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Keeping Track

MARCH 2006

Calendar of Events:

March 12	Spring Break Begins
March 21	Spring Break Ends
April 14	Snyder Lecture
May 2	Final Exams Begins
May 7	Semester Ends
May 13-15	Commencement

Thought You Would Like To Know:

Passing of Dr. Don Paarlberg from the New York Times:

Don Paarlberg, a farmer, writer and professor of agricultural economics who, as a White House assistant, helped President [Dwight D. Eisenhower](#) prepare and run his Food for Peace initiative, died Tuesday in West Lafayette, Ind. He was 94.

His death was announced by Soller-Baker Funeral Homes in Lafayette.

Dr. Paarlberg, an academic with hands-on farming experience, was an assistant secretary of agriculture when Eisenhower chose him as a special assistant to the president in the late 1950's. He was entrusted with shepherding what became Food for Peace, formally known as Public Law 480, Title II, into existence and serving as its coordinator in its fledgling years, from 1958 to 1961.

Food for Peace evolved from earlier famine relief efforts, particularly the part of the Marshall Plan that helped keep millions from starving in Europe after World War II. By the early 1950's, American grain surpluses had grown to mountains, and Eisenhower sold the program to Congress as "the basis for a permanent expansion of our exports of agricultural products with lasting benefits to ourselves and peoples of other lands."

"Food," he said, "can be a powerful instrument for all the free world in building durable peace."

Eisenhower signed the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act in July 1954, allowing developing countries to buy those surpluses on long-term credits. In the 50 years since then, the United States has sent more than 100 million metric tons of aid overseas, according to the United States Agency for International Development, the agency that administers Food for Peace.

Dr. Paarlberg was brought in from academia at the program's inception in 1953 as an economic adviser to the secretary of agriculture. He was named an assistant secretary in 1957 and became the program's coordinator the next year.

Don Paarlberg was born to a farming family in Oak Glen, now Lansing, Ill., and after high school worked at home on the farm for eight years during the Great Depression. He graduated from Purdue University in 1940 and received a master's, in 1942, and a Ph.D., in 1947, from Cornell.

He started his academic career at Purdue in 1946, as an assistant professor of agricultural economics, and was named a full professor the year before he first entered government service. He returned to Purdue as Hillenbrand professor of agricultural economics in 1961 but over the years continued to fill assignments for Presidents [Richard M. Nixon](#) and [Gerald R. Ford](#).

He was an adviser to four secretaries of agriculture and the Ford Foundation. In the early and mid-1970's he was the Agriculture Department's chief economist, often reporting to the public and Congress about crop yields and farm prices.

He was the author or co-author of nine books on agriculture and economic policy. The last of them, written with a nephew, Philip Paarlberg, was "The Agricultural Revolution of the 20th Century," published by Iowa State University Press in 2000.

Through much of his life Dr. Paarlberg also wrote poetry. When he turned 90, he published a volume of his verses, most of them written to his wife, Eva Robertson Paarlberg. They were married in 1940, and she died in 1997.

Dr. Paarlberg is survived by two sons, Don Jr., of Fairfax, Va., and Robert, of Watertown, Mass.; two brothers, Russell, of Magnolia Springs, Ala., and Horace, of West Lafayette; and a grandson.

2006 Distinguished Agricultural Alumni

Steven Bishop, Vice President, North America Fabric Care at Procter & Gamble has been chosen as the department's Distinguished Agricultural Alumnus. Jay Akridge and Frank Dooley are serving as hosts and organizing the department activities that will take place on March 2-3.

Thursday, March 2: 3:30-4:30 Undergrad Student Discussion, KRAN 661

Friday, March 3: 9:30-10:30 Graduate Student Discussion, KRAN 661

10:30-11:30 Departmental Discussion, Drawing Room

11:30-1:00 Luncheon, Drawing Room

The first issue of the 2006 **Purdue Agricultural Economics Report (PAER)** is now available for viewing on our website: <http://www.agecon.purdue.edu/extension/pubs/paer/> This issue features articles about the Indiana poultry market, domestic product activities deductions, and how to make more money and reduce variability. Subscriptions to the Purdue Ag Econ Report via the World Wide Web are free and are available in HTML and PDF formats suitable for printing. Paper copies sent by the U.S. Mail are \$12 per year to help defray the cost of printing and postage. Those who would like to subscribe to receive the paper copy should send a check (made payable to Purdue University) for \$12 to: Ms. Linda Klotz, Purdue University, Dept of Ag Economics, 403 W. State St., West Lafayette, IN 47907-2056. Those who elect only the free electronic version may subscribe at <http://www.agecon.purdue.edu/contact/contact.asp>

Snyder Lecture

The **Snyder Lecture** will take place on Friday, April 14. The events scheduled are: a graduate student poster competition, a NAMA student team presentation about a grain separator/sorter used in soybean processing, presentation of the outstanding theses and dissertation awards, and presentation of the AgEcon Apex Awards. The guest lecturer is Zoltan Acs, a Doris and Robert McCurdy Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Professor of Economics and Director of the [Entrepreneurship Program](#) in the Robert G. Merrick School of Business, University of Baltimore. He will be speaking about entrepreneurship and economic development (title to be determined).

