



AG ECON NEWS

Department of Agricultural Economics, Oklahoma State University

Spring 2010

News from the Department Head

Greetings from Oklahoma State University. We hope you enjoy this issue of Ag Econ News.

Our spring scholarships and awards banquet was a great event, thanks to our friends, donors, and supporters as well as an outstanding crop of undergraduate students. It is always a great pleasure to be around these young scholars. We continue to have a strong graduate program as well.

The following pages will provide you with news about all our students including their successes and research efforts. We have a section of this newsletter highlighting several alumni as well.

We are losing two faculty members and a staff member (Kim Anderson, Joe Williams, and Wanda Dollarhide) to retirement. They share some of their memories with us later in this newsletter.

Two important dates to mark on your calendar!

The Alumni Tailgate and Cookout (November 6, 2010)
We will get together three hours before kickoff.

The Rural Economic Outlook Conference on November 4 and 5, 2010 at the Wes Watkins Center

Students awarded scholarships at Aggie-X/Ag Econ Scholarship Banquet

The Agricultural Economics Department presented 58 students with scholarships totaling \$71,000 at the 2010 Agricultural Economics Department and Aggie-X Club Scholarships and Awards Banquet held in April.

Special recognitions were also given for various departmental, college, and university awards.

Tyler Powell (agbusiness, Guthrie), shown below, was recognized for winning the department's James Plaxico Award for All-Around Senior – Campus Wide Activities and Academic Achievement and the CASNR Dean LeCrone award. Tyler was also the 2009 OSU Homecoming King.



Cassandra Mickelson (agricultural economics, Yukon) received the department's Outstanding Senior - Scholastic Achievement Citation.



Kalyne Neal (agbusiness, Oklahoma City), shown above, received the 2009-2010 Outstanding Senior Award from the Western Agricultural Economics Association.

Travis Schnaithman (agricultural economics, Garber), shown at right, was recognized for receiving the Wall Street Journal



Outstanding Academic Achievement Recognition Award.

Shayla Sutton (agbusiness, Erick) received the Oklahoma Chapter of American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers Award for

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Outstanding Appraiser, the L.A. Parcher Award. Katy Brookman Butchee (agricultural economics, Hollis) received the chapter's E.E. Huff Award for Outstanding Farm Manager.

Two new scholarship donors presented scholarships at the banquet: the Fryer-Long Scholarship for Agricultural Marketing from Chris Fryer and Garret Long, and the Cargill Cowboy Scholarship from Cargill. Shown below is recipient Seth Temple (agbusiness, Pauls Valley) with Mr. Robertson from Cargill.



Top Seniors

The top fourteen seniors in the College of Agriculture for 2009-2010 included the following agricultural

economics students: Brady Brewer (agricultural economics and accounting, Hunter), Ashley Mason (agricultural economics, Tulsa), Tyler Powell, and Travis Schnaithman.

Five ag econ students were selected as CASNR Seniors of Significance for 2009-2010: Brady Brewer, Jerod Cottom (agricultural economics and accounting, Morrison), Dell Farris (agricultural economics, Addington), Kalyn Neal, Tyler Powell, and Travis Schnaithman.

Brady Brewer, Tyler Powell, and Travis Schnaithman were among the 13 chosen as OSU Alumni Association 2009-2010 Outstanding Seniors. The



Bertha Sparks Goggin presents the Willard Sparks Foundation scholarship to Wyatt Swinford (agricultural economics, Okehma)



Barry Bessinger presents the Chisholm Trail Farm Credit and Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma Scholarship to Nick Stowm (agricultural economics, Kingfisher)

outstanding senior award recognizes students who distinguish themselves through academic achievement; campus and community activities; academic, athletic, or extra-curricular honors or awards; scholarships; and work ethic during their time at Oklahoma State University.

Ag Econ student receives Native American scholarship

Quinn Rogers (Agbusiness, Wetumka) was one of two students who received an award scholarship from the OSU Native American Faculty and Staff Association.

