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Keeping Track

FEBRUARY 2005

Calendar of Events:

February 6	Super Bowl Party
March 12	Spring Break begins
March 21	Spring Break ends
May 2	Final Exams begin
May 7	Semester ends
May 13-15	Commencement

Congratulations and Names in the News:

Ken Itakura accepted an assistant professorship position at the Nagoya City University (Nagoya, Japan). Dr. Itakura will begin teaching international economic relations in early 2005. He will also continue to do research in the areas of trade policy analysis and CGE modeling.

Maros Ivanic, a former graduate assistant with the Center, recently obtained his doctoral degree in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University and has moved on to work as an Economist at the World Bank. In his dissertation, Dr. Ivanic worked on an income side assessment of household survey data. While at the World Bank, he will continue his work on household survey data and its use in assessing the poverty impacts of globalization and trade policy reform.

Ernesto Valenzuela has also recently moved to the World Bank to work with Kim Anderson.

Lixia He, PhD, accepted a post-doctoral position at the University of Alberta, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Dayton Lambert graduated (PhD) and took a job with ERS/USDA.

Congratulations to the following PhD Candidates: Yuliya Bolotova, Ana Rios, Rafael Uaiene, Jason Grant, Kathryn Boys, Brian Briggeman and Michael Gunderson successfully passed the core prelims as of January 2005.

Thought You Would Like to Know:

The Agricultural Innovation and Commercialization Center (AICC) participated in the annual Ft. Wayne Farm Machinery Show, January 18-20. The Center promoted Purdue Extension's entrepreneurship efforts to the 35,000 attendees. Cole Ehmke joined Extension Educators from Indiana's Area 11 Extension district to hand out copies of AICC's publications and direct people to the AICC Business Planner, an online tool at which users can begin writing a business plan. More on AICC is available at www.agecon.purdue.edu/planner.

Farming Together Workshop Held:

The 25th annual Farming Together Workshop was held January 28 and 29. This year 19 farms registered to bring at least 52 people to the workshop. The workshop is designed to provide information and answers to questions on issues involved with bringing someone into a farming operation. Alan

Miller, one of the workshop planners, says farmers who plan ahead of time ensure a smoother transition when they pass the farm on to a child or business partner. Presentations covered topics such as communicating effectively, developing a shared vision for the future of the operation, creating a succession plan, sharing assets, writing job descriptions and common legal questions. More information is at http://www.agecon.purdue.edu/extension/programs/farm_together.asp.

Travel, Speeches and Presented Papers:

Lowenberg-DeBoer, J., Dayton Lambert, Terry Griffin and Gary Malzer, "Risk Management for Site-Specific Nitrogen Application," paper to be presented at the Southern Agricultural Economics Association Annual Meeting, Little Rock, AK, Feb. 5-9, 2005.

Dr. Maria Marshall and Whitney Oliver attended the ASSA annual meetings January 7-9, and presented a paper within the small business session entitled "The Importance of Financial, Human, and Social Capital during the Gestation Stage of the Entrepreneurial Process for Rural Entrepreneurs in Indiana."

Otto Doering will be moderating the Plenary Session USDA Outlook Panel on Science and Agricultural Policy at the USDA Outlook February 24th.

Otto Doering will be participating in the Center for Strategic and International Studies workshop on Global Water Futures February 8th and 9th in Washington.

Wally Tyner was in Morocco and Algeria in December. In Morocco he was working on implementation of the Morocco – US Free Trade Agreement. In Algeria, he gave a keynote paper on policy issues in dry land agriculture in North Africa.

Carlos Luden made a seminar presentation at the Central Bank of Ecuador on January 5, 2005. The title of the seminar was "*Technical Change and Productivity in Agriculture: Impacts on World Food Trade*." Seminar presented at the Central Bank of Ecuador (Quito, Ecuador), January 5, 2005.

Publications:

Jacquet, Florence; Tyner, Wallace E.; and Gray, Allan W. "La stabilisation du revenu des agriculteurs : un objectif central dans les politiques agricoles des Etats - Unis et de l'Union Européenne." *Economie Rurale* 281 (May-June 2004), pp. 9-27.

Lambert, Dayton, J. Lowenberg-DeBoer and Rodolfo Bongiovanni, "A Comparison of Four Spatial Regression Models for Yield Monitor Data: A Case Study from Argentina," *Precision Agriculture* 3 (2004), p. 579-600.

Griffin, T.W., Glenn Fitzgerald, D.M. Lambert, J. Lowenberg-DeBoer, E.M. Barnes, and Robert Roth. (2005). "Testing Appropriate On-Farm Trial Designs and Statistical Methods for Cotton Precision Farming," *Proceedings of the Beltwide Cotton Conference*, January 4 – 7, 2005, New Orleans, LA.

John M. Connor. "Collusion and Price Dispersion," Staff Paper 04-14. West Lafayette, IN: Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University (May 2004), 11 pp. [<http://agecon.lib.umn.edu/cgi-bin/view.pl>]

John M. Connor, "Global Antitrust Prosecutions of Modern International Cartels," Staff Paper 04-15. West Lafayette, IN: Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University (October 2004), 35 pp. [<http://agecon.lib.umn.edu/cgi-bin/view.pl>]

John M. Connor, "Price-Fixing Overcharges: Legal and Economic Evidence," Staff Paper 04-17. West Lafayette, IN: Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University (November 2004), 103 pp. [<http://agecon.lib.umn.edu/cgi-bin/view.pl>]

Norwood, B., J.L. Lusk, and W. Brorsen. "Model Selection with Limited Dependent Variables: Better Statistics for Better Steaks." *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*. 29(2004):404-419.

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Jaeger, S.R., J.L. Lusk, L.O. House, C. Valli, M. Moore, B. Morrow and W.B. Traill. "Acceptance of Genetically Modified Foods: Non-Hypothetical Experimental Markets." *Food Quality and Preference*. 15(2004):701-714.

Visit the AICC (Agricultural Innovation and Commercialization Center) website for information on business planning: www.agecon.purdue.edu/planner.

Job Announcements:

http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: Assist Prof, Consumer Finance
Washington State University: Extension position, MS required
Indiana State Budget Agency
International Water Management Institute: Post-Doc – Sri Lanka

Purdue Extension Service: see website listed below

Career and Job Sites on the Internet:

Purdue	http://www.purdue.edu/jobs
AAEA Job Posting	http://www.aaea.org/employment.html
Academic Employment Network	http://www.academply.com/
Agriculture Career Connection	http://www.ag-biz.com
Academic Position Network	http://www.apnjobs.com/
Community Colleges, misc	http://www.aacc.nche.edu/
Chronicle of Higher Education	http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/
Congressional Budget Office	http://www.cbo.gov
Education Jobs Page	http://www.nationajob.com/education
Employment/Resume Posting	http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html
EPA	http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe
	http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm
Government Career	http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/
National Job Bank	http://www.jobs.joe.org
USDA, Ag Research Service	http://ars.usda.gov
	http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/hr/lsgjobs.htm

For further information, see the Job Posting File in Room 651
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