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John Nieber- Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering
Kristen Opitz- Plant Pathology
Deborah Pehrson- Southern Research and Outreach Center, Waseca, MN
Erin Pfarr- Undergraduate Student
Kim Reno- Animal Science
Hattie Saloka- Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology
Hamed Samavat- Graduate Student
Sarah Schieck- West Central Research and Outreach Center, Morris, MN

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Major Silisyene- Graduate Student
Alan Smith- Horticulture
Amy Smith- Agriculture Education
Yordanose Solomone- Undergraduate Student
Karen Sprengeler- Student Services
Cliff Vrieze- CFANS Alumni Society
Jenna Williams- Forest Resources

Honors and Awards are listed for the period 5/9/2014-5/8/2015
This list may not be exhaustive; the Honors and Awards Committee apologizes to anyone who may have been overlooked.
Please report any omissions to Betty Davidson at betty@umn.edu

CFANS Faculty

Neil Anderson- Horticulture
American Society of Horticultural Science Education Publication Award
Dr. Sam Baiido- Animal Science
Outstanding Faculty Award
Marvin Bauer- Forest Resources
Special Remote Sensing Award
Marin Bozic- Applied Economics
AAEA Distinguished Extension Outreach Program Group
Tony D’Amato- Forest Resources
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources,
Division of Forestry, Award of Excellence
Harvard University Charles Bullard Fellowship in
Forest Research Harvard Forest
University of Minnesota Council of Graduate
Students Outstanding Faculty Award
Andy David- Forest Resources
MN Tree Improvement Cooperative, Partnership
Award, MN DNR
Dr. Alfredo DiCostanzo- Animal Science
Block & Bridle Club Outstanding Faculty Award
sponsored by Cargill
Dan Gallaher- Food Science and Nutrition
GAPSA Advising and Mentoring Award
Paul Glewe- Applied Economics
Outstanding Contributions to post
baccalaureate, graduate and/or professional
education
Dr. Les Hansen- Animal Science
J.L. Lush Award in Animal Breeding, American
Dairy Science Association (ADSA)
Minnesota Livestock Breeders Association
(MLBA) Service Award and Inductee into the
MLBA Hall of Fame
George Heimpel- Entomology
Distinguished McKnight Professors
Terry Hurley- Applied Economics
CFANS Distinguished Teaching Awards:
Graduate
Carol Ishimaru- Plant Pathology
Fellow of the American Psychopathological
Society
Gary Johnson- Extension Professor, Forest
Resources
Richard C. Newman Art of Teaching Award
Lee Johnston
Distinguished Alumnus for 2014, Department of
Dairy and Animal Science, Penn State University.
Pork Industry Master, National Hog Farmer
Magazine, May 2014.
Anup Kollanoor Johny- Animal Science
Outstanding Section Volunteer, Food
Microbiology Division, Institute of Food
Technologists (IFT)
H. Corby Kistler- Plant Pathology
AAAS Fellow
Jim Luby- Horticulture
American Society of Horticultural Science
Outstanding Researcher Award 2014
Douglas Mashek- Food Science and Nutrition
Distinguished Teaching Award: Undergraduate
Faculty
Dr. Sally Noll- Animal Science
Fellow, Poultry Science Association (PSA)
Dale Nordquist- Applied Economics Extension
Professor
CFANS Alumni Society Distinguished Staff Award
Angela Orshinsky- Plant Pathology
American Phytopathological Society Leadership
Fellowship
Claudia Parliment- Applied Economics
CFANS Alumni Society Distinguished Faculty
Award
Roland Peterson-Agriculture Education
Emeritus Professor

IFC Advisor of the Year

Matthew Rouse- Plant Pathology

Midwest Area Early Career Research Scientist of the Year

Deb Samac-Plat Pathology

Vice President of the North American Alfalfa Improvement Conference

Ingrid Schneider- Forest Resources
Friend of Tourism Award, Explore MN Tourism

Craig Sheaffer-Agronomy and Plant Genetics
GAPSA Advising and Mentoring Award
Dr. Jerry Shurson- Animal Science
American Feed Industry Association Award in Non-Ruminant Nutrition Research, American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)

Brian Steffenson-Plant Pathology
Outstanding Faculty Award presented by: The Council of Graduate Students (COGS)

