NC AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

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

Royal Horticulture Society gives highest votes to two cultivars from Dr. Dennis J. Werner
The Royal Horticulture Society at Wisley, England has conducted an all European Buddleia trail that includes all cultivars available in the trade, 107 in all. The top vote getters, by a decisive margin, were Buddleia x ‘Miss Ruby’ and Lo & Behold™ ‘Blue Chip’, respectively. The trial coordinator commented that the votes for Lo & Behold™ ‘Blue Chip’ would most likely have been higher had the voting continued longer. That is because Lo & Behold™ ‘Blue Chip’ continued to flower well beyond all other cultivars. This is great news and is a good indication that each plant is in the running for the prestigious RHS award of Garden Merit. There cuttings were developed by Horticultural Science Professor, Denny Werner and he should be pleased that his plants took the top two spots. I expect that his breeding will garner even more accolades in the future, as his Buddleia breeding is the best in the world.

NCALS Research Conference Update
On January 22 at the McKimmon Center, the College and the NC Agricultural & Life Sciences Research Foundation hosted over 450 participants at the first CALS Research Conference, Stewards of the Future: Research for Global Sustainability. Many of the participants, including corporate, commodity group, governmental and foundation partners, commented on number of CALS research programs represented of which they were unaware.

The multimedia presentation on CALS research, as well as the CALS Research Inventory and Commodity Support listing distributed to all conference participants, are viewable online at:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/advancement/StewardsoftheFutureDownloads.htm

Special thanks to all faculty and staff members who participated as speakers, in the video, or in the Innovation Fair, and who helped spread the word through emails and invitations. Your help made the conference possible. Your research made it relevant.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OFFICE
CALS will be hosting the Honors Visitation Day on Friday, March 13 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The CALS Ambassadors are in the process of planning a CALS Open House/Visitation Day for accepted students on Saturday, April 18. More information on this day will be available soon.
New Student Orientation (NSO) Dates Reminder: Please mark your calendars for NSO. The dates are July 13 & 14, July 14 & 15, and July 15 & 16. If you have questions, please contact either Tricia Buddin or Julie Holder at 919-515-2614.

Thank you to the faculty who supported our WISE and Park Finalists Visitation Days. Your help was truly appreciated.

Upcoming Dates of Importance

- **March 2 to March 6** - Spring Break; no classes
- **March 9** - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.; Advising begins for 2009 Summer Sessions and Fall Semester enrollment
- **March 10** - Enrollment (Registration) begins for the 2009 Summer Sessions and Fall Semester
- **March 11** - Last day to withdraw or drop a course without a grade at the all levels; Last day to change from credit to audit at all levels; Last day to change to credit only; Last day to submit Request for Course Repeat Without Penalty forms; MyPack Portal closes for Undergraduate and Graduate drops at 11:59 p.m.
- **April 10** - Spring Holiday; no classes
- **April 13** - Classes resume at 8:05 a.m.
- **April 20 to April 24** - "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.
- **April 24** - Last day of classes
- **April 27 to May 5** - Final Examinations
- **May 9** - Spring Commencement

Undergraduate Admissions Information

The Admission Office will use the same notification dates and application process again this year. The notification dates are:

- Application Deadline #1: October 15
  - Notification Date: December 15 - completed
- Application Deadline #2: November 1
  - Notification Date: January 30 – completed
- Application Deadline #3: December 1
  - Notification Date: March 15 – completed (decisions released early on 2/18/09)

Of the 2,936 who had applied for entrance into CALS as of February 16, 2009:

- 1,268 were admitted
- 895 were female (71%) and 373 were male (29%)
- 1,034 were from in-state (81.5%) and 233 were from out-of-state (18.4%) with 1 applicant who has residency still pending (0.1%)

Diversity breakdown:

- White 77.3%
- American Native 0.6%
- African American 6.5%
- Asian 7.0%
• Hispanic 3.4%
• Unknown 4.9%
• International 0.3%

Academic Credentials/Test Score Averages are as follows for those admitted to CALS:
• Average SAT Total (math & verbal only) 1210
• Average SAT Math Score 617
• Average SAT Verbal Score 593
• Percent Ranked in Top 10% of HS Class 59.9%
• Average High School GPA 4.31

Application Deadline #4: February 1
Notification Date: March 30

CAREER SERVICES OFFICE
March will be a busy month for Career Services. On Tuesday, March 10, we will host the annual Dining Etiquette and Professional Fashion Show, sponsored by Kraft Foods. Due to an overwhelming response, all tickets were given out within two days. Interested students can plan on attending next spring, or they can attend one of our other popular events.

