendees began with a box luncheon provided by Carolina Farm Credit, Statesville, NC. The program was, operationally, a symposium comprised of presentations from faculty members from our Departments of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Horticultural Science, Entomology and Plant Pathology covering the economic impact of the green industry -- $8.7 billion based on 2005 data (Dr. Safley); alternative bedding media (Dr. Bilderback); management of arthropod pests in nursery and landscape contexts (Dr. Bambara); best management practices for field production (Dr. LeBude); Phytophthora management research (Dr. Ivors); and conifers for western North Carolina (Dr. Ranney).

Dr. Steven Leath and Dr. Roger Crickenberger Honored
At the fall meeting of the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors (SAAESD) in Philadelphia, PA, resolutions were passed honoring Dr. Steven Leath and Dr. Roger Crickenberger, former Associate Dean and Director and Associate Director, respectively of the NC Agricultural Research Service (NCARS). The resolutions expressed the Associations’ appreciation for years of service for providing leadership as Administrative Advisors to several multi-state projects. Dr. Leath also served as Treasurer for the Association.

Last call for registration for Celebrate NC Wines!
Sign up now for the third annual Celebrate NC Wines! to be held again this year at the JC Raulston Arboretum on Sunday, October 7, from 3 – 7:00 p.m. Participants will enjoy wines from 13 award-winning wineries, as well as choice hors d’oeuvres, live music, and the beauties of the garden in fall. The event will also feature research exhibits and demonstrations by CALS faculty, highlighting their work with this burgeoning industry. Registration is required for this fundraiser supporting viticulture and enology research, and the Raulston Arboretum; the form is available online at: http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/NCwines/tix_registration.html

Research Foundation begins strategic planning process
The NC Agricultural and Life Sciences Research Foundation met on September 26 for the first working meeting of the new board. Committees of the board began work toward the development of a strategic plan for the Foundation, and began planning for a signature event to showcase CALS research.
Program News – 4-H

Back Home Visit with Congressman Heath Shuler
Congressman Heath Shuler made a Back Home Visit and met with various groups at the Swannanoa 4-H Center on August 15, 2007. Congressman Shuler was elected in November 2006 and has expressed interest and support for 4-H, as well as other programs that are offered by Cooperative Extension. One of Shuler’s primary interest areas is “Youth and Family” issues. During his visit, he was able to learn about various Extension programs related to EFNEP, environmental education, youth development and nutrition.

A special thanks to Dr. Harvey Fouts and the Western District Extension faculty for making this visit such a great success.

New Look for FFCI
The Forum for Family & Consumer Issues (FFCI) has a new “face” and a new url. Take a look -- www.ncsu.edu/ffci FFCI is an international, refereed e-journal for professionals in family and consumer sciences, 4-H youth development, and related fields. Articles published in FFCI further the mission of Cooperative Extension and community engagement to bring impact beyond the profession.

Topics include:
- food and nutrition
- food safety
- health
- family resource management
- legal issues
- housing and home furnishings
- human development over the life course
- youth programming
- programming for diverse audiences
- program evaluation
- community engagement
- leadership development

North Carolina Summit on Youth and Families
Dr. Marshall Stewart and the Department of 4-H Youth Development and Family & Consumer Sciences at North Carolina State University would like to invite you to participate in the North Carolina Summit on Youth and Families, December 4-5, 2007 at the Sheraton Imperial, RTP. Please visit http://www.ncsummit.org/ for more information.

Program News – ANR/CRD
Drought website provides resources for agents

To help county Extension professionals answer questions about the drought, Cooperative Extension is updating its drought management page. New and updated information will be posted to the drought page at http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/disaster/drought/.
Please send your relevant drought information to both Natalie Hampton Natalie_Hampton@ncsu.edu and Dave Caldwell Dave_Caldwell@ncsu.edu in Communication Services. They will review your material and pass it on to Extension IT for posting to the drought page.

Old materials from the Drought Management page (1994) have been removed, but some of it may still be valuable. As quickly as possible, please review material relevant to your subject area at http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/disaster/drought/old/. If the material is out of date, we will not return it to the drought page. If the text can easily be updated, please paste it into a new Word file and send it on to Natalie and Dave for review and posting.

