

# Kansas State selects associate director for Extension position

MANHATTAN — Kansas State University Research and Extension has named Daryl Buchholz as the associate director for Extension and applied research, effective Aug. 1. Buchholz succeeds Dick Wootton, who retired in 2002. Randy Higgins, who is the state leader for Extension entomology, served as interim associate director since Wootton's departure, K-State officials said.

Buchholz has worked at K-State as the assistant director for Extension agricultural and natural resources since 1992, and as acting 4-H youth development program leader since February, 2003.

He worked as an associate professor in the University of Missouri's Department of Agronomy from 1986 to 1992 and as assistant professor at Missouri from 1980 to 1986.

Buchholz earned a bachelor's degree in agronomy in 1975 at South Dakota State University and a master's in agronomy at Okla-

## Highlights featured on Buchholz' career

MANHATTAN — Daryl Buchholz has been named the associate director for Extension and applied research at Kansas State University. Below are some highlights of Buchholz' work in Kansas:

- Helped establish statewide Extension programs for flood and weather-related disasters.
- Helped develop a system that allows county Extension agents to receive a rapid diagnosis of

plant diseases from a university laboratory.

- Developed a working relationship with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, which helped increase grant funds from \$100,000 to more than \$1 million since 1992.
- Worked with many agencies to help carry the educational message of former Kansas Governor Graves' Water Quality Initiative, which ultimately created eight new jobs in

Kansas' priority watersheds.

- Helped increase understanding of the needs of Hispanic and Latino audiences in Kansas by leading a study group to Mexico and helping plan a statewide conference.
- Served on various national planning committees, including an appointment to a leadership task force formed by the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy (ECOP).

State's College of Agriculture and director of K-State Research and Extension.

"We are also grateful to Randy Higgins, who so capably led K-State Research and Extension over the past two years."

Buchholz said his previous work at K-State and close relationship

with Higgins will help his transition into the new position go more smoothly, particularly in implementing K-State Research and Extension's newest five-year strategic plan.

"I've seen the development of that comprehensive process," Buchholz said. "What I'm excited

about now is looking more carefully at how we go about delivering on the goals and the mission of that five-year plan. That will be one of my first priorities: making sure that the process results in very clear goals and recommendations."

He said that budget challenges continue to press the state's resources, but the state's Extension service still is well-positioned to provide programs that help Kansans and other citizens.

"By and large, 90-percent of the glass is full [in Kansas Extension programs]," Buchholz said. "We've got a lot of resources to work with and we need to be out there in Kansas providing people with programs that contribute to their life development, their economic development and other areas."

"Extension and applied research programs [from Kansas State University] are here for the long haul," he said. "We're going through some difficult times, but it doesn't diminish the importance of our mission."

K-State Provost Duane Nellis hailed the selection of Buchholz.

"I believe Dr. Buchholz is an excellent choice as associate director for Extension and applied research, and will provide a new strategic vision for this important dimension of K-State," he said.

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A red fox had been grabbing newspapers and taking them to a hollow behind the subdivision, Th-

ompson said. The Ottawa dentist tracked the furry felon to a large pile of newspapers near its den.

"We always thought it was an early morning jogger," said Lionel Sutton, another subdivision resident who had his paper stolen.

The newspaper carrier even staked out the neighborhood to catch the canny criminal, Sutton said.

Aaron Scheve, a Kansas Wildlife and Parks ranger for the area, said such behavior is unusual, but not out of the ordinary. He said the fox probably used the papers to insulate its den.

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