

# BLUE LETTER

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Because of many of you, 422 young 4-H members had a memorable three days on the University of Arkansas campus at Fayetteville during the week of July 18.

The O-Rama will be cherished by the young people involved. Adults who had been 4-H members or former Extension employees attended to show support for this generation of 4-H'ers, many presenting scholarships, which in many cases, they had established.

At the Award of Excellence Banquet, the young men and women did quite well in their leadership roles, while parents and county agents snapped pictures; perhaps some of you caught the web cast sent out by our communications department. The 4-H staff worked and coordinated to make certain the banquet would run smoothly and would be a memorable event. The young leaders of 4-H, those who won scholarships and the recipient of the Governor's Award will remember the time each of you gave them.

Thirty-seven 4-H'ers were presented college scholarships with a total value of \$59,850. The proud parents included four Extension employees:

**Katie Davis, daughter of Alan Davis, Greene Co.**

**Taylor Clemons, son of Jerry Clemons, Clark Co.**

**Daniel Ince, son of Jean Ince, Howard Co.**

**Shelby Minton, daughter of Cindy Minton, Jefferson Co.**

When you see one of these employees, congratulate them. Thank you to everyone who made this year's state O-Rama a memorable learning experience.

– Tony Windham

## UAPB Agriculture Field Day set for Aug. 11

The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB) Agriculture Field Day will be Thursday, Aug. 11, at the UAPB Agriculture Research Station on Oliver Road, off University Drive.

The field day begins at 7:30 a.m. with registration and welcoming remarks at 8:30 a.m. Tractor tours will take participants to education stops. The first tour leaves at 9 a.m. and the last one at 10:30 a.m. Research scientists and Extension specialists will be at each stop to explain their research, give updates and answer questions.

Demonstration stop topics include sweet potatoes, rice disease, Southern peas, peppers, crop rotation (squash and peas), cut flower production, goats, animal waste disposal and swine production.

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DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE

University of Arkansas,  
United States Department of  
Agriculture, and County  
Governments Cooperating

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DR. TONY WINDHAM  
Associate Vice President  
for Agriculture-Extension

# Division works with partners to deliver congressional water resources tour

The Arkansas Conservation Partnership recently sponsored a water resources tour in Northwest Arkansas for the joint Arkansas House and Senate Agricultural Committees. More than 30 legislators and 100 participants attended the tour aimed at highlighting water resource issues and solutions in Northwest Arkansas.

Participating partners included the Arkansas Association of Conservation Districts (AACD), the AACD Employees (AACDE), the University of Arkansas' Division of Agriculture, the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission (ANRC) and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Debbie Moreland, administrator for AACD, chaired the planning committee, while Dr. Mike Daniels and Dr. Andrew Sharpley represented the Division.

Dr. Mark Cochran, vice-president for agriculture, addressed the legislators along with other partnership leaders, while Dr. Tony Windham visited with legislators throughout the tour.

Other Division presenters included Dr. Marty Matlock on algae production for biofuel production; Dr. Brian Haggard and Dr. Dirk Philip on the Arkansas Watershed Research and Education Center; Dr. Mike Daniels, Dr. Andrew Sharpley and Raven Lawson on Discovery Farms; Dr. Susan Watkins on energy conservation using LED lighting in poultry houses and Dr. Yi Liang on reducing air emissions from poultry houses; Katie Teague, Tricia Ouei and Tom Riley on urban stormwater education. ■

– Photos by Ruth Cunningham, AACDE



**Dr. Mark Cochran, vice-president for agriculture, briefs the joint Arkansas House/Senate Agricultural Committee on the Division's activities related to water resources in Northwest Arkansas.**



**Jeff Marley, the operator of the Arkansas Discovery Poultry Farm, explains why he is involved in the Discovery Farm program, while Dr. Susan Watkins and Dr. Andrew Sharpley look on.**



**Arkansas legislators tour Northwest Arkansas to learn about water resource issues and the efforts being made to address the issues.**

## **UAPB AGRICULTURE FIELD DAY** *(continued from page 1)*

Tours of the sweet potato facility, swine complex and the value-added products center will also be a part of the field day as will an antique tractor show.

The luncheon program features a panel discussion, "Emerging Issues in Agriculture," with elected politicians. Lunch will be provided by Tyson but only with a ticket included with registration materials.

