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Dale to receive jurist award

Chancery Judge Sebe Dale Jr. of Columbia is receiving the 2000 Distinguished Jurist Award of Mississippi State University's Pre-Law Society.

Dale, a judge in the 10th District of the Chancery Court of Mississippi, will accept the honor March 28 at an 11 a.m. public program in Simrall Hall auditorium. Following presentation of the award by society president Benjamin A. Needham of Laurel, Dale will deliver an address on an American legal system topic of his choosing.

Also open to the public will be a 2 p.m. question-and-answer session in 115 Bowen Hall in which Dale will discuss general legal issues with Pre-Law Society members.

First presented 24 years ago, the

student group's annual award has recognized a diverse list of national, state and local judicial stalwarts. Norma Holloway Johnson, chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, was last year's honoree. Other recipients have included Associate U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia; John J. Frasier Jr., retired chief judge of the Mississippi Court of Appeals; Watergate Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox; and current state Supreme Court Chief Justice Lenore Prather.

Dale is a Marion County native who holds degrees from Mississippi College and the University of Mississippi School of Law. The 10th chancery district he serves includes Forrest, Lamar, Marion,

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Annual CVM open house is April 7, 8

Students at the College of Veterinary Medicine will hold their 16th annual open house April 7 and 8 at the Wise Center.

This year's theme is "Exploring the New Millennium." The year 2000 marks the 26th year since CVM was established by the Legislature.

While thousands of young children have been attracted to the event, open house offers an ideal opportunity for older students exploring careers in veterinary medicine to get a closer look at the discipline.

On schedule for the open house are a petting zoo, tours of the hospital complex and educational exhibits. CVM faculty and students will be on hand to answer questions about health care for large and small animals.

Dog demonstrations will include

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College of Forest Resources coordinator Rachel Singleton discussed fitness issues Wednesday with Preston Lee Jr. at the Joe Frank Sanderson Center. Lee is one of several instructors helping with fitness testing and nutritional analyses as part of Women's Month at Mississippi State. Available to both women and men, the free program is being provided through the 31st by the Office of Recreational Sports and the Longest Student Health Center. To make an appointment, telephone 325-8964.

'School Days on the Farm' begins April 11

Three days in April will be special to thousands of school children throughout the state who will learn about farm animals, crops, insects, and environmental conservation at MSU's annual "School Days on the Farm."

Kindergarten through fourth grade children will attend the 17th annual event on April 11-13. Activities take place 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. each day. This will be the first year for the new AgriCenter to host the event.

"School Days on the Farm is an opportunity for fun and education for Mississippi's school children," coordinator Byron Williams said. "In addition to seeing animals and equipment, they get to participate in activities showing the diversity of agriculture and its impact on daily life."

This year's event will feature some new exhibits on biotechnology and historical equipment to show the evolution of agricultural production practices, as well as exhibits addressing environmental and safety issues. Other exhibits include cattle, horses, sheep, poultry, plants, aquaculture species, modern technology,

health and nutrition, and animal foods.

"It takes more than 200 volunteers to make this event educational and fun for the children," Williams said. "School Days is a cooperative effort of the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and other state and private agricultural organiza-

tions."

MSU's AgriCenter is located on Poorhouse Road, 3.5 miles south of the intersection of Highway 12 and South Montgomery Street.

For more information, telephone the Office of the Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, 325-2110.



The Mississippi Association of Staff Councils recently held its bimonthly meeting on campus. Mississippi State council chair Susan Everett (second from right) was among MASC officers welcoming guest speakers Jimmy Flautt (second from left) of the Mississippi Department of Deferred Compensation and Public Employees Retirement System representatives David Herrin and William Justice (center, left and right, respectively). The state organization, composed of top staff council officers at the eight public universities, meets regularly to discuss matters of mutual professional interest. Joining Everett in welcoming the three guests are Ben Bufkin of Delta State University (left) and Traci Mitchell of the University of Mississippi.

Computer sessions are offered by ITS

The latest Weekly Information Technology series of computer-related information sessions hosted by Information Technology Services is scheduled for March and April.

