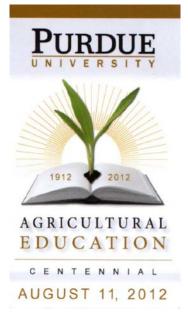
Purdue AgEd Views

For alumni and friends of Agricultural Education at Purdue University



We hope you have received the postcard asking you to Save the Date of August 11, 2012 to join us to celebrate 100 years of Agricultural Education at Purdue University and have placed the magnet on your refrigerator as a friendly reminder. If you have access to the internet we encourage you to visit <u>www.ydae.purdue.edu/AgEd100th</u> for updates and information about former Agricultural Education faculty that are planning to attend. Progress is being made on the registration specifics for the day's activities.

We have been working on a History of Agricultural Education Website and have prepared a series of questions that we hope our alumni would complete and return so we can include this information as a permanent record. Included in this issue of Purdue AgEd Views is an insert with the Centennial History Project questions that we hope you will complete and return to us as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and we look forward to your attendance at our Centennial Celebration.

IDOE Welcomes New Agricultural Education Specialist

In May 2011, Chris Kaufman was selected as Indiana's new Agricultural Education Specialist at the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE). He received his B.S. in Agricultural Economics, Sales and Marketing, and Agricultural Education from Purdue University and an M.S. in Educational Administration from Ball State University. Chris has taught Science at Lynhurst 7th and 8th Grade Center, Agricultural Education at Whiteland Community High School and schools in Florida.

Kaufman's responsibilities within the IDOE's Office of College and Career Preparation include managing, revising, and creating agricultural education content and curriculum around the state as well as expanding the rigor and relevance of agricultural education with the STEM disciplines of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. He can be contacted at 317-232-9171 or ckaufman@doe.in.gov



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Agricultural Education Scholarship Recipients

The following students are 2010-2011 school year scholarship recipients:

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

Purdue Agricultural Education Endowment Matthew Armbruster Tyler Boganwright Spencer Carson Kaitlyn Culy Erin Gillev Mariah Huff Stephanie Jacobs Rayeann Tiede

Jacob Bacon Kaley Bontrager Abby Coy Brent Ertel Lauren Hardin Cara Hummel Emelia Kratz

W.I. Boyd Memorial Melissia Grant

Dr. Robert Brinson Kaitlyn Culy

Brent Ertel

CAERT Jacob Bacon

Dr. James Clouse Kevin Cross

Amir Faghih Estil Caton

Joshua Reger

Garv and Jean Geswein Sarah Williams

Florida Fruit Company Janna Oxford

Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators Cara Hummel Emelia Kratz

Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc. Scholarship Julie Elsbury

Travis and Karen Kiesel Amanda Workman

Christian Kropf Fruit Company Holly Kyler

Lois Maddox Memorial Erin Gilley

National Association of Agricultural **Educators** Spencer Carson Tyler Mason

PEP Abby Coy

Dr. Jerry L. and Susan M. Peters Ashley Wehner

Terry Robertson-Smith Katie Pitts

Terry and Joanne Small Emilie Kuhn

Eric Steiner Ashtin Balzer

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

Scholarship Awards of Excellence Sarah Correll Andrew Helming

Leonard B. Clore Estil Caton

Floyd and Nellie Elliott Rayeann Tiede

Gruel Memorial Endowment Kevin Cross Tyler Mason

Hageman Ag Emelia Kratz

Rex Hall Kaitlyn Culy

Amanda Workman

Marquardt Alumni Ashtin Balzer Amanda King Tyler Mason

Andrew Helming Holly Kyler

J. Kelly O'Neall and Margaret Ritchey **O'Neall Memorial** Emilie Kuhn Nate Lenig Ashley Wehner Kayla Skelton

Harry L. Pearson Outstanding Leader Emilie Kuhn

Lewis Runkle Sarah Williams

Hillis and Esther Wickizer

Abby Coy Stephanie Jacobs Katie Pitts

Brent Ertel Janna Oxford

Amanda Workman

F. R. "Dick" Willsey Memorial Kaitlyn Culy Mariah Huff

Rich Helen Willsey Cara Hummel

Rayeann Tiede

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATORS (NAAE)