On March 11 and 25, the CALS REACH Team and Peer Counselors will be in the Brickyard conducting quick resume reviews and giving career-related advice. Look for the Minute Clinic banners from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on March 10 and 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on March 25.

Our office will also host “Back-Up Plans: A Guide for Pre-professional Students” in March. There will be two editions of this workshop, one for pre-medical students and one for pre-veterinary students. Pre-med students are encouraged to attend on Monday, March 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in 304 Fox and pre-vet students are encouraged to attend Wednesday, March 18 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in 102 Clark Labs.

On Tuesday, March 24, we will host “Get Hired! Finding and securing a job after graduation” in 306 Fox from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Participants will learn the tools and skills to succeed in their need for their job searches. Interested students can register for the event online at:

http://harvest.cals.ncsu.edu/career/index.cfm?pageID=1500

For details on participating in any of our events, students should go to our home page and choose “Events and Workshops” from the student menu.

AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE

Mark Your Calendars
• Agricultural Institute Visitation Day
  The Agricultural Institute will be hosting a visitation day on Friday, March 27. This day will be for high school seniors that have applied or are interested in the Agricultural Institute. Agricultural Institute faculty, advisers and coordinators will receive additional information soon.
Agricultural Institute Senior Breakfast
The AGI Senior Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, April 22 in 2405 Williams Hall. The event will begin at 7:15 a.m.

Agricultural Institute Spring Commencement
The AGI Spring Commencement Exercises will be held on Friday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m. in Stewart Theatre.

NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

CEFS to Host Summit on Building Local Food Economies
The Center for Environmental Farming Systems will host the 2009 Farm to Fork Summit March 2-3 at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh. The day and a half conference will explore the outcomes of six regional meetings held last fall, and Working Issues Teams will provide input about “game changer” and “local tool box” ideas. The goal of the summit is to help produce a Statewide Action Plan for Building a Local Food Economy. The workshop has reached capacity and closed registration.

Extension’s Successful Gardener at Southern Spring Show in Charlotte
Extension’s Successful Gardener Learning Center is the place to get your gardening questions answered during the Southern Spring Home & Garden Show, March 4-8 at The Park (formerly the Charlotte Merchandise Mart) in Charlotte. The Learning Center, hosted by North Carolina Cooperative Extension horticulture agents and Master Gardeners, will feature the 2009 Showstopper Plants. For more information, visit www.southernshows.com.

Farm Safety 4 Just Kids Workshop is March 12
At the Farm Safety 4 Just Kids Workshop March 12, Extension agents and others can learn how to make training programs on farm safety and health programs come alive for children, youth and families. Hear and share success stories. Discover resources. Learn the latest on ATV, pesticide and farm machinery safety. The workshop will be held at the Johnston County Cooperative Extension Center in Smithfield, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration is free, and lunch will be provided. For more information and to register, visit the Web site: www.ces.ncsu.edu/xlms/event_display.php?event_id=1652

Mark Your Calendars - Statewide Virtual IT Conference
NC Cooperative Extension's first statewide virtual information technology conference is set for Tuesday, March 24, and all employees are invited. The event will feature a full day of conference sessions about technology topics, all delivered via Elluminate. Most sessions will run for 20 to 30 minutes. The conference sessions will showcase innovative ways for using technology in Extension work and will provide strategies for managing the increasing volumes of information coming at us. Several guest speakers from other states will share their expertise. Full details of the virtual IT conference are coming soon.

Media Relations Made Easy workshop to be held in Pitt County
The MRME team will hold a workshop on Thursday, March 26 at the Pitt County Extension Center. Registration will be open soon in the Learning Management System, so please register early. For more information, contact trainers Ed Emory, Al Hight or Rebecca Liverman.
**Value-Added Newsletter available**
The latest newsletter is now available from the Program for Value-Added and Alternative Agriculture at the program’s Web site: [www.cals.ncsu.edu/value-added/](http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/value-added/). The January-February newsletter includes information about Extension’s training program on fresh produce safety, The Produce Lady Web site, and a research focus on food safety and irrigation water.

**UNC-TV to Feature Two Stories on 4-H's Centennial**
The Department of 4-H Youth Development and Family & Consumer Sciences is excited to announce the airing of two NC 4-H Youth Development features on UNC-TV. To celebrate NC 4-H’s 100th anniversary, UNC-TV featured the NC 4-H Youth Development Program in a series of North Carolina NOW (NC NOW) programs. The first series of two NC NOW programs aired on February 2 and 3. The two features focused on the history and evolution of the NC 4-H Youth Development Program. We invite you to watch these features by visiting the Web site: [www.nc4h.org/](http://www.nc4h.org/).

