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Upcoming Events

August

13th-President Young Reception

14th-Graduation

31st-Fall Semester Begins

September

5th-Aggies @ Arizona

Rosson's Roundup

Last week at the Western Agricultural Economics Association meetings Kerry Litzenberg was named a WAEA Fellow. Congratulations to Kerry on receiving this honor. It's very well deserved and your contributions are greatly appreciated!

Senarath Dharmasena, George Davis and Jug Capps were recognized for their contribution to the Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics (JARE) by receiving the Outstanding Journal Article Award at WAEA. Congratulations for your significant accomplishment!

I also want to recognize those who participated in the Beef Cattle Business Management session at the Beef Cattle Short Course this week on campus. More than 200 people attended the program on Wednesday that was coordinated by David Anderson and Rob Hogan. Stan Bevers and Rob Hogan presented in the session. Trent Hester, one of our graduate students, had a paper co-authored by Ariun Ishdorj and David Anderson that was presented in the Beef Cattle Research session. Thanks to all who participated and made this an excellent program.

As you may know, on August 13 President Michael Young will visit Texas A&M AgriLife, with visits to the 5th floor complex and the AgriLife Center. The program begins at 2 p.m. upstairs and will end with a faculty/staff reception in the AgriLife Center starting around 4:15. This is part of Dr. Young's effort to visit every college on campus in order to learn more about their programs and meet informally with faculty, staff and students. I hope many of you can participate.

Sam Webb, a former AGEC student and team leader with Ryan, a leading global tax services firm, has been appointed 2015-2016 Bice Chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) Section of International Law's International Trade Committee. Congratulations Sam!

Finally, Steve Polasky, Regents Professor and Fesler-Lampert Chair in Ecological and Environmental Economics in the Applied Economics Department at the University of Minnesota will be joining us as a Texas A&M Institute for Advanced Studies Fellow later this fall. As a TIAS Fellow, he will make periodic visits to the department and campus to collaborate with colleagues in his field of research. His first visit is tentatively scheduled to be December 4, so mark that date on your calendar. I'll have more on this as we move through the semester and his plans are finalized. Dr. Polasky will also return for longer periods in 2016 and 2017. Thanks to Bruce McCarl and Rich Woodward for helping recruit Dr. Polasky as a TIAS Fellow.

Have a great weekend and take it easy-it's going to be HOT!!

Call for Papers & Proposals

The Missouri Valley Economic Association will be holding its 52nd annual meeting in Kansas City MO, October 22-24, 2015. For more information and to submit, go to:

www.MVEA.net All papers presented at the Annual Meeting are eligible for publication consideration in the MVEA's refereed journal, *The Journal of Economics (MVEA)*. **Deadline for Submissions: August 14, 2015**

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Join us for refreshments to welcome

*President
Michael K. Young*

to the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

**Thursday, August 13th
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm
AgriLife Center**

**The Center of Conflict and Development
July newsletter is available at the
following link.**



<http://us7.campaign-archive2.com/?u=199a9f37d23b920972a84f847&id=01aab5298d&e=507eb5b4d3>

Farming Drones

UAVs in the Agriculture Industry

Five things you need to know
about the FAA's new rules for



<http://farmingdrones.com/five-things-you-need-to-know-about-the-faas-new-rules-for-flying-drones-the-verge/>

Upcoming Birthdays

<i>Emmy Williams</i>	<i>8/8</i>
<i>Oral Capps</i>	<i>8/13</i>
<i>Desmond Ng</i>	<i>8/16</i>
<i>Connie Smotek</i>	<i>8/22</i>



*Thank You!!
Commons
Committee*



for hosting Friday coffee

Position Announcements

Agricultural Economist, 3 positions available. Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute (AFBI) Newforge Lane, Belfast, UK.

For more detailed information and to apply, please go to www.nicsrecruitment.gov.uk

Alternatively, an application pack can be requested by contacting: HRConnect, PO Box 1089, The Metro Building, 6-9 Donegall Square South, Belfast, BT1 9EW. Telephone: 0800 1 300 330. Email: recruitment@hrconnect.nigov.net All requests must include your name, address and reference number IRC203378. Completed application forms must be returned to arrive not later than **12:00 noon (UK time) on Friday 4th September 2015**.

Senior Economist/Policy Analyst – Agri-Food Markets and Trade (Job Number: 10061), OECD Trade and Agriculture

Directorate. For more information and to apply, go to: <https://oecd.taleo.net/careersection/ext/jobdetail.ftl?job=10061&lang=en>

For questions, contact Steve Neff, Senior Advisor for OECD Affairs, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, 202-690-0855.

[Click here for more position announcements](#)

Faculty, staff, and graduate students are encouraged to submit articles and photos on current events

Deadline for all submissions is noon, Thursday.

Please send your information to valnoyes@tamu.edu