<u>Upper Division Scholarships</u> Kevin Cross Student Member CASE Institute Scholarship Aaron McKim

Students Excel at National FFA Convention

Purdue Agricultural Education students recognized at the National FFA Convention were:

2011 Proficiency State Winner

Andrew Helming

2011 Teach Ag Ambassador Emilie Kuhn

2011 American Degree Recipients

Tyler Boganwright Katherine Long Ashley Wehner Spencer Carson Colton Prescott Amanda Workman

Purdue Agricultural Education students assisting with the National FFA Agricultural Issues Forum CDE were:

2011 Agricultural Issues Forum CDE

Ashtin Balzer Julie Elsbury Josh Nelson Kevin Cross Amanda King Sarah Williams

Purdue Agricultural Education students serving as tour guides and recruiters were:

2011 CDE Tour Guides

Jennifer Amstutz Brent Ertel Quintin Leffel Ashley Steuer Ashley Wehner

Tyler Boganwright Stephanie Jacobs Brittany Marcelle Rayeann Tiede Amanda Workman

Honorary Degree

Greg Curlin, Switzerland County High School

Outstanding Members Selected

Each year, Indiana Farm Bureau sponsors awards for outstanding members of IAAE-Purdue. The selection is based on student's grade point average, participation in organization activities, and service to IAAE-Purdue. The following students were selected as award recipients in the **2010-2011** academic year for their respective years:

Emmy Kratz and Katie Pitts Brent Ertel and Emilie Kuhn Sarah Williams Logan Springstun Outstanding Freshmen Outstanding Sophomores Outstanding Junior Outstanding Senior

Student Success and Recognition

- Chelsey Mann, a 2011 Agricultural Education and Agricultural Economics graduate, won best speaker and best essay awards at the 2010 Townsend Debate.
- Ag Ambassadors for 2010-11 were Rebekah Nortrup, Lynsee Shaffer, Desiray Simmons, Logan Springstun and Mandy Wagoner. Ag Ambassadors for 2011-12 are Spencer Carson, Mariah Huff and Emmy Kratz.
- Kevin Cross, Agricultural Education senior, is serving as a member of the 2011 College of Agriculture Ag Council.
- The Gateway to Ag Careers program provides students in business colleges and universities with an IT and/or Ag inclination an awareness of the various opportunities available within participating AgGateway companies. Desiray Simmons, Agricultural Education senior, was awarded a grant to attend the annual AgGateway Conference, November 8-10 in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Emilie Kuhn, Agricultural Education junior, served as a 2011 National Teach Ag Ambassador. She was one of only 10 selected from a national applicant pool.
- Rachel Demaree, Agricultural Education junior, was selected as the NAAE 2011 summer advocacy intern. This fall she served as Farm Bill intern for Indiana Senator Richard Lugar.
- Almost 160 students, parents, faculty and staff, and guests attended the 2010 Spring IAAE-Purdue banquet. Our guest speaker was Mr. Joe Caffee, a past Indiana FFA state officer who is currently working at the First Bank of Berne.
- For the sixth year freshmen participated in the Agricultural Education Learning Community. These students took classes together, participated in educational as well as fun activities, and became a strong part of the Agricultural Education family.
- Fall 2011 undergraduate enrollment was 80.

IAAE-Purdue Elects Officers

Officers elected for 2011 and their retiring counterpart include:

Office

President Vice President of Fundraising Secretary Treasurer Reporter/Historian Chaplain Ag Council Representative

Retiring

Logan Springstun Mike Warstler

Cody Kerr Jill Chrisman Tricia Ritter Mike Warstler Casey Reckelhoff



2011 Officer

Brent Ertel Emilie Kuhn Amanda Workman Ashley Wehner Spencer Carson Michelle Rexing

Kayla Mosson

Faculty and Staff Notes

The Agricultural Education program is housed on the second floor of the Agricultural Administration building. Room numbers are: Levon Esters – Room 224, Dan Gottschalk - Room 220, Jerry Peters - Room 220A, Allen Talbert - Room 224. Our mailing address is: 615 West State Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907-2053. Our secretary is Mona Jackson, telephone (765) 494-8423.

