Rosson’s Roundup

**REMINDERS:** The **deadlines for voting** for officers in both the SAEA and the WAEA are approaching October 31 and November 1, respectively. Please vote for the candidates of your choice.

**Departmental Tailgate for the Vanderbilt game is tomorrow**, beginning around 9 a.m. Please try to come to the tailgate which will be located near the Aggie ring at the Clayton Williams Alumni Center. We are expecting about 200 people, many of them former students. So, it should be an excellent early morning event. As always, for those who do not have tickets to the game, it will be on the television under the tent and on the big screen in the Alumni Center.

Wednesday evening I had dinner with the owners of Amico Nave, Wade ’90 and Mary ’90 Beckman who were professors for a day in Ed Rister’s class. They did a great job and the students were really excited about how the owners actually used economic analysis, supported by a strong degree of intuition, to make decisions affecting their business. Thanks to Ed for arranging this opportunity for our students and to Wade and Mary for dedicating their time and resources.

We had many former students in the department this week. Jim McGrann ’73, Extension Specialist Emeritus/Ty Timm Honor Registry recipient, and I met Monday to discuss some of our programs and how to develop private sector support to increase engagement of graduate students and businesses. Tom Zacharias ’77, President of National Crop Insurance Services in Overland Park, Kansas, was here to speak to Joe Outlaw’s Agricultural Policy course. Tom and I had a chance to visit Wednesday morning about some ideas for joint programs and how to make our students more aware of internships and career opportunities with NCIS and its affiliated members. Meri Davlasheridze ’07, newly appointed Assistant Professor in the Marine Sciences Department at Texas A&M University–Galveston was here Thursday and Friday. She met with many of our faculty and graduate students and gave a seminar Thursday afternoon on Labor Market Response to Hurricane Disasters. Friday morning I met with members of the Aggie 100, including Dan Haile ’96 and Layne Smith ’81. Jeremy Kerth ’96 was recognized as well but did not attend. We had breakfast and discussed the importance of their role in helping shape our students. Congratulations to all of the Aggie 100!! Bill Carter ’69, President of Carter Financial Management/Ty Timm Honor Registry recipient was here Friday afternoon to discuss our Financial Planning program and his role to help promote and support our efforts. Thanks to all of these former students for their input into our programs and continued support of our efforts to achieve excellence.

Have a great weekend, and BTHO Vandy!!
New Publication


This past weekend, Mariel Braun, Andrew Edwards, Emily Ruby, and Henry Lande accompanied Gene Nelson to the Financial Planning Association Experience in Orlando. They attended educational sessions about ethics, selling, investing, annuities, global economic outlook, and the new healthcare law. And, they networked with financial planners from around the nation. More information at http://fpaexperience.org/.

Read all about it! The latest edition of the Master of Agribusiness Newsletter is posted on our website. Check it out at tx.ag/agribusiness

Position Announcements

Assistant Professor in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, University of Connecticut, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics. Nine-month, tenure-track position in environmental and natural resource economics (ENRE). Ph.D. in Economics, Environmental or Natural Resource Economics, or related field; excellent training in quantitative methods and microeconomic theory and application; coursework and research training in ENRE, and excellent oral and written communication skills. Please submit the following materials through Husky Hire at http://www.jobs.uconn.edu/ (search #2014147 under College of Agriculture and Natural Resources), no later than November 8, 2013: (1) a cover letter that indicates your vision and programmatic objectives for the position; (2) curriculum vita; (3) graduate transcripts (unofficial okay); (4) publication samples or dissertation abstract, and (5) contact information for three references. If available, include copies of teaching evaluations or other evidence of teaching effectiveness. The committee will not accept paper applications. We will be interviewing at the ASSA meetings in Philadelphia, January 2-5, 2014. For questions, visit http://www.are.uconn.edu, call 860-486-2836 or send email to Rigoberto.Lopez@uconn.edu

Assistant Professor of International Economic Development, University of California, Berkeley

Tenure-track assistant professor position (academic year) in the area of international economic development, to begin July 1, 2014. This position includes a joint appointment in the California Agricultural Experiment Station. Applicants should have a PhD or equivalent in Economics, Agricultural Economics, or a related area, by the appointment date. Interested candidates should submit a letter of intent containing a teaching and research statement, c.v., evidence of teaching effectiveness, a copy of their job market paper, a graduate school transcript, and three letters of recommendation (requested directly through our online application system). All letters will be treated as confidential per University of California policy and California state law. Please refer potential referees, including when letters are provided via a third party (i.e., dossier service or career center), to the UC Berkeley statement of confidentiality: http://apo.chance.berkeley.edu/evalitlhr.html Materials may be submitted online at: https://aprecruit.berkeley.edu/apply/JPF00280. The closing date for applications is December 2nd, 2013. Applicants may contact Diana Lazo at: lazo@berkeley.edu with any questions regarding this recruitment.

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