Congratulations!

Marie Sharp received a 2019 Women’s Faculty Council Student Research Award. This award is given in recognition of the quality and strength of research activities at OSU.

Victoria Pickens received the 2019 World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology Student Travel Award. She also received a 2019 Women’s Faculty Council Student Research Award given in recognition of the quality and strength of research activities at OSU. During the annual CASNR Scholarships and Awards Banquet on March 28, Victoria received the CASNR Senior of Distinction and Dean’s Award of Excellence.

Special Notice

Sincere sympathy is expressed to Edmond Bonjour on the death of his father, Leo Bonjour, age 97, on April 30 in Stillwater. He was a retired farmer from Olin, Iowa.

May Birthdays

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May Calendar of Events

Pre-finals Week Continues May 1-3
Seminar – James Danso and Zelong Miao May 1
Undergraduate Research Symposium May 3
Finals Week May 6-10
Graduation Celebration May 9
Graduate College Commencement May 10
Undergraduate Commencement May 11
CASNR Access Tour May 15-16
Faculty Meeting May 17
Deadline for Paper and Poster Submissions for National ESA May 24
Memorial Day – University Holiday May 25
Advance Registration Deadline for APS Annual meeting May 29

Departmental Seminars

Seminars are held at 3:30 p.m. in Room 207 NRC.

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Undergraduate Research Symposium

Melissa Crouch, Ova Fofah, Maddy Moore, Victoria Pickens, and Annabelle Yoder will give their Capstone ENTO 4800 final research presentations on May 3 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 216.
**May Graduates**

**Sam Byrd** is completing his B.S. degree in Entomology. He is looking for employment.

**Melissa Crouch** is completing her B.S. degree in Entomology. She plans to attend St. George’s University School of Veterinary Medicine in Granada.

**Haley Hahn** is completing her B.S. degree in Entomology. She is attending OSU’s Center for Veterinary Health Sciences.

**Jessica Lindenmayer** has titled her Ph.D. dissertation, “Development of a Research Based, User-friendly, Rapid Scouting Procedure for the Invasive Sugarcane Aphid *Melanaphis sacchari* (Zehntner), in Grain Sorghum.” Her advisor has been **Dr. Tom Royer**. Jessica received her B.S. degree from Colorado State University in Fort Collins in 2013 and her M.S. in Entomology and Plant Pathology from OSU in December 2015 under the direction of **Dr. Carla Garzon**. She began working as the Global Research and Development Coordinator of stored products and special agricultural projects for Trécé Inc. in Adair, Oklahoma on April 30.

**Sulochana Paudyal** has titled her Ph.D. dissertation, “Host Plant Resistance to the Sugarcane Aphid, (Hemiptera: Aphididae).” **Drs. Scott Armstrong** and **Kris Giles** have been her advisors. Sulochana received her B.S. degree in Plant Pathology from Tribhuvan University in Kathmandu, Nepal in 2011 and her M.S. degree in Entomology and Plant Pathology from OSU in May 2016 under the direction of **Dr. George Opit**. She is looking for employment in California where her husband lives.

**Victoria Pickens** is completing her B.S. degree in Entomology. She will begin her M.S. program in Forensic Entomology at Kansas State University.

**Megan Roselli** has titled her M.S. thesis, “Factors Influencing Tick Distribution and Tick-borne Pathogen Prevalence in Oklahoma City.” She has been co-advised by **Dr. Bruce Noden** and Dr. Scott Loss from the Department of Natural Resource Ecology and Management. Megan received her B.S. degree in Biology from Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania in 2015. She is looking for employment in the eastern U.S.

**Kylie Sherrill** has titled her M.S. thesis, “Correlation of Tabanidae Populations and Eastern Red Cedar in Oklahoma.” Her advisor has been **Dr. Justin Talley**. Kylie received her B.S. degree in Entomology from OSU in 2015. She is currently looking for full time employment or a Ph.D. program.

**Leon Tan** is completing his B.S. degree in Entomology. He will return to Singapore where he will look for employment.

**Justin Turner** is completing his B.S. degree in Entomology. He will begin his M.S. degree program this summer working on a forensic project with **Drs. Wyatt Hoback and Justin Talley**.

**Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America**

The 67th Annual Meeting of the SWB of the ESA was held at the Hyatt Regency in Tulsa, Oklahoma on April 14-18. Several students won awards:

- **Rayne Key** – 2nd Place Undergraduate Poster
- **Victoria Pickens** – 2nd Place Undergraduate Ten-Minute Paper
- **Madeline Moore** – 3rd Place Undergraduate Ten-Minute Paper
- **Christian Ayala-Ortiz** – 3rd Place Master’s Poster
- **Kylie Sherrill** – 2nd Place Master’s Ten-Minute Paper
- **Elise Knowlton** – 3rd Place Master’s Ten-Minute Paper
- **Jessica Lindenmayer** – 3rd Place Ph.D. Ten-Minute Paper
- **Leon Tan** – Insect Photography Artistic Photo for “Spirals”
- **Victoria Pickens** – Undergraduate Student Achievement in Entomology Award
- **Liam Whiteman** – Percival Scientific Undergraduate Entomology Student Activity Award

**Dr. Wyatt Hoback** is the 2019-2020 SWB Vice President and **Dr. Eric Rebek** is the Past-President.

**Alumni News**

**Jaclyn Martin**, Ph.D. candidate at Texas A&M University, received 1st Place for her Ph.D. Poster during the Annual Meeting of the SWB of the ESA in Tulsa. Jaclyn received her M.S. degree in Entomology and Plant Pathology from OSU in May 2016 under the direction of **Dr. Bruce Noden**.