Wetzel Seminar Attracts Many Friends and Alumni from the Department

Colleagues, students, family, and friends of Dave Wetzel gathered on October 14 for a reception and memorial seminar in his honor. Thank you to everyone who helped with the event, and special thanks to Lauren Brewer, Research and Development manager at General Mills, and Mark Boatwright, Chemistry Instructor at Central Community College in Columbus, Nebraska for their presentations.

Bakery Science Students Visit Industry Partners

The month of October was a busy one for bake club. From Kelloggs to Corbion, Flowers Food and Graincraft, the Bakery Science Club has had great opportunities for its members to learn and make connections. In addition to all of these visits, we also had a fantastic turnout for the Halloween Bake Sale. Preorders have opened up for the holiday bake sale and the company visits just keep coming.
Congratulations to Eric Nkurikiye
The graduate program is pleased to announce that Eric Nkurikiye successfully defended his master’s thesis, “Milling, flowability, rheology, and bread-making properties of chickpea, lentil, and yellow pea” this afternoon! Please join us in congratulating Eric and his adviser Dr. Li on this wonderful achievement! The graduate committee wishes Eric much success in his future endeavors.

K-State Grain Science Attends National FFA Convention
Charles Stark and six grain science students attended the National FFA Convention and Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana in October. They staffed the department booth and promoted grain science undergraduate programs to the FFA members and families in attendance.
Spreading the Word
Andrew Dorsch, grain science Master's student, visited Manhattan High School in October to share information about the bakery science program with students. The department will visit more schools to share information and recruit new students in the coming months.

Our Mission
The mission of the Department of Grain Science and Industry is to advance the global grain and plant-based food, feed, and bioproduct industries through scholarship, research, and outreach.

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