Two Weeks Notice

April 7
7:30 PM - 101 Carver
University Lecture (Agronomy cosponsor)
Rhetoric and Science: Two Cultures or One?
Presenter: David Zarefsky, Professor Emeritus, Northwestern University
Put it on my calendar!

April 9
10:00 AM - Commons
Departmental Cookie Social
3:10 PM - Sun Room, Memorial Union
Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium – GPSA Research Symposium
Robust Regional Food Systems
Presenter: Dan Carmody, President, Eastern Market Corporation
(Research poster session follows presentation)
Put it on my calendar!

April 10
4:10 PM - 2020 Agronomy
Soil Science Seminar
Assessment of Multi-Year Variation of Corn Yields and Causes On the Des Moines Lobe of Iowa
Presenter: Matthew Streeter
Put it on my calendar!

April 11
4:10 PM - 2026 Agronomy
Plant Breeding Seminar
Identifying New Sources of Resistance to Brown Stem Rot in Soybean
Presenter: Chantal Liepold
Put it on my calendar!

April 12
2:00 PM - 3140 Agronomy
PhD Dissertation Seminar
Assessing Maize Genetics’ Response to Corn Gluten Meal Herbicide and Corn Flour Residue
Presenter: Anthony Cavender
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April 13
2:00 PM - 191 Seed Science
MS Thesis Seminar
Enhancing Biological Nitrogen Fixation In Common Beans
Presenter: Mercy K. Kabahuma

April 14
6:00 AM - 6:00 PM Central Campus
Department of Agronomy VEISHEA Village Display
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Next Week

April 16
1:00 PM - 3022 Agronomy
MS in Agronomy Creative Component Seminar
Assessing Maize Genetics’ Response to Corn Gluten Meal Herbicide and Corn Flour Residue
Presenter: Anthony Cavender

April 17
10:00 AM - Commons
Departmental Cookie Social
3:10 PM - 101 Industrial Ed II
Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium
TBA
Presenter: Julia Olmstead, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

April 18
4:10 PM - 2026 Agronomy
Plant Breeding Seminar
Complementation of dominant and pseudo-over-dominant loci detected by GWAS contribute to heterosis of yield component traits in maize
Presenter: Jinliang Yang
Put it on my calendar!

April 19
1:00 PM - 3022 Agronomy
MS in Agronomy Creative Component Seminar
Building a Sheep Ranch in Northern Minnesota
Presenter: Bonnie Hasbrouck

April 20
6:00 AM - 6:00 PM Central Campus
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Agronomy Blotter

Happy to you...

Happy Birthday:
• April 7 -
  Antonio Mallarino
  Professor
• April 9 -
  Gretchen Zdorkowski
  Senior Lecturer
• April 11 -
  Bill Beavis
  Professor
• April 12 -
  John Kovar
  Collaborator

"Win hearts, and you have all men’s hands and purses.”
—William Cecil Burleigh

Notes

New Information from IT

Central IT has released a couple of useful articles over the past week that are of interest to faculty and staff. Summaries are on page 2 of this newsletter along with links to the articles.

Windows XP & Office 2003 End of Support Countdown

Windows XP and Office 2003 will NOT be supported after April 8, 2014.

Countdown – 365 days
(AKA 12 months; AKA 1 year)

Contact the Baker Lab for more information or to update your computer.

If you are already using Windows 7 or later an upgrade is not necessary.

If you are using Office 2007 or 2010, upgrades are available, but not required.
Announcements From Central IT —
CyBox Cloud-based File Sharing and
Telecom Services Upgrade

**CyBox Accounts**

Faculty and staff now have access to an Iowa State University box.com account supplied by the university. The service is called CyBox and provides an additional cloud server file collaboration service option for campus users.

Unlike most other cloud-based storage services, the terms of service for CyBox have been negotiated to meet laws and university policies for security and privacy. Other products such as DropBox don’t meet these requirements.

Some notable points:

- CyBox provides storage that meets requirements for many federal research grants. Colleagues outside of ISU can be included in your shared CyBox files.
- CyBox provides storage that meets federal privacy guidelines, such as FERPA. Course-based materials can be shared between instructor and students.

See the link below for more information including migrating an existing box.com account.
http://www.it.iastate.edu/services/storage

Additional information is provided on the CIO Blog by Jim Davis, Iowa State University Chief Information Officer:
http://www.cio.iastate.edu/horizon/2013-03-29-cybox/

Or visit iastate.box.com if you already are familiar with these types of services.

**Telecom Service Upgrade**

Replacement of the current land line (cord in the wall) phone system will begin on May 1, 2013. The system changes infrastructure providers and will bring additional capabilities including online management of phone options such as call forwarding, integration with Outlook, etc.

Desk phones will be replaced with new phones. The new system also integrates with OCS/Lync. Most users will not notice any changes.

Additional details are available from the Inside Iowa State article below:
http://www.inside.iastate.edu/article/2013/04/04/phones1

Some slightly different details are available from an article written by Iowa State University Chief Information Officer Jim Davis:
http://www.cio.iastate.edu/projects/pbx/