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# *Keeping Track*

June 2014

## Calendar

June 9	PhD Econ prelim
June 16-17	Indiana Farm Management Tour – Spencer and Dubois Counties
July 27-29	AAEA Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN
August 8	Purdue Day at the Indiana State Fair
August 25	Fall classes begin

**June 2014 Photo of the Month:** Joan Fulton picking up the Food Finders Pitchfork for AGECEC  
Submitted by Wally Tyner

Congratulations to the Department, **Carol Wood** and **Lou Ann Baugh** for their work and efforts in the College of Agriculture Food Drive which resulted in another win for the Department of Agricultural Economics. This year's AGECEC total food and cash donations provided the equivalent of 14,190 meals.



## Congratulations:

**Juan Sesmero** has received the C-FARE/AAEA Early Career Professionals Leadership Award. He and five other recipients from across the country will meet in Washington DC on June 19-20 to participate in the early career development program.

<http://www.cfare.org/events/c-fare-events/2014/early-career-dc-leadership-event>

On June 19, 2014, at the National Press Club in Washington, DC, Professor Emeritus **John M. Connor** will be the recipient of the **Alfred E. Kahn Award for Antitrust Achievement**, given annually by the American Antitrust Institute as its highest honor. (The award was renamed in 2011 to honor the recently deceased Kahn, the “godfather of deregulation.”)

The past 16 honorees are:

- 2000: Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust Joel Klein
- 2001: FTC Chairman Robert Pitofsky
- 2002: Economist F.M. Scherer, Prof. Emeritus, Kennedy School, Harvard University
- 2003: Economist Alfred Kahn, Prof. Emeritus, Cornell Univ., Department of Economics
- 2004: Attorney Lloyd Constantine
- 2005: FTC Commissioner Thomas Leary
- 2006: U.S. Senators Mike DeWine and Herb Kohl
- 2007: Attorney Maxwell Blecher
- 2008: Attorney John Shenefield
- 2009: Professor Eleanor M. Fox, Columbia University Law School
- 2010: Professor Steven Salop, Dept. of Economics, Georgetown University
- 2011: Dr. Mario Monti, EU Competition Commissioner, former Prime Minister of Italy
- 2012: Professor Roger G. Noll, Stanford Univ. Economics Department
- 2013: Julie Brill, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission

Of the 16 past recipients, five are primarily academic scholars. The four previous economists honored are among the leading lights of the profession whose works have contributed to competition laws and enforcement. Scherer is the author of the dominant industrial-organization textbook during 1970-2000 and a prolific contributor to a wide range of issues in imperfect competition and antitrust economics. Kahn is best known for his research on the economics of regulation and his leading political-economic role in deregulating the U.S. airline and telephone industries. Salop is widely considered a leader of the Post-Chicago Antitrust Movement, with pioneering models of how sellers can exploit imperfect information by consumers, strategic entry deterrence, and strategies for raising rivals' costs. Noll is an expert in the economic analysis of public law (courts, administration, and statutory interpretation), antitrust and privatization, and the sports industry.

The seven regulators and lawmakers who have been honored were outstanding advocates for active enforcement of their competition laws who often designed and implemented effective new programs. The attorneys who were recognized also brought about advances in techniques for successfully securing damages in antitrust cases. Several of the regulators and attorneys were active writers of articles in law journals or popular books.

## Thought you would like to know:

A gift from **Beck's Hybrids** will provide funding for remodeling part of the Krannert Building and a Lilly Hall laboratory to improve facilities for College of Agriculture faculty, staff and students. The improvements will advance Purdue's work in education, research and outreach in Agricultural Economics and Agronomy.

The gift includes \$1.4 million for remodeling on the seventh floor of Krannert to provide improved student learning space, a distance education studio, and faculty and staff offices for the agricultural economics department.

Welcome to **Dr. Michael Wetzstein** who will join the department in August. He will be teaching in the undergraduate and graduate areas with research in applied economics.

The **Indiana Farm Management Tour**, is scheduled for June 16-17 visiting a diverse set of farms with many interesting management storylines. The tour is in a scenic rural area of Indiana. This should be a great opportunity to learn about farming and farm management from the farm operators themselves.

