

<u>NEWS UPDATE</u> for the College of Agriculture, Engineering & Technology

## AGRIBUSINESS CLUB & COLLEGIATE FARM BUREAU AT RICELAND FOODS

The A-State Agribusiness Club and Collegiate Farm Bureau toured the Riceland Foods rice mill in Jonesboro on October 26, 2017. A farmer-owned cooperative, Riceland annually processes about 25% of the U.S. rice crop which is produced by 5,500 farmermembers. Twenty-five percent of Riceland's business is in the export market. Instructor Mark Jordan and Professor Bert Greenwalt accompanied the students.



#### DR. PETER AKO LARBI RECEIVES 2017 YOUNG ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD!

Dr. Peter Ako Larbi, Assistant Professor of Agricultural Systems Technology, has been awarded 2017 Young Engineer of the Year by the Arkansas Section of the American Society of



Agricultural and Biological Engineers. Dr. Larbi was recognized during the society's annual meeting in Fayetteville, AR on October 6, 2017. Congratulations to Dr. Larbi!

## SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR UPCOMING 2018 CONFERENCES

- January 31<sup>st</sup> Arkansas Soil & Water Education Conference & Expo Contact: Chris Jones chrisjones@astate.edu
- February 14<sup>th</sup> Agribusiness Conference Contact: astate\_agribus\_conf@astate.edu

# FARM WELCOMES NEW ANIMALS

The Farm recently purchased fourteen new pigs! Six Berkshire gilts and one boar along with six Duroc gilts and one boar. These pigs are essential to the farm's



alternative pork production operation.

operation. The Farm also welcomed their first fall calf born on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:55am! A healthy baby bull. The first of many to be born here on the farm this year.

#### AG HONORS CLUB DTA WELCOMES NEW INDUCTEES FOR FALL 2017



Students must have a 3.0 GPA or higher and be of sophomore status in one of A-State's Agriculture Programs. Welcome and congratulations!

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# HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR PREVIEW DAY ON NOVEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>



Our fabulous Technology faculty pictured with Howl at Senior Preview Day – Mrs. Ren and Dr. Sharma.

## THE FARM'S PETTING ZOO FALL OPEN HOUSE WAS A HIT!

A-State's Farm Petting Zoo held their Fall Open House October 26-28 where local schools get to come visit the farm and see all our animals – even pet

and hold some of them! Tractor-pulled hay trailer rides happened every hour so folks could tour our farm acreage, see all our facilities and hear about what goes on in each building. Thank you to all who participated this season! We are looking forward to our Spring event.



#### WE LOVE WHEN GRADUATES COME BACK FOR A VISIT



Hunter Biram stopped by to visit during his Fall Break at Mississippi State University. Hunter is doing a great job representing Arkansas State University and the College of Agriculture, Engineering & Technology during his master studies at Mississippi State University in Agricultural Economics.

# VETERANS 4 AG SUMMIT HELD ON OCTOBER 6TH

This event was designed to help empower America's veterans to grow America's food and was tailored to Arkansas veterans with an interest in agriculture. The event featured two panels designed to introduce veterans to the opportunities in agriculture and how to get started. The morning panel featured all the resources necessary for veterans to take the first step in producing America's food and fiber, including funding opportunities. We were pleased with the turnout and quality of information throughout this inaugural event.

# STUDENTS VISIT LAWRENCE GROUP



A group of students were invited by the Lawrence Group to learn about the revitalization efforts in Wilson, Arkansas. A bright and exciting future for both the town and our students!

# BOARD YOUR HORSES AT THE EQUINE CENTER!

A-State's Equine Center has vacant stalls and we want your horses to join us! We have a beautiful 300' x 165' covered arena, 40 acres of pasture,

12' x 12' stalls, multiple tack rooms, spacious wash racks, nutritional consulting and a large outdoor arena.



You don't have to be affiliated

with the university to board your horse here but if you are part of our alumni family, student body, staff or are a faculty member, you get a discount on your boarding fees!



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