**Disaster Preparedness Month**

September is National Preparedness Month and the Cooperative Extension Service, through EDEN, is a partner in this fourth annual campaign. This year's national campaign has a different preparedness theme for each week of September: (1) Back to School; (2) Ready Business; (3) Multicultural Awareness; and (4) Family Preparedness. EDEN connects state and local Extension offices to expert materials in disaster preparedness, recovery, response and mitigation from almost every land-grant institution in the country. Visit http://www.eden.lsu.edu/npm/ for more information.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Ready Campaign has released three new demonstration videos designed to highlight the specific steps older Americans, individuals with disabilities and special needs, and pet owners should take to prepare for emergencies.

The Department of Homeland Security developed these new emergency preparedness videos, which are available online at http://www.ready.gov, to remind individuals to get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan and be informed about the different types of emergencies while considering the unique needs of these individuals, their families and caregivers. The videos recommend seniors include any necessary prescription medications in their emergency supply kits. They encourage Americans with disabilities or special needs to create a personal support network that they can rely on during an emergency. Pet owners are advised to learn which emergency shelters in their area and/or along their evacuation route will allow pets.

The new videos are released in time for National Preparedness Month 2007, a nationwide effort held each September to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies. The goal of National Preparedness Month is to increase public awareness about the importance of family preparedness and to encourage individuals to take action in their homes and schools. The U. S. Administration on Aging encourages everyone to take steps now in order to be prepared in the event of a disaster or national emergency.

**Sustainable Community Proposals Invited**

Proposals are invited for the 2007 Southern Region Sustainable Community Innovation (SCI) Grants to fund projects that link sustainable agriculture to rural community development. The grants have a funding maximum of $10,000 for up to two years of project activities. Proposals will be accepted until October 1, 2007 with awards announced mid-to-late December.

Recent SCI projects have helped a fishing community develop a brand marketing identity for local seafood in North Carolina and facilitated networking among the agricultural producers from 38 Native American tribes in Oklahoma. A project in rural Georgia will use the results from a food system survey to assess the current local food system, promote sustainable agriculture entrepreneurial opportunities and influence farm-friendly local government policy.
Any individuals, non-profit organizations, for-profit organizations, governmental organizations and/or educational organizations may apply for a Sustainable Community Innovation Grant. Applicants must be from the Southern Region, which consists of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands.

Proposals must be submitted through an online template. The call for proposals can be obtained at www.southernsare.org

SCI grants are a partnership of the Southern Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program and the Southern Rural Development Center.

**Urban County Directors Meeting**
**HOLD THE DATE** – October 26, 2007 Urban County Directors Meeting - Raleigh, North Carolina

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**COLLEGE ADVANCEMENT**

**CALS Alumni Awards Banquet**
The CALS Alumni Awards Banquet is scheduled for Friday, September 28 in the ballroom at the University Club from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. honoring our 2007 Distinguished CALS Alumni Award winners. Also honored are the 2007 CALS Outstanding Alumni Award winners as well as Outstanding Faculty/Staff and Outstanding Young Alumni winners.

**CALS Alumni and Friends Society Enewsletter**
The Office of College Advancement has created a new CALS Alumni and Friends Society enewsletter! Please send your 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

**PATTERSON Porch Party for the NC State Homecoming Parade!** Come and watch the NC State Homecoming Parade from Patterson Hall on Friday, October 26. Call CALS Alumni office for more information or for parade time 919-515-7222.

**CALS Faculty/Staff Retiree Luncheon**
The CALS Faculty/Staff Retiree Luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, December 8, 2007 at the Jane S. McKimmon Center from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event will begin with a tour of Centennial Campus followed by a reception then the luncheon.

**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, just send Julia Brooks julia_brooks@ncsu.edu a quick e-mail letting her know so that she can add them to our list.

**CALS Donor Recognition Gala**
CALS Donor Recognition Gala is scheduled for Sunday, October 28 beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Research Triangle Park.

**Legacy Gifts**
CALS Alumni and Friends Society Enewsletter -- At a recent conference, the closing speaker asked
the group of 600 attendees who could tell him the names of their four grandparents. About 100 people raised their hands. Then he asked who could name all eight of their great grandparents. Only two people in the entire audience raised their hands. His response was “Well then that’s all there is…within two generations after your death, no one will remember who you were or what you stood for!” He went on to point out that the only way for us to be remembered was to make a “Legacy Gift” to a charity of our choice in order to ensure that our beliefs, values and, yes, even our names continue forever.

In the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Legacy Gifts can range from a $15,000 scholarship or programmatic endowment to $25 million to name the entire College. Your Legacy Gift may be funded through something as simple as a codicil to your will or through gifts of cash or appreciated assets including real estate and securities. These gifts can also provide you and members of your family with lifetime income, charitable deductions and reduced estate taxes.