Registration is free, but pre-registration is requested to aid in planning. To pre-register, contact Tara Bryant 870-575-8537. Registration ends at 10:30 a.m. on Aug. 11.

# Row crop verification tour held



The Row Crop Verification Program held a field tour on July 13, 2011, in Northeast Arkansas.

The tour consisted of visiting fields from the Corn, Cotton and Soybean

Verification Programs. The Row Crop Verification Program was started to “verify” University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture recommendations in the field.

Producers enrolled in the program agree to follow U of A Division of Agriculture recommendations on that field. The money for the programs comes from promotion boards and farmer-supported funds.

The tour stops included the corn verification field on the Doug Threlkeld farm in Greene County, the cotton verification field on the Heath McGaughey farm in Craighead County, the cotton variety trial on the John Johnson farm in Craighead County, the soybean verification field on the Larry Paul Lyerly farm in Poinsett County and the soybean research plots on the Scott Matthews farm in Poinsett County.

Speakers included the three verification coordinators, Kevin Lawson (Corn), Chris Grimes (Soybeans) and Blake McClelland (Cotton).

The county agents involved included Chris Elkins (Greene County), Branon Thiesse (Craighead County) and Craig Allen (Poinsett County). Specialists on the program included Dr. Jason Kelley (Corn), Dr. Tom Barber (Cotton) and Dr. Jeremy Ross (Soybeans). ■

– Photos by Branon Thiesse



**Kevin Lawson, corn verification coordinator, and Chris Elkins, Greene County agent, address the crowd during the 2011 Row Crop Verification Tour.**



**The Cotton Research Verification Program tour stop.**



**Craig Allen, Poinsett County agent, and producer Larry Paul Lyerly discuss the Soybean Research Verification Field.**

## CORRECTION

The cutline for the National Forestry Competition article on page 4 of the July, 2011 *Blue Letter* was incorrect. The cutline should have read: **The Calhoun County Senior team is composed of T.J. Chandler, Michael McMahan, Tiffany Hamilton and Brianna Hamilton.**



# Pike County 4-H'er honored for community service

Pike County 4-H member Heather Jackson was honored as the Youth Humanitarian Award winner during the 34th Annual Community Service Awards ceremony at the University of Central Arkansas, Conway.

Heather, 14, is involved in getting people prepared for disasters. After the tornado ravaged Mena in 2009, she led a drive at Kirby School and delivered 1,075 items to the area. After seeing the devastation and talking to people there, she wanted to alert people how to prepare.

She has presented several workshops on the local, county and state level on disaster preparedness. She also developed brochures listing items people need to keep in an emergency.

More than 2,500 copies of her brochure, "Disaster Packs for the Home and Disaster Packs for Camping and Lake Activities" have been distributed. She is working with 4-H, the Corps of Engineers, Lake Greeson Field Office, the American Red Cross and the Office of Emergency Management on programs to get her message out.

Recently she developed and was in charge of a day of programming for Pike County 4-H members called, "Operation Safe Clover."

In addition to her disaster preparedness efforts, Heather has helped gather materials for soldiers in Iraq, the Ronald McDonald House, Hope Migrant Missionary Project, school supplies sent overseas, the Arkansas Food pantry and the Haitian Relief Fund. ■



**Heather Jackson receives a community service award from Dr. Allen Meadors, President, University of Central Arkansas; Phillip Duncan, of the Duncan Law Firm; and Dave Woodman of KARK TV 4. Heather is also pictured with Robbie McKinnon, Pike County Extension agent.**

## Honorary and Memorial Gifts

The following honorary and memorial gifts were recently received in support of programs and funds within the Cooperative Extension Service. This list covers gifts deposited June 1 - June 30, 2011.

### **Lynn R. Russell Endowed Award for Professional Excellence**

*In memory of Lynn Russell  
Bill Russell*

To honor or remember the life of another, send donations to the Development Office, Cooperative Extension Service, 2301 South University Avenue, Little Rock, AR 72204. Please also include in whose honor or memory the gift is made and the mailing address of the person to receive the notification.

