Two Weeks Notice

**THIS WEEK**
- **September 1**
  - Labor Day - University Holiday
- **September 3**
  - 10:00 AM - Commons
  - Departmental Cookie Social
  - 3:10 PM - 2020 Agronomy
  - Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium
  - Presenter: Alicia Presto, East Central Iowa Council & Waste Mitigation
- **September 4**
  - 4:10 PM - 2050 Agronomy Hall
  - Agronomy Seminar
  - Sustainable Intensification in the Corn Belt: Continuous Living Cover, Geodesign, and Anticipatory Governance
  - Presenter: Nick Jordan, Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, University of Minnesota

**NEXT WEEK**
- **September 10**
  - 10:00 AM - Commons
  - Departmental Cookie Social
- **September 11**
  - 4:10 PM - 2050 Agronomy Hall
  - Agronomy Seminar
  - Sustainability Trade-offs in Iowa Crop Systems: Is Diversity Always Good?
  - Presenter: Mike Castellano, Department of Agronomy, Iowa State University

**Put it on my Calendar!**

Pesek–Pierre Colloquium Sept.

This fall, the Pesek Colloquium on Sustainable Agriculture, the Pierre Soil Science Lecture, and the Science Communication Project at ISU will be collaborating to explore the craft and discipline of science communication – with a focus on sustainable agriculture and soil science.

The collaborative event will be held on September 30, 2014 in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union.

**Pesek–Pierre Colloquium**
- Location: Great Hall, Memorial Union
- Communication Science through Stories in Film: A Dialogue about Agricultural Sustainability and Soil
- Presenters: Deborah Koons Garcia & Kate Scow
- Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 8:00 PM

**Pierre–Pesek Challenge**
- Students can claim a $300 prize for making a video that communicates sustainability topics using video. The best two minute (or less) video communicating issues surrounding sustainability of food, soil, and other natural resources will garner the prize. Deadline for video submission is September 22.
- Full details at: http://agron.iastate.edu/pesek_pierre_challenge/
  - Need some inspiration for your video? Take a look at these Story of Soil videos: https://www.soils.org/discover-soils/i-heart-soil

**Symphony of the Soil Film Screening**
- Deborah Koons Garcia’s film Symphony of Soil will be screened the day prior to the Pesek–Pierre event. Garcia is a filmmaker with a Master of Fine Arts degree from the San Francisco Art Institute and runs her own production company, Lily Films.
- Garcia worked with Kate Scow on the project. Scow is a professor of soil science and a soil microbial ecologist at the University of California at Davis, where she also directs the Russell Ranch Sustainable Agriculture Facility.

**Notes**
- **First Floor Main Hallway Cleaning Underway**
  - The main hallway areas on the first floor have been stripped and cleaning work will continue for the next few weeks. Be aware that you may need to find an alternate route through the building to avoid work areas.

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**Happy Birthday:**
- August 31 - Rita Brueland, Baker Lab
- September 4 - Tsing-Chang Chen, Courtesy Faculty
- September 4 - Thomas Kaspar, Collaborator
- September 4 - Russ Mullen, Professor

*“The actions of men are the best interpreters of their thoughts.”* — John Locke