Twenty-five Students achieve 3.5 GPA or higher

Twenty-five students were recognized at the banquet for Outstanding Academic Achievement (graduating seniors with a GPA of 3.5 or higher):

- Logan Beadles (agbusiness, Pauls Valley)
- Jason Becker (agbusiness, Turpin)
- Brady Brewer
- Darcy Bush (agbusiness, Enid)
- Justin Clark (agbusiness, Guymon)
- Jerod Cottom
- Meghan Curry (agbusiness, Willows, CA)
- Jamie Doyal (agricultural economics, Duke)
- Yance Farney (agbusiness, Stafford, KS)
- Austin Goerke (agbusiness, Stillwater)
- Brian Hauser (agricultural economics, Hennessey)
- Ashley Jackson (agricultural economics, Stillwater)
- Latt Jeffrey (agbusiness, Stillwater)
- Kyle Long (agbusiness, Vinita)
- Kathryn Lowry (agbusiness, Weatherford)
- Ashley Mason
- Cassandra Mickelson
- Kara Nay (agbusiness, Wapanucka)
- Kalyn Neal
- Tyler Powell
- Travis Schnaithman
- Shayla Sutton
- Brandon Varner (agricultural economics, Frederick)
- Kevin Waldschmidt (agricultural economics, Waldron, KS)
- Michael Willingham (agbusiness, Broken Bow)

President's Letter

Hello, my name is Johnna Rushin, and in March, I was elected as the 2010-2011 Aggie-X President. I certainly have some big shoes to fill, but I know I have a great team to work with for the next year.

The newly elected officer team is shown below. I believe our officer team is exemplary, and I am most excited to see what the club and its members will be able to accomplish in the coming year.

Speaking of accomplishments, I would like to highlight some of the fantastic achievements the club achieved in the last year. We initiated nine new members into the club in February, and we raised enough money to continue scholarship support not only to our administrative officer positions but also to two club members. Our

intramural volleyball and basketball teams put up a valiant effort on the courts, and club participation was at a very high level in most activities.

Perhaps one of our most notable achievements last spring was the CASNR Cares for Haiti disaster relief project. We held a two-day bake sale in Ag Hall which raised \$530; funds were given to the Stillwater Noon Lions Club to aid in disaster relief for the earthquake victims in Haiti's tragic earthquake early this year.

I truly hope the stamina our club has can continue to grow and develop in the coming months and years. I know with faculty, staff, and alumni support, we can continue to uphold the standards past generations of Aggie-X members have set.

Finally, I would like to invite all our alumni to our annual Alumni Tailgate and Cookout on Saturday, November 6, starting three hours

before kickoff. Keep an eye out for the fall newsletter for a specific time. The location of the tailgate will be on the northeast side of Ag Hall.

Please feel free to contact me at (405) 740-3531 or at johnna.lynn.rushin@okstate.edu if you should have any questions about the tailgate party or the club in general.

Aggie-X Scholarships and Awards

Outstanding New Members:

Jill Kiser (agbusiness, Augusta, KS)

Makayla Krick (agecon, Perkins)

Outstanding Current Member:

Aaron McNeal (agecon, Cushing)

Outstanding Senior Members:

Jerod Cottom (agecon, Morrison)

Dell Farris (agecon, Addington)

Amanda Meeks (agbusiness, Tipton)

Gavin Rey (agbus, Maynard AK)

Aggie X Scholarships:

Makayla Krick

Aaron McNeal

Charlie Slough (agbusiness, Gruver, TX)



2010-2011 Aggie-X Officers: (left to right) Dr. Brian Adam, Junior Advisor; Brette Gollihare, Treasurer; Johnna Rushin, President; Courtney Pinkerton, Education Vice President; Makayla Krick, Assistant Administrative Vice President; Jeremy McCasland, Secretary/Reporter; Charlie Slough, Administrative Vice President; and Dr. Derrell Peel, Senior Adviser.