Topics and dates include:

- How to Buy a Computer, March 21
- Microsoft Word: Top 10 Tips to Get Started, March 28
- Microsoft PowerPoint: Top 10 Tips to Get Started, April 4
- Using Images in Documents, April 11
- File Management and Media Storage, April 18
- Introduction to Linux, April 25

All sessions are free and held 12:30-1:30 p.m. in 301-302 Colvard Union except for the March 21 session which is set for the Union small auditorium.

No registration is required. In addition, all sessions will be broadcast over the Internet.

For more information, access the ITS web page at <www.its.msstate.edu/us/training/>.

Twelve receive research initiation funds

Twelve new members of the Mississippi State faculty are receiving seed money to begin a series of basic projects in their specialized areas.

The grants are awarded through the university's Research Initiation Program to encourage recently arrived faculty members to undertake investigations that can be expanded in scope and eventually gain major funding through an external sponsoring agency.

Awards this year total nearly \$10,000.

Recipients and their projects include:

Robert Atkinson, Counselor Education, "Using Lifelike Animated Agents to Support Problem-based Learning Environments";

Hart Bailey, College of Veterinary Medicine, "Qualitative Determination of the Importance of Darkling Beetles as Vectors of Salmonella and Campylobacter

in Integrated Broiler Production";

Stephanie Doane, Psychology, "Strategic Aspects of Skill Acquisition";

James Dunne, Physics, "Nucleon Structure at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility";

Steven Elder, Agricultural and Biological Engineering, "Influence of Hydrostatic Pressure on Cartilage Differentiation";

Nils Gore, Architecture, "Shallowing the Learning Curve";

Charles Henry, Chemistry, "A Miniaturized Separation-based Sensor for Rapid Determination of Renal Function";

Hasan Jamil, Computer Science, "An Investigation into Intelligent User Interfaces for Genome Databases";

Leo Lynch, Geosciences, "A Geological Investigation of the Mineralogy and

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Harpole honored for service

A physics education organization representing more than 11,000 teachers is recognizing a Mississippi State faculty member for outstanding service.

Professor Sandra H. Harpole of West Point is receiving an American Association of Physics Teachers' Distinguished Service Citation.

Formed more than 60 years ago, the College Park, Md.-based association works to promote the advancement and effectiveness of physics education throughout the world. Presented annually to fewer than six persons, its service citations recognize "exceptional contributions to physics teaching."

Harpole, director of MSU's Center for Science, Mathematics and Technology, is a former physics teacher at West Point High School, where she was department chair for 14 years. She holds bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from MSU.

A member of the university faculty since 1987, she twice has been selected for Outstanding Faculty Woman awards. She also has been honored with John Grisham Master Teacher and Faculty Achievement awards.

In 1994, the Mississippi Science Teachers Association presented Harpole with its College Science Teaching Award.

She has directed several National Science Foundation projects for teacher preparation and teacher enhancement. In cooperation with the Peavey Electronics Corp. of Meridian, she currently heads an NSF-funded effort to provide teachers



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real-world experiences in industry. She also leads another NSF project pairing middle school teachers and students with research scientists who are working to improve water quality in the Mississippi Delta.

Harpole long has been active in the American Association of Physics Teachers at both the state and national levels. She twice served as president of the Mississippi Section and was a member of its executive board for 13 years. At the national level, she was a member of the organization's executive board and a number of major committees.

with his academic credentials and experience to help formulate and manage our efforts to increase the integration of technology on our campus."

Foley earned a bachelor's degree in general studies from Chaminade University in Honolulu, Hawaii, and an MBA from Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn.

"Technology will be a major force in helping move the Meridian Campus forward in service to its students and East Central Mississippi," Foley said. "I feel I will be in a position to make some significant contributions toward the growth of MSU-Meridian."

Author Kenan to read from book

A Memphis-based writer and teacher who spent six years interviewing African Americans from the East Coast to Alaska will visit Mississippi State in late March.

At 8 p.m. on the 30th, Randall Kenan will read from his latest book, "Walking on Water: Black American Lives at the Turn of the 21st Century." The free public program will be held at the Starkville Community Theater, 108 East Main St.

Kenan is a member of the University of Memphis faculty. His presentation is another in the MSU English department's 1999-2000 Visiting Writers Series.

In "Walking," he provides a commentary on black life in America based on more than 200 interviews, including a welfare mom, a Baptist minister from Utah, a church janitor, a Republican congressman, and an ex-Los Angeles gang member. A 1999 New York Times review described the book as "a work of insight and compassion."

