PEOPLE


AWARDS

Debbie Conway received the Outstanding Individual Staff Award for from the CANR Staff Advisory Committee. At the award ceremony on March 19, 2014, Dean Fred Poston cited the depth of her knowledge, her independence, and the friendliness with which she approaches her work as graduate secretary.

Carrie Volmer-Sanders (MS 2006) was awarded as a Champion of Change for Engaging the Next Generation of Conservation Leaders by President Obama on March 18, 2014, for her conservation work with farmers in the Lake Erie basin.

Award winners from among the 17 presentations at the Graduate Research Symposium on March 20-21, 2014 are:

- **Completed Research:** Leah Harris, “Designing Experimental Auctions to Evaluate Incentives for Environmental Stewardship in Agricultural Landscapes.”
- **Research In Progress:** Uchook Duangbootsee, “Ranking of Rice Farm Policy in Thailand: An Application of a Stochastic Efficiency with Respect to a Function.”
- **Research at Idea Stage:** Ayala Wineman, “The Impact of Emerging Land Markets on Migration Trends in Rural Tanzania.”

SEMINARS

AFRE Seminars

Scott Rozelle – Stanford University (joint with MSU Asia Studies Center). “Ordeal Effects, Sunk Costs, Adoption, and Use of Health and Education Treatments.” Thursday, March 27, 3:30pm, Room 75, Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

Daniel Bennett – University of Chicago. (Title to be announced). Thursday, April 3; 3:30pm, Room 75, Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

Brown Bag Seminars

Hui Hua Chua, MSU library liaison to AFRE, Michigan State University. “Introduction to Zotero reference management software.” April 1, 12:00pm, Room 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

PUBLICATIONS


Scholarship

The NPFDA (National Poultry & Food Distributors Association) Scholarship Foundation is entering its 35th year of scholarship assistance. Every year, we award four $1,500.00 - $2000 scholarships to students in the fields of poultry science, food science, agricultural economics/marketing, and all other areas of study related to the poultry industry. The application, transcript and letter of endorsement must reach the NPFDA office no later than May 31, 2014. www.npfda.org

CALL FOR PAPERS

University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee in cooperation with Istanbul University is happy to announce the International Interdisciplinary Business-Economics Advancement Conference (IIBA 2014) on July 16-19, 2014, Istanbul, Turkey. IIBA 2014 aims to bring together researchers, scientists, scholar and scholar students to exchange and share their experiences, new ideas, and research results about all aspects of Business and Economics within the global and interdisciplinary scope, and discuss the practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted. Conference Website: http://iibaconference.org/

JOBS

USAID – positions listed through USDA but will be working with USAID. http://www.fas.usda.gov/about-fas/careers/international-development-positions

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