2009-2010 Aggie-X Officers: (left to right) Dr. Brian Adam, Junior Advisor; Kyle Slagell, President; Jessica Morgan, Treasurer; Johnna Rushin, Education Vice President; Paula Smithheisler, Secretary/Reporter; Courtney Pinkerton, Administrative Vice President; Charlie Slough, Assistant Administrative Vice President; and Dr. Derrell Peel, Senior Adviser.

Graduate student honors for fall 2010

The graduate students listed below received the following scholarships and fellowships:

Spielman Scholarship:

- Lianfan Su
- John Mann
- Matt Padgett
- Carra Crow

Leo and Betty Blakley Graduate Fellowship

- Samarth Shah
- Galen Williams

Leonard F. Miller Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in

International Rural Development:

- Deepayan Debnath
- Folakemi Sobowale
- Eyosiyas Tegegne

Clem Ward Endowed Scholarship:

- Tyler Klain

Graduating students

Spring 2010:

- Sadique Akhtar, MS
- Ernest Atta-Asiamah, MS
- Cindi Browne, MS
- Darren Holt, MS
- Chang Hee Kim, MS
- Phumsith Mahasuweerachai, PhD
- Sijesh Aravindhakshan, PhD

Summer 2010:

- Fredy Ballen, MS
- Kate Brooks, PhD
- Thien Do, MS
- Jaehong Park, PhD
- Daeseok Suh, PhD

A special hooding ceremony was held in Ag Hall in May to honor these students who have completed their degrees. See photos on page 5.



New graduate students fall 2010

The following students are expected to join the ag econ graduate program this fall:

- Ashley Jackson, MS, OSU
- Kirsten Kovalsky, MS, University of Florida
- Brandon McFadden, PhD, University of Arkansas
- Kalyn Neal, MS, OSU
- Amanda Simpson, MS, University of Arkansas
- Lance Weaver, MS, Sam Houston State University



Thesis and dissertation topics

Fall 2009

Theses:

Other-Regarding Behavior and Taxpayer Preferences for Farm Policy, Brenna Ellison
 The Impact of Switchgrass Production on Oklahoma Hay Markets, Kwame Acheampong
 Feasibility of On-Farm Processing of Canola, Soybean and Sunflower into Biodiesel, Arjun Basnet
 Developing a Budget to Plant, Harvest, and Transport Switchgrass, Wade Svetgoff
 Optimal Allocation of Reservoir Water: A Case Study of Lake Tenkiller, Deepayan Debnath

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Dissertations:

Essay on Demand for Water-Based Recreation in Oklahoma, Phumsith Mahasuweerachai
 Essays on International Grain Marketing and Demand System Analysis, Jaehong Park
 Essays: Biofuel Feedstock Production Economics and Identifying Jumps and Systematic Risks in Futures, Sijesh Aravindhakshan

Theses:

Consumer Preference of Two Varieties of Pomegranates in Markets of Madhya Pradesh, Sadique Akhtar, MS
 Creative Component
 Estimation of Cost of Building Water Treatment Plant and Related Facilities at Kaw City, Oklahoma, Ernest Atta-Asiamah
 Hedonic Analysis of Retail Egg Prices Using Store Scanner Data, Chang Hee Kim
 The Economic Feasibility of Small Oklahoma Wineries, Amanda Hill
 The Attributes and Attribute-Consequences of Great College Teachers, Mary Wilson
 The Economic Value of Genotypic Information From The Igenity Panel For Feedlot Cattle, Darren Holt
 The Effects of Changing Farm Structure on Rural Population in the United States, Cindi Browne

Summer 2010

Thesis:

Oklahoma Farm-To-School Economic Viability and Efficiency, Anh Vo



Graduate students host spring picnic

The Ag Econ Graduate Student Association held their Ag Econ GSA Spring Picnic 2010 in April at Couch Park in Stillwater. The students hosted friends, families, and ag econ faculty and staff.



Graduate students celebrate after hooding ceremony

See list of graduates on page 4.