He was formerly an assistant editor at Alfred A. Knopf publishers and a faculty member at Sarah Lawrence College, Columbia and Duke universities, and the University of Mississippi.

Kenan earlier wrote "A Visitation of Spirits," a novel, and "Let the Dead Bury Their Dead," a collection of short stories. The latter was nominated for the Los Angeles Times Book Award for fiction and was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award.

Additionally, he authored a young-adult biography of James Baldwin and the text for Norman Mouskoff's book of photographs, "A Time Not Here: The Mississippi Delta."

For more information on the Kenan program, telephone 325-3644.

MSU-Meridian names systems manager

Francis X. "Buck" Foley has joined the MSU-Meridian Campus as information systems manager.

Prior to assuming the Meridian position, Foley was director of computing and technology at Berry College. In his nine years at the Rome, Ga., college, he also was a full-time lecturer and director of the School of Business computer lab, and director of academic computing.

"Mr. Foley brings extensive experience in design, implementation and management of computer networks, multi-media environments and telecommunications," said Dr. Bev R. Norment, MSU-Meridian dean. "We are pleased to have someone

Super Bulldog Weekend ready to go hog wild

The 15th annual Super Bulldog Weekend is scheduled April 14-16.

A springtime homecoming for MSU alumni and fans, this year's weekend will again provide a host of family-oriented activities, including athletic events.

The highlight of this year's festivities will be the final spring scrimmage of Mississippi State's 2000 football team. Coach Jackie Sherrill's Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl champion Bulldogs will conclude their spring practice schedule with a final scrimmage at 1 p.m. Saturday [April 15] at Scott Field.

A Southeastern Conference baseball series has been a regular part of Super Bulldog Weekend through the years and 2000 will be no different. Head coach Pat McMahon will pit his Diamond Dog squad in a weekend series with SEC West foe and archrival Mississippi. The two teams will meet at 6:30 p.m. Friday [April 14], 5 p.m. Saturday, and 1:30 p.m. Sunday [April 16] at Dudy Noble Field/Polk-DeMent Stadium.

But baseball and football will not be the only varsity sports being played as part of the big weekend. Coach Andy Jackson and his nationally ranked men's tennis team will battle rival Mississippi Sunday at 1 p.m. at the A.J. Pitts Tennis Centre. These two teams are always among the nation's elite in men's college

tennis, and this year's dual match will be competitive at that level. Also, Coach Kathy Arendsen and her nationally ranked softball team will make their first appearance at a Super Bulldog Weekend, playing Tennessee at 3 p.m. Friday and Kentucky at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. All softball dates are seven-inning double-headers.

And for the second consecutive year, coach Al Schmidt's track team will host

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Occurrence of Sedimentary Iron Ores in Mississippi and an Examination of the Role of Nanobacteria in their Formation";

Peter Ryan, Animal and Dairy Science, "Novel Biodegradable Slow-release Ovarian Steroid Hormone Delivery Systems to Enhance Reproductive Function in Beef Heifers: Influences on AI";

Mitchell Thornton, Electrical and Computer Engineering, "Query Optimization Using Automated Logic Synthesis Techniques";

Scott Willard, Animal and Dairy Science, "Continuous Monitoring of Gene Expression in Living Embryos: A Functional Assessment of the Heat Shock Response."

the MSU Invitational as part of Super Bulldog Weekend. Events at the W.O. Spencer Stadium/Carl Maddox Track will begin Saturday morning.

Also back for the 15th straight year is MSU's pig-cooking contest, complete with a Friday night gathering of fellowship and Bulldog fun at the contest area just west of Scott Field.

But all of the athletic endeavors are just part of the weekend fun. Another Super Saturday Fanfare is planned, which will bring interactive games to the Scott Field west-side parking area.

For more information, telephone Media Relations at 325-2703.

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working sheep dogs, police dogs and dog obedience. The public also can see several horse exhibits including draft horses, horse shoeing, and various riding and jumping performances.

Demonstrations about wild and pet birds and reptiles will take place during the open house. Special exhibits on aquarium medicine will be available each day.

Open house begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. both days. Admission is free. Group reservations are recommended.