Dr. Levon Esters was recognized by the American Association for Agricultural Education (AAAE) North Central Region as its 2010 Outstanding Early Career Agricultural Educator. Dr. Esters with the assistance of Megan Anderson (YDAE graduate student) and Kayla Mosson (Agricultural Education undergraduate student) is working on a number of marketing strategies for the Advanced Life Sciences (ALS) program. The major initiatives currently underway include updated ALS brochures and posters which are now available as well as an ALS website that should be up and running in mid-December.

Drs. Allen Talbert and Levon Esters co-led the Maymester Study Abroad in Jamaica for 15 Agricultural Education undergraduate students. This was the sixth and largest group to participate. Jamaica's College of Agriculture, Science and Education (CASE) and Purdue's College of Agriculture now have a Letter of Agreement to develop additional collaborations.

Dan Gottschalk reports that Cindy had a complete laryngectomy in May. She continues to recover and is feeling better than she has any time in the past 10 years. Dan has retired from his Pastorate after 17 years and will receive his 15 years of Service Award from Purdue in January.

Dr. Marcos Fernandez is the Associate Dean and Director of Academic Programs in the Purdue College of Agriculture. He was previously in similar roles at Penn State and Louisiana State University. Welcome to Purdue University, Dr. Fernandez! He can be reached at 765-494-8472 or mfernandez@purdue.edu

Dr. Jerry Peters, in collaboration with the Sydney Pagon Agricultural High School of St. Elizabeth Parish, will be offering a Seminar on Wings to Jamaica course this summer (June 22-July 2) for graduate students and secondary Agricultural Science and Business teachers. On a separate project, Peters continues to assist the Office of International Programs in Agriculture with the Afghan Junior Faculty Development Program and training workshops for the Indiana National Guard Agribusiness Development teams prior to their deployment to Afghanistan.

Recruitment into Agricultural Education

Recruitment of high school students into Agricultural Education at Purdue continues to be a top priority. We are again asking Agricultural Education alumni and friends to forward the names of students who might be interested in Agricultural Education at Purdue. Upon receiving these names, we will mail potential students a letter and a pamphlet explaining Purdue's Agricultural Education Program and invite them to our Purdue Agricultural Education Recruitment Day held in November on the Purdue campus. We have experienced a great deal of success with this one-on-one approach to recruiting.

We would appreciate your help by identifying those students who would be well served by Agricultural Education at Purdue University. You may send the name, address, phone number, and grade in high school via mail to: Agricultural Education, Purdue University, 615 West State Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907 or email to: dgott@purdue.edu or telephone at 765-494-8423.

Student Teachers

Seniors who completed their professional semester in Agricultural Education in 2011 along with the name of their school and their supervising teacher(s) are listed below:

Spring 2011

Emily Chaney South Newton H.S. Shane Storey Darryl Allen

Heather Dougherty Rossville H.S. Dale Griffin

Kelsey Haughee Warsaw H.S. Lynette Markley Angela Jarrett

Zac Lechlitner Penn Harris Madison H.S. Mel Lenig

Tyler Mason Clinton Prairie H.S. Patrick Padgett

Tricia Ritter North Posey H.S. Mike Wassmer

Ashley Thomas McCutcheon H.S. Sarah McGhee

Alyssa Besser Triton Central H.S. Rich McGown

Mandy Wagoner Carroll H.S. @ Ft. Wayne Cindy Raker Jill Chrisman Tri-County H.S. Travis Scherer Joe Martin

Emily Duvall Lewis Cass H.S. Mike Appleton

Rob Hays Attica H.S. Macon Beck

Bill McIntire North Decatur H.S. Scott Johnson

Bekah Nortrup Southmont H.S. Gary Mosbaugh Jeanna Eppley

Logan Springstun Delphi Community H.S. Beth Theobald Doug Walker

Mike Warstler Western Boone H.S. Don Haberlin

Fall 2011

Lynsee Shaffer Jay County H.S. Melissa Muhlencamp Sadie Davis Scottsburg H.S. Danielle Walker

Meagan Harrell Manchester H.S. Gwen Mize

James Kemble Bremen H.S. Chad Berger

Chelsey Meluch Fountain Central H.S. Ashley Welchans

Josh Perry Eastern Hancock H.S. Scott Jacobs Natalie Schilling

Lori Stroud West Washington H.S. Ophelia Davis

Desiray Simmons Delphi Community H.S. Beth Theobald Doug Walker

Scholarship Recipients Say "Thank You"

Our list of scholarship recipients has grown so large that their "thank you" notes cannot fit within the confines of our newsletter. With gifts from alumni and friends, 29 Agricultural Education students will receive \$23,000 in scholarships during the 2011-2012 school year.



Graduate Student Updates

Master of Science

August 2011

- Amy Jones, Extension Youth Educator, Marshall County Cooperative Extension Service
- Andrea Schwartz, Agriculture Instructor, Ivy Tech Community College

May 2011

- Kelli Hoffman, Agricultural Science and Business Teacher, Plymouth High School
- Erin Menchhofer, Extension Educator, South Carolina
- Jeanna Eppley, Agricultural Science and Business Teacher, Southmont Jr./Sr. High School
- Ryan Wynkoop, Special Projects Coordinator for Operation Military Kids, Youth Development and Agricultural Education Department, Purdue University

December 2010

• Sarah Walthers, Agricultural Teacher, Arizona

Doctor of Philosophy

August 2011

• Don McCay, First Sergeant, Indiana State Police

NAAE Region 4 Winners

We want to recognize the Indiana Agricultural Science and Business teachers and schools announced as 2011 National Award Winners. The following were recognized at the convention in St. Louis, Missouri, November 15-19, 2011.

Outstanding Middle/Secondary Ag Ed Program Eastern Hancock High School

Teachers Turn the Key Amanda Mullins, Tecumseh Jr. Sr. High School

Agricultural Education Endowment Report

A big thank you goes out to those who supported Agricultural Education through the Purdue Telefund. For the June 30, 2011 Endowment report, the Endowment grew to \$191,000. Combined with the five named endowments, there is now \$361,000 generating scholarship support for Agricultural Education students. Purdue University endowments have experienced an increase in the last year. Hopefully, the next year will continue this growth pattern.

Scholarships totaling \$23,000 were awarded for the 2011-12 school year for a total of greater than \$162,000 over the life of the Endowment.

Agricultural Education Placement Report

New Teacher

<u>School</u>

Chelsey Meluch* **Benton Central High School** Blue River Valley High School Marianne Ingle Heather Dougherty* **Clinton Prairie High School** Connersville High School Aleesa Dickerson Delphi Community High School Phil Austin Fountain Central Jr. Sr. High School Buddy McKendree Franklin Community High School Bill McIntire* James Kemble* Garrett High School Hamilton Heights High School Meagan Harrell* Hauser High School Sara Rapp Huntington North High School Aaron McMillan Jay County High School Seth Swallow Lakeland Middle School Zac Lechlitner* Northeastern Jr. Sr. High School Jason Roll North Knox High School Josh Chambers Pendleton Heights High School Holly Shore **Riverton Parke High School** Corey Hobson South Central High School Mark McClenning Stonegate Early College High School Kim Self Sullivan High School Adair Everhart Sunman-Dearborn Middle School Jessica Hoffman Union City Community High School Sadie Davis* Warsaw High School Rob Hays*

> A & B Contracting (Indiana) – Tricia Goodman* Bartholomew County Schools (Indiana) – Jill Chrisman* Cargill (Iowa) – Michael Warstler* Carmel Clay Schools (Indiana) – Joshua Perry* Indiana-Purdue University at Ft. Wayne (Indiana) – Emily Chaney* Kroger Pharmacy (Indiana) – Ashley Thomas* Lanesville Jr. Sr. High School (Indiana) – Lori Stroud* Pioneer Hi-Bred – Logan Springstun* Purdue University (Graduate School) – Rebekah Nortrup* Quality Plumbing & Heating (Indiana) – Emily DuVall*

^{*2010-2011} Purdue Graduate

2011 Agricultural Alumni Certificate of Distinction

The Ag Alumni Association presented its highest honor, the Certificate of Distinction, to agricultural leaders during the Ag Alumni Fish Fry at the Indianapolis State Fairgrounds on February 6, 2011. Among the honorees were the following Agricultural Education graduates.

