

Brandon Henriquez is beginning his position as a Mosquito and Vector Control Technician III with the Mosquito and Vector Control Division at Harris County Public Health in Houston, Texas on July 17. He will work with the mosquito capture and tracking initiative, and the sterile mosquito project over a 1,700 square mile area. Brandon received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Entomology from OSU in 2021 and 2023, respectively, his M.S. degree under the direction of **Dr. Bruce Noden**.

New Faces

Dr. Doaa Hamza is a Visiting Scholar from Egypt working with **Dr. Meriem Aoun**. She arrived in May and will be here until the end of July. She is funded through a project with US-AID, Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau. Dr. Hamza is assisting with research on stripe rust resistance in hard red winter wheat, both in the field and laboratory.

Maxwell Smith is the new Cotton IPM Specialist who began his position on July 1 and is stationed in Altus. He received his Associate of Science degree in Agriculture Sciences from Western Oklahoma State College in Altus in 2018, his B.S. degree in Plant and Soil Science from Texas Tech University in 2021, and is working on his M.S. degree in Plant and Soil Science – Weed Science at Texas Tech University under the direction of Dr. Peter Dotray.

July Birthdays

Tom Royer	July 3
Tessa White	July 6
Billie Ann Jervis	July 11
Maya Albert	July 12
Mackinna Salisbury	July 13
Corina Rodriquez	July 14
Layne Johnson	July 17
Michelle Saldivar	July 22
Kevin Shufan	July 23
Nathan Walker	July 28
Billy Ana Harsha	July 30

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July Calendar of Events

Day of Administrative Leave	Jul	3
Independence Day – University Holiday	Jul	4
Seminar – Cropping Systems Ento/IPM Coord. – Dr. Torrez	Jul	6
Seminar – Cropping Systems Ento/IPM Coord. – Dr. Faris	Jul	11
Seminar – Cropping Systems Ento/IPM Coord. – Dr. Adihakri	Jul	13
Hotel Reservations Due for APS Annual Meeting	Jul	15
Defense Seminar – Salome Suarez	Jul	18

August Calendar of Events

America Phytopathological Society Annual Meeting	Aug	12-16
Classes Begin	Aug	21

Congratulations!

Gabby Jones was selected to attend the Chapter Officer Leadership October Retreat as part of the National Diversity in STEM Conference in Portland, Oregon.

Kelly Seuhs received the Herman Hinrichs Pecan Citation Award from the Oklahoma Pecan Growers Association.