For more information and to coordinate group tours contact Tara Puckett, administrative assistant, in the CVM Office of Special Programs, 325-1167.

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Pearl River, and Perry counties.

In addition to his duties on the bench, he chairs the Board of Governors of the Mississippi Judicial College. Previously, he headed the Mississippi Judicial Advisory Study Committee and the Mississippi Children's Code Commission, among several other professional leadership roles.

For his accomplishments, Dale received the 1995 Justice Achievement Award of the Mississippi Court Administrators Association, 1996 Mississippi Supreme Court's Chief Justice Award and 1997 Lifetime Achievement Award of the Mississippi Bar Association.



Starkville's Overstreet Elementary School soon will be one of the few Mississippi schools with a complete science lab, thanks to a \$15,000 donation from the Tennessee Valley Authority and MSU's College of Engineering. Among participants in the check presentation ceremony were (l-r) Susan Tomlinson, Overstreet PTA president; King David Rush, Overstreet principal; Terry Kemp, senior manager of the Starkville TVA office; engineering dean A. Wayne Bennett; and associate dean Lesia Crumpton-Young.



Employment Opportunities

The following vacancies are subject to change on a daily basis.

Mississippi State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

<www.msstate.edu/dept/business_affairs/hrm/employment/postings.html>

Executive, Administrative and Managerial

- Curriculum and Instruction, Department Head/Professor
- Curriculum and Instruction, Webmaster
- Dining Services, Director
- Mathematics and Statistics, Department Head/Professor
- Music Education, Department Head, Associate/Professor (Search Extended)
- Office of the Provost, Dean/Director/Professor - College of Forest Resources and Forest and Wildlife Res. Ctr.
- Registrars Office, University Registrar
- School of Accountancy, Director/Professor
- Wildlife and Fisheries, Department Head
- Meridian Campus, Associate Dean/Assistant/Associate/Professor
- Meridian Campus, Division of Arts and Sciences Chair/Associate Professor

Faculty

- Aerospace Engineering, Assistant/Associate Professor (2 positions)
- Aerospace Engineering, Lecturer (Pool)
- Agricultural Economics, Assistant Professor/Assistant Economist
- Agricultural Economics, Assistant Specialist/Assistant Professor
- Agricultural Economics, Assistant Specialist
- Agricultural Information Science and Education, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Animal and Dairy Sciences, Equine Science (2 positions)
- Animal and Dairy Sciences, Assistant/Associate Specialist
- Art, Assistant/Associate Professor (Graphic Design)
- Arts and Sciences - College of, Lecturer Pool
- Biological Sciences, Assistant Professor/Microbial Geneticist

- Biological Sciences, Assistant Professor/Molecular Evolutionist
- Biological Sciences, Assistant Professor/Plant Ecologist
- Business, Assistant/Associate Professor of Management
- Civil Engineering, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Communication, Assistant/Associate Professor (2 positions)
- Computer Science, Assistant/Associate Professor (3 positions)
- Computer Science, Lecturer Pool (Part Time, Time Limited)
- Counselor Ed. and Ed. Psychology/RRTC, Assistant/Associate Professor and RRTC Research Director
- Counselor Education, Assistant/Associate Professor (2 positions)
- Diagnostic Instrumentation and Analysis Laboratory (DIAL), Research Engineer II (2 positions)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Assistant/Associate/Professor (5 positions)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Lecturers (3 positions, Part-time)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Professor/Robert Guyton Chair of Teaching Excellence
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Visiting Instructors (3 positions)
- Engineering - Dean of, Technical Communication Coordinator and Instructor
- Engineering - Dean of, Technical Writing Instructor (2 positions)
- Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Engineer (4 positions)
- English, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Entomology and Plant Pathology, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Entomology and Plant Pathology, Extension Entomology Specialist/Research Scientist
- Finance and Economics, Assistant Professor
- Food Science and Technology, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Forestry, Assistant Professor/

