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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▶ CONGRATULATIONS to David Bau, Extension Educator based in Worthington, MN, who received a distinguished service award at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) conference in Portland Oregon, held on September 20-24, 2009. David's work focuses on grain marketing, farm transfer, estate planning and farm management issues.
- ▶ PHOTOS from the Harry Kaiser Outstanding Achievement Award 2009 reception are now available online at http://www.apec.umn.edu/News_Events.html
- ▶ CEFM CANDIDATE RESEARCH SEMINAR – Consumer Economics and Food Marketing candidate, Associate Professor, John Bernard, Department of Food and Resource Economics, University of Delaware will speak on “Comparing Parts with the Whole: An Experimental Analysis of Willingness to Pay for Components of Organic Milk and Sweet Corn,” on THURSDAY, October 15 from 9:00 – 10:30 am in Room 119 Classroom Office Building.

SEMINARS

- ▶ APPLIED ECONOMICS SEMINAR – There will be no seminar this Thursday, October 15, due to the CEFM candidate research seminar.
- ▶ TRADE & DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR – Shinya Takamatsu, Ph.D. candidate, Applied Economics will speak on “Conditional Cash Transfer Programs and Spillover Effects within Households in Nicaragua” on FRIDAY, October 16 from 10:30 to 11:45 am in Room 119 Classroom Office Building.
- ▶ KUEHNAST LECTURE – The 17th Annual Kuehnast Lecture will take place on Thursday, October 15 and feature Dennis Baldocchi, Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management at the University of California, Berkeley, who will speak on “Breathing of the Biosphere: How Physics Sets the Limits, and Biology Does the Work.” The lecture is from 3:30 to 5:00 pm in Room 335 Borlaug Hall. For more information, visit: http://climate.umn.edu/doc/journal/kuehnast_lecture/

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND DEADLINES

TODAY – Support Staff Meeting at 9:00 am in 230 COB

October 15 & 16 – John Bernard, University of Delaware interviews for CEFM position

October 15 – CEFM Candidate Research Seminar, John Bernard, University of Delaware, 9:00 am, 119 COB

October 21 – Wednesday Department Coffee Break at 10:00 am, South End, 2nd Floor

October 30 – Halloween Potluck from 11:30 am-1:00 pm in Room 119 COB

JOBS

For further information on these jobs, visit the October Job File in Waite Library.

- ▶ MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE has a unique position opening to help develop and grow a new program called the Minnesota Farmer Assistance Network. They are looking for someone with a strong agriculture background and people skills. Preference will be given to someone with project management skills, volunteer coordinator experience and an understanding of farm financial management. This is a three year position with options to become permanent. The position is currently posted on the State of Minnesota Careers website under the Agriculture Department as a State Program Administrator. To find the position announcement or apply for the position, go to <http://www.careers.state.mn.us>. Select "Search for Jobs" and in the next screen select "Agriculture Dept" to see the posting. The position is currently open until October 12 but may be extended.