Marshall Stern-Animal Science
Fellow Award in Teaching, American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)

Rebecca Swenson- Agriculture Education
Innovation in Undergraduate Education Award
Outstanding Professor Award

CFANS Staff

Marike Boenisch-Plant Pathology
Eukaryotic Cell Award, Genetics Society of America

Melinda Dornbusch- Plant Pathology
Civil Servant of the Year Award

Karlyn Eckman- Forest Resources
Fulbright Nehru Excellence in Research Scholar for India

Tracy Fallon- Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering
Administrative Civil Service/Bargaining Unit (CS/BU) Staff Awards

Chad Giblin-Forest Resources
Minnesota Community Forestry Practitioners Award of Excellence

Mark Hove-Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation
William J. Clench Memorial Award

Dean Malvick-Plant Pathology
Distinguished Extension/Outreach Award

Michelle Overtoom- CFANS Student Services
CFANS Student Board Outstanding Professional Staff Member

Carrie Pike-Forest Resources
MN Tree Improvement Cooperative, Partnership Award, MN Department of Natural Resources

Charles Rohwer-Southern Research and Outreach Center
Scientific Distinguished Academic (P&A) Staff Awards
David Schmidt - Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering

Professional Distinguished Academic (P&A) Staff Awards

Jeffrey Vettsch - Southern Research and Outreach Center

Scientific Civil Service/Bargaining Unit (CS/BU) Staff Awards

Jeremy Yoder - Post Doctorial Associate, Plant Science

Distinguished Diversity and Inclusion Award

Group Recognition

Agriculture Education Club

Program of Excellence Contest - 1st Place Overall, and Program of Excellence Contest - 1st Place (Fundraising)

Team Essay Contest - 1st Place

Parliamentary Procedure Written Test High Score

A.W. Nolan Award – Gold

Debate Contest - 3rd Place

Farmhouse Fraternity

CFANS Student Board Outstanding Philanthropic Event

Food Recovery Network

CFANS Student Board Outstanding Organizational Programming

Junior Dairy Cattle Judging Team

Austin Davis, Nathan Donnay, Eric Houdek, Dane Thompson

Accelerated Genetics Intercollegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, Viroqua, WI

September 14, 2014.

2nd Place, Overall
1st place, Holstein Breed
3rd place, Guernsey Breed
3rd place, Milking Shorthorn Breed

Junior Dairy Cattle Judging Team

Nathan Donnay, Eric Houdek, Vincent Migliazzo, Dane Thompson

North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, KY, November 8-21, 2014

5th Overall
1st place, Guernsey Breed
2nd place, Holstein Breed

Senior Dairy Cattle Judging Team

m: Mary Liebenstein, Nick Reps, Michael Schmitt, Andrew Hetke

World Dairy Expo - September 29, 2014

3rd Overall, National Collegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest

1st Overall, Milking Shorthorn Breed
2nd place, Holstein Breed
3rd place, Ayrshire Breed
4th place, Jersey Breed
5th place, Red & White Breed

U of M Academic Quadrathlon Team

Troy King, Sarah Marketon, Trevor Otte, Sara Roerick

Regional Academic Quadrathlon (AQ) Contest, American Society of Animal Science (ASAS), March 2015

First Place Overall
1st place, Quiz Bowl
2nd place, Lab Practicum
3rd place, Oral Presentation
6th place, Written Exam
**Student Awards**