Area Specialist, Forestry Extension

- Health, P.E., Recreation and Sport, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- History, Assistant Professor
- Human Sciences, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Human Sciences, Assistant/Associate Specialist and Scientist
- Industrial Engineering, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Library, Assistant Professor/Assistant Archivist Congressional and Political Research Center
- Library, Assistant Professor/Coordinator of Serials
- Library, Assistant Professor and Database Management/Authority Control Librarian
- Library, Assistant Professor and Instruction Services Librarian (2 positions)
- Library, Assistant Professor/Librarian and Information Specialist-Jackson Center (Re-Advertisement)
- Library, Assistant Professor/Monographic Cataloger
- Library, Assistant Professor/Reference Services Librarian
- Library, Assistant Professor and Serials Cataloger
- Library, Associate Professor and Reference Services Coordinator
- Library, Associate Professor/University Archivist and Coordinator of Special Collections
- MCES/Economic and Community Resource Development/Agriculture and Natural Resources, Geospatial Extension Specialist
- Management and Information Systems, Assistant/Associate/Full Professor (Search Extended)
- Math and Statistics, Associate Professor (3 positions)
- Mechanical Engineering, Assistant/Associate/Full Professor
- Music Education, Assistant/Associate Professor/Director of Choral Activities (Search Extended)
- Physics and Astronomy, Assistant/Associate Professor
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant/Associate Professor (4 positions)
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant/Associate Specialist
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant/Associate Specialist, Agronomist, Professor
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant Extension Specialist-Ornamentals/Environmental Plants
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Assistant Forage Specialist/Assistant Agronomist
- Psychology, Assistant Professor (3 positions)
- Psychology, Visiting Assistant Professor/Lecturer
- Social Science Research Center (SSRC), Assistant Instructor Applicant Pool
- Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, Assistant Professor (4 positions)
- Technology and Education, Assistant Professor (2 positions)
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor Aquatic Pathobiologist
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Immunology
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine (Extended)
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor in Small Animal Surgery (Extended, Modified Advertisement)
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Veterinary Anesthesiology
- Vet Medicine, Assistant/Associate Professor of Veterinary Surgery
- Vet Medicine, Branch Librarian/Assistant/Associate Professor (Modified Advertisement)
- Vice President for Research, Associate Laboratory Animal Veterinarian
- MAFES/Central MS Research and Extension Center, Superintendent/Horticulturist
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Stoneville, MS, Assistant/Associate Agronomist
- MAFES/North MS Research and Extension Center, Pontotoc MS, Research Scientist/Agronomy
- MASEP, Instructor/Assistant, Instructor Pool
- MSU-ES/Delta R&E Center, Stoneville, MS, Assistant/Associate Extension Soybean Specialist/Assistant/Associate Weed Scientist
- MSU-Meridian Campus, Business and Industry, College of, Assistant/Associate Professor of Finance
- MSU-Meridian Campus, Business and Industry, College of, Assistant/Associate Professor of Management
- Meridian Campus, Assistant/Associate Professor of Counselor

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Funding Opportunities

Below are funding opportunities received from various sources such as the Grants Resource Center. Sponsored Programs Administration (SPA), 325-7404, will assist you in obtaining information and applications necessary for submission to governmental or private sources. For complete listings and other opportunities, see the Sponsored Programs World Wide Web page on the MSU server: <<http://www.msstate.edu/Dept/SPA/index.html>>.

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES)

ITEM: Notice announcing the availability of funds and requesting proposals for the Special Research Grants Program, Pest Management Alternatives Program: Addressing Food Quality Protection Act Issues for Fiscal Year 2000. This program addresses anticipated changes in pest management on food, feed, livestock, and ornamental commodities resulting from implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 and related regulatory actions. CSREES also is soliciting comments regarding this RFP from any interested party. These comments will be considered in the development of the next RFP for this program.

ACTION: Proposals are due by April 17, 2000. Program application materials may be obtained by calling 202/401-5048, or by sending an e-mail message to psb@reusda.gov.

CONTACT: Steve Yaninek, 202/401-6702. Fax: 202/401-6869. E-mail: syaninek@reusda.gov.

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES)

ITEM: Notice announcing the availability of funds and requesting proposals for the Special Research Grants Program, Potato Research for FY 2000. CSREES also is soliciting comments regarding this RFP from any interested party. These comments will be considered in the development of the next RFP for this program.

ACTION: Proposals are due by April 3, 2000. Program application materials may be obtained by calling 202/401-5048, or by sending an e-mail message to psb@reusda.gov.

