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CFAES Community,

I hope everyone's semester is off to a great start as we wrap up week 3. Last week, the Columbus Midwest campus was packed as we celebrated our Back2School Bash. Thank you to all of the students, faculty and staff who supported the event and its success. We are still working through registration information and counts, but we believe there were at least 1,550 attendees. Many of our student clubs were able to share their information and gain new members as well.

It doesn't seem possible, but in a few weeks, we will be celebrating homecoming. This year, we are excited to have several ways to engage across the college and celebrate. If you have not yet registered, I encourage all faculty, staff, and students to view the full menu of CFAES Alumni Homecoming weekend events and register [here](#). Registration closes on September 12.

I want to introduce you to our 2022-2023 Council of Councils (comprised of our executive teams from the Faculty Advisory Council, Staff Advisory Council, Graduate Student Advisory Committee, and Undergraduate Student Council):

- Faculty Advisory Council
 - Acting Chair: Brent Sohngen
 - Secretary: Ed Lentz
 - Past Chair Eric BarrettYou can learn more about them [here](#).
- Staff Advisory Council
 - Chair: Emily Wickham
 - Vice Chair: Sarah DeVilbiss
 - Secretary/Treasurer: Kelly Royalty
 - Communications Director: Kelly Elisar
 - Public Relations/Archivist: Brandi Gilbert-HammettYou can learn more about them [here](#).
- Graduate Student Advisory Committee (GSAC)
 - Chair: Olivia Lang
 - Vice Chair: Schelby Beach
 - Past Chair: April WhiteYou can learn more about them [here](#).
- Undergraduate Student Council
 - President: Aleacia Laird
 - Vice President: Morgan Meyer
 - Treasurer: Amber Zimpfer
 - Secretary: Madeline French
 - Public Relations Chair: Kamryn Kreis
 - Social Chair: Arica Hamilton
 - ENR At-Large Representative: Mariah LashleyYou can learn more about them [here](#).

Horacio Lopez-Nicora, Assistant Professor in the Department of Plant Pathology, was recently named to the inaugural cohort for the [Provost's Early Career Scholars Program](#). The Provost's Early Career Scholars Program, is an initiative that enables Ohio State to attract, recruit and retain the highest caliber early-career faculty. The eight assistant professors in the cohort were nominated by their college dean during the selection process, and each colleague will hold the honor for the first five years of their appointment or until their promotion to associate professor. Congratulations Horacio!

Two teams recently received grants from USDA entitled [Remembering a Forgotten Pest: BT Resistance and Monitoring in European Corn Borer](#) and [Forage: Fall Armyworm Outreach and Research for Alalfa Growers and Educators](#). Congratulations to both teams!

Sincerely,
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