

## Purdue Agricultural Economics Newsletter

# Keeping Track

February 2016

### Calendar of Events:

March 4	Defense and Deposit Deadline for Exam/Degree Only Registrants
March 7	Second Eight-week courses begin
March 11	Last day to drop/add a course
March 14-19	Spring Break
March 16	Exam/Only Registrants – deadline to deposit thesis/dissertation
April 22	Final Exam Deadline for May Candidates
April 27	Thesis/Dissertation Deposit Deadline for May Candidates
April 30	Classes end
May 2-7	Final Exams
May 10	Deadline for grades to be submitted vis Blackboard/Banner
May 13-15	Commencement
June 13	8 week Summer Module begins
July 30-August 2	AAEA Conference – Boston, MA
August 6	Commencement

**Photo of the Month:** The Indiana Statehouse at night submitted by Larry DeBoer



## Congratulations

Carol Wood was recognized for 25 years at Purdue at the Provost's Recognition Luncheon, January 21, 2016.

December graduates:

Shershah Ameri	MSN	McNamara
Ann Cummins	MS	Widmar
James Flock	MS	McNamara
Sheng Homan	PMIA	Sesmero
Nagisa Ishinabe	MSN	Preckel
Stephanie Rosch	PhD	Wu
Ganesh Thapa	PhD	Shively
James Young	MSN	Tyner

## Thought you would like to know:

**Nathan M. Thompson** joined the department of Agricultural Economics as an Assistant Professor on February 1, 2016 after completing his PhD in Agricultural Economics at Oklahoma State University. His research and extension programs will focus primarily in the areas of production economics and farm management, with a specific emphasis on risk management as it pertains to farm-level decision making. Nathan has a strong interest in interdisciplinary, applied research with practical implications for producers and other relevant stakeholders. Some of his previous work has involved determining the economic feasibility of alternative technologies and production practices for both crop and livestock producers.

In his dissertation, Nathan evaluated the economic feasibility of genetic testing in beef cattle production. This included a series of papers looking at the value of using genetic information to improve the selection, management, and marketing of

cattle. In addition, a random sampling strategy was evaluated in an effort to achieve a context for cost-effective genetic testing using a Bayesian decision theoretic framework to determine the economically-optimal sample size.

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Thumps Up for **Andy Oppy** (Agricultural Economics): The PACADA Communications Committee would like to extend our appreciation to Andy Oppy for his leadership as PACADA chair during 2015. Throughout 2015, Andy has gone above and beyond for PACADA and the advising community. We are thankful for his guidance and leadership. Thanks, Andy! --  
PACADA Communications Committee

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### **News from AGEC Graduate Students:**

**Anna Josephson** has been awarded a Borlaug Fellowship to support her work in Zimbabwe.

### **News from AGEC Undergraduates:**

See the success stories of our undergraduates at:

<https://aq.purdue.edu/agecon/Pages/Undergraduate-Success-Stories.aspx>

### **Presented papers, seminars, travel:**

**Darko F.A., Quagraine K.K.,** Chenyambuga S. "Consumer Preference for Farmed Tilapia in Tanzania: A Choice Experiment Analysis". *Journal of Applied Aquaculture* (Accepted).

**Zeynep Akgul** presented her dissertation in the Session "Selected Dissertation Reports" at the 2015 International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium (IATRC) Annual Meeting, Clearwater Beach, FL, December 2015. The title of her presentation is "Firm Heterogeneity, Non-Tariff Measures, and International Trade Agreements: The Case of US-EU TTIP Agreement on Beef Trade." (Travel supported by IATRC.)

Paul Ebner (Agronomy), **Tamara Ogle, Tanya Hall** (regional extension educators) and **Larry DeBoer** presented the results of a study of zoning ordinances that cover Confined Feeding Operations to the Indiana Senate Agriculture Committee on January 16. Senator Jean Leising was kind enough to take this picture of Tamara and Dr. DeBoer on the Senate floor.



On January 16, Dr. DeBoer presented a talk for the Lafayette Third House group, about Indiana Fiscal Issues in the 2016 legislative session. A group that meets on Saturday mornings at 7:30, to talk about taxes and budgets. Larry fit right in . . .

## **Publications:**

John M. Connor. *The Rise of Anti-Cartel Enforcement in Africa, Asia, and Latin America: SSRN Working Paper*. (January 2016). [<http://ssrn.com/abstract=2711972>]

William McClain had a paper published this last month in the Review of Social Economy, titled ‘A Pathway Forwards for the Social Capital Metaphor’. It’s a review of some of the work from his master’s thesis.

Taheripour F. and Tyner W. (2015) “Measuring the Economic and Environmental Impacts of Using Shale Oil and Gas Resources: A Computable General Equilibrium Modeling Approach,” *Advances in Economics and Business*, 3(11): 479-495,

## **Internships:**

<http://crs.org/about/careers/fellowships/>

Dow AgroSciences

## **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>

Ag Careers

<http://www.agcareers.com>

Academic Position Network

<http://www.apnjobs.com/>

Academic Keys

<http://www.academickeys.com>

Community Colleges, misc

<http://www.aacc.nche.edu/>

ConAgra

[\(http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/](http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/)

Chronicle of Higher Education

<http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/>

Education Jobs Page	<a href="http://www.nationajob.com/education">http://www.nationajob.com/education</a>
Employment/Resume posting	<a href="http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html">http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html</a>
EPA	<a href="http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe">http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe</a>
Foreign Ag Service	<a href="http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm">http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm</a>
Government Career	<a href="http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/">http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/</a>
National Job Bank	<a href="http://www.jobs.joe.org">http://www.jobs.joe.org</a>
USDA, Ag Research Service	<a href="http://ars.usda.gov">http://ars.usda.gov</a>
	<a href="http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/hr/ljobs.htm">http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/hr/ljobs.htm</a>
U.S. International Trade Commission	<a href="http://usitc.gov">http://usitc.gov</a>

<http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/323686300>

[http://www.federalreserve.gov/careers/intern\\_research.htm](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>

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