CONTACT: James Parochetti, 202/401-4354. E-mail: jparochetti@reusda.gov.

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES); Agricultural Research Service (ARS)

ITEM: Notice requesting proposals for FY 2000 under the Biotechnology Risk Assessment Research Grants Program, which supports science-based biotechnology regulation, thereby helping to address concerns about the effects of introducing genetically modified organisms into the environment and helping regulators to develop policies regarding such introduction.

ACTION: Proposals are due by April 10, 2000. Program application materials may be obtained by calling 202/401-5048, or by sending an e-mail message to psb@reusda.gov. See also, <http://www.reusda.gov/crgam/biotechrisk/biotech.htm> for electronic access to application and programmatic materials.

CONTACT: Deborah Sheely (CSREES), 202/401-1924. E-mail: dsheely@reusda.gov. Robert Faust (ARS), 301/504-6918. E-mail: rmf@ars.usda.gov.

TITLE: Fisheries Resource and Management Research

SOL: N/A

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Commerce; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)

ITEM: Notice seeking ideas for research projects involving cooperation between members of the fishing industry and scientists. To encourage research ideas from fishermen, as well as from scientists, NMFS is soliciting concept papers that state succinctly the objectives and benefits of projects and identify what resources are available to the applicant and what other resources are needed. Projects must be related to conservation efforts or management measures affecting the northeast multi-species fishery as defined by the New England Fishery Management.

ACTION: Responses are due by April 10, 2000. See also, <http://www.easc.noaa.gov> for access to electronic information.

CONTACT: Lynne Phipps, 757/441-6881, or Melvyn DesJarlais, 757/441-6647. E-mail: Nick.Anderson@noaa.gov or Lynn.B.Phipps@noaa.gov.

ADDRESS: Department of Commerce, NOAA, 200 World Trade Center, Room 209, Norfolk, VA 23510-1624

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

ITEM: Notice requesting proposals under the Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems (IFAFS) Program for FY 2000, which provides support for research, education and extension grants addressing key issues of national and regional importance to agriculture, forestry and related topics. This notice also requests comments from stakeholders for use in future competitions.

ACTION: Proposals are due by May 8, 2000. See also, <http://www.usda.gov/ocfo/stratree.pdf> for electronic access to background information on IFAFS. Go to <http://www.reusda.gov/ifafs/> for electronic access to application materials. Approximately \$113,400,000 is available in FY 2000 for programs within the IFAFS for the following priority areas: Agriculture Genome and Agricultural Biotechnology (\$32.8 million); Food Safety, Food Technology, and Human Nutrition (\$23.6 million); New and Alternative Uses and Production of Agricultural Commodities and Products (\$9.4 million); Natural Resource Management, including Precision Agriculture (\$28.4 million); and Farm Efficiency and Profitability, Including the Viability and Competitiveness of Small-and Medium-Sized Dairy, Livestock, Crop, and Other Commodity Operations (\$18.9 million). Funds available for each priority area are target amounts.

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

ITEM: Notice announcing the availability of funds and requesting applications for FY 2000 under the Youth Violence Prevention Cooperative Agreements Program, the goals of which are to build community-wide understanding of youth violence/suicide, to build real and sustainable community-wide, intensive collaborations to address this public health crisis, and to implement and sustain evidence-based youth and family service programs. There will be two phases in this 2-year program: the Phase 1 Community Collaboration Phase, and the Phase 2, Pilot Implementation Phase.

ACTION: Applications are due by May 23, 2000. See also, <http://www.samhsa.gov> for access to electronic information. Application kits are available from the National Mental Health Services' Knowledge Exchange Network, 800/789-2647. Fax: 301/984-8796.

CONTACT: Tiffany Ho, 301/443-2892, or Malcolm Gordon, 301/443-2957.

