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Upcoming Events

September

20th-Aggies @ SMU

26th-Aggies vs Arkansas

October

7th-Retiree Coffee

Rosson's Roundup

Last Saturday's Rice Tailgate exceeded all expectations!! We had more than 700 attend, ranging from faculty, staff, current students, former students, along with numerous family members and friends. It rivaled the Alabama event, but the outcome of the game this time around was much preferred. Thanks to Steven Klose, Candice Foster, Norma Pantoja, Ed Rister, Mark Waller, Tracy Davis, Jennifer Newsom, Erin Hardin, Liz Morrison, Michaela Muck, Johnny Herrera, Fred Boadu and David Leatham. Thanks also to Kerry Litzenberg, Vicky Salin, Mark Welch, Ariun Ishdorj, Yvette Zhang, Luis Ribera, Rebekka Dudensing, Dusty Menzies and many of our students for working with the hospitality committee to make this event a success. We also appreciated participation by Texas A&M Foundation Development Officers Patrick Williams, Jon Rigelsky, Cara Milligan, and Darin Paine. Patrick gets double-thanks for locating and operating the golf cart that he used to move folks between the AgriLife Center and Kyle Field. Thanks to Global Event Group, and Matt (Ty Timm Honor Registry member) and Cassie Bobbit, who provided catering and event services. Thanks to Creed Ford (Ty Timm Honor Registry member) for providing sausage for the event and to Mike Diezi (Pabst), Jack Hilliard (Hilliard Distributing Company), and Nick Lamantia and Tony Villarreal (Favorite Brands) who provided the beverages.

Prior to the tailgate, we held a brief educational program with over 90 participants. Joe Outlaw and Rebekka Dudensing did an excellent job of discussing the farm bill and rural economic opportunities, respectively. Mariel Braun and Justin Benavidez both provided great overviews of their summer high-impact learning experiences. The feedback from former students on the entire program was tremendous, and thanks to Blair Fannin who provided great media coverage. Dan Padberg, former Department Head, and his wife Sally also attended the tailgate and game watching event. Thanks again to all the faculty, staff, and graduate students who worked to make the Rice Tailgate a huge success.

Wednesday evening was the Annual Departmental Kick-Off. About 250 of our students attended the event. We also had a number of our faculty and staff in attendance. Scholarship recipients and donors were recognized, along with our other sponsors. The theme this year was Game Night, with tables of 42, Checkers, and a grand finale of Rock, Paper, Scissors-played by all present. It was a raucous event, but eventually one student was crowned champion. Chris Flournoy won the overall event and Brandon Kendziora was the runner-up. Thanks to the Aggie REPS and Dusty Menzies, Donna Adcock, Pam Vernon, Lauren Johnson, Donna Chester, and Fred Boadu for coordinating and hosting this event.

Welcome Kelsey Pearson, Office Associate for Drs. Litzenberg, Siebert, Senarath and Leatham. Kelsey received her BS degree from Agriculture Leadership and Development in 2014. Please stop by and welcome Kelsey to the Department. Also welcome to our returning and new student workers!

Friday, I'm heading to Kerrville to attend the "Old Timers" STAMREP Reunion. I am going to meet with several of our former students who hold leadership positions in this, and other, Real Estate organizations. It should be an excellent event, with Ivan Schmedemann (Ty Timm Honor Registry member), and his wife Luanne, along with several other members of the Timm Honor Registry, in attendance.

Have a great weekend, and enjoy the rain!! BTHO SMU!



Upcoming Birthdays

Bruce McCarl	9/22
Ed Price	9/24
Dusty Menzies	9/26
Vicky Salin	9/28



Thank You!
*Tracy, Christy,
 Drs. Waller & Park*
 for hosting Friday Coffee



Position Announcements

Tenure Track Faculty Position in Environmental Policy, School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA), Indiana University-Bloomington Campus seeks applicants for a full-time, tenure or tenure-track faculty position on the Bloomington campus in the area of environmental policy. The position is open-rank; we particularly encourage applications from mid-career and senior faculty. Multiple hires are possible. We are especially seeking candidates who will support a research-oriented Ph.D. program, and have research expertise in one or more of the following areas, either in the domestic or international environmental policy contexts: water, climate change, natural resources, energy, sustainability, and transportation. Review of applications will begin October 15, 2014. Please submit a letter of application, a current vita, statements of research and teaching interests, a writing sample, and names and address of three persons who could provide letters of recommendation through our online application system <https://indiana.peopleadmin.com>. If there are any questions, please submit to: David Reingold, Executive Associate Dean for Bloomington, SPEA Room 300, 1315 E. Tenth Street, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47405-1701. Inquiries or questions about this job announcement can be forwarded to search committee chair Sanya Carley at scarley@indiana.edu. For more information see: <http://www.indiana.edu/~spea>.

Extension Agricultural Economist, Kansas Farm Management Association, Southwest. This is a joint appointment between KFMA SW and K-State Research and Extension. Dodge City, Kansas. Screening of applications will begin on October 3, 2014. Please submit a cover letter, resume, three reference letters, and all official transcripts to assure a review. The starting date for the position is on or after December 1, 2014 and is negotiable with the KFMA, SW Board of Directors and KFMA Administrator. Required Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Economics, Accounting, Finance or related field **and** at least three years of acceptable performance in a position in one of the following areas: agricultural economics, agricultural finance, agribusiness, or accounting; **or** Master's degree in Agricultural Economics, Accounting or related field. To apply: Send cover letter, resume, and official transcripts; and, arrange for three letters of reference to be sent. Application material may be sent electronically to Mary Huninghake (mhuningh@ksu.edu) or may be mailed to: Kevin L. Herbel, KFMA Program Administrator, K-State Research and Extension Department of Agricultural Economics, 308 Waters Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506-4026, (785) 532-8706 FAX: (785) 532-6925 For more information contact: Kevin Herbel, Administrator, Kansas Farm Management Association Program. Office/Mobile: (785)532-8706; or, e-mail: kherbel@ksu.edu. The KFMA program website is www.kfma.ksu.edu.

Assistant Professor of AgriBusiness, Texas A&M University-Commerce, The assistant professor of agribusiness is a tenure track position and will teach undergraduate and graduate courses in agribusiness, agricultural economics, and general agriculture. The assistant professor will serve as advisor for undergraduate agribusiness majors. Ph.D. or DBA in agribusiness, ag economics, or closely related discipline, with at least 18 semester hours of graduate coursework in agribusiness or agricultural economics. Contact Person: Dr. Jose Lopez Phone: 903-886-5623 Email Address: Jose.Lopez@tamuc.edu Apply URL: <https://jobpath.tamu.edu/postings/74612>

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 Deadline for all submissions is noon, Thursday. Please send your information to valnoyes@tamu.edu