Rosson’s Roundup

Congratulations to Joe Outlaw for being notified that he will receive the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAES) in San Antonio in early February.

The Farm Bill Decision Aid Team will receive the SAEA Outstanding Extension Program Award at the same meeting. Congratulations to Joe Outlaw, James Richardson, Henry Bryant, George Knapek, Patrick Westhoff, Marc Raulston, Brian Herbst, Scott Gerlt, Peter Zimmel, and Craig Wellington.

Congratulations to Daniel Chavez. Daniel was notified that he will receive the Outstanding MS Thesis Award from the SAEA. Thanks and congratulations to Marco Palma, his advisor.

Tuesday Yvette Zhang took her AGEC 105 Honor students to the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Sharon Wallace with the Public Affairs and Economic Education Office conducted the briefing and tour for the class. They also received an update on Fed monetary policy and discussed the roles and functions of the overall Federal Reserve System, and the Dallas Fed in particular. I’m told the highlight of the trip was the Economy in Action Exhibit, which I’ve yet to see, but hope to in the near future.

Thursday, we had two former students return for a special visit. Mary Keough Ledman ’87 and Doug Duncan ’89 were here to be inducted into the Tyrus R. Timm Honor Registry. Taking advantage of their visit, we also scheduled some time for them to visit with faculty and graduate students, and have lunch with our Graduate Student Association Officers. Ty Timm Honor Registry members Charles Gilliland ’79 and Mike Martin ’86 inducted Doug and Mary, respectively. The induction was followed by seminars from the new inductees about their career paths and lessons learned along the way. It was an excellent event and I know our graduate students appreciated the insight provided by our new members. Congratulations to Doug and Mary on this prestigious honor! Thanks to Erin Hardin for coordinating the graduate student meetings.

Friday morning I met with Andy Morriss, Dean, Texas A&M School of Law, to discuss our mutual interests and their plans to hire two faculty who will specialize in some area of agricultural law and may be affiliated with the Department in some way. We had Thomas Mitchell visit us last month and are expecting Vanessa Casado on November 16. I’ll have more on her visit next week.

Despite rain, the early hour and being outscored the previous two games, our final tailgate before the South Carolina game was a huge success. We had more than 200 people attended, mostly former students, families and friends. Thanks to Candice Foster, Steven Klose, Norma Pantoja, Ed Rister, Mark Waller, Jennifer Newsom and the AFS staff.

REMINDER: Wednesday, November 11, we will have a roundtable discussion with three representatives of the International Voice Auction Exchange (IVAX). The event will take place in AGLS 129 at 4:15. This is an interesting new venture that is attempting to meld electronic trading with open outcry – and be more efficient. It should be exciting to hear their plans and how we might be involved.

Thursday and Friday, November 19 -20, is our Financial Planning Conference. Look for notices about this very soon.

Have a great weekend and BTHO Auburn!
Position Announcements

Assistant Professor, Applied Economics (Food Marketing and Demand Analysis), Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon. 9 month, 1.0 FTE tenure-track appointment. This is a research and teaching appointment with an expectation for scholarly accomplishment appropriate to the position responsibilities. Ph.D. in agricultural economics, applied economics, economics, or a related field of study. Application components: A cover letter indicating how your qualifications and experience have prepared you for this position including a statement of your vision for the position, C.V., job market paper, graduate school transcript, and three letters of recommendation. To Apply: Go to http://oregonstate.edu/jobs/ and search for Posting# 0016419.

Assistant Professor, Natural Resource Economics and Econometrics, Department of Applied Economics, Utah State University, Logan, Utah. This is a nine-month tenure eligible position with relative weights assigned to domains of responsibility: Teaching 45%; Research 50%; Service 5%. The successful candidate will develop a nationally recognized research program in natural resources that is complementary to on-going departmental research programs. Areas of emphasis should include: economic analyses of water, energy or climate change. A Ph.D. in natural resource economics, economics, agricultural economics or closely related field with expertise in specialized fields within natural resource economics must be completed before beginning employment. Please visit the USU Human Resources Website (https://usu.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=949&job=assistant-professor-natural-resource-economics-and-econometrics) for more information and to apply for the position. Inquiries should be made to Paul Jakus (435-797-2309), (paul.jakus@usu.edu). Formal review of applications will begin on December 3, 2015.

Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist, Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness, Department of Applied Economics, Utah State University, Logan, Utah. The successful candidate will develop a nationally recognized extension and applied research program in agricultural economics/agribusiness management that is complementary to on-going departmental extension and applied research programs. A Ph.D. in agricultural economics, economics, or closely related field with expertise in a specialized field within agricultural economics must be completed before beginning employment. Please submit a letter of application, curriculum vita, graduate transcripts, sample extension or applied research paper, and three letters of reference to the USU Human Resources Website (https://usu.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=948&job=assistant-professor-and-extension-specialist) for more information and to apply for the position. Inquiries should be made to Ryan Bosworth (435-797-0594), (ryan.bosworth@usu.edu). Formal review of applications will begin on December 4, 2015.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is searching for an Extension Associate Dean as noted in the link below. https://employment.unl.edu/postings/47032

The Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at Colorado State University is seeking outstanding applicants for two Assistant Professor positions. The first is in Energy Economics and has a full consideration date of November 15, 2015. The second is in the Economics of Animal Agriculture and has a full consideration date of December 15, 2015. Details can be found at the following link: http://dare.agsci.colostate.edu/dare-open-positions/

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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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