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Education

- Meridian Campus, Assistant/Associate Professor of Curriculum and Instruction
- Meridian Campus, Assistant Professor of English
- Meridian Campus, Assistant Professor of History
- Meridian Campus, Lecturers (Part Time, Temporary)
- Social Science Research Center, Biloxi, MS, Assistant Instructor

Other Professional

- Agricultural Communications, Publications Editor (Part Time; Time Limited)
- Athletics, Assistant Women's Soccer Coach
- Athletics, Assistant Women's Softball Coach
- Biological Sciences, Research Assistant I (Time Limited)
- Business and Industry, Budget Manager (Internal Position)
- Computer Application and Services, Network Project Assistant
- Computer Application and Services, Programmer Analyst
- Computer Application and Services, Senior Programmer Analyst
- Computer Application and Services, Technical Assistant
- Computer Science, Assistant Systems and Network Manager (Part Time)
- Continuing Education, Assistant Program Administrator
- Continuing Education, Coordinator of Distance Education Program Development (Internal Position)
- Continuing Education, Manager of Distance Education (Internal Position)
- Curriculum and Instruction, Research Assistant I (Time Limited 50%)
- Development, Director of Development for the College of Education
- Diagnostic Instrumentation and Analysis Laboratory (DIAL), Accountant
- Diagnostic Instrumentation and Analysis Laboratory (DIAL), Post-Doctoral Research Associate (Time-Limited)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Budget Manager (Internal Position)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering, Research Engineer/Research Engineer I
- Engineering - Dean of, Assistant Computer Systems Administrator
- Engineering - Dean of, Research Scientist/Engineer
- Engineering Research Center (ERC), Graphic Designer
- Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Assistant I (2 positions)
- Engineering Research Center (ERC), Research Assistant I, II, or Senior (2 positions)
- Food Science and Technology, Accountant
- Forestry, Research Assistant I (Time Limited, 2 positions)
- General Counsel, Legal Assistant
- Human Sciences, Research Assistant

- Human Sciences, Teacher, Child Development Center
- Industrial Engineering, Post-doctoral (2 positions)
- Information Systems, Computer Programmer (2 positions)
- Information Systems, Programmer Analyst
- Information Systems, Senior Programmer Analyst
- International Services Office, International Immigration Advisor/Senior Accountant
- Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service/Geographic Information Systems, GIS Operator
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Research Assistant (1 positions)
- Plant and Soil Sciences, Research Assistant I (2 positions)
- Registrar, Information System Coordinator
- Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Blindness and Low Vision, Research Scientist
- Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Blindness and Low Vision, Research Scientist I
- Social Science Research Center, Research Assistant I (Time Limited)
- Social Science Research Center, Research Assistant I Applicant Pool (Time Limited)
- Student Affairs, Psychologist
- Student Financial Aid and Scholarships, Financial Aid Counselor
- Student Health Center, Pharmacist
- Student Health Center, Physical Therapist
- Systems and Networks, LAN Systems Analyst
- Systems and Networks, Senior UNIX Systems Programmer
- Technology and Education, Projects Coordinator
- Technology and Education, Projects Director
- University Television Center, Video Writer/Reporter
- User Services, Computing Consultant
- Vet Medicine, Histotechnologist I/II/Senior
- Vet Medicine, Intern, (2 positions, Time Limited)
- Vet Medicine, Research Assistant I/II
- Coastal Research and Extension Center, Assistant Specialist/Associate Specialist
- Coastal Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I (2 positions)
- Delta Research and Extension Center (Stoneville, MS), Extension Production Economist/Farm Management
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I (2 positions)
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I (Full Time, Time Limited)
- MAFES/Delta Research and Extension Center, Research Assistant I (Part Time, Time Limited)
- MAFES/Pontotoc Experiment Station

- (Pontotoc, MS), Research Assistant I
- MAFES/Social Science Research Center, Postdoctoral Research Fellow
- Meridian Campus, Electronic Services Librarian
- Meridian Campus, Manager, Continuing Education and Distance Learning (SEARCH EXTENDED)
- North MS Research and Extension Center, Facilities Manager

Secretarial Pay Grades and Ranges

Secretary, Pay Grade 5, \$5.55-6.94
Administrative Secretary I, Pay Grade 6, \$5.65-7.06
Administrative Secretary II, Pay Grade 7, \$5.75-7.19
Executive Secretary, Pay Grade 8, \$6-7.50
*Pay range based on qualifications and years of experience for new employees.



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Calendar of Events

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Ongoing Events, Activities

28th annual MSU Student Competitive Fine Art and Graphic Design Exhibition, through March 23, McComas Hall art gallery. Gallery hours are 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday and 1-4 p.m. Sunday. 325-2947.