Yizhou Ben Ma  
2015 Mestenhauser Student Award for Excellence in Campus Internationalization  
**Justin Carlson**- Food Science  
**CFANS Alumni Society Student Leadership Award, Graduate**  
**Thomas Duff**- Animal Science  
**Leonard Wulf Scholarship**  
**Leonard Fung**- Animal Science  
2014-2015 Outstanding Student Employee Award, Student Employment Leadership Program (SELP)  
**Amanda Grew**- Animal Science  
**Outstanding Masters of Science Student**  
**Matthew Haas**-Plant Pathology  
**MnDRIVE Fellowship**  
**Mathew Hanson**- Animal Science  
**Milk Producers Association (MMPA) Scholarship Leonard Wulf Scholarship**  
**Eric Houdek**- Animal Science  
**Dr. Don Otterby Scholarship**  
**Lisa Janak**- Animal Science  
**Dr. Don Otterby Scholarship**  
**Laura Jensen**- Animal Science  
**Douglas Siem Memorial Award**  
**Matt Jorgensen**-Animal Science  
**Outstanding Doctor of Philosophy Student**  
**Joshua Kielsmeier-Cook**-Plant Pathology  
**Stanwood Johnston Fellowship**  
**Troy King**- Animal Science  
**Dr. Wilson G. Pond Scholarship**  
**Johanna Knorr**-Animal Science  
**Dr. Don Otterby Scholarship**  
**Andrew Krause**-Animal Science  
**Milk Producers Association (MMPA) Scholarship**  
**Sarah Lee**- Agriculture Education  
**Dean E.M. Freeman Medal**  
**Mary Liebenstein**-Animal Science  
**R.W. Touchberry Outstanding Junior in Animal Science**  
**Sarah Marketon**-Animal Science  
**R.W. Touchberry Scholarship**  
**Stephen Melson**- Agriculture Education  
**CFANS Alumni Society Student Leadership Award, Undergraduate**  
**Lindsey Miller**-Horticulture  
**GrowIt! Scholarship**  
**Adam Munsterteiger**-Animal Science  
**Dr. Richard Goodrich Scholarship**  
**Tatum Odland**- Animal Science  
**Dr. M. E. Ensminger Scholarship**  
**Cassie Olson**- Animal Science  
**Outstanding Senior Award, Gopher Dairy Club**  
**Michaela Olson**- Animal Science  
**Dr. M. E. Ensminger Scholarship**  
**Nelson Scholarship, Meat Science**  
**Bret Otte**- Animal Science  
**Dr. Don Otterby Scholarship**
Isaac Salfer- Animal Science

John Brandt Memorial Scholarship, Land O'Lakes Foundation, Inc.,
Hueg-Harrison Fellowship

Anne Sawyer- Soil, Water and Climate

2015 American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America and Soil Science Society of America Future Leaders in Science Award

Katie Schmitt- Animal Science

Dr. Don Otterby Scholarship

Crystal Siemers-Peterman- Animal Science

Outstanding Rookie Award, Gopher Dairy Club

Travis Smith- Applied Economics

AAEA Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award

Wyatt Smith- Animal Science

Leonard Wulf Scholarship

Alicia Thurf- Animal Science

Distinguished Service Award, Gopher Dairy Club

Michaela Trudeau- Animal Science

2nd place, Undergraduate Student Oral Competition, Midwest Section American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)

Allison VanDerWal- Animal Science

Dr. Robert M. Jordan Scholarship

Kirsten Weiss- Graduate Program-Food Science

Graduate Assistant Teaching Award

Fangzhou Wu- Animal Science

3rd place, Graduate Student MS Oral Competition, Midwest Section American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)
CFANS thanks those who have retired for their service

Carol Anderson—Plant Pathology
Administrative Director; 30 years of service

William Koskinen—Soil, Water, and Climate—28 years of service

Audrey Knollenberg—West Central Research and Outreach Center
Accountant; 9 years of service

Evonne Kuyper—Horticulture
Student Support Services; 35 years of service

George Nelson—West Central Research and Outreach Center
Crop Scientist; 27 years of service

Claudia Parliament—Applied Economics
Professor; 30 years of service

Michael Russell—Soil, Water, and Climate
Adjunct Professor; 32 years of service

Thomas Stinson—Applied Economics
Professor; 28 years of service

Steve Taff—Applied Economics
Associative Professor; 30 Years of service

Bruce Vondracek—Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology
Professor and Assistant Leader, Minnesota Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit; 24 years of service

In memory of the following members of the CFANS community

Roger Drinkwater, 1922-2014
Animal Science

Harlan Finney, 1951-2015
Soil, Water, and Climate

Sugar Krupa, 1940-2014
Plant Pathology

Robert Munter, 1932-2014
Soil, Water and Climate

Gerald (Jerry) Ochocki, 1949-2014
Plant Pathology

Curtis Overdahl—1914-2015
Soil, Water, and Climate

Mark Stennes, 1951-2015
Plant Pathology

Jerry Tesmer, 1951-2015
Animal Science

Christian Thill, 1951-2014
Horticulture

Delane Welsch, 1935-2015
Applied Economics