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EVENTS

CASNR homecoming breakfast festivities set for October 11

Alumni of Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources will get a warm welcome Oct. 11 as the graduates, young and old, celebrate their annual Homecoming Breakfast festivities at the livestock arena behind the Animal and Food Sciences Building on the corner of Indiana and Main in Lubbock. [more »](#)

Collegiate 4-H raffles Wyatt painting at homecoming breakfast

The Texas Tech Collegiate 4-H club is hosting a special raffle for a Kenneth Wyatt western painting as part of the university's upcoming Oct. 11 homecoming activities. [more »](#)

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

New wildlife ecologist joins Natural Resources Management

Kerry Griffis-Kyle, a wildlife ecologist from New Mexico State University, has been named an assistant professor in Texas Tech University's Department of Natural Resources Management, according to officials with the College of Agricultural Sciences



New industry-supported chair boosts region's agriculture

Texas Tech University announced Sept. 22 the establishment of an industry-supported endowed chair to increase the competitiveness of High Plains agriculture in an economy increasingly linked to international markets and guided by conservation-oriented policy. [more »](#)

Hungry cows may extend life of Ogallala: Texas Tech Study

Here's a suggestion for South Plains producers looking to turn a profit while preserving Ogallala Aquifer water: Put the cattle out to pasture. After three growing seasons, researchers with the Texas Alliance for Water Conservation (TAWC) have found that for growers looking to curtail their irrigation, grazing cattle on forage land could be the most profitable use of acreage. [more »](#)

Akers named director of CASNR Student Services Center

Award-winning agricultural communications educator Cindy Akers has been selected to lead Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Student Services Center, formerly known as the Agricultural Recruitment and Career Center. Her new appointment took effect Sept. 1. [more »](#)

Student Profile: 2008 Ag Council President Dee Jay Wilde

As Dee Jay Wilde entered the Texas Tech University's Goddard Building as a freshman three years ago, the lanky West Texan literally saw one of his future goals written on the wall. In the building's atrium was a glass-encased message board listing the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources' Ag Council officers. [more »](#)

Ellen Peffley, longtime horticulture leader, retires from PSS

Ellen Peffley, the self-described city girl from Albuquerque who grew up to become one of the most outstanding professors in Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and winner of the Chancellor's Council Award for Distinguished Teaching, is retiring at the end of August. [more »](#)

and Natural Resources. She began her teaching and research duties on Sept. 1. [more »](#)

Soil, environmental microbiologist comes to Texas Tech University

Jennifer Moore-Kucera has joined Texas Tech University's Department of Plant and Soil Science as assistant professor of soil and environmental microbiology. She stepped into her post on Sept. 1. [more »](#)

Retail promotion students help COWamongus

Finding COWamongus! on campus is nearly as difficult as finding a needle in a haystack. COWamongus! is a creamery and meat company located inside the Animal and Food Sciences building. However, not many know it exists, due to campus regulations on signage and no advertising budget. [more »](#)

Staff Profile: AFS' Sandy Gellner takes leadership seriously

After a decade on the job, Sandy Gellner has developed into one of those key "go-to" persons who assist those who need help navigating the sprawling activities and facilities of Texas Tech University's Department of Animal and Food Sciences. [more »](#)

Agricultural economist, former chair, retires in August

One of the founding leaders of Texas Tech University's Cotton Economics Research Institute and a longtime professor and administrator in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics is retiring at the end of August. [more »](#)

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