Other Upcoming Events:

"Beginning Aquaculture" Workshop, Monday, March 6, 7:00-8:30pm, SWPAC meeting room, Contact Margie Zoglmann, Phone: (812) 547-7084, E-mail: mzoglmann@purdue.edu

"Beginning Aquaculture" Workshop, Tuesday, March 7, 7:00-8:30pm, Scottsburg Purdue Extension Office, Scottsburg, Contact Tom Springstun, Phone: (812) 752-8450, E-mail: tsprings@purdue.edu

"Beginning Aquaculture Seminar" Tuesday, March 14th at 7:00 - 8:30 P.M., Howard County Government Center, 120 E Mulberry Street, Kokomo, IN 46901. Contact Allen Ullom, Phone: 765/456-2313, E- Mail: ullomg@purdue.edu

"Freshwater Prawn Conference", Thursday, March 16, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Bradford Woods Conference Center, 5040 State Road 67 N. Martinsville, IN 46151 (between Mooresville and Martinsville). Contact Hoosier Heartland RC&D Council, 6041 Lakeside Boulevard, Indianapolis, IN 46278, Phone: 317.290.3250, Email: hhrcc@hhrcc.org

Indiana Aquaculture Association SPRING MEETING & WORKSHOP, Saturday, March 18, 2006, Brandywine Inn & Convention Center 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM (EST). Monticello, IN

Congratulations and Names in the News:

After 35 years in the Department, Patt (Edwards) Sheahan and her husband, Michael, will be moving to Florida.

Students who have accepted positions:

Terry W. Griffin
Assistant Professor Extension Economist
University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service

Carlos E. Ludena
Currently working with GTAP, in July, for the United Nations' Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) in Santiago, Chile, as a consultant in the Agricultural Development Unit

Yuliya Bolotova
Assistant Professor
University of Idaho

Brian Briggeman
Assistant Professor
Oklahoma State University

Bobby Martens
Assistant Professor
College of Business
Department of Logistics, Operations Management and Information Systems
Center for Food Safety and Security
Iowa State University

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.

Dr. Brigitte Waldorf and Audrey Muhlenkamp traveled to Santa Fe, NM for the Western Regional Science Association meetings 2/22 - 2/25. Audrey presented the co-authored paper "Why are we losing our minds? A multi-state analysis of income disparities in rural and urban areas in the Midwest". Audrey was also the discussant for a paper titled - The Economics of Internal Repeat Migration: A Partial Survey by Jeremiah Allen of the University of Lethbridge, Canada.

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

John M. Connor. "Cartel Antitrust Fining Practices in the Netherlands, the US, EU, and Canada," address at the offices of the Netherlands Competition Authority (NMa), the Hague, the Netherlands (March 16, 2006).

John M. Connor. "Measuring the National Impact of Competition-Law Activities," address at the offices of the Netherlands Competition Authority (NMa), the Hague, the Netherlands (March 16, 2006).

John M. Connor. "Effectiveness of International Cartel Sanctions," address at the offices of the Netherlands Competition Authority (NMa), the Hague, the Netherlands (March 16, 2006).

John M. Connor, "Forensic Economics," conference sponsored by the Amsterdam Center for Law and Economics, Amsterdam, Netherlands (March 17, 2006).

John M. Connor, "[The Great Global Vitamins Cartels of 1989-1999](#)," Economics Group, Directorate General for Competition, European Commission, Brussels, Belgium (March 20, 2006).

John M. Connor and Robert H. Lande. "Price-Fixing Overcharges and the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines," address at the U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC (March 28, 2006).

John M. Connor and Robert H. Lande. "Optimal Cartel Fines," address at the Spring Meeting, Section of Antitrust Law of the American Bar Association, Washington, DC (March 29, 2006)

Publications:

An article co-authored by Paul Preckel is on the top 25 downloaded articles from the European Journal of Operational Research. See number 24 on the list at http://top25.sciencedirect.com/?journal_id=03772217. The citation is: Eskigun, E.; Uzsoy, R.; Preckel, P.V.; Beaujon, G.; Krishnan, S.; Tew, J.D. "[Outbound supply](#)

[chain network design with mode selection, lead times and capacitated vehicle distribution centers,](#)"
European Journal of Operational Research, Volume 165, Issue 1, 1 August 2005, Pages 182-206.

J.H.Grant and K.D. Meilke. "The World Trade Organization Special Safeguard Mechanism: A Case Study of Wheat," *Review of Agricultural Economics*, 28, no.1(2006):24-47.

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Engle, C.R. and **Quagraine, K.K.** (2006). *The Aquaculture Marketing Handbook*. Blackwell Publishing, Ames, Iowa.

Quagraine, K.K. and Engle, C.R. (2006) "A Latent Class Model for Analyzing Preferences for Catfish" *Aquaculture Economics and Management*, 10(1):1-14.

Briggeman, B. C., M. A. Gunderson, and J. D. Detre. "[First-mover Advantages as a Barrier to Entry in the Food Industry.](#)" *International Food and Agribusiness Management Review*. 9(1)(2006): 62-79.

Gloy, B. A., E. L. LaDue, and M. A. Gunderson. "Credit Risk Migration Experienced by Agricultural Lenders." *Agricultural Finance Review*. 65(1)(2005): 1-16.

Job Announcements:

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

Texas Tech: Assistant Professor

New Mexico State University: Assist Professor in Agribusiness Management

Kansas State Extension: job opening

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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