

## FACULTY AND STAFF AWARDS



*October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016*

**Katie Allen**, Communications Specialist, Communications and Agricultural Education, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Barbara Ames**, Extension Agent, Wildcat District, Distinguished Service Award; First State and Central Region, Second National, Radio/Podcast, Kansas and National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Lauri Baker**, Associate Professor, Communications and Agricultural Education, Award of Excellence, Research, Association for Communications Excellence; NACTA Educator Award, North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture

**Andrew Barkley**, Professor, Agricultural Economics, Distinguished Teaching Award, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association

**Ryan Barten**, Graphic Designer, Division of Communications and Marketing, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Brad Beckman**, Communications and Agricultural Education, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Linda Beech**, Extension Agent, Ellis County, First State and Second Central Region, Written Press Release; Second State, Newsletter, Kansas and National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Jason Bergtold**, Associate Professor, Agricultural Economics, Best Presentation, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Protection (SEEP), Distinguished Teaching Award, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association

**Jodi Besthorn**, Extension Agent, Sedgwick County, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi; Meritorious Service, National Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Carol Blocksome**, Research Assistant Professor, Horticulture and Natural Resources, Academic Excellence, College of Agriculture

**Kathy Bloom**, Extension Agent, Seward County, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Debra Bolton**, Extension Specialist, Southwest Area, Diversity/Multicultural Individual, National Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Elizabeth Boyle**, Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Fellow, Signal Service Award, American Meat Science Association



**Barry Bradford**, Associate Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Outstanding Young Teacher, American Society of Animal Science

**Andrea Burns**, Extension Agent, Ford County, Diversity/Multicultural – Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Stacy Campbell**, Extension Agent, Ellis County, Distinguished Service Award, National Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Travis Carmichael**, Extension Agent, Lyon County, Horizon – County/District, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Sheryl Carson**, Extension Agent, Thomas County, Second State, School Wellness Programs, Kansas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences; Meritorious Service – County/District, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Gary Clark**, Senior Associate Dean, College of Engineering, Fellow, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

**Larry Corah**, Professor Emeritus, Animal Sciences and Industry, Headliner Award, Livestock Publications Council; Lifetime Achievement, Certified Angus Beef LLC

**Robyn Deines**, Extension Agent, Walnut Creek District, Excellence in Geospatial Awards, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Holly Dickman**, Extension Agent, Ellis County, Early Career, Epsilon Sigma Phi; Achievement Award, National Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Hulya Dogan**, Associate Professor, Grain Science and Industry, NACTA Educator, North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture


**Ann Domsch**, Extension Assistant, Family Studies and Human Services, National 4-H Hall of Fame

**Kevin Donnelly**, Professor, Agronomy, Outstanding Teacher, Gamma Sigma Delta

**Dan Donnert**, Photographer, Communications and Agricultural Education, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Jodi Drake**, Extension Agent, Pratt County, First, Healthy Families and Communities, Kansas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Beth Drescher**, Extension Agent, Sedgwick County, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi; 4-H Military Partnership Award, Kansas and National Association of Extension 4-H Agents



**Jason Ellis**, Associate Professor, Communications and Agricultural Education, Outstanding Research Poster, Association for Communication Excellence

**Robin Eubanks**, Extension Agent, Barber County, Distinguished Service Award, Kansas and National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Sharon Erickson-Fryback**, Extension Agent, Gray County, Diversity/Multicultural – Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Jeanne Falk-Jones**, Multicounty Specialist, Northwest Area, Communication Award for Audio Recording, Computer Generated Graphics Presentation, Team Newsletter, Published Photo and Caption, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Allen Featherstone**, Department Head, Professor, Agricultural Economics, Outstanding Research, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association

**Steve Fisher**, Emeritus Professor, 4-H Youth Development, Retiree Service, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Lindsey Friesen**, Extension Agent, McPherson County, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Martin Gleason**, Extension Agent, Edwards County, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Rosa Gonzalez**, 4-H Program Coordinator, Southwest Area, Diversity/Multicultural – Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Robert Goodband**, Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Animal Science Distinguished Alumnus, Pennsylvania State University Department of Animal Science

**Gregg Hadley**, Assistant Director, Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Community Development, Administrative Leadership, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Krista Harding**, Extension Agent, Southwind District, Communication Award for Individual Newsletter, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Joe Harner**, Professor and Department Head, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Fellow, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers; Larry and Laurel Erickson College of Engineering Public Service, College of Engineering

**Kylee Harrison**, Extension Agent, Seward County, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents



**Nathan Hendricks**, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics, Outstanding Article Award, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association

**Darren Hibdon**, Extension Agent, Frontier District, Distinguished Service Award, National Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Beth Hinshaw**, Extension Specialist 4-H Youth Development, Video Team Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Mary Meck Higgins**, Associate Professor and Extension Specialist, Human Nutrition, Mid-Career, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Bob Holcombe**, Graphic Designer, Communications and Agricultural Education, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Gloria Holcombe**, Editor, Communications and Agricultural Education, Award of Excellence, Publishing and Graphic Design, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Terry Houser**, Associate Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Outstanding Faculty for College of Agriculture, Kansas State University Mortar Board; Faculty of Semester Spring, College of Agriculture

