

Bridging to WSU Expertise



WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY STEVENS COUNTY EXTENSION

WSU Extension is the bridge to the research and resources of Washington State University. Through healthy and strong county-to-University relationships, the following people have done work in Stevens County.

Extension

Agronomy:

Diana Roberts, WSU Spokane County Extension Agronomist with Stevens County program responsibility. Stevens County was the epicenter of successful research to develop biological control of cereal leaf beetle. A research technician visited the county weekly during the growing seasons to monitor cereal leaf beetle and predator activity of 2003-07. Insectaries for the beneficial predator wasp were established at Nine Mile Falls, Chewelah and Colville. The program was so successful, with predation rates in the 80 and 90 percent range, that it was discontinued after the 2007 season. *Grain growers were saved pest control expense of about \$3 million in Stevens and surrounding counties*

Tom Platt, WSU Lincoln County Extension.

Stevens County is ranked third in the state in alfalfa hay harvested at 36,000 acres. The Northeast Washington Hay Growers Association provides two annual field days and monthly meetings during the school year. Platt provides oversight for these workshops.

Ann Hennings: WSU Lincoln County Extension - Volunteer Recruitment and Training. To understand societal trends and strategies so organizations can be attractive to volunteers.

Monica Babine, See Economic Development

Vikram Yadama, See Economic Development

University Wide

Department of Rural Sociology

Ray Jussame, PhD: Food Availability Focus Groups
Annabel Kirschner, PhD: Demographic Trend Workshops
Julie Rice, Doctoral Student: Rural Resources Survey (2003)

College of Political Science - Department of Governmental Studies and Services

Michael Gaffney and staff: Rural Resources Survey, 3/10ths of a Penny Survey Review, Horizon Community Surveys

College of Liberal Arts: Foreign Languages

Brigitta Ingemanson, Béatrice Henriouille, Robert Staub, Christopher Lupke, Vilma Navaro, and others.

These faculty introduce and discuss foreign films.

College of Business: Innovation Center and Center for Entrepreneurship

Joe Harris, Justin Thornley Student for Free Enterprise Club. Big Idea Contest, Regional High School Business Plan Contest (2009) and Financial Literacy (2009)

WSU Spokane Area Health Education Center:

Natalie Turner: Complex Trauma Education Workshop

WSU Center for Service Learning:

- 1. English 402:** See Learning Center
- 2. Human Development 205:** See Learning Center
- 3. Landscape Architecture 363:** See Learning Center
- 4. English 402:** Museum in Every Store in partnership with the Heritage Network. Six businesses in the county have volunteered to be a pilot location. The goal of the project is to promote history and economic development.
- 5. Public Relations 313:** Marketing Local Meat Processing Unit. A student will design marketing brochures to publicize the unit
- 6. Interior Design 499/Rural Communities Studio:** Teams are collaborating with Springdale Community Center and Kettle Falls Library on the conceptual designs.