**Order 4-H License Plates**
As we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of 4-H in North Carolina, show your pride in the clover by purchasing a NC 4-H Specialty License Plate for your car or truck. We still need more paid applications for the state to establish the “NC 4-H Specialty License Plate,” so please considering purchasing a plate for $30. Submit your application, and get a friend to do the same, and the 4-H Development Fund will cover the cost of one license plate for the first year. Buy one, get one free from now until August 15. For details, contact Michael Martin at 919-513-8254 or [mjmartin@ncsu.edu](mailto:mjmartin@ncsu.edu).

**Obit: Dr. Linda Bunn**
Dr. Linda Bunn of Raleigh, who held teaching and administrative responsibilities for Cooperative Extension at N.C. State University and was a professor emeritus, died February 19. Obituary at: [www.wilsontimes.com/Obits/Story/Feb--21--2009-Obituaries--](http://www.wilsontimes.com/Obits/Story/Feb--21--2009-Obituaries--).

**OFFICE OF DIVERSITY**
New Partnership: The CALS Diversity Council and CALS Academic Programs Office have engaged in a new partnership led by the NCSU Office of Diversity and Inclusion in collaboration with the United Negro College Fund Institute for Capacity Building Enrollment Management Program. The Cultivating High Achieving Motivated Professionals and Scholars (CHAMPS) Project will expose undergraduate students from private Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU’s) to graduate degree programs as well as undergraduate research opportunities available in five colleges at NCSU including CALS, College of Engineering, College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine, College of Textiles and College of Humanities and Social Sciences. The main goals of the project are to:

- Encourage and create opportunities for members of underrepresented groups to participate in summer undergraduate research opportunities at NCSU.
- Expose members of underrepresented groups to graduate education at NCSU and encourage them to consider one of NCSU’s graduate programs of study.
- Build a network among the 39 private HBCU’s to promote graduate education at NCSU.

The project will begin during the summer of 2009. Plans are being discussed to expand the project in the future to include federally designated 1994 Native American land-grant institutions and Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI).
For more information on CALS participation in the project, please contact Dr. Lisa A. Guion, Interim Assistant Dean for Diversity (lisa_guion@ncsu.edu or 919-513-0573).

New Report: The 2008 NC State Hispanic/Latino Task Force has issued its final report: “The University Of Choice: A Roadmap For Increasing Hispanic/Latino Access To And Success At North Carolina State University.” The report includes information about current programs and activities and recommendations for improving student preparation to attend NC State, increasing access to NC State, success at NC State, and success after graduation. It is available online at:


National Observances – There are several national observances during the month of March. They include:

- National Women's History Month
- Deaf History Month
- Greek-American Heritage Month
- Irish-American Heritage Month
- Mental Retardation Awareness Month
- National Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Awareness Month
- National Multiple Sclerosis Education and Awareness Month
- Spiritual Wellness Month

**INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE**

**NASULGC-USAID Africa Planning Grant**
The Office of International Affairs (OIA), under the direction of Dr. Prema Arasu, presented a strong application to the NASULGC Africa-US Higher Education Initiative for the competitive planning grant that was proposed earlier last year. A multi-disciplinary team including faculty from OIA, IPO, CALS, CNR, and CHASS worked diligently on a project focusing on food security incorporating the University of Malawi and the Clinton Hunter Foundation (CHF). Mr. Walker Morris of Raleigh visited campus on January 7, 2009 for follow-up conversations on CHF projects currently in Malawi, Africa. The team is excited to be working with Mr. Morris and CHF and hopes NCSU will be able to continue CHF’s current enterprises with the University of Malawi.

**Grant Updates**

**Borlaug Fellowship Grant**
Dr. Yasmin Cardoza of Entomology and the IPO hosted a Borlaug Fellow from Honduras between October and November 2008 for a USDA Norman Borlaug International Agricultural Science and Technology Fellows Program on “Testing the Potential for Compost Teas for Environmentally-Friendly Pest Management”. Our fellow, Dr. Javier Diaz, spent five weeks conducting research and working with faculty members, and had a positive experience while visiting NC State. Dr. Cardoza is continuing the research to include invitations for two Honduran undergraduates who will be visiting campus under the new Global Training Institute Program.

**Cochran Fellowship Program Grant**
The IPO has been approached by USDA to initiate another Cochran Fellowship program hosting individuals from Georgia and Macedonia for a training program in water management and small
irrigation systems. Dr. Bob Wells, emeritus professor of ARE, is currently researching prospects for the program which will be conducted in mid-May.