**Doug Jardine**, Professor, Plant Pathology, Distinguished Service, National Epsilon Sigma Phi


**John Jobe**, Extension Agent, Riley County, Video Team Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Elaine Johannes**, Associate Professor, Family Studies and Human Services, Caroline Peine Foundation's Campus-Community Partnership, Staley School of Leadership Studies

**Sarah Keatley**, Extension Associate, 4-H Youth Development, Distinguished Service Award, National Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Lexi Kiniston**, Extension Agent, Ford County, Diversity/Multicultural – Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Elizabeth Kiss**, Associate Professor, Family Studies and Human Services, Best Paper, Family and Consumer Sciences Research Journal; Social Networking Award, First National Team and First Eastern Region Team, Marketing Package, First National Team, Social Networking, Third National Team, Florence Hall Award, Third National Team, National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences; Dean Don Felker Financial Management Award First State Team Winner, Georgia Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences



**Donna Krug**, Extension Agent, Barton County, First, State and Central Region, Written Press Release; First State and Second Central Region, School Wellness Programs, Kansas and National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Joan Krumme**, Extension Agent, Reno County, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Cathie Lavis**, Associate Professor, Horticulture and Natural Resources, Horizon – State, Epsilon Sigma Phi; Faculty of the Spring Semester, College of Agriculture

**Cong Li**, Post-doc Researcher, Grain Science and Industry, Dr. Evangelina Villegas Excellence in Post-Doctoral Research, Grain Science and Industry

**Amy Lorenzen**, Extension Agent, Golden Prairie District, First, State Newsletter; Kansas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Kylie Ludwig**, Extension Agent, Wildcat District, Third, State Newsletter, Kansas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Sarah Maass**, Extension Agent, Central Kansas District, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi; Outstanding 4-H Alumni, Oklahoma 4-H; Periodical Publication, Video Team, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Diane Mack**, Interim 4-H Youth Development Department Head, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Team Video Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Megan Macy**, Marketing Specialist, Communications and Agricultural Education, Bronze Award for Communications Marketing Campaign, Association for Communication Excellence

**Patsy Maddy**, Extension Agent, Twin Creeks District, Achievement in Service Award, National Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Lisa Martin**, Extension Agent, Shawnee County, Distinguished Dietitian of the Year, Kansas Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

**Tara Markley**, Extension Agent, Johnson County, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award and Video Team Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Jill Martinson**, Extension Agent, Dickinson County, Distinguished Service Award, National Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Rebecca McFarland**, Extension Agent, Frontier District, Meritorious Service – County/District, Epsilon Sigma Phi



**Miles McKee**, Professor Emeritus, Animal Sciences and Industry, Headliner Award, Livestock Publications Council

**Gregory McClure**, Extension Agent, Riley County, Search for Excellence in Farm and Ranch Financial Management, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Candis Meerpohl**, Extension Agent, Shawnee County, Friend of Agriculture, Shawnee County Farm Bureau; Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi; Achievement in Service, National Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Chad Miller**, Assistant Professor, Horticulture and Natural Resources, Faculty Development, College of Agriculture

**Charlene Miller**, Extension Agent, Butler County, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Frannie Miller**, Pesticide and IPM Program Coordinator, Entomology, Communication Award for Bound Book and Website, Search for Excellence in Farm Health and Safety, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Stacie Minson**, Watershed Specialist, Communication Award for Program Promotional Piece and Video Presentation, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Colby Moorberg**, Assistant Professor, Agronomy, Emil Truog Award, Soil Science Society of America

**Trisha Moore**, Assistant Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Kansas Section Young Member of the Year, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

**Dave Nichols**, Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Advisor of the Year, Kansas State University College of Agriculture


**Randall Phebus**, Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Bob Krause and Marty Vanier Research Fellow, Kansas State University Biosecurity Research Institute

**Gary Pierzynski**, Department Head and University Distinguished Professor, Agronomy; Distinguished Faculty Award, Gamma Sigma Delta

**Eleni Pliakoni**, Assistant Professor, Horticulture and Natural Resources, Academic Excellence, College of Agriculture

**Ronald Pope**, Instructor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Faculty of the Semester, College of Agriculture

**Abbie Powell**, Extension Agent, Marais des Cygnes District, Achievement Award, National Association of County Agricultural Agents



**Vara Prasad**, University Distinguished Professor, Agronomy, Fellow, Crop Science Society of America; 2016 University Distinguished Professor, Kansas State University

**DeAnn Presley**, Associate Professor, Agronomy, Outstanding Teacher, Gamma Sigma Delta

**Nora Rhoades**, Extension Agent, Post Rock District, Horizon – County/District, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Chuck Rice**, University Distinguished Professor, Agronomy, International Educator of the Year, Kansas State University

