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From the Chancellor



Chancellor Arrington shares his thoughts on the successes of the institute's summer field days including Summer Celebration (pictured). Governor Haslam's forums are coming up, and we start a new academic year. [More](#)

About Extension



Dean Cross discusses establishing a common vision and directions and goals for the future, Extension's strategic plan is having direct benefits. **More**

New Urban Forestry Study Option

Responding to the demand for foresters who work within the urban environments, the Department of Forestry, Wildlife and Fisheries is launching a new concentration for students interested in the many career paths associated with urban forestry. **More**



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Awarded

Frank Hale, professor of horticultural crops entomology, has been selected for a Director's Award from the National Plant Diagnostic Network for his work with the National and Southern Plant Diagnostic Network. Hale has worked over the past several years to shape networks of plant diagnostic labs across the South and the nation.

4-H Achievements



The 4-H Patriot Shooters in Jefferson County placed first in the National Scholastic Clay Target Program Championships, held in Sparta, Illinois this summer. The Shelby County 4-H Forestry Judging team won the National 4-H Forestry Invitational at West



National 4-H Forestry Invitational at West Virginia University's camp near Weston. The four-member team competed in tree identification and measurement, compass reading, insect and disease identification, and topographic map use. The Unicoi County 4-H GPS team submitted an entry in the "My

Community, Our Earth Rio+20" competition held recently in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. The entry won the high school forestry division, and was one of 15 selected winners out of 145 entries. The team won for a project where they mapped the new Pinnacle Fire Tower Trail in their region to promote tourism. The group has also won a number of statewide awards in the past.



For outstanding contributions to his field, Plant Sciences Professor Max Cheng has been recognized as a Fellow of the American Society for Horticultural Science.



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The Chamber of Commerce in Hickman County has honored Donna Bradley with UT Extension as Citizen of the Year. Bradley was recognized for her outstanding work with 4-H'ers and with the county Ag Pavilion.

Agricultural Leadership

Keith Barber, vice chancellor for development at the institute, has been elected to a two-year term on the board of directors for the National Agricultural Alumni and Development Association. The organization provides education and support for professionals, volunteers and student leaders who are dedicated to serving land-grant colleges of agricultural sciences and related programs.



International Outreach



When Australia came calling, the institute and the Tennessee Farm Bureau answered. The senator for Queensland, Barnaby Joyce, center, visited the institute to gain insight into Tennessee cotton production, irrigation and genetics in cotton farming, water rights issues, transport infrastructure, and economic development in Tennessee more generally. Plant Sciences organized a roundtable for him, led by cotton specialist Chris Main of the West Tennessee AgResearch and Education Center.



The UT Center for Profitable Agriculture, in collaboration with local county UT Extension offices, has scheduled six educational workshops for beef cattle producers interested in learning about marketing meat products directly from their farms. **More**

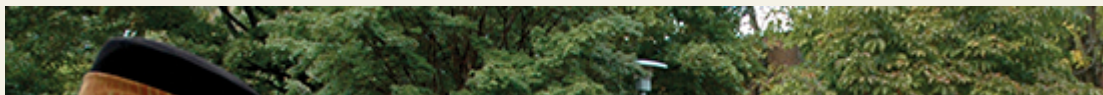


In Memoriam: Fairene Sewell, former UT Extension Agent in McNairy County; Ralph Hall, founding faculty member in CVM; and Charles Hadden, former leader of Entomology and Plant Pathology.



Joseph Donaldson, Extension specialist in evaluation and staff development, is the 2012 recipient of the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents Air Force Recruiting Award this year. He is the third consecutive UT Extension winner of this national award. This is the top national award the association presents each year.

Ag Day's a Comin' -- Save the Date!






Join in the fun and festivities Saturday, Nov. 3, when the institute hosts Ag Day, our annual street fair for family, friends and alums. Football ticket sales will start soon. Watch for communication about the event.

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