## Boles shares journalism award



Congratulations go to Newton County Staff Chair Jack Boles and *Newton County Times* Editor Jeff Dezort for their first-place honor in the 2011 Arkansas Press Association editorial contest for the series "Mr. Boles goes to Cambodia."

The awards were announced at the annual APA Super Convention on July 23. The awards

luncheon was sponsored by the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture.

Dezort visited Boles the Monday after the awards presentation to show him the plaque he received from the Arkansas Press Association.

"You could've knocked him over with a feather," Dezort said with laugh.

"I just want folks to know that our newspaper and our county extension office has a great working relationship," he said. "We are always helping each other. I think this award makes that apparent. Good things come with friendship, trust and teamwork."

"I was surprised to learn I had won this award, simply for telling the story about my adventures in Cambodia," Boles said. "It is an honor to win and a greater honor to work with a great newspaperman like Jeff Dezort."

The two-part series ran earlier this year and covered Boles' trip to Cambodia in September, using his Extension skills to teach production and marketing to farmers with small livestock operations. The trip is part of Winrock International's Farmer-to-Farmer program.

Boles has made trips to Borneo in 2007 and 2008 as part of the same program. In 2009, Boles earned the 2009 President's Volunteer Service Award for his international volunteer work with Winrock International. ■

## Master Gardeners made the news for a solid week in Harrison

The *Harrison Daily Times* gave front page coverage all week, plus numerous stories and editorials, including a Welcome Master Gardener banner on the top of the paper all week.

The 2011 State MG Conference was held in Harrison June 2-4. The event was truly a boon to Boone County, so much so that an individual whose motels were full for the conference donated money to the Boone County Master Gardeners shortly after the conference ended, according to Nita Cooper, Boone County staff chair.

Five hundred fifteen Master Gardeners from 43 counties participated in three days worth of events from garden tours to seminars, a trade show, historic walks, Baker Prairie guided tours and keynote addresses from Tim Ernst, Gerald Klingaman and Ted Spaid.

Helping the Boone County Master Gardeners host the event were MGs from Carroll, Marion and Baxter County. In addition to registration fees in the amount of \$60,000, the local Master Gardeners raised \$14,544 in sponsorship and \$11,972 in in-kind sponsorship.

Additionally, \$72,000 was spent by attendees in Boone County while at the conference based, on evaluations.

Awards were presented to MG Project of the Year, Friend of MG, MG Rookie of the Year, MG of the Year and County Agent of the Year.

Richard Klerk from Cross County was County Agent of the Year in programs with fewer than 50 members, and Berni Kurz of Washington County was the County Agent of the Year for larger programs.

Next year's conference will be in Monticello, May 17-19, 2012. ■



# Meet the *new* employees

## **Morgan Canter**

Program Assistant - White County

### **What's your background?**

I grew up in Guy, AR, a town of about 240 people at the time! I lived on a small farm with my parents and three siblings. I graduated from Guy-Perkins High School as the valedictorian and went on to ASU-Beebe where I received my Associate's degree in Liberal Arts. I transferred to Colorado State University in Fort Collins, CO, where I received my Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Family Studies in 2005. I have done a little work in retail, a lot of work with preschool children, and my most recent job was working with my husband, who is a pipeline welder. For the past two years, I have been a stay-at-home mom with my two children ages seven and 21 months.



### **What knowledge, skills and/or experience are you bringing to Extension?**

I grew up on a farm, so I have quite a bit of knowledge about certain animals. I also was in FFA in high school, where I learned many skills that I still use today – public speaking, showing animals, gardening, parliamentary procedure, working with others, etc.

### **What are 1 or 2 things you would like your colleagues to know about you?**

I have a passion for working with children, no matter what age. I love to see children excel. Seeing a child happy with what they are doing means they enjoy their project. I love to be outdoors, whether it is working with animals, playing with my kids or just sitting out and enjoying what God has created.

### **What would you like to accomplish your first year at Extension?**

I would love to see more kids join 4-H and participate in all the activities that our county offers. If they do this, I feel that they will really get a feel for what 4-H is all about and will grow to love it. I would also like to see more community clubs formed as a result.

### **What brought you to Extension? What was it about Extension that you value?**

The people who work here are all very caring and dedicated to their work. I have a passion for working with children, and I like that this job entails a lot of in and out work – one day we may be out tagging animals and the next we may be doing a day camp. Every day is different so we never know what to expect, and that keeps it from becoming just a day-to-day routine job.

