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Upcoming Events

September

28th-Aggies @ Arkansas

October

1st-Retiree Coffee

26th-College Tailgate

Words from Waller

Bill and Fran Carter Hosted Event

Last Friday, September 20, **Bill**⁶⁹ and **Fran Carter** hosted an event at their home for several of the Department's faculty, staff and students related to the Financial Planning Program. We had a great time enjoying the evening with food and refreshments and had an opportunity to talk about the progress the financial planning program has made under the direction of **Dr. Nathan Harness**, and plans for the future. The Carter's have been great supporters and advocates of the Department and the Financial Planning Program. We thank them for all that they have done and continue to do as strong supporters of our educational efforts.

Ag Eco Tailgate and Educational Event Success

We had a fantastic educational symposium and tailgate event last Saturday. Thank you to everyone who was able to participate. The educational symposium which began at 10:30 A.M. was started off by **Dr. Luis Ribera**, with a presentation on Agricultural Trade, and followed by **Dr. George Knappek** with a presentation on Economics of Hemp production. The second part of the Program highlighted **Dr. Kerry Litzenberg**, and the **Weston Agrifood Sales Program**, with presentations from **Ms. Codie Wright**, **Dr. Kerry Litzenberg**, **Mr. Graham Weston**⁸⁶, and **Dr. Clark Springfield**. At the Tailgate, it was estimated that we had between 500 and 600 people pass through the tents to enjoy the pre-game event. I would like to send out a **huge thank you to all of our donors**. It is your generous contributions, giving back to the department, and participation that make this event both possible and successful. I would also like to thank our faculty and staff for all they did to make this event a success, especially **Dr. Steven Klose** and **Candice Foster** for providing coordination and leadership for the event.

Department Head Search

The Search Advisory Committee for Professor and Head, Department of Agricultural Economics was named in a memo that was sent out to the Department on September 16. The committee will be chaired by **Dr. Elsa Murano**. The remainder of the committee will consist of six faculty members (**Senarath Dharmasen**, **Rebekka Dudensing**, **Arian Ishdorj**, **Bruce McCarl**, **Joe Outlaw**, and **Marco Palma**), one staff representative (**Norma Pantoja**), and one graduate student representative (**Michael Black**). The committee met earlier this week to begin the process of developing a position description, begin discussing names of possible interview candidates, and taking care of other committee duties.

Round Table Lunch and Discussion

On Thursday, there was a roundtable lunch and discussion hosted by **Dr. Ed Price** and the Center for Conflict and Development. **Dr. Jennifer (Vern) Long**, the new CEO of World Coffee Research (WCR) visited the Center and the Department. Dr. Long discussed WCR's mission and opportunities for research and educational collaboration with Texas A&M. **Dr. Sheila Sagbo** reported on current work funded by WCR through the Center. Several faculty and students were in attendance, and the discussion was very interesting.

Graduate Student Beginning of the Year Party

The Graduate Student Association will hold its beginning of the party at Dr. Mjelde's house on Friday evening September 27. This has become an annual event, and a good chance for students and faculty get to know one another. I hope to see you there.

Have a great weekend and BTHO Arkansas.

New Publication



Carpenter, Craig Wesley, and Scott Loveridge. 2019. "A spatial model of growth relationships and Latino-owned business." *The Annals of Regional Science*. 1-17. Forthcoming in print. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00168-019-00942-x>.

Happy Birthday!!

Vicky Salin	9/28
Jim Mjelde	9/29
Rich Woodward	9/29
Craig Wellington	9/29



Thank You!!
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for hosting Friday Coffee

September 21 Tailgate



Position Announcements

Assistant Professor of Agribusiness/Experimental Economics, The Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology (DAERS) in the College of Agriculture at Auburn University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor position in Agribusiness/Experimental Economics. The planned start date for the position is August 2020. This position is a 9-month tenure-track, academic-year appointment at the rank of assistant professor. The allocation of effort of this position is 40% teaching and 60% research. Requirements: Ph.D. in applied economics, agribusiness, agricultural economics, marketing, economics, business economics, international trade, public policy, finance, or a closely related field at the time employment begins. To Apply: Candidates should apply directly at <http://aufacultypositions.peopleadmin.com/postings/3783>. Please submit a cover letter, vitae, a job market paper, and when prompted enter the contact information of three references. Unofficial transcripts may be requested from top candidates. Official academic transcripts for all degrees will be required for the successful applicant. Deadline: Review of applications will begin November 1st, 2019. Contact: For more information, please contact the search committee chair Dr. Ruiqing Miao at miaorong@auburn.edu.

Assistant Professor, The Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology at Auburn University is seeking candidates for the position of Assistant Professor in Quantitative Methods. The successful candidate will develop a research program that applies quantitative methods (econometrics, computational economics, experimental and/or behavioral economics, or survey techniques) to understand evolving issues in the agrifood system and/or the environment and will teach courses in applied quantitative methods. The expected start date is August 19, 2020. Qualifications: Minimum qualifications include an earned Ph.D. from an accredited institution in Economics, Agricultural Economics, Applied Economics, Business Administration, Management, Finance, Data Science or closely related applied social science by the expected position start date. Application: Applicants must apply for the position electronically through: <http://aufacultypositions.peopleadmin.com/postings/3809> and submit the following: 1) cover letter addressing the candidate's experience pertinent to the responsibilities of the position, 2) current curriculum vita, 3) job market paper, and 4) three professional reference letters. Short-listed candidates may be required to submit transcripts detailing quantitative methods training. Only complete application materials will be considered. Active review of applications will begin November 1, 2019, but the search will continue until the position is filled. Questions about the position should be directed to: Dr. Valentina Hartarska, Email: hartarska@auburn.edu

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Faculty, staff, and graduate students are encouraged to submit articles and photos on current events

Deadline for all submissions is noon, Thursday.

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