



What has been happening?

New people and assignments...

- Gwen Pearson, Asst. Director, Education & Outreach
- Mat Haan, Project Coordinator Pasture-based Dairy Project
- Dennis Pennington, Extension Educator, KBS & Extension Land and Water unit
- Dale Mutch, Program Coordinator, KBS & Extension L&W unit

Some retirements...

Sally Stuby Director MSUE Southwest Michigan Regional (July 2008)

Welcome Don Lehman...



New logo and “tag line”



A Legacy of Conservation and
A Commitment to Sustainability

What and how do we do this?

Graduate Program

- KBS Graduate students continue to win awards
- Enhance our partnerships with local schools (GK-12 renewal submitted!) and the community
- Provide research experiences for undergraduates



The KBS faculty is growing...

- **Grazing Systems Ecologist** – 5 candidates identified, interviews next month (joint with Animal Science and SAFS)
- TWO new positions in “**Sustainability of Rural Landscapes**” - partnership with the Dept of Sociology (Winter 2009)
- Developing proposals for two more positions with social science focus: “Landscape Conservation Ecology” (GEO) and “Social/policy issues related to Pasture-based Dairy Practices”

Research NEWS!

We planted and grew a lot of **GRASS** at KBS in 2008!

Pasture-based dairy project

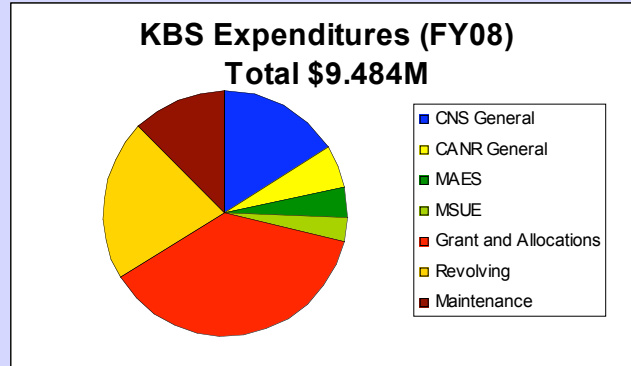
- Pastures planted!

GLBRC

- Intensive plots established
- Research initiated on Extensive plots



The Financial Picture:



	FY08	FY07
• CANR, CNS General	21.6%	24%
• MAES, MSUE	7.3%	8%
• Grants	37.3%	30%
• Revolving	21.4%	22%

Gifts and Endowments are growing...

- Two new Scholarships established in 2008
- Renewed WKKF grant for ROKS Scholarships
- Contributions to existing scholarships continue to grow

Funds and Commitments to Endowed Scholarships and Fellowship Funds >\$800, 000

Contributions to the **Conservation Legacy Fund >\$20,000**

The “Bad News”

- No news is not ‘good news’!!
- Additional Tuition increase for Summer 2009 (1.7%)
- Income on endowments down: Sanctuary and Farm



What can we do...

- Continue our efforts to do good science, education, outreach
- Central Administration requests more ‘accountability’ (metrics and performance goals)
- Get grants... and work on enhancing development activities

Phil Barry Asst. Director - Facilities and Operations

Facilities improvements:

- Completed design of Pasture Based Dairy facility, CONSTRUCTION has BEGUN!
- Added growth chamber and freezer capacity, autoclaves
- New back-up generator installed!
- Expanded I/T Connectivity (10Mbytes and growing)
- Upgraded lighting and AV equipment in Auditorium
- Improved safety – more keypads and upgraded Stack parking lot lighting



Road to new dairy facility



Back-up Generator



Auditorium

Grounds improvements:

- Upgraded soccer field and installed sprinkling system
- Added 2nd firepit



Operational changes/ planning:

- Expanded I/T Department (Stefan Ozminski)
- Hired additional facilities staff (Mark Williams, 1Dec)
- Planning for space for new faculty, LTER staff and research programs
- Developing new signs for Sanctuary and Academic campus

Gwen Pearson Asst. Director--Education and Outreach



My first year at KBS has presented interesting challenges.



“This summer, I learned something about myself that I didn't know: that I can be really motivated by scientific research.”

Undergraduate Programs

Freshman Seminar Away (July '08)

ROKS continues

Summer Classes



Internships/REUs

- **New Learn and Earn** Internship program
- 25 students participated in Internships & Fellowships
 - *NEW* Joe Johnson Fellowship at Sanctuary
 - GLBRC REU program
 - NSF REUs via LTER
 - School of Hospitality Business
 - Marketing Intern
 - Dairy & Sanctuary Interns



Kellogg Bird Sanctuary

- New Field Ornithology course was a great success!
- Updates to exhibit areas; Barn Owls arrived
- Wild Wednesdays continue to attract 'crowds'



North Trail Re-route



Community Relations

Share the Harvest 2008

- ~1000 visitors
- 1090 lbs. food + ~\$80 cash
- Next year – Sunday, Oct. 4

Upcoming Events

Bird Sanctuary

- Fall Bird Walks – Nov. 1 & 12
- All About Turkeys – Nov. 8
- How Birds Cope with Winter – Nov. 18

Manor House

- Holiday Walk – Nov. 28, 29, 30 & Dec. 21
- Breakfast with Mrs. Claus – Dec. 6
- Teas – Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10, 14 & 16
- Specialty Dinners – Dec. 4, 11, 17 & 18
- New Years Sunday Brunch – Dec. 28



Dessert with Discussions

2008

April 22 – **Bioenergy Research at KBS**, Dr. Phil Robertson

Co-Sponsored with South Central Michigan Chapter of Pheasants Forever

Sept. 16 – **Michigan's Changing Landscape**, Dr. Randy Schaetzl

Oct. 28 – **Animal Agriculture and the Environment: Finding the Balance**,

Dr. Wendy Powers; Co-Sponsored by Four Township Water Resources Council and Gull Lake Quality Organization

Planned for 2009

April 28 – **Land Use and Policy**, Dr. Soji Adelaja

Sept. 22 – **Michigan Barns**, Steve Stier

Oct. 20 – **Lyme Disease**, Dr. Jean Tsao



Marketing & Communications

- KBS Annual Report and Station to Station (~8,000 households)
- Growing marketing efforts: ADV 486 projects and interns
- Establishing a KBS "Speakers Bureau"
- Partnering with CANR and MAES Communications Directors



"Advancing KBS"

- MSU "ADVANCE" initiative - combining strengths of Development, Alumni and Community Relations
- Working with CANR, CNS Development to develop 'case statements' for "Advancing KBS"

KBS and Extension Land & Water Unit

Dale Mutch, Program Coordinator

Focused on Programs in:

- Sustainable Agricultural Practices - Cover crop integration into row crops
- Stream, lake and groundwater protection – Shoreline management
- Biofuels and BioEnergy

Bioenergy – Dennis Pennington

- Farmer education programs
- Bus Tour – August 2008
- Public speaking engagements – i.e. Rotary
- Ancillary Biofuel Plots – GLBRC
- eXtension – Sustainable Ag Energy
- Agroenergy Conference – March 2009



Jane Herbert sabbatical: Biological/biotechnical shoreline erosion control on inland lakes



Dean Baas

- PhD Completion expected, Dec 2008
- Starting a Post-Doctoral Position

Coming in 2009...New Weed Ecology Book

Integrated Weed Management:

“Fine Tuning the System”