Byron Ernest graduated from Purdue in 1985 with a B.S. in Agricultural Education and Animal Science. He earned an M.S. in Agricultural Education in 1987, also from Purdue. He has spent the last 25 years in education and is currently working on a Ph.D. in Teacher Leadership from Walden University.

After graduation, Ernest taught for four years, and then spent four years with the Indiana Department of Education as a Vocational Education Specialist. From 1993 to 1994 he served as executive director of the National Young Farmer Educational Association at the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, DC. He returned to Indiana and spent ten years as the agriculture instructor and department head at Clinton Central, where he coached 21 state winning leadership contestants and won numerous state and national awards. Since 2004 Ernest has been an agriculture instructor, FFA advisor, and department head at Lebanon High School.

Ernest has been honored for his professional achievements on many levels. He was Indiana Teacher of the Year in 2010, the first agricultural science teacher ever so honored. During the past year, Ernest's other awards include: Smithsonian Teacher Ambassador, SMART Exemplary Educator, and the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation's Outstanding Agriscience Teacher.

W. Scott Rumble retired in 2002 from a 32-year career with Purdue Extension Service. Rumble graduated with an A.S. from Vincennes University and a B.S. from Purdue in 1969, majoring in Agricultural Education. In 1975 he earned his M.A. from the University of Louisville. He worked in six different counties, serving at various times as a 4-H Youth Educator, County Extension Director, Interim District Director, Ag and Natural Resources Educator, and Community and Economic Development Educator. His last Extension post was in Tippecanoe County.

During Rumble's tenure in Extension he brought high profile leaders from around the state to mentor or share advice with farmers, 4-Hers, and Master Gardeners. He established good networking relationships among farmers, 4-H families, and government officials. In Tippecanoe County, he is credited with improving the county fair, the 4-H program, and the community environment.

The National County Agents Association has honored Rumble with its Superior Service Award for Youth Development, the Achievement Award, and its Distinguished Service Award. He has also received awards from the Tippecanoe County Port Producers and the Indiana Extension Educators Association. In 2002 he was honored as a Distinguished Hoosier by the Indiana General Assembly, and he was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by Indiana Governor Frank O'Bannon.

Butcher Fellowship

Through the generosity of Dale and Toni Butcher and friends, a fellowship endowment has been established to provide financial assistance for practicing agricultural science and business teachers to professionalize their teaching license or pursue graduate degrees at Purdue University. The 2011 Butcher Fellowship recipient is Gabe Nobbe. Gabe is an agricultural science and business teacher at Connersville High School. He is in the YDAE Master of Science program. He has served IAAE District 9 as its representative to the Indiana FFA Board of Trustees.

Necrology Report

Over the past year we have lost several former agricultural science and business teachers. The following are those who have passed away this year. Please contact us if you know of others that have passed on this year.

Thenard A. Torgerson, 94, died Tuesday, March 1, 2011. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin at River Falls. He later earned a Master of Science Degree from Ball State University. Mr. Torgerson taught vocational agriculture and science forty years. He started teaching at Jefferson Township Schools at Upland and Matthews, Indiana. After World War II he taught at Sweetser High School and Oak Hill High School in Grant County, retiring in 1980. During his years as an Ag teacher, Mr. Torgerson worked with FFA students and had many successful judging teams. He was active in Grant County 4-H and could often be seen taking pictures of 4-H students with their projects.

