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Rosson's Roundup

Congratulations to David Bessler who was notified that he will receive the 2016 Distinguished Achievement Award for Research from Texas A&M University and the Association of Former Students. The presentation of this prestigious award will be made at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, April 25 in Rudder Theater. Thanks for the great work!

Congratulations to Stan Bevers who received the 2016 Friend of Agriculture Award from the Wichita Agriculture Committee during the Texoma Ranch and Farm Expo on March 9. Stan has worked to establish strong linkages between agriculture and Texas A&M, and this award recognizes his success in those efforts. Great job, Stan!

Thanks to Gary Williams and AFCERC for hosting representatives from Universidad Juarez de Tabasco in the Department on Monday. The Rector, Dr. Jose Manuel Pina and Associate Professor, Dr. Roberto Cantu represented Tabasco. Our discussions centered on needs in the region to develop markets for cattle and selected cuts of beef. While their previous focus has been on Mexico, cattlemen in the region are now interested in the United States and other countries as potential markets. I suspect we will be hearing more from this group in the near future and possible areas of collaborative research and extension program development. Thanks for hosting this event.

Dr. Larry Garber visited the Conflict and Development Center this week to provide his views on the future of the Higher Education Solutions Network initiative with USAID. He met with Drs. Hussey, Sams, Steele, Lunt, Price, Ruyle and me on Monday and Tuesday. My impression was that he took away a very favorable impression for the future of ConDev and is supportive of continuing the program beyond its initial five year time frame. Thanks to Ed Price and Leslie Ruyle for hosting his visit.

David Morgan, Senior Vice President, Investments with Raymond James, was here with his son, Dave, who is considering enrolling at Texas A&M in our Personal Financial Planning program. Dave is also being recruited for the Golf Team, so we shall see where this leads. He has visited Texas Tech, Georgia and a couple of other schools as well, so there is some competition, but our program is solid and our placement is excellent.

Greg Torell interviewed here Wednesday for the El Paso position in Natural Resource and Policy Economics. Thanks to Ari Michelson for bringing him to visit. Please provide your feedback to Ari regarding both candidates who interviewed.

Finally, have a great weekend and a Happy Easter! If traveling, be safe. The Aggie Baseball team is hosting LSU in Thursday, Friday, Saturday series, and won last night 6 – 1. Aggie Softball is on the road at Georgia.

Dr. John Park

Professor and Extension Economist

Why Cooperation?

A look at the use of "Co-ops" in agriculture. A co-operative or co-op is an autonomous association of people united voluntarily to meet common economic needs through a jointly owned and democratically controlled business. Dr. Park is the Roy B. Davis Professor of Agricultural Cooperation. He will discuss the challenges of competition in agricultural business and the ways that an Extension economist might address those issues.



Friday, March 25th
11:15 pm
AGLS 301

Upcoming Birthdays

Danny Klinefelter	4/5
Valerie Gerbig	4/6
George Knapek	4/8
Ron Lacewell	4/15
Yvette Zhang	4/15



Thank You!!
Grad Student
Association

for hosting Friday coffee



Position Announcements

Assistant Professor in Economic Development in Northern and Aboriginal Communities, University of Alberta. The Department of Resource Economics and Environmental Sociology (REES) invites applications from outstanding individuals for a tenure-track position of Assistant Professor in Economic Development in Northern and Aboriginal Communities. Candidates must demonstrate potential to achieve excellence in research and teaching at undergraduate and graduate levels. Scholars interested in learning more about the Department of REES and the research programs of the staff are invited to view (<http://www.ales.ualberta.ca/rees/>) or contact the Department Chair, Dr. Peter Boxall (pboxall@ualberta.ca). Interested candidates should send a CV, names of three references, and a statement of current and future research interests to: Chair, Department of REES at the link below. Please submit this as one document. Applications will start to be examined on April 1, 2016. <http://www.careers.ualberta.ca/Competition/A108928683/>

Term Assistant Professor/Lecturer in Agribusiness / Agricultural Economics, University of Alberta.

The Department of Resource Economics and Environmental Sociology (REES), Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences (ALES), invites applications for a 2 year (with possibility of a 1 year extension) term position for an Assistant Professor in Agribusiness / Agricultural Economics. We are specifically interested in individuals with teaching and research interests in Agricultural and Food Business Management or closely related fields. Scholars interested in learning more about the Department of Resource Economics and Environmental Sociology and the research programs of the staff are invited to view our Home Page (<http://www.ales.ualberta.ca/rees/>) or contact the Department Chair, Dr. Peter Boxall (pboxall@ualberta.ca). Department of Resource Economics and Environmental Sociology, 515 General Services Building, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2H1 Canada. Interested candidates should send a curriculum vitae, names of three references, a teaching dossier and any available teaching ratings, and a brief statement about research interests to: Chair, Department of Resource Economics and Environmental Sociology at the above address. Applications will start to be examined on April 1, 2016.

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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.

Please send your information to valnoyes@tamu.edu