### **What are your interests or hobbies outside work?**

I like to read when I get the chance, ride horses (also when I get the chance!), play with my kids and spend time with my family. ■

## **Ashley Durden**

County Extension Agent -  
Family and Consumer Sciences  
Lawrence County

### **What's your background?**

I was born in Eudora, AR, (southeast AR), graduated from Eudora High School, earned a B.S in Dietetics/Nutrition and an M.S in Health Sciences in Education and have worked for the Arkansas Department of Health as a home economist.



### **What knowledge, skills and/or experience are you bringing to Extension?**

I have a background in nutrition and have previously taught health education classes as a home economist.

### **What are 1 or 2 things you would like your colleagues to know about you?**

I want everyone to know that I have three wonderful children whom I love to death.

### **What would you like to accomplish your first year at Extension?**

One main thing that I want to accomplish during my first year is to increase obesity awareness.

### **What brought you to Extension? What was it about Extension that you value?**

My past experience as a home economist is actually what brought me to Extension. I always wanted to be an educator in an informal setting and this job fits me perfectly!

### **What are your interests or hobbies outside work?**

Reading, crocheting and of course playing with my children. ■

## **Melody Haugen**

Administrative Specialist  
Animal Science



### **What's your background?**

I grew up in Vilonia, AR, and graduated from Vilonia High School in 1998. After graduation, I attended the University of Central Arkansas for a few years before moving to Searcy. In Searcy, I worked at Regions Bank as a float teller for two years before taking a position as a loan assistant, where I worked for an additional three years. Last year, I moved back to the Conway area and got a temporary job at Rogers Group, Inc., which is a rock quarry and crushing company.

### **What knowledge, skills and/or experience are you bringing to Extension?**

I have several years of office experience that I can apply to my current position.

### **What are 1 or 2 things you would like your colleagues to know about you?**

I am very family oriented. My three sisters are my best friends, and I have seven nieces and nephews that I adore. Also, I love music and love to sing – just not in public!

### **What would you like to accomplish your first year at Extension?**

Before starting here, I really had no knowledge of the kinds of services Extension provides. I hope to learn more about these services and use that knowledge to the benefit those we serve.

### **What brought you to Extension? What was it about Extension that you value?**

My sister, Nicole Gorman, used to work at Extension, and she always spoke very highly of the people she worked with. She informed me of the job opening and, knowing how much she had liked it here, I decided to apply. In the short time I have worked here, I have come to the same conclusion as my sister. This is a great place to work!

### **What are your interests or hobbies outside work?**

I love spending time with my family and do so every chance I get. I also like listening to music, going to concerts and dancing. Oh, and I am an avid reader!! ■

## **Anna Hayden**

Benefits Manager



### **What's your background?**

I grew up on a dairy farm near Prattsville, AR. During my University days at UALR, if I became discouraged with school, my dad would always say he could find me something to do on the farm. That was all the pep talk I needed – I stayed with school and was a lot happier in the long run for it! Upon graduation, I worked three years for the Department of Education then worked in the private sector including serving as the HR Manager for CDI Contractors for 12 years.

### **What knowledge, skills and/or experience are you bringing to Extension?**

My experience spans the spectrum of HR functions including interfacing with senior executives, middle management, administrative staff as well as insurance providers, vendors, financial planners and legal professionals. I am analytical and skilled in written and verbal communications.

### **What are 1 or 2 things you would like your colleagues to know about you?**

When I was a child, my family was selected as Farm Family of the Year by Arkansas Farm Bureau.

### **What would you like to accomplish your first year at Extension?**

I would like to become proficient with all the benefit programs, understand the roles of other departments and continue to meet Extension employees.

### **What brought you to Extension? What was it about Extension that you value?**

Extension ties in with my childhood farm upbringing. I like the idea of promoting self-sustainability.

