



## Message from the Chair



# ARD UPDATES

*Dear Colleagues:*

As always, it was extremely enjoyable being together again, this time at the ESS/SAES/ARD annual meeting in Columbus, Ohio. The outstanding hospitality we were shown by our hosts from The Ohio State University remains greatly appreciated by us all and we also thank Dr. Bill Randle for the excellent talk he gave as the 1890 Representative during the Best Practices Session. We left with a long list of things to do, and some of the information requests will be very useful for the October meeting of the committees working on the 125th Anniversary Celebrations of the Second Morrill Act. These would be the submission of the impact statements and the ARD Leadership Profiles to be posted on the ARD Website.

So that I can sufficiently represent you on the Steering Committee for the 125th Anniversary Celebrations, please send me your ideas and suggestions. I will keep you informed about the planned initiatives through emails and at our upcoming regular meetings. Thank you for allowing members from your campuses to serve in essential capacities. We are looking forward to our 2015 events to showcase the accomplishments and impacts of the 1890 Institutions. With your participation and contributions, our celebratory activities will help broad and varied audiences to understand and appreciate the value of the 1890s and the unique roles they play in enhancing the lives of all and in expanding the capabilities of this nation to address contemporary issues and solve global problems. We know we can depend on all of you to help us get our marketing messages out and possibly realize new funding opportunities to help us gain eminence.

Sincerely,

Shirley Hymon-Parker

### Congratulations Dr. Hill!!!!



Walter A. Hill, vice provost and dean of the College of Agriculture, Environment and Nutrition Sciences, has been promoted to provost at Tuskegee University effective September 15, 2013.

### USDA's 2014 Agricultural Outlook Forum in Washington, DC

The 2014 Agricultural Outlook Forum will be held Feb. 20-21 in Arlington, Virginia, at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel. USDA will host an introductory briefing and discussion of career opportunities on Feb. 18 and provide students with a tour on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>. The USDA Outlook Forum Diversity Program is designed to expose students to contemporary agribusiness, future trends, scientific research, and agricultural policy in today's real world environment. The program targets 30 agriculture, agricultural economics, agricultural communications, agricultural business, nutrition and food science or pre-veterinary junior or senior and graduate students. **UNDERGRADUATE SELECTION CRITERIA:** Students first submit their one-page essay titled "Agriculture as a Career" to their respective institution representative. Each institution performs a "pre-selection" process by choosing the final best two essays among the applicants selecting two undergraduate students. **GRADUATE SELECTION CRITERIA:** Students first submit their essay (2-page maximum) titled "The Greatest Challenge Facing Agriculture Over the Next 5 Years" to their respective institution representative. Each institution performs a "pre-selection" process by choosing the final best two essays among the applicants.

**ESSAY SUBMISSIONS:** Schools will submit essays to Lisa Purnell (lisa.purnell@osec.usda.gov) with individual letters of recommendation from the institution's dean by Nov. 8, 2013. Essays must include student's name, major, year in school, address, phone number, and e-mail.

**TRAVEL ITINERARY:** Registration, transportation, lodging, and Forum meals are provided. Students will arrive in Washington, D.C., Feb. 18, 2014, and return home Feb. 21, 2014

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[www.umes.edu/ard](http://www.umes.edu/ard)

or contact us using [cbbrooks@umes.edu](mailto:cbbrooks@umes.edu)

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**Theme:**  
Women and Youth:  
Changing the Landscape of Agriculture”

The Conference will be held at the Kellogg Conference Center at Tuskegee University,

**December 8—10, 2013.**

The conference will include student paper and poster competitions, the Tuskegee University Christmas Concert, the PAWC Chef Cook-Off and Local Farmer Value-Added Tasting Reception. Limited scholarships are available for small farmers, youth, community based organizations, and rural business owners. Contributed papers, workshops, posters, and special sessions on the conference theme are currently being accepted. For more information visit

[www.pawc.info](http://www.pawc.info)



**Call for applications:**

**Program components include:**

**Three on-site sessions**

**Session I: June 22 – 27, 2014 ; Minneapolis, MN**  
**Session II: October 6 – 9, 2014; Kansas City, MO**  
**Session III: February 23 – 26, 2015; Washington, DC**

Independent learning experiences

**Program cost:**

\$9,500 (includes lodging, meals and educational materials for all three sessions)

Limited scholarships available

**Application deadline:** November 15, 2013

**Apply online:** [www.lead-21.org/program-application-schedule/](http://www.lead-21.org/program-application-schedule/)

## Reminder:

### Submission of Student Applications for Dow AgroSciences Internships

Send the following to [cbbrooks@umes.edu](mailto:cbbrooks@umes.edu)

- The student’s cover letter detailing his/her interest in an internship and any relevant research experience
- Include current GPA in the student’s resume
- Student must specify interest area: 1) Science Intern, Laboratory Based Research; 2) Sales Intern, Urban Pest Management, Turf & Ornamental, and Professional Pest Management; 3) Sales Intern, Crop Protection and Seeds

Distinct job descriptions have been sent by email.

If you need the information resent, make this request of Carolyn Brooks, [cbbrooks@umes.edu](mailto:cbbrooks@umes.edu).



**Planning Meeting: 125th Anniversary of the Second Morrill Act of 1890**

**Hilton Airport Atlanta  
October 29—31, 2013**

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**APLU Annual Meeting:**

**Marriott Wardman Park  
Washington, DC**

**November 10 – 12 (Sunday – Tuesday),  
2013**

<http://www.aplu.org/page.aspx?pid=1462>