



Friday Notes from *MSSTATE Poultry Science*

Friday Notes - to keep you informed about noteworthy news from Poultry Science at Mississippi State....and let us hear from you as well!

Faculty and Staff Travel and Activities:

- **Jessica Wells** presented CDE seminars to FFA advisors, Nov. 18 and 19.
- **Jessica Wells** took turkeys and a few chickens to the Chik-Fil-A “Wild about Turkeys” event, Nov. 19. See pictures at this link:
<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.364353443701908.1073741852.138154026321852&type=1>
- **Dr. McDaniel** gave a poultry biology lesson to 32 elementary school children from Ackerman participating in the PACE accelerated learning program.
- **Dr. McDaniel** presented talks on male breeder reproduction to Hubbard plants at Texarkana and Springdale, AR, Nov. 19 and 20.

Departmental Activities:

- The Poultry Science “Homecoming” luncheon was a great success, despite the fact that relatively few alumni attended, likely because of the very late game with Alabama. **Jessica Wells** and **Dr. Wamsley** cooked chicken for the luncheon.
- The Poultry Science Faculty, staff representatives, and grad student representatives met with members of our **Industry Advisory Council** on Monday, Nov. 18. We gave them a tour of the recent renovations and upgrades at the Poultry Farm and had great discussions about our progress and future directions. Drs. Bohach (DAFVM VP), Hopper (MAFES Director/CALS Dean) and Jackson (Extension Director) joined us for parts of the meeting. It was a very productive and useful meeting.
- **Sherman Miller**, Cal-Maine CEO and USPoultry Foundation Chairman; and **Mark Leggett** (MPA President) visited us on Thursday to present the recruiting check from USPoultry and to inspect the newly installed colony cages donated by Chore-Time on behalf of Cal-Maine.
- **Patrick Harrison** (GA Poultry) spoke on the Poultry Allied Industry in the Commercial Poultry Production class on Nov 19 and **Cam Cardenas** (MS grad student with **Dr. Wamsley**, spoke on strategies to reduce necrotic enteritis and late cycling of birds given a live coccidiosis vaccine.
- **Roy Brazeal** and **Jason Quick** with Aviagen were our guests on Nov. 21 to interview students and present a talk to the Broiler Production class.
- **Dr. Farnell** presented a talk and a baby chick activity to 2nd graders at Sudduth Elementary School, Nov. 22.
- **Drs. Zhai** and **Wamsley** met with a Novus International area manager to discuss research opportunities, Nov. 21.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving!