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 worked 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](http://www.agecon.purdue.edu/extension/programs/farm_together.asp).

**Travel, Speeches and Presented Papers:**


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 Plemary 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.


**Publications:**


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

Job Announcements:


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.academploy.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
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/lsjobs.htm

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Contact Lou Ann Baugh concerning information to be included in future issues of KT