

2017 Extension Annual Conference  
Eccles Conference Center

Tuesday, February 28

**PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**

12:00-2:00 pm            ECC 205

**Bushwhackers Meeting** (by Michael Caron)

\$13 for Lunch, Limit 30 people

*Bushwhackers is a committee that focuses on all aspects of USU Extension horticulture. This meeting will discuss Master Gardeners, horticulture research projects, Extension outreach and publications, etc., and will coordinate collaborative work in horticulture. Any faculty or staff with this area of interest/expertise is invited to join.*

1:00-5:00 pm            ECC 207

**Family and Consumer Sciences** (by Susan Haws)

\$13 for Dinner, Limit 40 people

*Guest Speaker Carrie Durwood will discuss current trends in nutrition.*

2:00-4:00 pm            ECC 205

**Utah Pests In-Service Training** (by Marion Murray)

No fee, Limit 46 people

*Join us for a training session of up to five, 20-minute presentations that will provide insect/disease and pest management updates for agronomic, horticultural, and landscape settings. In addition, come with pest questions or issues, and your Utah Pests team plus others from USU will help to resolve them.*

2:00-4:00 pm            ECC 201

**Using VR in Your 4-H Programs** (by Meggan Schulze)

No fee, Limit 24 people

*Whether you are 8 or 80, Google Virtual Expeditions are fun and amazing. Come climb aboard the app and experience field trips that over a million students have gone on. Learn how you can extend this amazing trip to the youth in your programs. John Lyman has been using it for Youth City's afterschool programs and he (or a colleague) will engage us in an instructional exercise with VR headsets and the Google Expeditions interface. The goal of this session is to introduce the potential of Virtual Reality as an educational tool, and to have fun! Those choosing to participate should have a smart phone and download Google Expeditions prior to participating (devices available on a limited basis for those without them). This interactive session is a STEM activity! You will be able to ask questions, lead a Google Expedition, and find out how to use virtual reality in your county.*

## Wednesday, March 1

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE

7:00-8:30 am	ECC 201/203	ESP Breakfast Meeting \$12
8:00-9:00 am	Reg. Booth	Registration check-in, employee photos, networking
9:00-9:05 am	ECC Auditorium	Brian - Welcome and Presentation of colors by National Guard, National Anthem sung by Extension Employees
9:05-9:35 am	ECC Auditorium	Introduce New Faculty, Recognize P&T, Announce Retirees
9:35-10:30 am	ECC Auditorium	Comments by Ken White
10:30-11:00 am	ECC Auditorium	Comments by President Cockett and Q&A w/Ken
11:00-11:30 am	ECC Auditorium	Comments by Brian Higginbotham
11:30 am-1:00 pm	ECC 201/203 ECC 205/207	Specialists Lunch Meeting \$18 4-H/Youth Lunch Meeting \$18
1:00-1:15 pm	ECC Auditorium	Small Business Development Center by Michael Finnerty
1:15-1:45 pm	ECC Auditorium	Continuing Education Units by Robert Wagner
1:45-2:45 pm	ECC Auditorium	Marketing & Communications Update by Mike Whitesides
2:45-3:15 pm	ECC Hallway	Aggie Ice Cream and Networking Break
3:15-4:45 pm	ECC Auditorium ECC 303/305	Mini Grant Presentations – two concurrent sessions
4:45-5:45 pm	ECC Hallway	Social Hour with Hors d'oeuvres and Poster Session

## Thursday, March 2

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE

7:00-8:30 am	ECC 201/203	County and Regional Directors Breakfast Meeting with Ken
8:00-9:00 am	AGRS 135	Banner Training by Bryan Arnell
9:00-9:05 am	ECC Auditorium	Opening Remarks by Ken White
9:05-11:00 am	ECC Auditorium	Specialists Presentations
11:00-11:30 am	ECC Hallway	Networking Break (no food or beverage)
11:30 am-12:00 pm	ECC Auditorium	Presentation of Years of Service and Awards

12:00-1:30 pm            ECC 201/203            FCS Lunch Meeting \$18  
                                  ECC 205/207            Ag/NR Lunch Meeting \$18

THURSDAY MARCH 2

**POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**

1:30-2:30 pm            AGRS 135

**Kuali Training** (Bryan Arnell)

No Fee, Limit 35 people

*USU faculty must now create and submit extramural proposals through Kuali. Kuali is a software designed to help you create, submit, and track your current proposals in one convenient location. This session is a hands-on-approach to Kuali and will walk you through the proposal submission process. The session is designed for faculty who have or will submit proposals through Sponsored Programs.*

1:30-3:00 pm            ECC 303

**Small Farms Program** (Niel Allen)

No Fee, Limit 24 people

*Review of past Small Farm programs and workshops, planning and coordination of upcoming and new programs, along with discussion of how we can effectively address needs of small farmers.*

1:30-3:00 pm            ECC 305

**Assisting Producers with Financial Planning and Available Tools**, (Ruby Ward and Karli Salisbury)

No Fee, Limit 32 people

*This train-the-trainer session will provide instruction for county faculty looking to assist agricultural producers and ranchers with the financial aspects of their business and planning. Resources related to estimating revenues and pricing for various operations, as well as available online tools for financial analysis will be discussed.*

15 Minute Break with snacks and beverages

3:00-4:45 pm            ECC 305

**Extension Program Evaluation and Survey Design Techniques**, (Kynda Curtis, Ruby Ward, Andree' Walker-Bravo)

*Successful Extension program evaluation often includes the use of participant surveys to measure program impacts. This session will cover evaluation survey design methods for effective analysis and results measurement. The session will include survey design basics, including composing meaningful questions; administering surveys in terms of methods and timing; and basic analysis techniques.*