Darren Holt (left) after receiving his masters hood from Dr. Eric DeVuyst (right)



Phumsith Mahasuweerachai receives his doctoral hood from Dr. Tracy Boyer.

Faculty recognized at Spring Banquet

At the scholarships and awards banquet, the Aggie-X Club announced the Outstanding Teacher and Adviser recipients.

Dr. Kim Anderson (below left) received the outstanding teacher award, and Dr. Joe Schatzer (below right) received the ourstanding adviser award.



Dr. Dicks appointed to endowed chair

Dr. Mike Dicks, ag econ professor, has been appointed to the Wes and Lou Watkins Endowed Chair for International Trade and Development.

The purpose of this endowed chair is to encourage excellence in teaching and scholarship in the School of International Studies at OSU.

The primary responsibility of the Wes & Lou Watkins Chair is to provide leadership to OSU's outreach and development efforts of the School of International Studies by initiating international trade and development programs. The chair is also responsible for selecting and distributing scholarships funded by other endowed accounts.

Faculty hosts holiday luncheon



The Stillwater High School Choral Group entertained with holiday songs at the annual holiday luncheon hosted by the faculty for ag econ department staff members and emerti.

Faculty members and students attend SEAE meeting in Orlando, Florida

Eleven faculty members, five graduate students, and seven undergraduate students from the ag econ department attended the recent 2010 Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA) conference.

The following contributions were made from the department attendees:

- Nine selected papers were presented.
- One individual presented at an organized symposium session.
- Three posters were presented.
- Two moderators served for selected or invited paper sessions.

- Two organizers served for symposiums or invited paper sessions.
- One individual chaired the SAEA selection committee for the Outstanding Teaching of a Class award.

Seven undergraduate students, coached by Dr. Derrell Peel, participated in the Quiz Bowl.

The department participated in a recruitment fair for potential graduate students, which was very well attended.

Dr. Jayson Lusk currently serves as a director for both the SAEA and the Western Agricultural Economics Association.

Two Ag Econ Alumni include work experience in Washington D.C. on their resumes

Bart Fischer

Agricultural Economics graduate

Bart Fischer is currently pursuing a PhD in agricultural economics at Texas A&M University and working as a research associate in the Agricultural and Food Policy Center. Prior to that, his years since leaving OSU were filled with travel and analysis.



After his graduation in 2003 with not only a BS in Agricultural Economics, but also a BS in Business Administration with a double major in accounting and finance, Bart traveled to Cambridge, England where he completed a master's of philosophy in Environmental Policy in the Department of Land Economy at the University of Cambridge.

After that (2004-2008), he worked for the U.S. Government Accountability Office, the investigative arm of Congress, in Washington D.C. He was a senior analyst in the Natural Resources and Environment division, working primarily on food safety policy. In 2008, he started his PHD studies in College Station.

Bart is quick to credit his years at OSU as a contribution toward his successes. He says, "No matter where I go, I consider myself first-and-foremost a Cowboy. The faculty

and staff in the ag econ department provided a tremendous foundation that thoroughly prepared me for my studies at Cambridge as well as my work in Washington. In addition, generous departmental and OSU alumni helped fund my undergraduate education and then came together to fund the Prestigious Scholars Fund that paid for my education at Cambridge."

"Quite simply, I would not be where I am today were it not for the tremendous education I received in the Ag Econ department and the generous support of our alumni."

Dan Childs

After receiving his master's degree in agricultural economics from OSU in the spring of 1973 (he completed his bachelors in 1972), Dan Childs served two years in the United States Army. The majority of this time was spent in the Pentagon, which he says "was a great opportunity for a country boy from southeast Oklahoma." While serving in Washington, D.C., his first child was born at Walter Reed Army Hospital.

After completing his military obligation, Childs secured employment with the Economic Research Service, USDA, in Enid. This opportunity was primarily due to contacts in the OSU Agricultural Economics Department. Shortly thereafter, he had the opportunity to move to Guymon, and serve as an

area farm management agent with the Cooperative Extension Service. Dan says, "this was a tremendous opportunity to use my education to help ag producers while having the support and counsel of faculty in the ag econ Department." Dan's second child was born while in Guymon.