### **What are your interests or hobbies outside work?**

I used to be an avid tennis player until injuries forced me to retire my racquet. Now I participate in a more mental sport – I play bridge and love it! Also, I am an avid reader, enjoy working in the yard and playing with my “little girl” Lucy – she is a 12-year old Schipperke. ■

**Kimberly Rowe**  
Program Associate -  
Plant Pathology  
SWREC



**What's your background?**

I grew up in North Central Arkansas in a small community called Lone Rock, which consists of several hound dogs, a couple of dirt roads and a little country general store. I went to Norfolk public schools, and then earned a BS in Agriculture - Plant Science from Arkansas State University. After graduating in 2003, I worked for the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture at the Southwest Research and Extension Center in Hope where I conducted nematode and stem canker screens for the Soybean Cultivar Disease Screening Program. I earned my master's within the Ag and Extension Education department in 2009.

**What knowledge, skills and/or experience are you bringing to Extension?**

I believe I bring a unique mix of perspectives to Extension stemming from my experience in technical science and research and my desire and ability to relate technical information to a general audience.

**What are 1 or 2 things you would like your colleagues to know about you?**

I respect people who drive the row crop industry in our state, and I love rural Arkansas. I am a lifelong learner. I am married to Cody Rowe, and we are expecting our first child in August. He is a third generation leather craftsman. He and his dad own and operate Rowe's Leather Goods in Hope.

**What would you like to accomplish your first year at Extension?**

Working with the Midsouth Soybean Board and with the Arkansas Soybean Promotion Board on various projects to improve various aspects of the soybean industry in Arkansas will present exciting challenges for me this first year with Extension.

**What brought you to Extension? What was it about Extension that you value?**

Since I moved to the Extension side of the Division of Agriculture from the Experiment Station side, I see many opportunities for collaboration. I am proud of the work done by our U of A researchers, and I enjoy being involved

in the educational and service opportunities Extension provides through our many programs, resources and publications.

**What are your interests or hobbies outside work?**

I enjoy nature photography and have a large collection of wildflower photos. I love traveling and have enjoyed the trips my husband and I have taken to Maine and New Hampshire. I love visiting my home place, spending time being lazy with my husband and our dogs, or just hiding out in the hills where no cell phone has ever worked, the internet is a foreign concept and only one channel works on the TV. And then I like returning to civilization a few days later. ■

**Yeshe Wamishe**  
Assistant Professor -  
Plant Pathology



**What's your background?**

I was born and raised in Ethiopia on a farm in a small town in Arsi Province. I completed elementary and junior high school in the town where I was born and moved to the province's capital for high school. I later enrolled in Addis Ababa University and then Prince Bede-Mariam laboratory school located in the country's capital, Addis Ababa.

**What knowledge, skills and/or experience are you bringing to Extension?**

I taught high school biology and chemistry while studying for my bachelor's, after which I taught at the Alemaya College of Agriculture. After earning an MS, I taught and conducted research at Debre Zeit Agricultural Research Center. I traveled to the U.S. in August 1998, to pursue my Ph.D. I have traveled to Mexico, Israel, Kenya, Madagascar, Tanzania, Canada and St. Paul, MN, for intensive training and workshops.

My Ph.D. at the University of Arkansas was in plant pathology, and I conducted research at the Rice Research Experiment Station in Stuttgart during my first postdoctoral. I conducted Extension-related work while at Clemson University as I sought my second postdoctoral and have more than a decade of experience in research and Extension in Ethiopia.

### What are 1 or 2 things you would like your colleagues to know about you?

I have always wanted to work where I see the impact of my efforts. I loved teaching because I could see students' successes. I love research because I seek solutions to questions or problems, and I love Extension because it enables me to help impact crop production.

### What would you like to accomplish your first year at Extension?

I wish I could work much harder so that there will be no hunger in the world, though I know there are capacity limitations. I believe in the transfer of useful and unbiased research-based information and diagnosis of pertinent problems. The priority disease I will be working on is bacterial panicle blight.

### What brought you to Extension? What was it about Extension that you value?

I remember one of my teachers at CIMMYT and a good friend of mine, Maarten VanGinkel, who once said, "Yes, I do not care where you want to live for the rest of your life, but I want you to contribute towards crop production." We share his value in Extension.

