



PURDUE
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AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

Keeping Track

FEBRUARY 2006

Calendar of Events:

February 6	Super Bowl party
March 12	Spring Break Begins
March 21	Spring Break Ends
May 2	Final Exams Begins
May 7	Semester Ends
May 13-15	Commencement

MAAC Tues, Wed Feb 7-8

The Agribusiness Council of Indiana, comprised of Indiana Grain and Feed Association and Indiana Plant Food and Agricultural Chemicals Association, will be hosting the Mid America Ag Show on February 7-8, 2006. The show will be held in the Sagamore Ballroom of the Indiana Convention Center located across the crosswalk from the host hotel, the Westin. You can visit this site <http://www.midamericaagshow.com/> for updates on agenda, education, exhibitor and registration information.

The Famous Purdue Ag Fish Fry

Saturday, February 11, 2006

Marsh Blue Ribbon Pavilion

Indiana State Fairgrounds

Indianapolis 11:30 a.m. \$20

Advance Sales Only

Special Guest Speaker

General Richard Myers (Ret.)

15th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

"Preparedness at Home and Abroad"

General Myers led the United States military through four years of tumultuous change on the international and domestic stage, from October 1, 2001 and concluding with his retirement in September 2005. From our engagement in Iraq and Afghanistan to the military's heroic role following Hurricane Katrina, Myers was the principal military advisor to the President, the Defense Secretary, and the National Security Council in his role as Joint Chiefs Chairman. In his presentation, Myers offers analysis on military, security, and preparedness matters at home and abroad.

General Myers is a command pilot with more than 4,100 flying hours. He was a fighter pilot during the Vietnam War, and his career includes operational command and leadership positions in a variety of Air Force and Joint assignments. He was the first Air Force general to serve as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs in two decades. General Myers is a native Kansan and is a graduate of both Kansas State and Auburn Universities.

Thought You Would Like To Know:

At the 63rd annual conference of the Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts in Indianapolis on January 18, 2006, Steve Lovejoy was awarded a special service award in recognition of his role in support of the District Visits Program, a system that allows evaluation of local district functioning and provides feedback for improvement.

Raymond Florax has been appointed a member of the Long Range Planning Committee of the Regional Science Association International.

John Connor was named Panel Member, Center for State Enforcement of Antitrust and Consumer Protection Laws, (nonprofit organization, New York, NY). One of five economists selected to respond to requests from State Attorneys General for expert advice on antitrust matters, January 2006-present.

Travel, Speeches and Presented Papers:

Terry Griffin presented "New Methods for On-Farm Trials" as the banquet speaker to the MapShots User Conference, January 19 in Indianapolis.

Terry Griffin to present a paper co-authored with Jess Lowenberg-DeBoer and Raymond Florax entitled "Field-Scale Experimental Designs and Spatial Econometric Methods for Precision Farming: Strip-Trial Designs for Rice Production Decision Making" to the Annual Meetings of the Southern Agricultural Economics Association in Orlando Florida, February 7.

January 21st and 22nd, Otto Doering spoke to the Agricultural committee chairs from legislatures across the US at the National Conference of State Legislators meeting on bio-fuels and on prospects for the coming Farm Bill.

Kwamena Quagraine will attend the North Central Regional Aquaculture Center Annual Program Planning Meeting, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI. Feb. 3-5. and on Feb 13-16: Aquaculture America 2006, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Raymond Florax presented two papers at the North American Conference of the Regional Science Association (RSAI) in Las Vegas, November 10-12, 2005: * Alla Golub and Raymond J.G.M. Florax, Do Spatial Spillovers Affect Non-Attainment of Air Quality Standards and * Vanessa E. Daniel, Raymond J.G.M. Florax and Piet Rietveld, River Flooding and Housing Values: An Economic Assessment of Environmental Risk

Publications:

Alexander, C.E. & Mellor, T.V. (2005). Determinants of corn rootworm resistant corn adoption in Indiana. *AgBioForum*, 8(4), 197-204. Available on the World Wide Web: <http://www.agbioforum.org>. *Journal of Extension*, Volume 43, Number 6, December 2005.

Carroll, Natalie and Lovejoy, Stephen, Ideas at Work, Using Technology to Survey New Audiences, <http://www.joe.org/joe/2005december/iw2.shtml>

Carroll, Natalie and Lovejoy, Stephen, Tools of the Trade, Intensity Weighted Ranking: A Methodology for Understanding What Clients Tell Us. <http://www.joe.org/joe/2005december/tt2.shtml>

Job Announcements:

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

Career and Job Sites on the Internet:

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
Foreign Ag Service	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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