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AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

Keeping Track

March 2009

Calendar of Events:

March 6	Distinguished Agricultural Alumni
March 16-20	Student Spring Break
March 23	Last day to cancel a course
April 13-17	Graduate Student Appreciation Week
April 14	Deadline for pending incomplete grades to become failing grades
April 17	Annual James c. Snyder Memorial Lecture
April 18-19	Springfest
May 4	Final Exam Week
May 10	Spring 2009 semester Commencement

2009 Distinguished Agriculture Alumni Award Recipients for Agricultural Economics are: Elizabeth A. Bechdol, and Richard Halderman. Ceremony will be held March 6th with a 2:30 pm reception and the Awards Convocation at 3:30 pm in the Purdue Memorial Union, North Ballroom.

Congratulations and Names in the News

Otto Doering received the first Bruce Gardner Outstanding Visiting Economist Award at the USDA Economists meeting. The award was presented by Richard Just. A bit of information about the award: Following the tragic loss of Bruce Gardner, the Executive Board was quick to approve the Bruce Gardner Outstanding Visiting Economist Award. It is designed to honor the service of academic and industry colleagues who have distinguished themselves through service to the USDA at some point in their careers.

John Mazunda, AGEC Senior, was selected as the 2009 recipient of the Martin C. Jischke Outstanding International Student Award. The award is presented annually at the spring University Honors Convocation. This award (a certificate and cash gift) is made possible by President Emeritus Martin C. Jischke, who was the 2007 recipient of the International Citizen of the Year Award given by the International Center of Indianapolis, in recognition of his "tremendous leadership in making global connections for Indiana." Dr. Jischke established this award to honor a Purdue student who has helped the University welcome and connect people of all cultures.

Mr. Mazunda has demonstrated throughout his career at Purdue the scholarship, leadership, service and character that makes him a very deserving recipient. We are also pleased to

announce that John will remain at Purdue for his Master of Science degree in Agricultural Economics. He will be working with Dr. Gerald Shively on a USAID-funded project in Malawi.

Kwamena Quagrainie received the Distinguished Early Career Award from the US Aquaculture Society – Seattle Washington, February 13-19, 2009. The Distinguished Early Career Award recognizes an individual who has been involved in U.S. aquaculture for 10 years or less. This award recognizes outstanding leadership or innovation in research, education, extension, or industry development in the field of aquaculture. The award specifically emphasizes significant personal contributions made to further advance U.S. aquaculture.

Ben Gramig received the 2008 Best PhD Dissertation Award from the Department of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics, Michigan State University.

John Connor was appointed a Senior Fellow by the American Antitrust Institute of Washington, DC in February 2009, one of six industrial-organization economists to serve in that position. He has served on its Board of Advisors since July 2003.

Thought You Would Like to Know

A record of 14 submissions for the 2009 AGECS GSO Poster Competition was received this year. The AGECS GSO Poster Competition will take place on April 17th.

1. Baldos, U., Lee, T., Simon, D. *Immigrants in Indiana: Where they live, Who they are, and What they do*
2. Beckhusen, Julia. *Immigrant concentration and language acquisition in US metropolitan areas*
3. Clark, Shellye. *The impact of gender and strategic management on the goal orientation and success of family businesses*
4. Delbecq, Benoit. *Spatial Panel Analysis of Precision Agriculture Data: The Case of Managed Drainage in Indiana*
5. Flaig, Anna. *Political Cost and Distributional Benefits of US Sugar Policy and FL Everglades*
6. Kuethe, Todd. *The Economic Value of Spatial Fragmentation*
7. Lu, Liwei. *Assessment of the Reliability of Indiana's Electricity Generation System*
8. Ortega, David. *Food Safety and Demand: Consumer Preferences towards Imported Pork in Urban China*
9. Ortega, David. *Meat Demand in China*
10. Roucan-Kane, Maud. *What do Producers Want from their Lender: Insights from the Large Commercial Producer Survey*
11. Rismiller, Craig. *Cellulosic Biofuel Economics and the Impacts of the Cellulosic Biofuel Industry on the Road Infrastructure in Indiana*
12. Simon, Delphine. *Economic Analysis of the Potential of Cellulosic Biomass Available in France from Agricultural Residue and Energy Crops*
13. Villoria, Nelson. *Bilateral Trade, Geography and the Indirect Land Use Effects of Biofuel Policy*
14. Ward, Patrick. *Vulnerability, Income Growth, and Climate Change*

News from Center for Food and Agricultural Business

[ASTA Management Academy set for March 3-6](#)

The center is excited to host more than 55 agribusiness professionals at the Krannert Center on March 3-6 for the 22nd Annual American Seed Trade Association (ASTA) Management Academy. Agricultural economics professors Allan Gray, Otto Doering,

Freddie Barnard, Mike Boehlje, Frank Dooley and Scott Downey, along with Rodney Vandever from the Purdue Department of Organizational Leadership and Supervision and Larry Lad from Butler University, will lead participants through an exploration of management topics, such as strategy, financial management, sales and marketing, operations and human resources. Joseph Suttles, a graduate student in agricultural economics, will also assist participants with various financial exercises throughout the seminar. The academy is designed specifically for ASTA members and is a partnership between the center and ASTA, which promotes the development of better seed to produce better crops for a better quality of life. For more information on the academy, contact Betty Jones-Bliss, program manager, at betty@purdue.edu or (217) 345-3305.

