Rosson’s Roundup

EVENTS TODAY: 3:30 p.m. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Dedication of Room 301 as the RL ‘Bo’ Keller Excellence in Financial Planning Conference Room. Please gather outside Room 301 by 3:15. Vice Chancellor and Dean Mark Hussey will recognize Lane ’80 and Phyllis ’80 Keller who made the dedication possible.

4:00 p.m. Departmental Social and Kick-Off outside under the Big Tent. Free food and drinks!!

EVENTS SATURDAY: The first home football game is finally here and we are in high gear for the tailgate and related activities Saturday. At in the AgriLife Center 1:30 we will hold an Extension Outlook session done by David Anderson and Marco Palma on Livestock and Horticulture Marketing, respectively.

At 2:00 p.m. in the AgriLife Center we will induct Dan’l Almy ’94 and Joe Pennington ’71 into the Tyrus R. Timm Honor Registry. Russell Stubbs and Ed Smith will conduct the inductions.

3:00 p.m. the Tailgate opens under the Big Tent with food, drink, games and football for all. We will keep the AgriLife Center open throughout the game for those who want to watch in air conditioned comfort. We will also have television under the Big Tent for those who prefer to be outside. So, please come. We are expecting more than 700 for the weekend’s activities and most of those are former students, so this provides a great opportunity to catch up, network and make new friends!!

On Wednesday, I went to Austin to visit with the new Coordinator of International Marketing, Carlos Guerrero and several other staff at the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). As the new administration plans its strategy over the next several years, TDA wants to develop a more solid relationship with Texas firms interested in exporting to Cuba. But more broadly than in the past, TDA is also committed to exploring the prospects for import opportunities and investment as well. This is certainly an exciting time to be involved with a state agency that is seriously planning long-term approaches to develop more opportunities for Texas producers and agribusiness. They are eager to work with Texas A&M AgriLife and help us accomplish our land-grant mission. I’ll be passing along these ‘opportunities’ to several of you as they unfold over the next few months. So, stay tuned …

I can’t let this day pass without saying something about 9-11 and its impact on us all. It’s been 14 years and while we go about our daily routine, I’d like to especially thank our active military and veterans, and recognize our first responders who are on the ‘front lines’ at home dealing with safety and security every day. Please pass along your thanks to all of them. I think it important we not forget their steadfast commitment to our well-being, and that we let them know we appreciate their service.

Have a great weekend, enjoy the Tailgate and BTHO Ball State!!!!!!
Position Announcements

**Clinical Professor**, Center for Food and Agricultural Business, Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University – West Lafayette campus. Key responsibilities within the MS-MBA degree program include coordination of academic assessment and capstone projects, providing direction and oversight to professional instructional design and marketing staff, and maintaining strong communication channels with key program partners at Indiana University and other constituents that include faculty, administrators, current and prospective students, and alumni. It is preferred that the candidate have a PhD in a business or agribusiness related field, but applications from candidates with a Master’s degree in a business or agribusiness related field and strong experience in the agriculture industry will be accepted. Apply for this position as a Candidate at EconJobMarket.org and upload your application documents here: https://www.econjobmarket.org/ A complete application includes: a short statement describing how the candidate’s experience will contribute to success in this role, graduate transcripts, a writing sample, address/e-mail information for 3 references, and a CV. A background check is required for employment in this position. Application review will begin October 15, 2015.

**Faculty Specialist**, The University of Maryland's Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics seeks a highly motivated individual to provide legal analysis and develop policy-oriented programs on legal policy issues of importance to agriculture and natural resources in Maryland and the Mid-Atlantic region. Non-Tenure Track Faculty (Part-Time, 12-Month, Contractual): Funding is secured on an annual basis, so reappointment is dependent on continued funding and satisfactory job performance. Minimum Qualifications: J.D. degree and LL.M. in agriculture and food law required. Excellent writing skills. 1-2 years of work experience in agricultural and natural resources law education outreach. All candidates must apply at https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/36450

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

Deadline for all submissions is noon, Thursday.

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