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Dear Colleagues,

Yesterday afternoon, the university honored a number of College of Agriculture and Life Sciences staff, appointed professionals and faculty for their service to the campus community. Provost Comrie, who received a 25-year service award himself, encouraged the honorees to remember that they are changing the lives of our students forever—no matter what role they play in our university or how frequently they may or may not come into contact directly with students. I second his remarks. I'd like to add that every one of you is changing the lives of many individuals who will never set foot on this campus --- the families of our students, those employed in the industries benefited by our research, and the Arizonans whose health, education and family life have changed due to something they learned in one of our Cooperative Extension programs.

Please join me in congratulating our colleagues across the state who are being honored this year for many years of service to the University of Arizona.

Forty Years

Julia Adkins, Office of the Registrar/Career and Academic Services

Ian Pepper, Soil, Water and Environmental Science

Dennis Ray, Plant Sciences

Thirty-five Years

Robert Mannan, Natural Resources and the Environment

Mohammad Pessarakli, Plant Sciences

Paul Wilson, Agricultural and Resource Economics

Thirty Years

Janick Artiola, Soil, Water, and Environmental Science

Elenor Loya, Soil, Water and Environmental Science

Daniel Nelson, Campus Agricultural Center

Jeffrey Silvertooth, Cooperative Extension Administration

Vince Thacker, Maricopa Agricultural Center

Diana Wheeler, Entomology

Twenty-five Years

Parker Antin, Research Administration

Joe Benitez, Maricopa Agricultural Center

Tod Gregoire, CALS Communications and Cyber Technologies
Edward Martin, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Patricia Merk, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Sheila Merrigan, Natural Resources and the Environment
Scottie Misner, Nutritional Sciences
Michael Riggs, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Hermelinda Tow, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Glenn Wright, Plant Sciences

Twenty Years

Cassie Burruel, Pima County Cooperative Extension
Keith Cannon, V Bar V Ranch
Theresa Ellsworth, Pinal County Cooperative Extension
George Frisvold, Agricultural and Resource Economics
Jose Gasca, Campus Agricultural Center
Leslie Gunatilaka, Natural Resources and the Environment
Annette Morales, Family and Consumer Sciences
Monica Pastor, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Jennifer Ricketts, Nutritional Sciences
Michelle Rico, Pima County Cooperative Extension
Jeff Schalaus, Yavapai County Cooperative Extension
Kim Schmieder, Pima County Cooperative Extension
Feng-Jyu (Kathy) Tang-Nelson, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Trent Teegerstrom, Agricultural and Resource Economics
Willem Van Leeuwen, Natural Resources and the Environment
Gerardo Villegas, Yuma Agricultural Center

Fifteen Years

Steven Archer, Natural Resources and the Environment
David Bogner, CALS Communications and Cyber Technologies
Jonie Burge, Safford Agricultural Center
Felicia Frontain, Family and Consumer Sciences
Pamela Justice, Water Resources Research Center
Mark Kroggel, Plant Sciences
Chieri Kubota, Plant Sciences
David Kudrna, Plant Sciences
Lainie Levick, Natural Resources and the Environment
Matthew Rahr, CALS Communications and Cyber Technologies
Debra Rodriguez, Development, Alumni, Advocacy and Corporate Relations
Evelyn Whitmer, Cochise County Cooperative Extension
Zaida Zalbidea, Research Administration

Ten Years

Pedro Andrade Sanchez, Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering
Mark Apel, Cochise County Cooperative Extension
Amanda Armendariz, Career and Academic Services
Jennifer Bea, Nutritional Sciences
Anita Bhappu, Family and Consumer Sciences

William Brandau, Graham County Cooperative Extension
Andrew Brischke, Mohave County Cooperative Extension
Ismael Cervantes, Maricopa Agricultural Center
John Daws, Family and Consumer Sciences
Eunice Gonzales, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Tanya Hodges, Academic Initiatives and Student Success/Agricultural Education
James Hunt, Career and Academic Services
Laurel Jacobs, Nutritional Sciences
Eric Johnson, Pima County Cooperative Extension
Murat Kacira, Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering
Heidi Keeling, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Allison Ketterling, CALS Administration
Bethina Krogsgaard, Natural Resources and the Environment
Kirsten Lake, Arboretum Affairs
Laura López Hoffman, Natural Resources and the Environment
Mark Losleben, Soil, Water and Environmental Science
James Malusa, Natural Resources and the Environment
Ivonne Martinez, Pima County Cooperative Extension
Shanna Murphree, Pinal County Cooperative Extension
Shirley Papuga, Natural Resources and the Environment
Jeffrey Payne, Arboretum Affairs
Katharine Predick, Natural Resources and the Environment
Jennifer Ravia, Nutritional Sciences
Deborah Reed, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Stephen Roberge, Campus Agricultural Center
Channah Rock, Soil, Water and Environmental Science
Bethany Rutledge, CALS Administration
Nivedita Sen, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Lucius Setoyant, Maricopa Agricultural Center
Darren Shevchuk, Nutritional Sciences
Melody Skiver, Santa Cruz County Cooperative Extension
Jennifer Staples, Pinal County Cooperative Extension
Michael Staten, Career and Academic Services
H. Dieter Steklis, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
Betty Thompson, Maricopa County Cooperative Extension
Markus Tuller, Soil, Water and Environmental Science
Gilbert Walker, Campus Agricultural Center
Libin Zhu, Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences

Best regards,



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