Rosson’s Roundup

Monday, the Department was notified that Rebekka Dudensing has been selected as an Emerging Scholar of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA) for 2016. The SAEA Board noted that, “You have clearly established a distinguished path with our profession that is noteworthy and deserving of this honor.” The Emerging Scholar Award will be presented at the SAEA Annual Meetings in San Antonio, February 6 - 9, 2016. Congratulations, Rebekka for your great work and contributions to the profession!

Tuesday afternoon I attended the annual conference of the National Agricultural Alumni and Development Association (NAADA) at the Hilton in College Station. The opening session featured Daniele Harris, Asst. Dean, COALS; Linda Moon, Communications Manager, Texas A&M Forest Service; Ian Geenhalgh, member of the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets and COALS Student Council; Joe Golding, CEO, Advancement Resources and Jay Stewart, CEO of Capital Farm Credit. It was an excellent introductory session and served as a solid lead into the panel on Development which followed. Darin Paine was the Conference Chair and Jon Rigelsky was the Sponsorship Chair this year. They did a great job of introducing Texas A&M to Development Officers from across the country. Thanks for your tremendous work and for a truly outstanding conference!

Finally, I’d like to provide a brief update on our Master of Agribusiness program. Fall 2015 is shaping up to be the beginning of an excellent academic year. The incoming MAB class is anticipating 23 new students, which will bring total enrollment for the program to 50. This is 22 percent more than last year, and there are five more students who may enroll as well. The composition of the MAB continues to diversify, with 48 percent female and 42 percent international students. Four MAB students received COALS Fellowships for early enrollment. In addition, 22 of the 27 first year MAB students are either doing internships or employed this summer, so our placement was excellent. Thanks to Vicky Salin, Jennifer Newsom, the Graduate Office and the members of the Intercollegiate Faculty of Agribusiness (IFA) for your efforts!

Have a great weekend, and remember, Sunday, June 21 is the Summer Solstice. So, enjoy the ‘extra’ sun!
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

Assistant Professor. Marketing and Risk, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan. The candidate will be expected to establish a successful and well-funded program of research and teaching in the area of agribusiness management and agricultural finance or a closely related field. The appointee will be expected to deliver three courses per year at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. Teaching duties will be assigned according to the qualifications and experience of the successful applicant and needs of the program. Candidates will have a Ph.D. in Agribusiness, Agricultural/Resource Economics, Finance, or a closely related field. A letter of application, CV (including list of publications, teaching experience), a statement of teaching philosophy, a sample of relevant written work, academic transcripts and contact information for three referees should be submitted electronically to: Prof. Bill Brown, Professor and Department Head, Department of Bioresource Policy & Economics, University of Saskatchewan, 51 Campus Dr., Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A8, Canada. Email: bill.brown@usask.ca The Department will also be pre-screening interviews with suitable candidates at the 2015 AAEA meetings in San Francisco. Consideration of applications will start September 1, 2015. Anticipation start date of January 1, 2016 or soon thereafter.

Assistant Professor. Management and Finance, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan. The candidate will be expected to establish a successful and well-funded program of research and teaching in the area of agribusiness management and agricultural finance or a closely related field. The appointee will be expected to deliver three courses per year at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. Candidates will have a Ph.D. in Agribusiness, Agricultural/Resource Economics, Finance, or a closely related field. A letter of application, CV (including list of publications, teaching experience), a statement of teaching philosophy, a sample of relevant written work, academic transcripts and contact information for three referees should be submitted electronically to: Prof. Bill Brown, Professor and Department Head, Department of Bioresource Policy & Economics, University of Saskatchewan, 51 Campus Dr., Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A8, Canada. Email: bill.brown@usask.ca The Department will also be pre-screening interviews with suitable candidates at the 2015 AAEA meetings in San Francisco. Consideration of applications will start September 1, 2015. Anticipation start date of January 1, 2016 or soon thereafter.

Chief Executive Officer, Illinois Farm Business Farm Management Association, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign Campus. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is expected to provide leadership and vision to the activities of Illinois Farm Business Farm Management (FBFM) Association with the overall objective of assuring Illinois FBFM continues to be recognized as the leading resource for financial and business consulting services to farmers throughout Illinois. Interested candidates should prepare: (1) a letter expressing interests and addressing their accomplishments related to the qualifications for this position, (2) a resume, (3), a statement of leadership philosophy emphasizing their vision for an organization like FBFM and their ability to foster staff development and visions of innovative products and services, and (4) contact information for three professional references (include name, title, address, phone, email) by close of business July 17, 2015 to Melissa Warmbier (mwarmbie@illinois.edu). For full consideration, all requested application materials should be submitted by July 17, 2015 to mwarmbie@illinois.edu. Review of materials is expected to begin soon after July 17, 2015, and will continue until the position is filled. Initial nominations and inquiries will be kept confidential; references will be contacted only upon approval by the applicant. Applications will be considered until a finalist is identified. Proposed Starting Date: Negotiable with a strong preference for the person hired to begin on or around September 1, 2015. For additional information contact: Dr. Paul Ellinger, ellinge@illinois.edu, 217-333-5503

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