

Friday Notes
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MSSTATE Poultry Science

Friday Notes - to keep you informed about noteworthy news from Poultry Science at Mississippi State....and let us hear from you as well!

Departmental Notes:

- We are looking forward eagerly to the arrival on July 1 of **Dr. Morgan Farnell** who will join Poultry Science as Associate Professor. Dr. Farnell comes to us from Texas A&M and will provide Extension to hatcheries, processing, and breeder operations.

Faculty and Staff Travel and Activities:

- *Poultry Science* provided assistance to the MPA Poultry Management School, May 14-15, at CVM. **Drs. Tabler, McDaniels, and Beck** presented talks on LED lighting, breeder fertility, and MSU poultry resources (people and facilities), respectively.
- **Dr. Tabler:**
 - Visited a Koch grower at Carthage to discuss a water sanitation program;
 - Visited a Koch grower at Carthage to discuss light meter readings
 - Visited 6 Sanderson farms at Hazlehurst to monitor flock performance at 4-21 day old small birds;
 - Visited a Peco farm at Sebastopol to conduct intestine and worm checks, May 24.
- **Dr. Zhai, Dr. Yakout, Melissa Triplett, Priscilla Santa Rosa, and Divek Nair** participated in the Alltech Symposium, Louisville, KY, May 19-22.
- **Dr. Peebles, Dr. Tabler, and Jessica Wells** attended the Poultry Roundtable in Forest, MS, "Managing Skips in Hatchery Sets," May 22.
- **Dr. Beck and Dr. Tabler** participated in the Farm Bureau Poultry Commodity Summer Meeting, Raleigh, MS, May 23; Dr. Beck presented an update on departmental activities, new faculty, farm renovations/upgrades, etc. **Jessica Wells** and Poultry Science alums, *Nikki Jefcoat* (Lauderdale County Extension) and *Jeremy Maness* (Smith County Extension) cooked chicken and catered the lunch for this event.
- **Dr. Beck** attended the Delta Council annual meeting, Cleveland, MS, May 17.
- **Dr. Beck** participated in the Poultry Science Association Foundation Board of Directors, St. Louis, MO, May 19-21.

Congratulations to:

- **Sharon Womack**, recipient of a Zacharias Distinguished Professional Staff Award, presented at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon, May 17, 2013!

- Our 2013 graduates:
 - **Bachelors of Science:**
 - Oluwaseun Durojaye
 - Peter Ishola
 - Joshua Nichols
 - Tomilola Obe
 - Deborah Ogundepo
 - Oluwaseun Ogunola
 - Muyiwa Oladukun
 - Opeyemi Olojede (will enter MS degree program with Dr. Peebles)
 - Benjamin Starkey
 - Nurudeen Taofeek (will enter MS degree program with Dr. Zhai)
 - Michael Tucker
 - **Master of Science**
 - Abiodun Bello (will enter PhD program with Dr. Korver, U. of Alberta, Canada)