**Dr. Holly Wang** will travel with Indiana Lt. Governor's Asia Trade Delegation to China, Taiwan and Korea in June, representing the College of Agriculture at Purdue. They will visit Beijing, Hangzhou, Seoul, and Taipei. She will also conduct field surveys in Shanghai and Guangzhou of China for a market project of US Midwest pork.

### News from our Undergraduates:

**Dr. Elizabeth Yeager** and nine undergraduate students traveled to Italy, May 8-28, 2014 for a Maymester Study Abroad. During their stay in Reggio Emilia, Tuscany and Florence, they learned about and visited a balsamery, Casali winery, Gianferrari cured meats, parmesan production tour, olive oil growing and production, Storico Palagiaccio dairy, and gelato production. To round out their trip abroad, they had two authentic cooking classes and enjoyed a walking tour of Florence.

### News from our Graduate Students:



News from Patrick Hatzenbuehler and his travels to the Kano Dye Pits, Kano, Nigeria:

The Kano Dye Pits are sponsored by the Kano State Department of Tourism. The ingredients for the dye pits are dried indigo flower (for color), potassium (to make the dye saturate), and ash (to give the fabric a sheen). The ingredients are mixed with water, covered and left to ferment for about 4 weeks. One pit can be used for up to 8 months before being refreshed. To get a very dark color the dyers dip the fabric for up to 8 hours.

Congratulations Graduates!

Amir Ahmadi	MSN	Jess Lowenberg-DeBoer
Jaspreet Aulakh	MSN	Fulton/Alexander
Brian Bourquard	MS	Steven Wu
Wanseok Chang	MSN	Wallace Tyner
Nick Dekryger	MS	Michael Gunderson
Ye Hu	MSN	Corinne Alexander
Zekarias Hussein	PhD	Terrie Walmsley
Abdoulaye Ibrahim	PhD	John Sanders
Michaela Jellico	MS	Michael Delgado
Jinho Jung	MS	Wallace Tyner
Liang Li	PhD	Wallace Tyner
Eric O'Rear	PhD	Wallace Tyner
Jingyi Qian	MS	Philip Abbott

Timothy Smith	MS	Gerald Shively
Xin Sun	MSN	Juan Sesmero
Mengbo Wang	MSN	Benjamin Gramig
Guolin Yao	MS	Wallace Tyner
Xin Zhao	MSN	Otto Doering

## Presented papers, seminars, travel:

Byerlee, D., Stevenson, J., **Villoria, N. B.**, 2014. "Does Intensification Slow Crop Land Expansion or Encourage Deforestation?" Forthcoming in *Global Food Security* .

**BM Gramig, Sajeev EM, and Shanxia Sun.** Useful to Usable (U2U) project, 2014 annual meeting. May 19-21 in Davenport, IA.

**Raymond Florax** delivers a keynote at the VIII World Conference of the Spatial Econometrics Association in Zurich, Switzerland, entitled "Model Uncertainty in Spatial Econometrics", on June 12, 2014.

**Jacob Ricker-Gilbert** made the following presentation at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, in Seattle, WA. On May 29, 2014. "Guiding Investments in Sustainable Agricultural Intensification in Africa (GISAIA). Insights on the Effect of Input Subsidies and Increasing Population Density on Household Welfare in Malawi"

**Sesmero, J.**, and Schoengold, K. "Structural Estimation of Demand for Irrigation Water under Strategic Behavior", accepted for presentation at the 5<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE), June 28-July 3, Istanbul, Turkey

**Sun, S., Sesmero, J.**, and Schoengold, K. "Estimating Irrigation and Production Inefficiency Associated with Sharing Groundwater", accepted for presentation in the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual International Water Resource Economics Consortium Meeting, September 7-9, 2014 at the World Bank Headquarters in Washington, DC.

**Villoria, N. B.**, Byerlee, D., Stevenson, J. 2014. "The Effects of Technological Progress in Agriculture on Deforestation: What do we *really* know?" *Applied Economic Policy and Perspectives* . 36 (2): 211-237

**Dr. Holly Wang** will deliver a keynote speech on "Consumers' Demand on Food Safety and Quality in Chinese Market and its Trade Implications" at the IAMO Forum 2014 on The Rise of the 'Emerging Economies': Towards Functioning Agricultural Markets and Trade Relations? in Halle, Germany. She will give another invited talk "Duck Consumption in Chinese Food Service Sector: A Study of Food Attribute Preferences" at Hebei Finance University, Baoding, China.