Graduate Student Opportunities

Network with potential employers and gain experience in the classroom by volunteering at one of the center's programs. To learn more about opportunities throughout the year, contact Michelle Query, office manager, at mquery@purdue.edu or 494-4247.

New class coming together for MS-MBA

Applications are now being accepted for the MS-MBA in Food and Agribusiness Management. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this dual-degree, distance-delivered program, contact Luanna DeMay, program manager, at Luanna@purdue.edu or 494-4270. To learn more about the program, visit www.agecon.purdue.edu/agribusiness.

Upcoming 2009 programs

March 3-6 ASTA Management Academy
May 28-29 Sales Management and Leadership
June 11-12 Precision Selling

To learn more, visit www.agecon.purdue.edu/cab

News from Indiana Council for Economic Education (ICEE)

The Indiana Council for Economic Education (ICEE- www.econed-in.org) is hosting a Study Tour for four economics professors from Mexico during February 23-27. These professors have a keen interest in K-12 economic education and are working to establish a Mexico Council for Economic Education and also university Centers for Economic Education. They will visit local schools and meet with Purdue professors and offices involved in economic education, K-12. The tour is funded by ICEE's parent organization in New York, the Council for Economic Education. (www.councilforeconed.org)

The Indiana Council for Economic Education (ICEE) continues to promote Financial Literacy throughout Indiana, and even the United States. ICEE is offering its new Interest Posters to K-12 teachers in training programs and workshops. The posters tell how interest can work for you with regular saving and investing, and can work against you if you have too much high-interest debt. View posters at <http://www.kidseconposters.com/interest.html>.

Resources at Purdue

PURE—Purdue University Research Expertise database—has evolved into INDURE—Indiana Database for University Research Expertise. PURE is outdated and will soon be retired. INDURE is supported through the state and Purdue. Plans are to continue INDURE upgrade and

maintenance.

<https://www.indure.org/index.cfm?InstitutionFilter=1>

Travel, Speeches, Presented Papers:

Phil Abbott, Chris Hurt, and Wally Tyner will present an update on their agricultural commodity and food price study on March 11 at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

Publications

Unal E., S. Chen and B. Waldorf 2008. Healthcare access in Indiana. Research Report, Purdue Center for Regional Development, PCRD-R-5.

Poot, J., B. Waldorf and L. van Wissen 2008. "Migration in a globalised world: A new paradigm." In: Jacques Poot, Brigitte Waldorf and Leo van Wissen (eds). *Migration and Human Capital*. Edward Elgar, pp. 3-25.

Waldorf, B. 2008. "The emergence of a knowledge agglomeration: A spatio-temporal analysis of intellectual capital in Indiana." In: Jacques Poot, Brigitte Waldorf and Leo van Wissen (eds). *Migration and Human Capital*. Edward Elgar, pp. 111-130.

Muhlenkamp, A. and B. Waldorf 2008. "Rural-urban income disparities among the highly educated." In: Jacques Poot, Brigitte Waldorf and Leo van Wissen (eds). *Migration and Human Capital*. Edward Elgar, pp. 151-170.

Duncan, N.T. and B.S. Waldorf 2008. "Immigrant assimilation: Do neighborhoods matter?" Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University. Working Paper # 08-14.
<http://ageconsearch.umn.edu/bitstream/46026/2/08-14.pdf>

Internship Opportunities

http://www.federalreserve.gov/careers/intern_research.htm

<http://www.fsdinternational.org/intlopps/programs/internships1>

<http://www.fcni.org/young/intern.htm>

<http://www.uschamber.com/careers/internships/default>

<http://www.unausa.org/site/pp.asp?c=fvKRI8MPJpF&b=317257>

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTHRJOBS/0,,contentMDK:20515785~menuPK:1477648~pagePK:64262408~piPK:64262191~theSitePK:1058433,00.html>

Job Announcements:

Texas A&M – Assistant Lecturer

West Virginia University – Energy Markets and related public policy

Oregon State University: Assist Prof, Rural Econ

West Texas A&M University: Assist Prof of Agricultural Business and Finance

North Dakota State University: Assist Prof

ERS: <http://www.ers.usda.gov/AboutERS/Employment/OpportunitiesPage.htm>

Job Vacancies at ERS -

[Social Science Analyst GS-0101-09/11](#)

[GS-0110-09/11 Economist/Ag Economist](#)

The next 3 are different positions -

[Public Affairs Specialist GS-1035-12/13](#)

[Public Affairs Specialist GS-1035-12/13](#)

[Public Affairs Specialist GS-1035-12/13](#)

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.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>

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/ljobs.htm>

U.S. International Trade Commission

<http://usitc.gov>

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

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