After three years in Guymon, Dan took a position with the Noble Foundation in Ardmore, Okla. This allowed his family to be nearer to aging parents. For the last 32 years, he has served as an agricultural economist in the Agricultural Division's consultation program.

"Oftentimes throughout my career, I have sought information and guidance from faculty in the Department of Agricultural Economics. Department personnel are always very willing to provide assistance when requested. This cherished resource and relationship continues today," Dan said.

He is also active in the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers where he is certified as

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Ag Econ Alumnus Carl Thoma inducted into OSU Alumni Hall of Fame

Carl Thoma of Chicago, Illinois, was named one of four outstanding alumni to the Hall of Fame in February. Induction into the OSU Alumni Hall of Fame is the highest honor bestowed by the OSU Alumni Association. It recognizes outstanding lifetime achievement in society and professional life.

Carl earned his bachelor's degree in agricultural economics from OSU in 1970. He received a MBA from Stanford's Graduate School of Business in 1973. He currently serves as a managing partner of Thomas Bravo LLC, which manages private equity funds and was founded in 1980.

While at OSU, Carl represented CASNR on the Student Senate, was president of the Blue Key honor society, and was named to Who's Who. Before founding Thoma Bravo, he worked with the First National Bank of Chicago. *Fortune*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *Business Week* have all cited Carl for his investment leadership.

Carl remains involved at OSU, serving currently on the Riata Center for Entrepreneurship advisory board and during the late 1990s on the Oklahoma Higher Education Regents Committee for the evaluation of state colleges.

He also is actively involved on the advisory councils of the Stanford Graduate School of Business and the Illinois and National venture Capital Associations. He was inducted into the Chicago Area Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame in 1998 and was named by the Illinois Venture Capital Association as the first recipient of the Stanley C. Golder Award as a leading venture capitalist in Illinois.

Dan Childs (Continued from page 7)

a farm management instructor and teaches several of their courses. Another activity has been serving as an elected director of the Farm Credit Services of East Central Oklahoma. He and his wife of 41 years, Junita, operate a fairly intensive stocker cattle operation. His favorite past time is spending time with his six grandchildren. Dan is a member of the First Baptist Church of Mannsville, Oklahoma, where he serves as chairman of the deacons and teaches an adult men's Sunday School class. He is also a member of Gideons International and the Johnston County Industrial Authority Board.

Below, Dr. Joe Williams (left) visits with Matt Johnson, ag econ graduate from Iowa State University, Don Clift, OSU animal science alumnus, Mrs. Clift, and Nancy Johnson, OSU ag econ alumnus, at the 2009 Aggie-X Alumni Tailgate and Cookout outside Ag Hall.



Kim Anderson, Joe Williams, and Wanda Dollarhide retiring

Three long-time members of the ag econ family are retiring this year: Dr. Kim Anderson, Professor, Charles A. Breedlove Endowed Chair, and Extension Grain Market Specialist; Dr. Joe Williams, Professor and Director of Oklahoma Ag Leadership; and Wanda Dollarhide, Senior Clerk Typist. We have asked each of them to share with us some reminiscences, thoughts, and plans.

Kim Anderson

Kim was raised on a grain and dairy farm in Muskogee County after his family moved to Oklahoma from Oregon, where he was born.

Kim started work in the Ag Econ Department at OSU in 1982. He received his bachelors in ag education and his masters and PhD in agricultural economics all from OSU.

He says that the most significant change since he started is that "I grew up - matured, and I went from a junior professor to a senior professor." Another significant change he has seen is "the growth of campus building and the loss of parking spaces."

A recent important event for Kim is that "I learned to fly." He received his pilot's license June 1. According to Kim, "That has always been a dream of mine." And, not only has he become a licensed pilot, but he has started a new business, Fly Boys Aviation, where he and his partners maintain a rental fleet of airplanes. Kim has enjoyed his time at OSU and in Stillwater. He says that "OSU is a great place to work-always has been-great atmosphere, and Stillwater is a great place to raise a family - and retire."



