Plant Science Employees receive Awards

F.O Butler Award for Excellence in Service: C. Gregg Carlson, has taught SDSU’s precision farming course since the early 1980s and counts most of South Dakota’s practicing agronomists as his previous students. He continues to pursue what he believes to be South Dakota’s greatest economic development opportunity, increased agronomic production and profitability through precise and intense agronomic management.

Outstanding Paper, Weed Science Society of America: Janet Moriles, Stephanie Hansen, David P. Horvath, Graig Reicks, David E. Clay and Sharon A. Clay for their paper in Weed Science: “Microarray and Growth Analyses Identify Differences and Similarities of Early Corn Response to Weeds, Shade, and Nitrogen Stress.” This is the second time Dr. Sharon Clay and her research team has received this award.

WSSA Article
SD Corn Growers Association Most Valuable Player in Agriculture in 2012: Dwayne Beck has been a professor in the Plant Science Department at South Dakota State University since 1983. Beck states, “I accepted it on behalf of the Dakota Lakes Research Farm members and all of my present and former colleagues at SDSU that have played a large role in helping the research farm get to where it is now. Nothing the station has accomplished would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of literally hundreds of individuals that contributed along the way. Some of these were in engineering, some in agronomic fields, some were in extension, some were research oriented, some were faculty, some were technicians, some were students and graduate students and maybe some of the most important were secretaries, book keepers, and other support personnel. It does not matter who has been involved over the last 30 years, they all played a role.”

Dakota Farmer Article

Announcements

Good News from our Alumni!
- Dr. Mark Brinkman is promoted to Professor at Gordon State College, Barnesville, GA. He received his PhD in Entomology from SDSU in 1995.
- Dr. Hugh Smeltekop is named Director General of Unidad Académica Campesina-Carmen Pampa. He holds an MS in Soil Science from SDSU.

New Employee

Featured Employees

General
Name: Keri Skroch
Title: Research Assistant
Office: Seed Lab

Work history
Number of years at SDSU: 24
Previous jobs held: Corn Project, Soils Lab

Education
University/College & major: SDSU: BS Horticulture, MS Soil Fertility

Personal
Spouse: Joe
Children: Daughter Bayli, Sons Donley & Coy
Hometown: Bristol, SD

Just for Fun
Favorite TV show: Criminal Minds & Original CSI
Favorite movie: McIlintock
Hobbies or interests: Camping, gardening, and wood carving
If you could have three wishes, what would they be? Each wish would be for each of my kids to have long, happy, and productive lives. Oh, and of course, world peace!!

Favorite book: Favorite writers are James Patterson and Patricia Cromwell

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Featured Employees (cont.)

General
Name: Greg Redenius
Title: Ag Research Manager / Specialist
Office: SPSB 115

Work history
Number of years at SDSU: 2
Previous jobs held: 17 yrs in the golf industry
Future goals: To own my own Golf Course

Education
High School: Brookings High School
Other (military, tech school, etc.): Southeast Tech—Associate Degree in Turf Management Technology

Personal
Spouse: Carissa Redenius
Children: Austin, Kayla, and Brynlee
Hometown: Brookings, SD
Places you have lived or visited: Visited most of the states in the western half of the US including Hawaii

Just for Fun
Favorite TV show: Pawn Stars and American Pickers
Favorite movie: Gone in 60 seconds

Hobbies or interests: Work on my 67 Camaro
If you could have three wishes, what would they be?
Good health for everyone
End starvation for Kids
Spend more time with my family

Features Employees (cont.)

General
Name: Karl David Glover
Title: Associate Professor
Office: SSTL 113G

Work history
Number of years at SDSU: 10 years
Previous jobs held: This has been my only real job
Future goals: Continue with cultivar development and to help graduate students successfully achieve their research and career goals.

Education
High School: Sioux Rapids-Rembrandt Community School (Graduated in 1989)
University/College & major: B.S. & M.S. from SDSU (Agronomy), PhD from K-State (Plant Breeding)
Other (military, tech school, etc.): Post-Doc at University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Personal
Spouse: Andrea Glover—Preschool Special Education Teacher in Brookings
Children: Alison Glover—3 years old
Hometown: Sioux Rapids, Iowa
Places you have lived or visited: Lived in or near Webb, IA; Sioux Rapids, IA; Brookings, SD; Manhattan, KS; and Urbana, IL. Have visited most of lower 48 states, Australia, Canada, Costa Rica, England, Guatemala, Mexico, and New Zealand.

Just for Fun
Favorite TV show: Leave it to Beaver, The Twilight Zone, Parks and Recreation, and South Park.

Hobbies or interests: We have three Beagles, so I had better include ‘dogs’, but also many different plants, gardening, cooking, trains, recreational mathematics, some woodworking, and whatever might need to be accomplished outdoors.
If you could have three wishes, what would they be?
Well-being, happiness, and success for Andrea and Alison, as well as our family and friends.
Significant increases for University, Department, and program budgets.
To buy a house and retire high on the hills of Lyttelton, New Zealand.
Dept Head Search Update

Five finalists have been selected and their interviews are being scheduled for the month of April:

- Dr. Charles Carlson—Professor, SDSU Plant Science Dept
- Dr. Vance Owens—Professor/North Central Sun Grant Center Interim Director, SDSU
- Dr. Sujaya Rao—Professor, Oregon State University Entomology Program
- Dr. Candice Shoemaker—Professor, Kansas State University Dept of Horticulture, Forestry, and Recreation Resources
- Dr. David Wright—Visiting Professor, Iowa State University Dept of Agronomy

Interesting Links

Western Corn Belt Precision Agriculture Conference

Take Charge of Your Financial Future

SDSU Extension hosts high tunnel production workshop

Registration Deadline for 2013 Master Gardener Training

Online Training for Youth & School Garden Programs

Rabbits Are Out In Force!

Seeds Available for Educational Garden Programs

What the beginning gardener needs to know about garden catalogs

Water hemp remains problem weed after ‘gangbuster’ year

Markets watch South America soybean crop for next direction

Chili Cookoff Winners

1st Place: Kimberly James—Applebees Gift Card
2nd Place: Tracia Hogue—Hy-Vee Gift Card
3rd Place: Kelley Tilmon—Hy-Vee Gift Card