To learn more about Legacy Gifts in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, contact the CALS Advancement Office at 919.515.9262 or visit our website at http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/index.htm.

Charitable IRA Rollover Tax Law Benefits to Expire on December 31, 2007
Between now and the end of 2007, individuals 70 & ½ or older have an opportunity to exclude their IRA distributions from income tax. See details below:

- The donor requests his or her IRA plan administrator to transfer funds to benefit the program and/or endowment of his/her choice.
- The IRA administrator transfers funds directly to our College for the use designated by the donor.
- This “qualified charitable distribution” is excluded from the donor’s adjusted gross income for income tax purposes. This means the donor will not incur any income tax on the distribution out of their IRA.
- The distribution qualifies as the donor’s minimum required distribution and can be as large as $100,000 per individual.
- No charitable income-tax deduction is allowed.

Donors should consult with their tax and financial advisors and should also contact Sonia Murphy, Director of Gift Planning 919-513-0637, before making their IRA Rollover distributions. Refer to Pension Protection Act of 2006.

CALS Gift Legacy Web Site
To 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.gifitlegacy.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 – NEW HIRES FOR AUGUST 2007**

**New Campus Employees-Faculty**
Hannah Burrack, Assistant Professor, Entomology
Christopher Gunter, Assistant Professor, Horticultural Science

**New Campus Employees – Staff**
Shawn Kennedy, Research Specialist, Biological and Agricultural Engineering
Samantha Skillen, Administrative Support Specialist, Biological Resources Center
Andrea Sato, Research Assistant, Center for Integrated Pest Management
Steven Stell, Research Technician, Central Crops Research Station
Karen Bussey, Research Assistant, Crop Science
David Zahn, Web Application Developer, Crop Science
Janet Griffiths, Research Technician, Entomology
Lanakila Alexander, Administrative Support Specialist, Genetics
Jill Anderson, Academic Advisor, Zoology

**New County Employees – Cooperative Extension**
Randolph E. Carothers, IV, Assistant Extension Agent, Duplin County
Ivylyn Olson, County Extension Administrative Secretary, Henderson County
Mary E. Hollingsworth, Assistant Extension Agent, Hoke County
Connie S. Burleson, County Extension Secretary II, Hyde County
Casey L. Spivey, County Extension Secretary II, Hyde County
Mark A. Weekley, Landscape Specialist I, New Hanover County
Mason C. Lawrence, Assistant Extension Agent, Pasquotank County
Richard A. Goforth, Associate Area Specialized Agent, Union County

**October 2007 Field Days***

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Staff Senate Open Forum
October 11, 2007
9:00 a. m. - Noon
Witherspoon Cinema, NC State University

Here is your opportunity to hear information and ask questions about current activities on the Hillsborough Street Project, Campus Safety, and the State Health Plan. Kevin Howell and Legislators will provide an update on Legislative items. In addition, the Provost will open the event, and Human Resources will provide updates, and be available to answer questions.

Do you have a specific issue or question?
Go to Staff Senate web site by October 8 and use the 'Submit an Issue' link to alert the speakers about any specific information you would like them to address on their topic. Or contact your Staff Senator for a paper copy of a form to submit.

Topics:

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Provost Welcome**
  Larry A. Nielsen, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor

- **Legislative Update**
  Kevin Howell, Assistant to the Chancellor for External Affairs
  Janet Cowell, Senator, Wake County, 16th District
  Jennifer Weiss, Representative, Wake County, 35th District

- **Hillsborough Street Roundabout Project**
  Roger Henderson, Project Director, Kimley-Horn & Associates
  Marilyn Stieneke, Director, Planning & Communications, Finance and Business

- **Campus Safety**
  David Rainer, Associate Vice Chancellor, Environmental Health & Public Safety

- **State Health Plan**
  Dan Soper, Chief Operating Officer, State Health Plan
  Joe Williams, Assistant Director, Benefits Office

- **HR Update**
  Barbara Carroll, Associate Vice Chancellor, Human Resources

Questions/Comments:
The Open Forum wants your participation!
Submit advance questions and comments here by Noon, Monday, October 8:
www.ncsu.edu/staff_senate/submit_issue.htm
For a paper form to submit in advance, contact any Staff Senator.

Visit Your Staff Senate Website:
www.ncsu.edu/staff_senate