**International Visitors**

On February 5, 2009 CALS visited with a delegation from Indonesia which included NCSU alumnus Dr. Widi Pratikto. Dr. Pratikto and The NC Sea Grant Program have been working together since receiving his doctorate in 1992 supporting efforts for Indonesia’s tsunami recovery. The seven-member delegation included ministry officials from Indonesia in areas of fisheries, marine affairs, and planning divisions. The NC Sea Grant hosted the Indonesians for their brief US tour as they first visited government officials in Washington, DC. The group then met with faculty from Civil Engineering, BAE, and Veterinary Medicine before heading to the Sea Grant facilities in Wilmington.

**COLLEGE ADVANCEMENT**

**Tax News: The IRA Rollover Legislation is back for 2009**

Under the IRA rollover, gifts will be excluded from your gross income (a tax-free transfer).

To qualify for benefits under the IRA Charitable Rollover:

- The transfer must be from a regular or Roth IRA
- You must be 70 ½ or older at the time of the gift
- Transfers must go directly from your IRA custodian to the NC Agricultural Foundation, Inc.
- Your transfers cannot exceed $100,000 per year
- Gifts must be outright and cannot fund planned gifts.

To support a CALS program through an IRA Rollover gift, please contact Sonia Murphy at 919-513-0637 or sonia_murphy@ncsu.edu

**North Carolina Centennial 4-H Lifetime Achievement Awards Celebration**

The Centennial 4-H Lifetime Achievement Awards Celebration is scheduled for April 23, 2009 at the Embassy Suites Hotel Resort & Conference Center Charlotte-Concord. This event provides an outstanding venue to highlight today’s 4-H youth development program and the outstanding job it does helping young people become competent, caring, and contributing members of society. This year’s theme will focus on the 4-H Centennial anniversary, with a “Showcase of Excellence” highlighting 4-H science and technology, community service and excellence in utilizing university-based curricula to develop future leaders.

We will be recognizing Mr. Tommy Burleson with the 4-H Lifetime Achievement Award. Family Legacy Awards will be presented to the Teeter Family and Vanderbilt/Cecil Family. You will be interested to know that in the 1920s, Mrs. Vanderbilt paid the first-year salary for Mr. L. R. Harrill, our first Buncombe County 4-H Agent, and also established the first 4-H camp on the Biltmore Estate. All award recipients are being recognized for their outstanding involvement and support of North Carolina 4-H.

[http://www.nc4h.org/donors/nc4h-lifetime-achievement.html](http://www.nc4h.org/donors/nc4h-lifetime-achievement.html)

**Save the Dates for Upcoming CALS Alumni & Friends Events**

- Tuesday, April 7 – Speed Networking, NCSU Campus, Raleigh, NC
- Saturday, April 18 – Fisheries and Wildlife Reunion, Harrill Youth Center, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC
Saturday, September 19 – Tailgate (tentative), Dorton Arena, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC
Saturday, December 5 – Retired Faculty/Staff Luncheon, McKimmon Center, Raleigh, NC

For more information on these events, please contact arsheph2@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 (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 Anna Shepherd arsheph2@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, just send Anna Shepherd arsheph2@ncsu.edu a quick e-mail letting her know so that she can add them to our list.

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. If you have any questions about non-cash gifts, please call Chris at 919-515-7678.

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://www.calsgiftplanning.org/.

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

2009 JC Raulston Arboretum Gala in the Garden
May 3, 2009 ~ 3:00 p.m.
Honorary Chairs: Linda and Rufus Edmisten
Available in print for the very first time, Dr. George T. Barthalmus' original murder mystery, *Revenge Through Me*. Dr. Barthalmus is donating all proceeds from the sale of the book to the George and Marina Barthalmus Life Sciences Scholarship Endowment. In addition, he will personally sign all copies purchased through this initial offering! Single editions are just $25, with discounts for purchases of three or more books. Hurry! Prices will increase after this special offer! To order your personalized first edition(s), just click here. More info here.

**COLLEGE PERSONNEL**

**New Campus Employees - Staff**  
Josephine Shafer, Extension Assistant, 4-H Youth Development and Family & Consumer Sciences  
Joshua Bledsoe, State Agricultural Education Coordinator, Agricultural and Extension Education  
Karen Lewis, Administrative Support Specialist, Bioinformatics Research Center  
Kevin Cotton, Research Technician, Biological Resources Facility  
Eric Morris, Research Assistant, Center for Applied Aquatics  
Amanda Holland, Research Technician, Crop Science  
Humberto Heluane, Research Assistant, Microbiology  

**New County Employees**  
Erin Bonito, County Extension Secretary, Buncombe County  
Megan Ray, Assistant Extension Agent, Harnett County  
Steven Roman, Program Assistant, Lenoir County  
Laura Duffie, Assistant Extension Agent, Wake County  
Erin Bain, Assistant Extension Agent, Warren County

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