Jerry L. Boyer, 74, passed away on Sunday, March 13, 2011. He earned a bachelor's degree from Purdue University and a master's degree from Ball State University. Mr. Boyer taught high school agriculture classes thirty-eight years (all in Huntington County) and served as FFA advisor for twenty-two years. He was a certified Indiana Master Gardner.

Gordon D. Logan, 72, died Thursday, March 17, 2011. Mr. Logan graduated from Purdue University with bachelor's and master's degrees in agricultural education. He taught vocational agriculture at Lakeville and Rossville High Schools, and retired from Clinton Prairie High School after 27 years. Mr. Logan devoted many hours to FFA.

James E. McDonald, 86, passed away Wednesday, August 10, 2011. Upon graduation he joined and served in the U.S. Navy Seabees from 1943 to 1946. After serving his country, he graduated from Purdue University with bachelor's and master's degrees. Mr. McDonald was a lifelong educator. He taught at Western High School for 18 years and Lewis Cass High School for 19 years. While at Lewis Cass High School, he was in charge of the Coop program and Department Head. He retired from teaching in 1986.

Phillip J. Lindenman, 63, died Sunday, August 21, 2011. He led an active life as a farmer, agricultural consultant, agricultural educator, FFA advisor and 4-H leader. Mr. Lindenman had taught Agricultural Sciences at Argos High School for 4 years. Then he worked for Farm Bureau and developed an agricultural consulting business. He later returned to teaching agriculture related classes at Northwood High School for 15 years. Mr. Lindenman graduated from Purdue University with a dual degree in Agricultural Education and Agronomy. He later received a master's degree in agricultural education. He retired from Northwood High School in July 2010.

Nelson Parkhurst, 97, passed away Wednesday, August 24, 2011. He received a B.S. in 1938 and an M.S. in 1943 from Purdue University. He served in the Army from 1943 to 1945. Mr. Parkhurt taught vocational agriculture at Morristown High School from 1938 to 1941 and was assistant food service manager at Purdue Memorial Union from 1941 to 1942. He then taught vocational agriculture at Jackson Township School from 1942 to 1943. Hired by Purdue University as assistant registrar and director of admissions in 1946, Mr. Parkhurst was name registrar and secretary of faculties in 1956, retiring in 1980. He was a member and past chairman of Indiana Student Assistance Commission, past president of the Indiana Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers, and past president of American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. In 1982 he was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by Gov. Otis Bowen.

Everett L. McCauley, 92 died Saturday, September 24, 2011. Everett received a bachelor's degree from Purdue University in 1941 (where he was also involved with ROTC for two years), a pre-med degree from Berkley University in California in 1945, and also master's degrees in industrial arts and school administration from Ball State University. A teacher for thirty-nine and a half years, he taught agriculture and sciences at Cutler for two and half years before going into the navy and another six months there after the war. For thirty-five years he taught agriculture and sciences at Connersville High School and was also a critic teacher at Purdue University for ten years. He served as a 4-H leader for many years and received the American Farmers Degree. Everett had twelve American Farmers under his teaching and 286 students received their Hoosier Farmer Degree under his direction. He was inducted into the Retired Teachers Hall of Fame for the Fayette County School System.

Centennial History Project

As we make preparations for the Agricultural Education 100th year anniversary celebration, we would appreciate your response to the following questions that we might record and place as a permanent record on our History of Agricultural Education website:

- My name is:
- I currently work or have retired from:
- My education journey started with:

Degree	Where	Year Completed	Major/Discipline Area:
Bachelor's			
Master's			
PhD			

- Please describe for us your career path(If possible, please include names and dates of professional work experiences):
- Which individual most influenced your decision to teach agriculture? Briefly describe what he/she said or did to influence your decision.
- Please describe some of your most memorable agricultural education experiences as a student at Purdue?
- Please describe some of your most memorable experiences as a classroom teacher of agriculture?
- Please describe some of your most memorable experiences in agribusiness that made you think back to your preparation as an agriculture teacher?
- What advice would you have for young people entering the agriculture teaching profession today?

Please feel free to send or email any historical photos with specific detailed information that you think would help archive some of the history of teaching agriculture in Indiana to:

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