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Upcoming Events

May

- 28th-Memorial Day
- 29th-First Day of Summer Classes

Words from Waller

There was a College of Agriculture Development Council, COADC, former student tour and reception held in Corpus Christi last Saturday to welcome our new Vice Chancellor and Dean, Dr. Patrick Stover, and his wife Dr. Denise Stover to the area. Courtney Schmidt '08 is the COADC Regional Chair in the south Texas area. She helped arrange and coordinate tours of the King Ranch, and the Coastal Conservation Association Marine Development Center fish hatchery in Corpus Christi during the day, and an evening reception for former students. There were over 50 former students that gathered at the reception to welcome Dr. Stover and his wife, and socialize and network. Reception sponsors included three of our former graduates, Courtney Schmidt '08 (Double S Interests), Mark Miller '87 (Texas Farm Credit), and Daniel Bluntzer '92 (Secrest Crop Insurance and New Frontier Capital Markets). These were interesting events, and gave me an opportunity to catch up with several of our former students.

As a new Acting Department Head, I had the opportunity to participate in a day long Departmental Research Administrators workshop on Thursday presented by the Office of the Vice President for Research. There were also representatives/presentations from sponsored Research Services (SRS), and Research Compliance and Integrity. It provided a good overview of how these different critically important entities all work together to help our department and our faculty navigate and remain in compliance in the grant and contract world, and help our University continue to expand our research productivity and national reputation.

Many of us have an extended weekend ahead of us as we celebrate Memorial Day on Monday. Some may have an opportunity to participate in Memorial Day/weekend parties, or attend Memorial Day service and parades to express support and solidarity, and to salute the brave who lay down their lives defending our nation. As we all get ready for however we will spend our Memorial Day weekend, let me finish with a quote from John F. Kennedy "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter the words, but to live by them."

Hope you all have a good weekend and stay cool!

New Publications



K. Wen and X. Wu, "Transformation-Kernel Estimation of Copula Densities,"
Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, accepted,

Link: <https://doi.org/10.1080/07350015.2018.1469999>

X. Wu, "Robust Likelihood Cross Validation for Kernel Density Estimation,"
Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, forthcoming,

Link: <https://doi.org/10.1080/07350015.2018.1424633>

X. Wu and R. Sickles, "Semiparametric estimation under shape constraints,"
Econometrics and Statistics, Vol. 6, 74-89, 2018.

Link: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ecosta.2017.06.001>

Happy Birthday!!

Shahriar Kibriya 5/27

Luis Ribera 6/3

Mark Waller 6/5

Kerry Litzenberg 6/10

Joe Outlaw 6/11



*Friday Coffee
Will Return
Fall 2018*



Position Announcements

Assistant/Associate Professor and Extension Specialist, Economist-Management, District 1, Amarillo, Texas. 100% Extension (Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service) in the Department of Agricultural Economics. This is a permanent, full time, non-tenure track position. Responsibilities involve district leadership and coordination for Extension education programs and applied research in management, marketing, finance, resources, and policy by providing technical expertise and educational program development for industry audiences such as farmers and ranchers, merchandisers, processors, lenders, and users. A Ph.D. degree, either completed, or all but dissertation in Agricultural Economics or closely related field along with coursework in one or more of the following areas; farm and ranch management, agricultural finance, marketing, policy, and risk management is required. Closing Date for Applications: June 30, 2018, or until the position is filled. Application Process: Go to the Workday website to apply electronically. https://tamus.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/AgriLife_Extension_External/job/Amarillo-AL-EXT/Assistant-Associate-Professor---Extension-Specialist_R-005067

Principal Agent and Assistant Director, University of Maryland Extension, Environmental & Natural Resource. Duties include identifying issues, problems and solutions related to terrestrial, aquatic and coastal ecosystems and its natural resources. Candidates must have an earned doctorate degree (Ph.D.) with at least one degree in environmental science, natural resources, wildlife or forest resources, fisheries, marine science, or a related field, allowing them to be technically proficient in managing land, water or coastal programs. For more information and to apply, go to: <https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/58534>

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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.

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