### What are your interests or hobbies outside work?

As a female from a third world country, I grew up always working. I have kept the same drive. However, whenever I can, I enjoy cooking and caring for my husband and three boys. I sometimes write songs in Ethiopian and sing them to my family and friends. I really like to read novels but had not done much because it requires time. I like going to church and enjoy the fellowship. ■

## Grants and contracts for Month Ending June 30, 2011

Project Title	Award Amount	Principal Investigator	Granting Agency
Service Order No. 58	8,000.00	Bob Scott	Monsanto Company
DGT Cotton	2,000.00	Ken Smith	Monsanto Company
1890 Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program	166,481.00	Easter Tucker	University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
"Major Issues in Arkansas" Seminar for LeadAR Classes	10,000.00	Joseph Waldrum	The Farm Credit System Foundation, Inc.
Evaluation of Cotton Yield Loss Caused by Two-Spotted Spider Mites, AR	8,600.00	Gus Lorenz	Cotton Incorporated
Cotton Fertility Research	13,625.00	Leo Espinoza	Ag Spectrum Company
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>208,706.00</b>		

# Monthly gift total summary – May and June 2011

The following chart summarizes gifts and noncash gifts received in May and June 2011 to advance the programs of the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service.

<b>CUMULATIVE GIVING</b>				
<b>University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service</b>				
	<b>May 1 – June 30, 2011</b>		<b>Fiscal Year 2011 July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011</b>	
	<b>Monthly Gift Count</b>	<b>Monthly Gift Total</b>	<b>Fiscal Year-to-Date Gift Count</b>	<b>Fiscal Year-to-Date Cumulative Giving</b>
CES/General	1	\$ 100.00	31	\$ 1,219.00
Delta District	5	983.34	100	29,821.40
Ouachita District	13	6,352.72	56	34,672.55
Ozark District	2	461.00	30	8,593.19
4-H Youth Development	0	0.00	5	12,678.00
Agriculture and Natural Resources	31	205,744.84	183	1,109,233.72
Community and Economic Development	25	8,250.00	115	26,637.00
Family and Consumer Sciences	0	0.00	1	50.00
Information Technology	0	0.00	1	3,000.00
Arkansas 4-H Foundation, Inc.	48	64,542.65	315	629,909.32
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>\$ 286,434.55</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>\$ 1,855,814.18</b>

## Personnel changes

Please welcome the following:

### **Kathryn D. Beck**

Program Assistant - 4-H, Polk County, effective July 18, 2011.

### **Ashley E. Durden**

County Extension Agent - Family and Consumer Sciences, Lawrence County, effective July 5, 2011.

### **Elaine C. Frost**

Employment Assistant, Human Resources, effective July 28, 2011.

### **Cheryl K. Johnson**

Program Assistant - EFNEP, Pulaski County, effective July 18, 2011.

### **Beverly J. Roy**

Program Assistant - EFNEP, Pulaski County, effective July 18, 2011.

### **Brittany R. Scott**

County Extension Agent - 4-H, Craighead County, effective July 18, 2011.

### **Reta K. Smith**

Administrative Specialist, Craighead County, effective, July 18, 2011.

### **Yeshi Andenow Wamishe**

Assistant Professor, Plant Pathology, effective July 1, 2011.

### **Laura A. Warren**

Program Assistant - SNAP-Ed, Pulaski County, effective July 18, 2011.

Extension says goodbye to:

### **Brett L. Barham**

Associate Professor - Breeding/Genetics, Animal Science, effective July 8, 2011.

### **Barbara C. Collier**

4-H Program Assistant - Clay County-Piggott, effective June 17, 2011.

**Janis L. Dawson**

County Extension Agent - Staff Chair,  
Ozark District, effective July 5, 2011.

**Margaret M. Harris**

Assistant Professor - Family and  
Consumer Sciences, effective July 22,  
2011.

**David O. Moseley**

County Extension Agent - 4-H -  
Agriculture, effective July 1, 2011.

**David B. Moulder**

County Extension Agent - Staff Chair,  
Ozark District, effective June 30, 2011.

**Romona D. Thieme**

County Extension Agent - Family and  
Consumer Sciences, Mississippi County,  
effective June 30, 2011.

**Tyniece L. Thomas**

Administrative Support Supervisor,  
Office of Ozark District, effective  
July 8, 2011.

**Queen E. Thomason**

Family Program Assistant, Jefferson  
County, effective June 15, 2011.

**Janice Y. Stennis**

Fiscal Support Specialist, Credit Union,  
effective July 11, 2011.