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Two Weeks Notice



THIS WEEK

December 10

10:00 AM - Commons
Departmental Cookie Social

4:10 PM - 3022 Agronomy Hall
Guest Seminar

Improved prediction of nitrogen mineralization and nitrification rates in soils

Presenter: **Oshri Rinot**, PhD Candidate,
Technion – Israel Institute of Technology

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December 11

4:10 PM - 2050 Agronomy Hall
Agronomy Seminar

Evolution of Crop Insurance from Insurance to Social Welfare Program

Presenter: **Bruce Babcock**,
Department of Economics, Iowa State University

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NEXT WEEK

December 17

10:00 AM - Commons
Departmental Cookie Social

Noon – Commons

Agronomy Winterfest Celebration

Agronomy Blotter

Happy to you...

Happy Birthday:

- December 9 -
Tom Sauer
Collaborator

Byron Sleugh
Lecturer

“Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.”

— John F. Kennedy

Agronomy Winterfest Celebration To Be Held December 19

Next week, on Wednesday, December 19, the Department of Agronomy will hold its thirteenth edition of the Agronomy Winterfest Celebration.

Starting at Noon in the Agronomy Commons, the department will provide soups, bread, and veggies for everyone in the department. Those wishing to provide food to share in addition to the provided fare may bring a dessert or side dish.

Also, keep an eye out for this year’s installment of the Agronomy Winterfest Celebration Brain Kicker Quiz. The Quiz Master has made travel plans and, barring any weather issues, plans to make his annual visit later this week.

NOTES

HOLIDAY HOURS

Holiday Building and Main Office Hours will be as follows:

Winter Break

Building will be locked December 25, 2014 through January 2, 2015

Main Office hours

- December 24, 2014 – Office Closes at Noon and remain closed for the entire Winter Break
- January 5, 2015 – Regular hours resume

Provost visit to Agronomy

Jonathan Wickert, Senior Vice President and Provost, will be visiting Agronomy on Friday, January 9, 2015.

Schedule will be as follows:

- **2:00 PM**
Meet with Kendall Lamkey, Department Chair, 2104 Agronomy Hall
- **2:45 PM**
Walking tour of building
- **3:00 PM**
Meet with faculty and staff in 2050 Agronomy Hall (1 Hour - mostly dedicated to conversation with faculty and staff)