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Upcoming Events

April

15th-SAAER 9:15 a.m.
18th-Faculty Meeting 3:30 p.m.
EE-SEL Symposium
22nd-Seminar
27th-Administrative
Professionals Day
29th-Seminar

Rosson's Roundup

Congratulations to our NAMA Team who competed in Kansas City at the national meetings. While they did not win the overall competition, they did extremely well in the preliminary rounds. Thanks to team members Brooks Eskew, Lauren Friend, Chris Kotula, Brooklynn Morrow, Owen Ondruch, Brian Peck, Joseph Simmons, Zach Stewart, Anne Marie Wolff and Ethan Worthy, the team coaches Alicia Copeland, Stephen Cain, Justin Machado, Tyler Reagan and Codie Wright, and the team advisor Senarath Dharmasena. We certainly appreciate all of the effort and time that went into the preparation for this event and wish you well in future competitions.

Jinxiu Ding, PhD in Agricultural Economics (2014) was recently notified by the Universities Council on Water Resources (UCOWR) that her dissertation was recognized by UCOWR in the field of Water Policy and Socio-Economics. The formal ceremony to receive this Honorable Mention award will occur at the UCOWR Awards Banquet, June 22 in Pensacola Beach, FL. Congratulations, Jinxiu and congratulations to Bruce McCarl who chaired her graduate committee. Dr. Ding is now a faculty member in the Department of Public Economics, Xiamen University, Xiamen, China.

Kanishka Kacker interviewed this week for our position in Energy Market Analysis and Decision Making. We will hold our May faculty meeting on Monday, April 18, 3:30 in Room 301 to discuss the candidacy of both he and Thomas Fillebeen, who was here last week. If you cannot attend, please send your evaluation form to Desmond Ng, Chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee. Thanks for your participation in this important process.

I want to express our most sincere and heartfelt condolences and sympathies to Jimmie Lard and the Lard family. We were all saddened by the passing of Dr. Curtis Lard last Saturday. A link to Curtis' obituary is below.

Finally, enjoy the weekend and maybe a bit more rain. The Aggie Softball team is here playing Georgia and the Aggie Baseball team travels to Mississippi State.

Performance evaluations for non-faculty employees are due by May 31, 2016. The Department internal deadline is Monday, May 20, 2016 in order to finalize the online process by the 31st. A matrix showing evaluation time periods, forms, and due dates is in the Performance Management section at:

http://agrilifeas.tamu.edu/documents/ evaluationmatricies.pdf Thank you for your cooperation!



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EE-SEL Symposium, Hawking Auditorium, April 18, 2016 (All Day Event!) osium, Hawking Auditorium, April 18, 2016 (All Day Event!) "The Energy and the Environment: Scientific, economic, and legal issues (EE-SEL)." The website can be found at:

http://igse.tamu.edu/receptions/2016/EESEL/EESEL.php

Upcoming Birthdays

Ron Lacewell 4/15
Yvette Zhang 4/15
Ximing Wu 4/26
Loren Burns 5/2



Texas A&M AgriLife Seminar

What Do Cotton Producers
Want from Science? Assessing
Research Priorities Based on Data

Dr. Kater Hake

Vice President Ag & Env Research Cotton Incorporated

April 22, 2016, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Heep Center, Room 440 Texas A&M University, College Station



An USDA-sponsored economics conference within the

National Conference on Rural Public &

Intercity Bus Transportation
Ashville, NC, October 2-5,
2016

Call for Participants (Funding Available)
To apply, a statement of interest and a
two-page vita should be submitted to Rebekka Dudensing at
rmdudensing@tamu.edu by May 16, 2016 or until space is
filled. Interested applicants may also learn more at
http://communities.tamu.edu/ruraltransportation/.

Thank You!! Extension Administration



for hosting Friday coffee

Position Announcements

Postdoctoral Research Assistantship in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado, in collaboration with the US Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station. The position is funded through a National Science Foundation / Coastal SEES Collaborative Research grant – award number 1427157, and is part of an interdisciplinary team spread across several universities. The postdoc is expected to maintain an active research agenda and contribute to group publications, both disciplinary and interdisciplinary. This position is a two year temporary appointment, renewable contingent on funding after the first two years. Additional information on the project can be found at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at https://environmentalchange.nd.edu/programs/nis-raps/. Questions can be directed to Amanda (Leister) Countryman at <a href="https://environment

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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