October 30, 2014
OSU Alumni Center - Traditions Hall
Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m. A reception with light hors d’oeuvres will begin at 5 p.m. The reception will be informal with time to renew friendships and make new ones.

October 31, 2014
OSU Alumni Center - Click Family Alumni Hall

7:30 am Breakfast and registration
8:30 am Welcome
Thomas G. Coon, OSU DASNR Vice President, Dean & Director
8:40 am Global Policies and Local Impacts: Why the Grain and Livestock Markets Are Not About Population and GDP
Michael Swanson, Wells Fargo N.A. Ag Economist, Sr. Vice President
10:00 am Break
10:15 am Green Glacier: The Looming Threat to the Oklahoma Beef Industry and Rural Communities
Sam Fuhlendorf, OSU Natural Resource Ecology and Management Regents Professor and the Groendyke Chair for Wildlife Conservation
11:15 am Farm Bill Update
Jody Campiche, OSU Agricultural Economics Assistant Professor
Noon Catered Lunch
12:45 pm Undergraduate Update
Aggie-X representative
1:00 pm Oklahoma Water Issues: Blue, Green and Grey Water
Garey Fox, Interim Director, Oklahoma Water Resources Center, OSU Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Professor and the Orville L. and Helen L. Buchanan Chair
1:30 pm Searching for a “New Normal”: US and OK Economies in Recovery
Larry Sanders, OSU Agricultural Economics Professor
Dave Shideler, OSU Agricultural Economics, Associate Professor
2:30 pm Break
2:45 pm Land Values, Rental Rates and Farm Characteristics
Damona Doye, OSU Agricultural Economics Regents Professor and Rainbolt Chair
Grain Markets
Kim Anderson, OSU Agricultural Economics Professor Emeritus
Livestock Markets
Derrell Peel, OSU Agricultural Economics Professor and Charles Breedlove Professor
3:45 pm Wrap up / Evaluation
4:00 pm Adjourn

Hotel Information
A block of rooms has been reserved for Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014, at the Best Western Plus Cimarron Hotel & Suites at 315 N Husband St, Stillwater, OK 74075, (405) 372-2878. Please reference OSU RURAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE when making reservations. Double-queen rooms and king suites are available on a first come, first serve basis. Room reservations must be made by Oct. 1.

Focus
This conference will focus on trends and expectations regarding the rural economy and agriculture. Key considerations - which agricultural lenders, rural leaders and others should be thinking about for the coming year - will be addressed by Mr. Swanson and others.

- Keynote Speaker -

Michael Swanson
Wells Fargo N.A. Ag Economist, Sr. Vice President
Michael Swanson is an agricultural economist and senior vice president with the largest commercial agricultural lender in the United States. Based in Minneapolis, his responsibilities include analyzing the impact of energy on agriculture and forecasting for key agricultural commodities and livestock sectors. Mr. Swanson helps develop credit and risk strategies, and performs macroeconomic and international analysis on agricultural production and agribusiness. Mr. Swanson joined Wells Fargo in 2000 as a senior economist. He started his career as a transportation analyst with Burlington Northern Railway, conducting system analysis and capacity studies. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minn., and master’s and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota.

Please Note!
Registration includes continental breakfast and lunch on Friday, and all breaks.
Pre-registration by October 24: $50.00
Registration at the door: $70.00
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE CONFERENCE, CONTACT:

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Friday, Oct. 24

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