Rosson’s Roundup

First, I want to congratulate Ximing Wu who was promoted to Professor, effective September 1, 2015. Congratulations, Ximing, and thanks for your dedicated and hard work! Ximing will be formally recognized at the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences 2015 Awards Ceremony, 3:00 p.m., September 16 in the AgriLife Center. I hope you can all join me to honor Ximing and to welcome Reid Stevens to the College as well.

Well, the first week of the semester has passed and it appears everyone is doing well. I had one student in my class who was involved in a minor automobile mishap, but all is well and the student was only 30 minutes late to class, which I thought was pretty good given the circumstances.

I’ve been making the rounds to most of the classes to welcome our students back to Aggieland. As of today, I’ve visited an even Baker’s Dozen and had a great time doing it. If I have not made it to your class, it’s probably because it’s scheduled at Tu/Th at 8 a.m., the same time as AGEC 452, which I teach. Otherwise, I’ll keep trying and hopefully make it by to visit next week.

Monday, Dr. Elsa Murano, Director of the Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture, met with the department heads to provide an overview of the programs underway at the institute. She did a great job and really opened our eyes to some new opportunities for collaboration. I’ve invited her to visit one of our faculty meetings in the near future so all of you can learn about what the institute has planned for the future, and hopefully become involved in some of their projects. More details on this to follow.

REMINDERS: Our first tailgate will be held before the Ball State game on September 12. The invitations are out, so please respond.

On Friday, September 11 we will have a room naming ceremony in 301 AGLS. This event will recognize Lane and Phyllis Keller, supporters of our Financial Planning program, and Lane’s father, Bo Keller, for whom the room will be named.

Immediately following the room dedication, we will have our fall Kick-Off under the tent in the tailgate area.

On Saturday at 1:30 we will have an Extension Outlook program conducted by David Anderson and Marco Palma. Then, there will be the induction of Dan'l (Mackey) Almy ’94 and Joe Pennington ‘71 into the Tyrus R. Timm Honor Registry. So, please plan to attend as many of these events as you can.

As of early Friday morning, we had more than 500 registered for events on September 12, the majority of them former students, so I expect a great first Tailgate!

Enjoy the weekend and BTHO Arizona State!!
Upcoming Birthdays

- Gene Nelson 9/9
- Rebekka Dudensing 9/14
- David Leatham 9/15
- Bruce McCarl 9/22

Thank You!!

Commons Committee

for hosting Friday coffee

SAEA: September newsletter and deadlines plus election

Annual Meeting Deadlines:

- Paper, poster and organized symposia submissions are now being accepted and will close at midnight EST, Tuesday, September 15, 2015. Award nominations are also due at that time. Instructions for submissions and nominations are in the newsletter. Please submit selected papers at the link below: [https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/5920](https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/5920)

- Officer Elections: Backgrounds on the SAEA officer nominees are also in the newsletter. You will receive voting instructions by email later this month. Elections will be held from October 1 to October 31.

Position Announcements

**Ronald J. Hanson Chair in Agricultural Banking and Finance.** The Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is seeking applicants for a twelve month, tenured, open-rank, endowed faculty position with an appointment of 50% research, 40% teaching and 10% extension. The incumbent will provide leadership for the Agricultural Banking and Finance Program in the Department of Agricultural Economics. This includes recruiting, advising, and mentoring approximately 55 students in the program, along with fostering scholarship and internship support from the Nebraska Banking Association. Responsibilities include teaching approximately two courses per academic year with the possibility to develop a graduate degree program in agricultural banking and finance. Requirements include a PhD in agricultural or applied economics, finance, or a closely related area. The incumbent is expected to have a scholarly record commensurate with appointment rank; superior research, teaching, writing and communication skills. To apply for this position, go to the UNL Employment web site: [http://employment.unl.edu](http://employment.unl.edu). Search for requisition number F_150186 and click on “Apply to this job”. Attach a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, transcripts, and contact information for three professional references. Review of applications will begin on November 1, 2015. For more information please contact the Search Committee Chair, Lilyan Fulginiti, by calling 402.472.3401 or by email at lfulginiti1@unl.edu.

**Assistant Professor,** University of Connecticut, Storrs, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics. The successful candidate will be have 60% extension and 25% research, and 15% teaching duties beginning August 23, 2016. Responsibilities include developing and implementing a strong extension and applied research program in agribusiness management, economic development, marketing, finance, and/or food economics. Minimum qualifications include a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics, Economics, or related field, excellent oral and written communication skills, and excellent training in microeconomics and quantitative methods. This is a full-time, 11-month, tenure track position with an anticipated start date of August 23, 2016. The successful candidate's primary academic appointment will be at the Storrs campus with the possibility of assignment at one of UConn’s regional campuses. To apply, click on [https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/5920](https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/5920) to be redirected to Academic Jobs Online to complete your application. Submission must include (1) your curriculum vita, (2) graduate transcripts (not necessarily official copies), (3) publication samples and/or dissertation abstract, (4) three letters of references, (5) a letter of interest that includes your vision and programmatic objectives for this position and (6) commitment to diversity statement (including broadening participation, integrating multicultural experiences in instruction and research pedagogical techniques to meet the needs of diverse learning styles). To ensure full consideration, applications should be received no later than November 1, 2015. The application review process will begin November 1, 2015. Direct inquiries to AREsearch@uconn.edu, enter 2016073 in the subject line or call 860-486-2836.

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