Kim Anderson (left), Wanda Dollarhide, and Joe Williams celebrate their upcoming retirements.

When asked about his future plans after retirement, his comment was "Who's leaving?" Kim will continue to teach the sales course, which he says is "probably his greatest achievement; it's a marvelous course."

"What I do appreciate most about the department at OSU is the support I have received from the department heads and the administration and the staff. These people plus producers and businessmen in the ag industry taught me what I needed to teach others." Kim has a favorite quote that personifies his teaching methods: "You do not impress someone with your knowledge, you impress them with theirs."

Kim has known his wife Kathryn since they were in 4-H together. She is a technical editor and proofreader for Oklahoma Career Tech. He has a daughter Jill who is finishing a PhD at OSU in ag education. His son Steven is a systems engineer at L-3 Communications in Texas. His granddaughter, Gracie will be three in July.

Wanda Dollarhide

Wanda started to work for OSU in February of 1996. She says the most significant change she has seen is travel and requisition forms going on-line. "What a challenge," she remarks.

She says "I have a lot of good memories - too many to write about. I think some of my greatest memories are from working with the

international students and talking to them about their countries."

Wanda graduated from Fairfax High School in 1958. "Go Red Devils!" She has been married to her husband Lee for 52 years. They have two daughters LeAnn LaBron in Morrison and Vicki Knecht in Texas. They have five grandchildren: twins Kailee and Hailee who are both seniors at Morrison High School; Justin who attends college in New Mexico where he is studying mechanical engineering; Jacob who does BMX bike tours out of North Carolina; and Whitney, who will be a junior in high school next year.

Wanda's plans for retirement are to "take my three granddaughters to Colorado and attend their volleyball, basketball, and softball games. We also plan to travel some in our trailer." Wanda says that "I really hate to retire and leave all of the good people I have met these past 14 years."

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Retiring Faculty and Staff

Retirements (Continued from page 9)

Joe Williams

Even though Joe lived in California, Texas, Arizona, Utah, Montana, Colorado, and Wyoming all before the sixth grade before moving to Roswell, New Mexico, Joe claims New Mexico as his home state.

Joe graduated from Roswell Senior High School and received his bachelors and masters degrees in agricultural economics from New Mexico State University. After serving two years in the U. S. Army, he completed a PhD in economics from Iowa State University.

Joe joined the OSU faculty in 1975. For the past eight years, he has also served as Director of the Oklahoma Agricultural Leadership Program. Joe says, "My military and professional responsibilities have provided an opportunity to travel/work/visit 23 countries.

According to Joe, "Technology is the greatest change in terms of day-to-day activities" since joining the department. "In 1975, computer resources were limited to one mainframe computer located in the Math Science Building.

The department had one of two satellite computers on campus. The satellite computer was used to read data and send programs to the larger mainframe computer. 80/80 column cards were used as a media to input data and programs. Large computer jobs had to be carried to the Math Science building to be read.

The department was one of the first two departments on campus to have a micro-computer (desktop computer). Initially, desktop computers were not linked together. Disks were used to transfer programs and data between computers. Today, most of our research, teaching, extension, and correspondence/communication work is completed

using desk or laptop computers and the Internet."

Joe says one of his concerns is "that we now have a tendency and ability to 'kill our audience' with PowerPoint presentations."

Another major change in the department that Joe says he has seen is the gender composition and geographic diversity of the faculty and students. "In 1975," he says, "there were no females in tenure track positions. Today, about 25 percent of the faculty are female. Less than 20 percent of the undergraduates were female in 1980. Today nearly half of the total undergraduate enrollment is female. Many of these young ladies represent our top students. In 1975, most departmental graduate students were native to the US; currently over half of our graduate students are non-US born."

