Rosson’s Roundup

Let me extend a huge Thank You to our South Carolina Game Tailgate committee who organized and orchestrated a great event last Saturday!! Steven Klose and Candice Foster did most of the heavy lifting for the Tailgate, with assistance from Dusty Menzies, Mark Waller, Fred Boadu, Donna Chester, Amy Connolly and Carissa Beamon. Valerie Gerbig and Candice also took pictures of attendees. Thanks to the Graduate Student Association in assisting with the set up and take down. This is a tremendous effort, with many moving timelines, details and headaches. Thanks to all of you who made it happen and ran it so smoothly. Your work is greatly appreciated. Also thanks to Joe Outlaw and Luis Ribera who gave excellent presentations on the farm bill and trade, respectively. We also had presentations from students who participated in Study Abroad this past summer. They were Jason Edmondson and Tyler White who traveled to Ghana; Jace Martin went to Scotland; Andrew Hazelwood traveled to Ireland; and graduate students Lainey Bourgeois, Enrique Pinon and Victor Galindo visited Swaziland. Ed Rister and Carissa Beamon recognized Mrs. Betty Raun who provides the Lowell Raun Book Scholarship to our students. Thanks to all who made the 650 plus attendee event a great success!

Congratulations to our Financial Planning Challenge team that took third place in the national competition held in Nashville this week. Utah Valley, Illinois, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Cal State Northridge were the top five finishers. The Aggie team was the only team from Texas to place and Illinois and Texas A&M had the only teams from Agricultural Economics departments to place, so quite an accomplishment. Aggie Team members were Sidney Avila, Justin Nnabuife and Paul Schuder (see picture). The coach of this team was Chris Moore and Nathan Harness coordinated the effort. Each student will receive a $1,000 scholarship for the university by placing in the Challenge. The top eight teams were selected from a national competition for the opportunity to compete in the finals at Nashville. Please congratulate these students who did such a great job!

Congratulations to Bill Thompson who will be serving on the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers Editorial Committee. His term began on October 1, 2017 and will end September 30, 2020.

Tuesday afternoon I had the opportunity to introduce David Eubank who founded Free Burma Rangers, a humanitarian organization working in Burma, Iraq and Sudan. David, his wife, Karen and three children were in College Station to visit with family and friends, and thanks to Ed Price, were able to come to the department and share their experiences. Thanks, Ed, for providing this opportunity.

Have a great weekend and BTHO ‘Bama!!!
Dear Faculty and Staff,

Please join us for the Agricultural Economics Tailgate event on November 4, 2017. The event will be held at the Clayton Williams Alumni Center, located at the corner of Houston St. and George Bush Dr., three hours before the kick-off. We would like to thank you for hosting the Friday coffee in the Dept. Head Office.

Upcoming Birthdays:
- Dan Hanselka: 10/10
- Tracy Davis: 10/14
- John Nichols: 10/20
- David Bessler: 10/22
- Steven Klose: 10/22
- Parr Rosson: 10/24

Thank You!!

The University of Delaware is looking to hire two full-time, tenure-track assistant professors in Food and Agribusiness Marketing and Management. The position description and link to apply are at: https://apply.interfolio.com/45669

The U.S. International Trade Commission’s Agriculture and Fisheries Division is recruiting for the position of International Trade Analyst. Applications will be accepted from United States citizens through Tuesday, October 17, 2017. The announcements can be accessed through the following link: https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/479526400

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USDA Economist Group. Two new GS-14/15 economist positions have opened in the Office of the Chief Economist—Immediate Office. The job opportunity announcements (JOAs) are open USDA-wide from Monday, October 02, 2017 through Friday, October 13, 2017 (10 days). You can view the live JOAs using the below links to USAJOBS.

The Agricultural Economist (Senior Economist – Agricultural Policy), GS-0110-14/15 position has been posted as AG-OCE-2017-0169: https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/480953200

The Agricultural Economist (Senior Economist – Agricultural Trade), GS-0110-14/15 position has been posted as AG-OCE-2017-0170: https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/480954400

Both of these positions have responsibility for policy analysis and research in their respective areas of responsibility.

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.

Please send your information to valnoyes@tamu.edu


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