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Upcoming Events

May

- 13th & 14th-Graduation
- 18th-P&T Meeting
- 18th&19th-Grand Challenges
Mini-Symposia
- 20th-Evaluations Due

Rosson's Roundup

First, I'd like to congratulate all of our graduates. We have 170 students graduating today. Of those, 148 are undergraduates: 91 are receiving degrees in Agricultural Economics and 57 are graduating with degrees in Agribusiness. The Department will have seven Honors graduates in AGBU and 21 in AGECE! Twelve of these students are graduating *Cum Laude*, the highest honor! Our student prospects for the fall are solid, with 96 freshmen confirmed for student conferences and 47 transfers accepted so far, with 87 still in review.

There is one PhD graduating tomorrow, along with 13 Master of Science and eight Master of Agribusiness students. Fall numbers look good with 10 or 12 new PhD students expected and 18 MAB. Please join me in congratulating all of our new graduates!

The Texas Ag Forum will be held at the Austin Airport Hilton on Monday, May 16. The theme will center on Transportation Infrastructure and Agriculture, with representation from the Texas A&M Transportation Institute, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, the Texas Department of Transportation, Texas Farm Bureau, Union Pacific and BNSF. Thanks to AFPC and CNAS for putting together this great program. I'm very much looking forward to the event.

REMINDERS: Final Grades Are Due May 16!!

The Grand Challenges Mini-Symposia will be held May 18 and May 19 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Center. Both sessions begin at 9 a.m. and will conclude by 3:00 p.m. I hope many of you can attend.

Finally, have a great weekend and enjoy the cooler weather! While the Aggie Softball team awaits notice of where they will head for a regional tournament, the Aggie Baseball team is in South Carolina to play the Gamecocks in a top 10 matchup.

The 2016 Grand Challenges Mini-Symposia are approaching, May 18-19. The requested RSVP date is May 13, so please use the link below to respond if you plan to attend. Themes center on Vector Biology, Climate Change Adaptation and Global Water Issues.

<http://aglifesciences.tamu.edu/2016grandchallenges/>

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/evaluation-matrices.pdf> Thank you for your cooperation!

Upcoming Birthdays

<i>Donna Adcock</i>	<i>5/13</i>
<i>Donna Chester</i>	<i>5/20</i>
<i>David Anderson</i>	<i>5/23</i>
<i>Shahriar Kibriya</i>	<i>5/27</i>



UPDATES: Thomas Fillebeen will be on campus May 17-20 and will be arranging visits with many faculty as a follow up to his interview a couple of weeks ago. His wife, Amelie, will join him Thursday and Friday while they look for housing prospects in the area. Please welcome them to the Department.

Craig Carpenter will begin his position in the Department as Assistant Professor and Extension Economist-Community Economics and Business Development on June 1. Please welcome Craig as well.

Thank You!!

*Business
Office*

for hosting Friday coffee



Position Announcements

Three Associate Research and Extension Director (ARED) positions, University of Nebraska, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. These administrative positions report to the Director of the Eastern Nebraska Research and Extension Center. To view the details and make application, go to <https://employment.unl.edu> and search for requisition #F_160099 (Metro), #F_160100 (Northeast), and/or #F_160101 (Southeast). Click on "Apply to this job." Complete the application and attach a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three professional references. Review of applications will begin on June 10, 2016. Information regarding Research and Extension Centers and programs at the University of Nebraska can be found at <http://ianr.unl.edu/research-extension>.

Open Rank Professor: Livestock Marketing and Risk Management. The Department of Agricultural Economics at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is seeking candidates for a twelve month, tenured or tenure-leading faculty position with an appointment of 60 percent extension and 40 percent research. The position is one of a three-person cluster hire that will focus on production, marketing and risk management decision-making by commercial agriculture and agribusiness firms along with addressing issues in the public sector. Requirements include a PhD in Agricultural Economics or related field at the time of hire. To view the complete position details and apply for this position, go to the UNL Employment web site: <http://employment.unl.edu>. Search for requisition number F_160094 and click on "Apply to this job". Attach a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, transcripts, and contact information for three professional references. Review of applications will begin on August 17, 2016. For more information please contact the Search Committee Chair, Azzeddine Azzam, by calling 402.472.3401 or by email at aazzam1@unl.edu.

[Click here for more position announcements](#)

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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