Joe's fondest memories are of advising undergraduate/graduate students, teaching, helping departmental graduates find rewarding jobs, raising scholarship dollars for the undergraduate program, and directing the Oklahoma Agricultural Leadership Program. Joe maintains a collection of over 700 business cards of agricultural economics graduates.

Joe's retirement plans include spending additional time with family/family activities and pursuing hobbies – hunting and shop work. Williams plans to continue to be actively involved in community/public service activities, networking with former students, his professional family and OALP alumni.

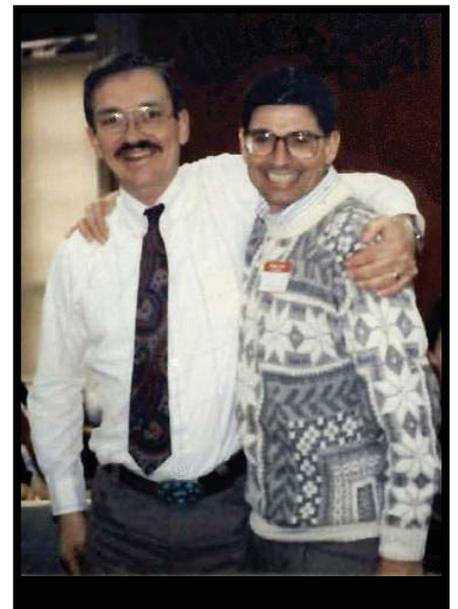
Joe met his wife of 42+ years, Sue, at a western dance on the campus of New Mexico State University in March 1967. They were married in February 1968. Sue is head of the Human Development and Family Resource Department in the College of Human

and Environmental Sciences.

Joe and Sue have two daughters, five grandchildren, and two super sons-in-law. Both daughters have agricultural economic/accounting degrees and were advised by their father while at OSU. Anna Langley is a CPA, resides in Oxford, Mississippi, and works for BKD as an auditor. Heather Williams-Van Hooser is a Senior Vice President for The F&M Bank and Trust Company in Tulsa.

Joe says that he had four job offers from major universities when he accepted the position at OSU. He states that he never regretted the decision to come here. "OSU has been a fantastic place to work, and Stillwater an excellent place to call home and raise a family." Joe says. "I'm looking forward to retirement but will miss the faculty, staff and especially interacting with students, alumni, and other stakeholders we serve. Thank you for the wonderful memories you have given me. I've been blessed!!!"

Joe's Retirement Reception will be July 9 from 2:00 to 4:00 in Room 101 Ag Hall.



Joe Williams (left) and Kim Anderson together in 1991.

Other News

Ag Econ programs participate in DASNR Day at the Capital

Four ag econ programs were represented at the annual DASNR Day at the Capital held in April.

Dr. Damona Doye displayed information regarding IFMAPS.

Dr. Joe Willilams presented a display on the Oklahoma Ag Leadership Program.

Dr. Notie Lansford and Suzanne Spears displayed a poster, photos, and handouts regarding the County Training Program.

Shannon Ferrell presented a display on the *Oklahoma Water Law Handbook*.

DASNR Day is an opportunity to meet and educate Oklahoma legislators about programs in the agriculture division.



Four Department of Agricultural Economics programs were represented at DASNR Day at the Capital in April.

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SAVE THE DATES

Aggie-X Annual Alumni Tailgate and Cookout

November 6, 2010

Three hours before kickoff of the OSU-Baylor football game
On the northeast lawn of Ag Hall



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Rural Economic Outlook Conference

November 4 – 5, 2010
Wes Watkins Center
OSU Stillwater Campus

- Reception: Thursday evening, Nov 4
- Conference: Friday, Nov 5, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
- Aggie-X tailgate party prior to OSU-Baylor football game, Saturday, Nov 6
- Keynote speakers including Neil Conklin, President of Farm Foundation
- Panel discussions

A block of rooms has been reserved at the NEW Holiday Inn and Suites in Stillwater. Please call 405-372-2445 and reference lock code REO or OSU Rural Economic outlook Conference when making reservations.

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