



Galaxy III Gazette

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Incoming JCEP President Fred Miller

Friday, September 19 Schedule:

- **7:30-11:30 am:** Cyber Café open
- **8 am—12 pm:** Volunteers Room Open
- **8:30 am—9:30 am:** Brunch and Happy Faces of Galaxy (Convention Center—Exhibit Hall D)
- **9:45 am:** Closing Celebration—Capnote Speaker and Closing Comments (Convention Center—Exhibit Hall D)

Fred Miller has seen Galaxy change throughout the years. He has served on the National Association of County Agricultural Agents' (NACAA) board since 2001, currently as past president. When he was elected president in 2007, he started working with the Galaxy planning team and the NACAA Board to ensure that NACAA members participating in Galaxy had the opportunity for a unique professional development experience.

Soon, he will see his role in Galaxy increase even more – as incoming president of the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP).

As president of JCEP, Miller will be responsible for working with the other JCEP Board members and their respective associations to identify critical issues pertinent to the entire Extension System. JCEP will begin developing plans for future Galaxy Conferences while

continuing to support and sponsor the JCEP Regional Leadership Workshops, Public Issues and Leadership Development Conference, and related awards programs. Miller recognizes the importance of such conferences to Extension.

“Galaxy is an outstanding opportunity to bring representatives of the entire Extension system together, hear the same message, and begin playing from the same sheet music,” said Miller.

He also adds that it is an opportunity to recognize the diversity within the organization and celebrate the differences within each association. As president, Miller hopes to encourage the JCEP Board to consider ways to build on the synergies generated from having all of the associations together under

one roof during Galaxy.

Miller explained that the JCEP Board will work with the current Galaxy committee to take an introspective look at this year’s meeting, note its many successes for inclusion in future meetings, and identify opportunities for expanded offerings.

Miller is the County Extension Director for Catawba County in North Carolina. He earned both his BS and MS in horticulture science from North Carolina State University.



Ruby Winner, William Gaines Smith

We Want To Hear From You!



Galaxy III is almost over, but we want to know what you thought! The 2008 Galaxy III Conference evaluation will be an on-line evaluation. All conference participants will receive an e-mail in the next couple of weeks

with information on how to access an electronic evaluation for the overall conference at the Conference website www.ces.purdue.edu/galaxy.

This information will be used to plan further

Galaxy conferences.

Thanks for your input and for your participation in Galaxy III We’ve enjoyed hosting you!!





A Special Galaxy III Thanks Goes to...

- Nelda Starks, MS, for her amazing work with all of the conference decorations
- Jane Haskell, ME, for coordinating Galaxy signage
- Edie Sutton, IN, for coordinating distribution of A/V equipment for concurrent sessions
- Gene Matzat, IN, for his superior volunteer service throughout the week
- Leanne McGiveron, IN, and the Purdue AgIT staff for their excellent service in the Cyber Café
- Natalie Federer and Katherine Kuykendall, IN, for their assistance with the Galaxy Gazette
- The over 200 Galaxy Volunteers who worked together to make Galaxy III a success!



Sharing of Presentations

- Presenters who wish to share electronic versions of their presentation on the Galaxy Web site are invited to visit the Cyber Café prior to 11:30 a.m. After that time, you may e-mail that information to: mckinles@purdue.edu



Dr. Will Miller

Capnote speaker, Dr. Will Miller, will have his book, "Refrigerator Rights," for sale following the conclusion of the closing session in Exhibit Hall D.

UPDATE:

- The following are reminded to pick up their Galaxy shirts: Mary Jo Depp-Nestlerode, Kristin Cook, Ruth Carter, Bruce Haas, Karen Mort, and Rene Ruiz.

Galaxy IV

Galaxy IV Requests for Proposals and Applications are available at the JCEP Web site.



Upcoming Meeting Dates

- JCEP Regional Workshops
 - Feb 10-12, Orlando
 - Feb 18-20, San Diego
- PILD - April 27-29, Arlington, VA
- ANREP - 2010, TBA
- ESP - Sept 14-16, Fargo, ND
- NACAA - Sept 20-24, Portland, OR
- NACDEP - Apr 20-22, San Diego
- NAE4-HA - Oct 25-29, Rochester, NY
- NEAFCS - Sept 15-19, Birmingham, AL

