



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

Faculty and Staff Travel and Activities:

- **Orientations** for Fall Semester are underway; **Jessica Wells**, assisted by **Dr. Kiess** and **Laikyn Weatherford**, have been meeting new students almost daily.
- **Jessica Wells** has been very involved in 4-H competitions the last few weeks. SE and SW District competitions of poultry market product were held last week. Northern and Southern poultry BBQ cook-off competitions for juniors and seniors were held this week in Verona and Hattiesburg; the top two seniors and juniors from each competition will compete soon to represent Mississippi at the national competition.
- **Jessica Wells** gave a backyard flock poultry presentation to the Union County Garden Club on Tuesday, June 18.
- **Dr. Tabler** attended the PAACO (Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization, Inc.) Animal Welfare Auditor Training at the U. of Ark, June 3-7.
- **Dr. Tabler** visited the following poultry operations:
 - Koch broiler grower at Carthage – tested light levels;
 - Peco broiler grower at Okolona – discussed farm's well water sources;
 - Peco at Sebastopol for worm and coccidiosis checks;
 - Quail grower at Tupelo – litter assessment.
- **Dr. Tabler** attended the MPA Grower Advisory Cmte Meeting, Magee, 6/18.

Congratulations to...

- **Roy Jacob**, graduate student with **Dr. Peebles**, for successfully defending his PhD dissertation, June 20. Dr. Jacob will receive his degree in August and has accepted a position with Crystal Bioscience, a poultry biotech company based in Oakland, CA.

Recent Publications:

- **Dr. Tom Tabler, Jessica Wells, and Dr. Haitham Yakout**, "Summer is Coming – Prepare Broiler Houses Now," <http://msucare.com/pubs/publications/p2778.pdf>.
- **Dr. Tom Tabler, Dr. Haitham Yakout, and Jessica Wells**, "Spring and Fall Broiler Production Presents Challenges," <http://msucare.com/pubs/publications/p2780.pdf>.
- **Dr. Tom Tabler, Dr. Chris McDaniel, Jessica Wells, and Dr. Haitham Yakout**, "Broiler Breeder Management is No Easy Task," <http://msucare.com/pubs/publications/p2783.pdf>.