March

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John Digby (reception, 7:30-9 p.m.), exhibit of collages of birds and animals, Pegasus Gallery, Wise Center, through April 18. 325-2522.

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Invitational Senior Examination Program. 325-3076.

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MSU vs. Alcorn State, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

Honors Forum: Joan Digby to speak on husband John Digby's art, 13 Allen Hall, 12:30 p.m. 325-2522.

Weekly Information Technology series: How to Buy a Computer, Colvard Union small auditorium, 12:30-1:30 p.m. 325-0631. (see story on page 2)

Public program: Gen. Colin Powell, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will speak live via interactive satellite feed, Bost Extension Center auditorium, 12:30-1:30 p.m. 325-3503.

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MSU vs. Alabama-Birmingham, softball, MSU Softball Field, 6 p.m.

Staff Appreciation Day planning meeting, Burgoyne Suite, Memorial Hall, 10 a.m. 325-0664.

"Southern Family Favorites with a Health Twist," Henri Sue Kennard, home economist, Bryan Foods, Colvard Union faculty lounge, noon. 325-2267.

23

Vassilios Tzaferis lecture: "The Archaeology of Crucifixion," Simrall Hall auditorium, 7 p.m. 325-3826. (see story on page 3)

"Foods as Medicines, Medicines as Foods," Dr. Wanda Dodson, Colvard Union faculty lounge, noon. 325-3080.

Nature Photography program, MSU/Crosby Arboretum, Visitors' Center, Picayune, 9-11 a.m. Members, \$25; non-members, \$30. Call for reservations. (601) 799-2311, extension 22.

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MSU vs. Auburn, women's tennis, Pitts Tennis Centre, 2:30 p.m.

26-28

"International Females on Southern U.S. Campuses" teleconference, Tait-Butler Room, Wise Center. 325-1466.

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"Women's Financial Health," Alyson Hardin, certified financial planner, Colvard Union faculty lounge, noon. 325-1008.

Pre-Law Society Distinguished Jurist Award program, Simrall Hall auditorium, 11 a.m. 325-7864. (see story on page 1)

Weekly Information Technology series: Microsoft Word: Top 10 Tips to Get Started, 301-302 Colvard Union, 12:30-1:30 p.m. 325-0631. (see story on page 2)

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North Mississippi Health Services Morning Workshop, Bost Extension Center, 9-11:45 a.m. 325-7390.

2000 Outstanding Woman Awards Luncheon, Bost Extension Center auditorium, noon. Tickets, \$10. Debra Fairbrother, 325-0812.

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MSU vs. Mississippi, women's tennis, Pitts Tennis Centre, 2:30 p.m.

Author Randall Kenan to read from his book "Walking on Water: Black American Lives at the Turn of the 21st Century," Starkville Community Theater, 108 East Main St., 8 p.m. 325-3644. (see story on page 3)

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MSU vs. Arkansas, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 6:30 p.m.

April

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MSU vs. Georgia, women's tennis, Pitts Tennis Centre, noon.

MSU vs. Arkansas, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 5 p.m.

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MSU vs. Auburn, men's tennis, Pitts Tennis Centre, 1 p.m.

MSU vs. Arkansas, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 1:30 p.m.

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Lyceum Series: Martha Graham Dance Ensemble, Lee Hall auditorium, 7:30 p.m. 325-4201.

MSU vs. South Alabama, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 6:30 p.m.

Weekly Information Technology series: Microsoft PowerPoint: Top 10 Tips to Get Started, 301-302 Colvard Union, 12:30-1:30 p.m. 325-0631. (see story on page 2)

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MSU vs. Southern Mississippi, softball, MSU Softball Field, 3 p.m.

MSU vs. South Alabama, baseball, Dudy Noble Field, 3 p.m.

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All East Intercollegiate Livestock Judging and Evaluation Contest, MSU AgriCenter. Tommy Shields, 325-2802.

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College of Veterinary Medicine Open House, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. each day. Tara Puckett, 325-1167.

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MSU Women's Club: fashion show, Colvard Union ballroom, noon. 325-3573.

MSU vs. South Carolina, women's tennis, Pitts Tennis Centre, 2:30 p.m.

MSU vs. LSU, softball, MSU Softball Field, 5 p.m.

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