

Sensilla Quiz

The Sensilla has been published monthly for 35 years! Here are the answers to the quiz about its history.

When (month and year) was the first issue of Sensilla published?

January 1989

Why was the Sensilla newsletter started?

Dr. Raymond Eikenbary did not know someone who was riding on the elevator with him and **Edmond Bonjour** in Life Sciences West who had been in the department for six months, so Edmond decided to write a newsletter for the department that would include “New Faces”.

How many people have served as editor of Sensilla?

One – **Edmond Bonjour**

How many different logos have there been for Sensilla?

Five

What is “wrong” with the current logo?

NRC does not include the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology wing.

Whose name has appeared the most (one count per issue) in Sensilla?

This was a trick question – Edmond’s name has appeared as Editor in every issue, but not in the body of the newsletter (only 65 times there).

Whose name has appeared second most (one count per issue) in Sensilla?

Dr. Russell Wright has appeared in 99 issues. **Dr. Kris Giles** is a close third, having appeared in 94 issues.

How many individual names (only one count per issue) have been indexed in all issues in 35 years? (This number does not include the birthday listings.)

6281 entries

February Birthdays

Bob Barker	February 7	Amelea Jones	February 22
Sara Wallace	February 7	Bronwyn Cooper	February 23
Reese Trujillo	February 10	Andres Espindola	February 23
Elizabeth Carlson	February 11	Carol Bender	February 24
Teegin Crosthwait	February 11	Beth Herndon	February 24
Scott Armstrong	February 12	Emily Cooper	February 27
Celia Higginbotham	February 17	Seth Long	February 28
Connor Huffstetter	February 20		

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February Calendar of Events

Seminar – Dr. Ringer	Feb	2
Regular Registration Deadline for Southern Division APS	Feb	8
Seminar – Meg Gilliland and Chao Xiong	Feb	9
Sanborn Entomology Club – Graduate Student Panel	Feb	15
Faculty Meeting	Feb	16
Sanborn Entomology Club – Service Day at Botanic Gardens	Feb	17
BMBGSA Annual Symposium on Biological Sciences	Feb	22-23
Seminar – Dr. Hung	Feb	16
Seminar – Roshan Paswan and Augustine Bosomtwe	Feb	23
Southern Division APS Meeting	Feb	26-29

March Calendar of Events

Seminar – Kelli Vidal and Daniel Lopez	Mar	1
Seminar – Dr. Jeyasingh	Mar	8
Sanborn Entomology Club – Speaker on Conservation	Mar	14
Faculty Meeting	Mar	15
Advance Registration Deadline for Southwestern Branch ESA	Mar	18
Hotel Reservation Deadline for Southwestern Branch ESA	Mar	18
Spring Break	Mar	18-22
Seminar – Dr. Duran	Mar	29

New Faces

Dr. Jonathan Cammack, Livestock Parasitologist, began his position on January 15. He will focus on insect pests of poultry and livestock production. Dr. Cammack was previously a Postdoctoral Research Associate in the Department of Entomology at Texas A&M University AgriLife Research from 2014 to 2019, the Chief Industrial Development Officer then Chief Operating Officer with EVO Conversion Systems from 2018 to 2023 and now an advisor, and Extension Program Specialist I for the Pesticide Safety Education Program with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension beginning in 2023. He received his B.S. degree from Texas A&M University in 2007, M.S. degree from Clemson University in 2009, and Ph.D. from North Carolina State University in 2013, all in Entomology.

Dr. Ashleigh Faris, Cropping Systems Entomologist and IPM Coordinator, began her position on January 15. She will initially focus on stink bug monitoring in cotton and a needs assessment survey in agronomics. She was previously a Postdoctoral Research Associate with Texas A&M AgriLife Research from 2018 to 2019, and Instructional Assistant Professor, Entomology, Forensic and Investigative Sciences Undergraduate Internship and Research Coordinator with Texas A&M University from 2020 to 2023. She received her B.S. degree in Entomology from Texas A&M University in 2009, M.S. degree in Forensic Science from Sam Houston State University in 2012, and Ph.D. in Entomology from Texas A&M University in 2017.

Departmental Seminars

Seminars will be held at 3:00 p.m. in Room 216-218 NRC.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Title</u>
Feb. 2	Dr. Stephanie Ringer	Foreign Animal Diseases, Veterinary Entomology, and Government Careers. The Unexpected Career Path.
Feb. 7	Meg Gilliland and Chao Xiong	Introductory Seminars
Feb. 16	Dr. James Hung	TBA
Feb. 23	Roshan Paswan and Augustine Bosomtwe	Introductory Seminars

Special Notice

Marolyn Kay McDuff, age 67, former Senior Financial Assistant in our department, died on January 27, 2024. A memorial service will be held at noon on February 10 at the First United Methodist Church in Perkins. Her full obituary will appear in the March issue of Sensilla.

Alumni News

Brett Johnson (M.S. 2020) began his position as Assistant Extension Professor, Sustainable Agriculture and Farm Business Management Educator, with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension in September 2023. He is the Extension Agriculture Educator and Technical Service Provider for Waldo, Knox, and Lincoln Counties. Brett's research and educational programming are broadly concerned with the economic and environmental sustainability of farm businesses in Maine. His program objectives include introducing Integrated Pest Management practices to Christmas tree producers, and identifying market opportunities for specialty potato producers. He also coordinates Extension's state-wide farm business planning course, Business Planning for Producers. He was previously a sustainable Agriculture and Horticulture Professional with the University of Maine. Brett received his B.S. degree in Horticulture and his M.S. degree in Plant Pathology under the direction of **Dr. John Damicone**, both from OSU in 2015 and 2020, respectively,

Dr. David Kerns (M.S. 1987), Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Statewide IPM Coordinator, Professor, and Associate Department Head for AgriLife Extension in the Department of Entomology, received the Norman Borlaug Lifetime Achievement Award from the Texas Plant Protection Association during its annual conference in December 2023. His work on *Bacillus thuringiensis* pest resistance and integrated pest management led to him receiving the award. Dr. Kerns received his B.S. degree in Entomology from Texas A&M University in 1985, his M.S. degree in Entomology from OSU in 1987 under the direction of **Dr. Don Peters**, and his Ph.D. degree in Entomology from Auburn University in 1992.