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WUSA & MISA present "A Stint in Brazil: A Study Trip". Tim Arlt, UM Extension Regional Office – Mankato, will speak of his studies of the agriculture of Brazil's San Paulo and Parana on Wednesday, November 4 from 12:00-1:00pm in 306 Borlaug Hall. WUSA, What's Up in Sustainable Agriculture Student Group, and MISA, Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture, have more upcoming speakers for the fall semester.

First Thursday @ 4 on Thursday November 5 in the Cargill Building Atrium. The question of the month is: **How can we ensure that students understand the interdependency of agriculture, food, and natural resource system?** Faculty, staff, students, alumni, and other stakeholders are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be provided.

SEMINARS:

Soil, Water, and Climate
Tuesday, November 3 375 Borlaug Hall 12:00 pm
Peter Reich, Regents Professor, Distinguished McKnight University Professor, F.B. Hubachek, Sr. Chair in Forest Ecology and Tree Physiology, Resident Fellow, Institute on the Environment (IonE), will present "Global environmental change and the terrestrial biosphere: linking plant traits with community and ecosystem dynamics".

MPGI Fall Seminar
Tuesday, November 3 105 Cargill Building 4:00 pm
Dr. Anna Caicedo, University of Massachusetts – Amherst, Department of Biology, will present "Crops and Weeds: Insights from Plant Population Genomics".

Forest Resources Graduate Student Seminar
Wednesday, November 4 203 Green Hall 3:00 pm
Mike Kilgore, Director, Natural Resource Science and Management Graduate Studies Program, will present "Ethics and Research: What You Need to Know".

SAFL Seminar Series
Wednesday, November 4 SAFL Auditorium 3:30 pm
Dr. Oliver Fringer, Stanford University, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, will present "Numerical simulation of salinity and turbulence in a macrotidal estuary".

APS Seminar Series
Monday, November 9 306 Borlaug Hall 3:30-5:00 pm
Alicia Rihn, Horticultural Sciences, will present "Consumer Preferences for Flowers as Gifts".