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Two Weeks Notice

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THIS WEEK

July 23

10:00 AM - Commons
Departmental Cookie Social

2:00 PM - 3022 Agronomy Hall
MS Agronomy Defense Seminar
Integration of agricultural production systems simulator (APSIM) into a graduate soil science course taught at a distance
Presenter: **Kayla Griffith**,
Iowa State University
[Put it on my Calendar!](#)

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NEXT WEEK

July 30

10:00 AM - Commons
Departmental Cookie Social

Agronomy Blotter

Happy to you...

- No known birthdays this week.

"A hundred objective measurements didn't sum the worth of a garden; only the delight of its users did that. Only the use made it mean something."
— Lois McMaster Bujold

Spam Training Video "Don't Be Fooled"

The Baker Lab is encouraging all Agronomy personnel to take advantage of a short, interactive training video on email spam and fraud.

The training video by the Iowa State University IT Solutions Center, "Don't Be Fooled" is available for instruction on how to detect spam or fraud in email. Eighty percent of email coming in to Iowa State servers is spam or fraud, according to IT staff. The training video is designed to improve your ability to detect fraudulent versus legitimate links.

The six-minute video is divided into three sections for easy viewing. At the end of instructional sections, you'll get a chance to try your new skills by determining whether sample sites are frauds or the real deal.

The training video can be found on the IT services page or find it directly at <http://www.it.iastate.edu/dontbefooled/quiz>.

Commons Area In Use Frequently This Week

The Agronomy Commons will be unavailable frequently this week starting on Tuesday.

The MS in Agronomy distance program is holding their on-campus classes this week and will be using the Commons for their students during parts of the morning and over the noontime.

If you typically eat in the Commons, be aware that you may need to find an alternate location depending on the day.

NOTES

2014 Pesek Pierre Filmmaking Challenge

Teams of ISU students have the chance to compete in the 2014 Pesek/Pierre Student Filmmaking Challenge by creating two-minute videos that draw attention to under-appreciated issues related to sustainability, including food, soil, and other natural resources.

Winning teams garner a \$100 prize and public display of their work. Full details at: http://agron.iastate.edu/pesek_pierre_challenge/