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Agricultural Alumni Association



CULTIVATING CONNECTIONS



Innovative - This word is used to describe a skill that many of our grads possess when they get into the work force. It's also a word that we've taken to heart in the Ag Alumni Association, especially over the last year.

When we realized we couldn't gather for the Fish Fry, dozens of faculty and staff from the college came together to present Gone Fishin' – a virtual nod to the fun conversations and important information traditionally shared at our annual meeting. We reached new audiences, and engaged in new, virtual ways, which will only serve to complement our future programming.



As we continue to innovate, our goal is to find new ways to connect to our younger alumni. Boilers on Tap, as you'll see below, brings together alumni 40 and under to determine the future of young alumni programming.

And finally, communication to our alumni has changed over the years. Developing this

e-newsletter is our primary strategic goal for 2021, so that we can communicate with you by sharing events, news and stories. [Click here to give us your feedback.](#)

Boiler Up and Hail Purdue!

Danica Kirkpatrick
Executive Director
Purdue Ag Alumni Association



FEATURE STORY



Forbes recognizes young entrepreneur and her formula for success

Egger graduated from Purdue in 2015 with a degree in food science. She helped found BIOMILQ, a company that developed a new formula breastmilk, made by culturing mammary cells in their lab. The resulting product has similar nutritional value to traditional breastmilk.

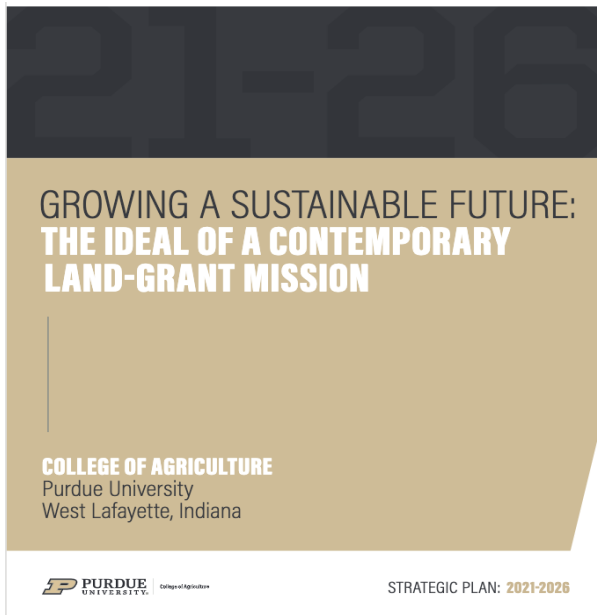
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COLLEGE UPDATE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Boilers On Tap

Thinking strategically



Over the last year, the college has been developing a 2021-2026 strategic plan. Many faculty, staff and stakeholders worked to provide content and critical review of the plan.

The theme of the plan is “Growing a Sustainable Future.” In all areas of our college, we must build a future that is sustainable and allows Purdue Agriculture to continue to be a global leader. Our strategic plan is built around four foundational themes – Inclusive Excellence, Teaching, Discovery and Engagement.

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March 30 | 6-8 p.m.
Lafayette, IN

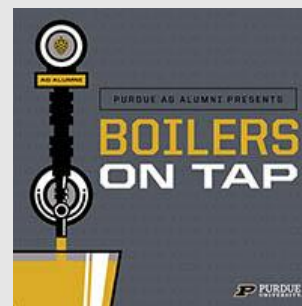
April 1 | 7-9 p.m.
Vincennes, IN

April 7 | 6-8 p.m.
Indianapolis, IN

April 7 | 6-8 p.m.
Nashville, IN

April 14 | 6-8 p.m.
Fort Wayne, IN

April 26 | 7:30-9 p.m.
Through a Zoom platform



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Meet Olivia West

This senior in Ag Economics, has done it all during her time at Purdue. She's got a bright future ahead. Learn more about Olivia and the highlights of her time at Purdue.

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Graduate Student Spotlight: Becca Nixon, Forestry and Natural Resources

Graduate Student, Becca Nixon, grew up outside of Detroit, and loved spending time outdoors. Having a father who went to Purdue and family in Indiana tipped the scales toward doctoral study in West Lafayette.

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Forestry and natural resources professor helps men craft bright futures

Eva Haviarova got her Ph.D. from Purdue in Wood Science and Technology in 2000. She is currently working to help give purpose to men whose lives have been derailed. *"When I'm looking at my students I'm always looking at thier futures. I want them to have a good education, a good life and options."*

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COMINGS AND GOINGS

New Department Heads for Animal Sciences and Horticulture and Landscape Architecture

Purdue Ag welcomes new heads for Horticulture & Landscape Architecture, and Animal Sciences.



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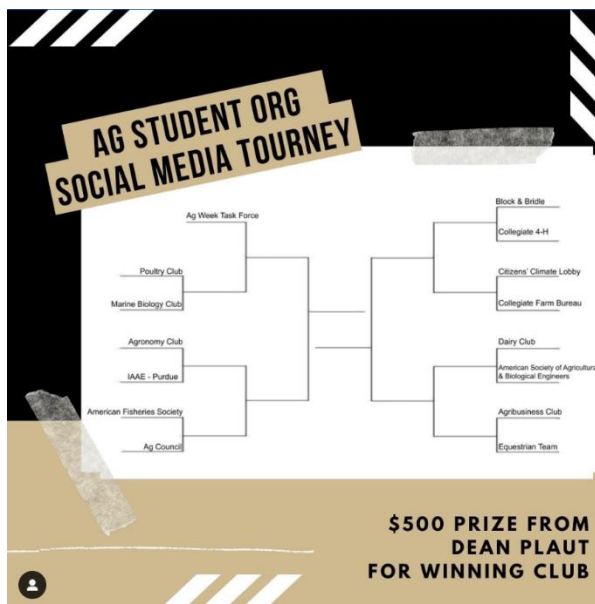
SOCIAL SPOTLIGHT

Be sure to follow along with our own March madness.

We're tracking the matchups for clubs and organizations, and anyone can vote.

Which club will win the \$500?

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