Announcements

**Congratulations Ward!** — Ward Nefstead received the Golden Plow Award from the American Society of Farm Managers & Rural Appraisers at the ASFMRA Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas held on October 28-31, 2015. The award recognizes service of Twenty Years as Secretary of the Minnesota Chapter-ASFMRA. Ward is now the secretary who has served the longest in this capacity. Corey Prins of Northwestern Farm Management in Marshall, MN was also the recipient of the Farm Manager of the Year award sponsored by Syngenta. Corey manages 27,000 acres of farmland in Southwest Minnesota for Northwestern Farm Management.

**Holiday Luncheon** — The Applied Economics and Agricultural Education Annual Holiday Luncheon will be held on Friday, December 11th in the North Star Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center. Attached is the invitation to RSVP. Please fill it out and return it to me, Karen Routhe, no later than Wednesday, December 2nd.

Departmental Seminars and Events

**Trade & Development Seminar** — TODAY — Anusha Nath, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Economics at the University of Minnesota will present "Bureaucrats and Politicians: How Does Electoral Competition Affect Bureaucratic Performance?" TODAY at 10:30 am, 119 Ruttan Hall.

**Environmental & Resource Economics Seminar** — Tracy Boyer, Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics, Oklahoma State University, will present "Ecological and Economic Tradeoffs in Wind Power Location (co-author Christopher Baker)” on Monday, November 16, Noon-1:30 pm in 230 Ruttan Hall.

**Agricultural & Applied Economics Seminar** — Damien Lepoutre, Land O’ Lakes Vice President and President of the Geosys Group will present "Hype for Agricultural Technologies! Separating the Wheat from the Chaff to Find Game Changers and Move Markets" on Wednesday, November 18, 12:00-1:30 pm in 143 Ruttan Hall. (please note room change)

Seminars in other Departments

**Minnesota Population Center** — Christine von Oertzen of the Max Planck Institute for the History of Science will discuss "Machineries of Data Power: Manual versus Mechanical Census Compilation in Nineteenth-Century Europe" on Monday, November 16, 12:15-1:15 pm, MPC Seminar Room, 50 Willey Hall. Co-sponsored with the Program in the History of Science, Technology, and Medicine
Calendar

Today
• Trade & Development Seminar, Anusha Nath, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Economics, U of MN, 10:30 am, 119 Ruttan
• Faculty Meeting, canceled

November 16
• Environmental & Resource Economics Seminar, Tracy Boyer, Oklahoma State, Noon, 230 Ruttan

November 18
• Agricultural & Applied Economics Seminar, Damien Lepoutre, Geosys Group, Noon, 143 Ruttan (note room change)

November 26-27
• Thanksgiving Holiday, all University offices closed

Opportunities

Minnesota Population Center Data Training Workshop — TODAY — The next Free Data Training Workshop is TODAY from 12:30-2:30 pm in 440 Blegen Hall. IPUMS-Education provides integrated data on the nation's college graduates for use in studying the U.S. science and engineering labor force. Funded by the National Science Foundation, each survey has up to a hundred thousand respondents. This workshop will introduce you to the design of the surveys and structure of the data we offer, our online data extraction system, and how to use the microdata to perform a number of statistical analyses. No knowledge about the surveys or experience with IPUMS is required. Registration required.

Departmental Publications


Jobs

Research Analysis Specialist — The Minnesota Department of Human Services is seeking a Research Analysis Specialist. As a result of recent legislation, the Department of Human Services (DHS) is required to submit legislative reports on services funded through adult mental health grants. This position will provide leadership for this work evaluating adult mental health grants and providing quality assurance for program certification and recertification for providers of services covered by the Assertive Community Treatment-Intensive (ACT), Adult Rehabilitative Mental Health Services, Dialectical Behavior Therapy. Full description available online. Search for posting number 15DHS001507. Deadline: November 20, 2015.

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You’re Invited to the
Applied Economics and Agricultural Education
Annual Holiday Luncheon

Friday, December 11, 2015
12:00 Luncheon
North Star Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center

PARTY HEARTY BUFFET includes the following:
* Cider Dijon Flank Steak
* Grilled Pork Chop with Apple, Cranberry and Rosemary Sauce
* Mashed Red Potatoes with Blue Cheese and Chives
* Roasted Brussel Sprouts with Garlic and Lemon
* Rolls and Butter
* Bread Pudding with Vanilla Sauce

BEVERAGES:
* Coffee (both regular and decaf)
* Hot Tea
* Ice Water
* Beer
* Wine

COST:
* $45.00 for Faculty (*$22.00 is due if not attending to help defray expenses for our support staff guests.*)
* $22.00 for Others: P&A Staff, Emeritus Faculty, Visitors, Spouses
* $10.00 for Graduate Students

Please fill out below and return to Karen Routhe, 231 Ruttan Hall, 612-625-2758, by Wednesday, December 2, 2015. Make checks payable to “Applied Economics Flower Fund”.

NAME(S): ________________________________

_____ Faculty _____ Support Staff (no charge)
_____ Graduate Student _____ Others

(Circle one below.)

I (or We) will attend the Holiday Luncheon. $ _____ Amount Enclosed

I will NOT attend the Holiday Luncheon. (*$22.00 is due from Faculty if not attending.*)