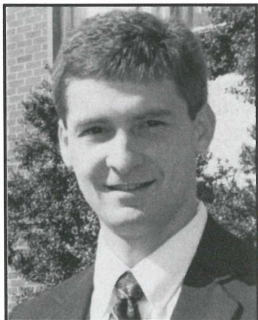


(Zn), then correlate that response to soil Zn levels and possibly other soil parameters to formulate fertilizer guidelines. He will also evaluate sorghum hybrids to determine Zn use efficiency and critical nutrient ranges. Mr. Hopkins' long-term career goals include continuing research which refines soil fertility principles and practices. He would also like "to help bridge the gap between research and the real world by being an educator."



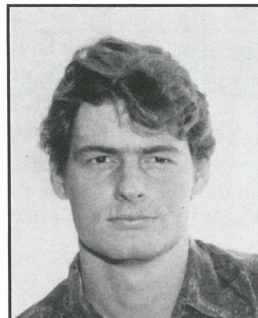
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