

# NEWSLINE

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COADC  
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2002  
Spring  
Meeting  
Set

May 2-4,  
2002

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## MEMBER NEWS

As of December 2001, we have 107 members on the College of Agriculture Development Council. Within the last few months, the following individuals have joined the Council.....

**Kenneth and Kynda Jordan** of San Saba, Texas were recruited by Kenneth McGee. Ken works with WP Land and Livestock, Inc.

**Dennis and Jessica Detten** are from Hereford, Texas. Jessica is the former Coordinator of the COADC.

**Dean and Jan Childress** of Lindale, Texas were also recruited by Kenneth McGee.

**Jeff and Cheryl Wall** are from Colleyville, Texas and were recruited by Warren Evans.

**\$3 Million Bequest Made**  
Melanie Turner of McKinney has made a \$3 million

bequest to the TAMU Department of Rangeland Ecology and Management. The gift consists of a cash contribution as well as 2,000 acres in Freestone County. The money will be used to establish the Melanie A. Turner Pecan Valley Ranch Endowed Fund, which will create education, research and extension programs to be conducted on the property.

### 2002 COADC Matching Scholarships To Be Established

At the 2001 Fall meeting in College Station, the Council unanimously voted to allocate \$30,000 for matching scholarships for 2002. As a result of this



John Zacek and John Schneider at the Fall 2001 Meeting

opportunity, two new scholarships will be established. Berry and Jennifer Summerour as well as Bill Clark will be establishing scholarships utilizing these funds. Because of programs such as this, more than \$3.3 million in endowments and scholarships have been established or matched with Council funds. This is a testament to the dedication the Council members have for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

## IN OTHER NEWS.....

**Dr. Bryan Johnson**, will be leaving his post as Head in the Department of Animal Science effective January 1, 2002 to return to teaching and research. In the interim, **Dr. Bob Whitson**, Head of Rangeland Ecology

and Management, will serve as Head. In the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, **Dr. Jim Gilley**, will be stepping down as Department Head effective January 1, 2002. **Dr. Gary Riskowski** will assume this

position. Effective January 1, 2002, **Dr. Lelve Gayle** will become the new Director of the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory. Dr. Gayle replaces **Dr. Konrad Eugster** who served as the Director of TVMDL.

## 2002 STUDENT ORGANIZATION PROPOSALS

Of the approximately 30 undergraduate clubs and organizations within COALS, we received 19 proposals for grants to be awarded in February 2002.

During the Fall 2001 meeting, the Council voted to allocate \$10,500 for these proposals. The total of these proposals did not exceed the \$10,500 that

was allocated. Therefore, the remainder was made available for use at Dr. Joe Townsend's discretion. The clubs benefiting from this program are as follows: Texas A&M Collegiate 4-H, Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow, Agricultural Eco- nomics/Agribusiness Association, Ag Eco Aggie REPS, Ag Ed Aggie REPS, Ag Ed Peer Advisors, Ag Systems Management Club, Agricultural Leadership Society, American Society of Agricultural Engineers, Texas A&M Bioethics Forum, Floriculture/Horticulture Society, Forestry Club, Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences, National Association of Environmental Professionals, Undergraduate Entomology Student Organization, The Wildlife Society, Forestry Honors Society, COALS REPS Network and the Range Club.



Dr. Hiler and Dusty Brown pose for a quick picture during dinner at the Fall meeting.

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Just a reminder.....

**2002 Dues notices will be going out at the end of January.**

## AGRICULTURAL & NATURAL RESOURCES POLICY CONGRESSIONAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

This Fall there were a record number of 89 applicants for the Spring/Summer 2002 Washington, D.C. Agricultural and Natural Resources Policy Internship Program. The interns heading to D.C. this Spring are: Kate Barron (USDA), Jamie Hackett

(Hall); Brandon Jones (Thornberry), Todd Lehn (Reyes), Suzie Loonam (Sessions), Josh Maxwell (House Ag Committee), Julie McWright (Sandlin), Keller Norton (Brady), Cory Pomeroy (Stenholm), Clayton Ratliff (Bonilla), Allison Rowland (Rodriguez), Jim

Scott (Hinojosa), Valencia Terrell (USDA), Mark Tharp II (Edwards) and Lindsey Wortham (Smith). For more information about the program, call Cady Auckerman at 979/862-1771 or visit the website at <http://agprogram.tamu.edu/agintern>.

## 2002 CALENDAR OF EVENTS.....

- January 14 – 1st Day of Spring Semester
- March 11-15 – Spring Break
- March 23 – The Big Event
- April 12-14 – Parent's Weekend
- April 21 – Muster at Reed Arena
- May 2-4 – Spring Meeting in College Station
- May 10-11 – Graduation at Reed Arena

### COADC Vision

*"To be the preferred College of Agriculture and Life Sciences in the United States"*