**Trudy Rice**, Extension Associate, Community Development, Distinguished Service, Epsilon Sigma Phi; Distinguished Service, National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals

**Renaë Riedy**, Extension Agent, Marion County, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Cary Rivard**, Assistant Professor, Horticulture and Natural Resources, Academic Excellence, College of Agriculture

**Rickey Roberts**, Extension Agent, Marion County, Distinguished Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Danny Rogers**, Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, G.B. Gunlogson Countryside Engineering Award, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

**Anthony Ruiz**, Extension Agent, Central Kansas District, Communication Award for Feature Story and Personal Column, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Leroy Russell**, Extension Agent, Shawnee County, District #1, Family of the Year, Shawnee County and Kansas Farm Bureau

**Susan Schlichting**, Extension Agent, Ellis County, Excellence in Geospatial Awards, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Ethel Schneweis**, Extension Agent, Ford County, Diversity/Multicultural – Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Ted Schroeder**, Professor, Agricultural Economics, Outstanding Journal Article, European Review of Agricultural Economics

**Bryan Schurle**, Professor, Agricultural Economics, Faculty of the Semester, College of Agriculture

**Aleksan Shanoyan**, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics, Best Presentation, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Protection; Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award, Western Agricultural Economics Association



**Ajay Sharda**, Assistant Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Kansas Section Member of the Year, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers; Conservation Systems Precision Ag Researcher of the Year, National Conservation Systems Cotton and Rice Conference, The Southern Corn and Soybean Conference, Southern Precision Ag Conference, and the Delta States Irrigation Conference

**Candice Shoemaker**, Professor and Department Head, Horticulture and Natural Resources, Academic Excellence, College of Agriculture

**C. Michael Smith**, Professor, Entomology, Lifetime Achievement, International Plant Resistance to Insects Working Group

**Amy Sollock**, Extension Specialist 4-H Youth Development, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Barbara Stone**, Professor, Leadership and Education, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Video Team Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Mary Sullivan**, Extension Agent, Grant County, Denise Miller 4-H Innovator Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Xiuzhi Susan Sun**, University Distinguished Professor, Grain Science and Industry, Fellow, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

**Evan Titgemeyer**, Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Fellow: Research Category, American Society of Animal Science

**Michael Tokach**, University Distinguished Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry, Food Systems and National Resources Distinguished Alumni, North Dakota State University College of Agriculture

**Peter Tomlinson**, Assistant Professor, Agronomy, Early Career Award, Gamma Sigma Delta

**Glynn Tonsor**, Associate Professor, Agricultural Economics, Outstanding Journal Article, European Review of Agricultural Economics

**Praveen Vadlani**, Associate Professor, Grain Science and Industry, Outstanding Research, Gamma Sigma Delta

**Deryl Waldren**, Extension Specialist 4-H Youth Development, Video Team Award, Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents

**Donghai Wang**, Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Rain Bird Engineering Concept of the Year, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

**Steve Welch**, Professor, Agronomy, Higuchi-KU Endowment Research Achievement Award, University of Kansas





**Kurt Werth**, Extension Agent, Gray County, Diversity/Multicultural – Team, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Sandra Wick**, Extension Agent, Post Rock District, Communication Award for Factsheet and Publication, Search for Excellence in Crop Production, Kansas Association of County Agricultural Agents

**Zelia Wiley**, Assistant Dean, College of Agriculture, Diversity/Multicultural – Individual, Epsilon Sigma Phi

**Lisa Wilken**, Assistant Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, University Distinguished Faculty Award for the Mentoring of Undergraduate Students in Research, Presidential Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, Professor of the Week, Kansas State University; Dean’s Award for Excellence in Teaching, Charles H. Scholer Faculty Award, College of Engineering; A.W. Farrall Young Educator Award, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

**Jeff Williams**, Professor, Agricultural Economics, Best Presentation, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Protection

**Elizabeth Yeager**, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics, Outstanding Young Scholar, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association

**Kun Yan Zhu**, Professor, Entomology, Excellence in Graduate Teaching, College of Agriculture

**Gregory Zolnerowich**, Professor, Entomology, Arthur F. Beyer Distinguished Alumnus, Midwestern State University

## **FACULTY MENTORS**

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Sajid Alavi, *Grain Science and Industry*

Charlie Barden, *Horticulture and Natural Resources*

Kathy Bloom, *Seward County*

Cheryl Boyer, *Horticulture and Natural Resources*

Rachael Boyle, *Phillips-Rooks District*

Michelle Buchanan, *Midway District*

Ted Cable, *Horticulture and Natural Resources*

Neil Cates, *Post Rock District*

Fran Churchill, *Grain Science and Industry*

Amy Collins, *Stafford County*

Greg Davis, *Horticulture and Natural Resources*

Robyn Deines, *Walnut Creek District*