
NECK NEWS

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Welcome back, Aggies!

As the School of Agriculture, we have created this newsletter to provide you as students with all the important information of the week. You can expect a new issue to come via email every Monday. We hope that this newsletter will help cut down the number of emails you receive every week from the Agriculture department and put all the important information in one easy place for you to access!

Upcoming Events:

AGR: Interest events starting Jan. 30th. Contact Wyatt Jones at wr-jones@wiu.edu or Carson Bloomberg at cb-bloomberg@wiu.edu if you are interested to learn more.

AGS: Interest events starting Jan. 30th. Contact Eli Weller at e-weller@wiu.edu or Nick Gorsich at nm-gorsich if you are interested in learning more.

Sigma Alpha: Interest events TBA. Contact Evelyn Powers at er-powers@wiu.edu to learn more.

Donna's Retirement party will be on Jan. 31st from 3-5 in KH 239.

Chili Cook-off on Feb. 1st at the American Legion from 5-7 pm. Contact Kyle Freebern with any questions: kg-freebern@wiu.edu.

Ag Mech Show: Feb. 10-11th. Volunteers are needed for set-up on Friday the 9th and tear-down on Sunday the 11th. - Contact Keely Egelhoff for more information: ka-egelhoff@wiu.edu.

Pancake Breakfast: Feb. 24th. in KH 239 from 7 am to 10 pm. Tickets are \$5 a piece in advance or \$6 at the door. You can get your ticket either from a CFFA member or in the Ag Office. To have your breakfast delivered, you can call: (309)333-7049. For further information or questions, contact Kylee Johnston at kn-johnston@wiu.edu.



Club Information:

Alpha Gamma Rho (AGR): Meets every Monday night at 6 pm at the AGR house.

Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS): Meets every Monday night at 8 pm at the AGS house.

Alpha Zeta: Meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday in KH 152 at 5:30 pm.

Ag Business: Meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month in KH 307 at 6 pm.

Ag Council: Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month in KH 152 at 5 pm.

Ag Mech: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month in KH 307 at 5:30. Ag Mech Show is Feb 10 & 11.

Agronomy: Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month in KH 226 at 5 pm.

Ag-Vocators: Applications are due to Jana by Jan. 31st at jm-knupp@wiu.edu.

Collegiate Farm Bureau (CFB): Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month in KH 152 at 6 pm.

CFFA/PAS/AGED: Meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month in KH 152 at 5:30 pm.

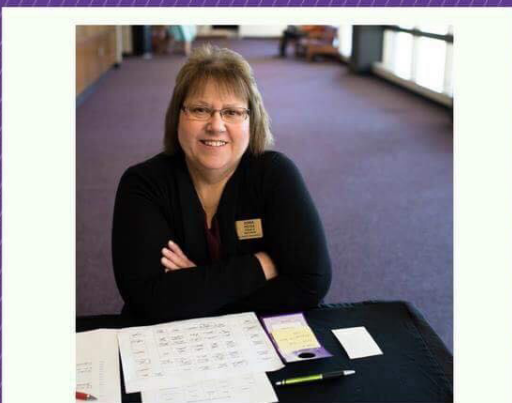
Forestry: Meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month in KH 201 at 3 pm.

Hoof-n- Horn: Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Livestock Center at 6:30 pm.

Horticulture: Meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month in KH 307 at 5 pm.

Sigma Alpha: Meets every Monday in KH 306 at 5:30 pm.

SHE'S GIVEN WIU OVER 34 GREAT YEARS.
PLEASE HELP US WISH HER WELL ON HER NEXT JOURNEY.



DONNA PESTLE

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION
JANUARY 31, 2018
3 P.M. - 5 P.M.
KNOBLAUCH HALL 239



Staff Spotlight: Meet Megan!

Megan Pittman-Wurth joined us as the new Office Manager for the School of Ag on Jan. 16th. She is a Macombie Homie and received her Bachelor's in Political Science from University of Massachusetts and her Law Degree from University of Missouri. She recently moved back to the States after living in the Caribbean for three years. Currently she is as swim coach for Macomb High and is training from an Iron Man Competition, which is swimming 2.4 miles, biking 112, and THEN running a marathon (26.2 miles)! We are excited to have her as the newest addition to our team.



Scholarships:

Justin Lillesand Memorial "You Do You" Scholarship--One \$1,000 award for the spring semester. Available to an Agriculture major who has completed one year of college/university coursework and registered for a second year. Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, preference will be given to an applicant with a passion for livestock (preferably in the beef industry). Applicant must submit a resume documenting a strong work ethic and be a U.S. citizen. Applications are due February 6.

DR. LOREN K. ROBINSON

SCHOLARSHIP--One \$1,000 award divided between the fall & spring semesters. Available to entering freshmen who plan to pursue a major in the field of animal science. Applicants must be residents of Illinois & possess a minimum ACT of 20. Applications are due February 6.



Employment:

Interns at the USDA:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) offers semester-long paid internships each semester (spring, summer and fall) located in all 50 states, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and Washington, D.C. Collegiate students (sophomore status and above) or students having completed one full year of college, professional program, trade school, or other, with a direct interest in agriculture (production, law, communications, business, technology, etc.) can apply. The summer 2018 internship application period is Jan. 22-26. Visit www.USAJobs.gov and look for One USDA Internships. Applications should include one PDF document with a resume and cover letter and an official transcript. Applicants will be notified on or around Feb. 23. The fall 2018 internship application period will open in April 2018. The spring 2019 internship application period will open in September 2018.

Looking for Summer Employment?

In addition to day camps in Chicago and St. Louis, there will be camps from all over the United States at WIU on Thursday, January 25, 2018 looking to hire students from ALL majors! More than 40 camps, both day and residential, have already registered to visit WIU.

Working at camps provides opportunities for students from ALL majors to enhance their cultural competency while developing important leadership skills. For this reason, the Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Administration has partnered with the American Camp Association, Illinois to provide a summer camp job fair for all students at Western Illinois University.

Summer Camp Job Fair

Thursday, January 25, 2018

Union Ballroom

11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Camp directors have shared that they are willing and excited to meet with students from all majors and backgrounds. In their own words, hiring a diverse staff enhances experiences for their employees and their campers. They're looking to hire students at the Summer Camp Job Fair!

More information about the camps can be found at

<http://www.wiu.edu/coehs/rpta/scjf/directory.php>

If you have any questions about the Summer Camp Job Fair, please email Kate Van Sloten (km-vansloten@wiu.edu).