In addition, **Dr. Wang** will present three papers at international conferences: "An Empirical Study on the Willingness to Buy for Rural Real Estate Flood Insurance in China" at the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Agricultural Risks, Finance and Insurance Conference in Zurich, Switzerland; and "Food Quality and Safety Preferences of Both Supply and Demand Sides of Food Service Sector in China" and "Attribute Preference of Duck Products: from Restaurant Consumer and Manager's Perspectives in China" both at the CES 2014 Annual Conference in Guangzhou, China.

## Publications:

**John M. Connor.** Cartel Overcharges. *Research in Law and Economics* 29 (March 2014): 249-386.  
[<http://www.emeraldinsight.com/books.htm?chapterid=17107611>]

**John M. Connor.** Big Bad Banks Bid Rigging and Multilateral Market Manipulation: AAI Working Paper 14- (posted May 6, 2014). [Available at <http://www.antitrustinstitute.org/sites/default/files/WorkingPaper14-04.pdf>]

Motamed, M.J., **R.J.G.M. Florax** and W.A. Masters (2014, forthcoming) Agriculture, Transportation and the Timing of Urbanization: Global Analysis at the Grid Cell Level, *Journal of Economic Growth* (working paper with appendix available from <http://www.tinbergen.nl/discussionpaper/?paper=2257>)

**Sesmero, Juan.** "Cellulosic Biofuels from Crop Residue and Groundwater Extraction in the US Plains: the case of Nebraska", accepted by *Journal of Environmental Management*

**Sesmero, Juan.** "Corn Residue Supply in the Irrigated Corn Belt", accepted by *Bioenergy Research*.

**Ouraich, Ismail, and Wallace E. Tyner.** "Climate change impacts on Moroccan agriculture and the whole economy: An analysis of the impacts of the Plan Maroc Vert in Morocco." UNU-Wider working paper WP/2014/083 (2014), [http://www.wider.unu.edu/publications/working-papers/2014/en\\_GB/wp2014-083/](http://www.wider.unu.edu/publications/working-papers/2014/en_GB/wp2014-083/).

**Tyner, Wallace E., and Farzad Taheripour.** "Unconventional Shale Oil and Gas Production and Greenhouse Gas Reduction: Can We Have Both?" NARDeP Policy Brief 21 (May 2014), National Agricultural and Rural Development Center, [http://www.nardep.info/uploads/Brief21\\_UnconventionalShaleOil.pdf](http://www.nardep.info/uploads/Brief21_UnconventionalShaleOil.pdf)

**Tyner, Wallace E., and Ryan Petter.** "The Potential for Aviation Biofuels – Technical, Economic, and Policy Analysis." *Choices* 29(1), first quarter 2014.

Wicke, B., van der Hilst, F., Daioglou, V., Banse, M., Beringer, T., Gerssen-Gondelach, S., Heijnen, S., Karsenberg, D., Laborde, D., Lippe, M., van Meijl, H., Nassar, A., Powell, J., Prins, A. G., Rose, S. N. K., Smeets, E. M. W., Stehfest, E., **Tyner, W. E.**, Verstegen, J. A., Valin, H., van Vuuren, D. P., Yeh, S. and Faaij, A. P. C. (2014), "Model collaboration for the improved assessment of biomass supply, demand, and impacts." *GCB Bioenergy*. doi: 10.1111/gcbb.12176

## **Jobs:**

Texas A&M University: Instructional Associate Professor – Financial  
University of Florida: Post-Doc in Natural Resource and Environmental Economics

## **Internships:**

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

## **Career and Job Sites on the Internet:**

Purdue Extension Service: see website listed below

Career and Job Sites on the Internet

Purdue	<a href="http://www.purdue.edu/jobs">http://www.purdue.edu/jobs</a>
AAEA Job Posting	<a href="http://www.aaea.org/employment.html">http://www.aaea.org/employment.html</a>
Academic Employment Network	<a href="http://www.academemploy.com/">http://www.academemploy.com/</a>
Agriculture Career Connection	<a href="http://www.ag-biz.com">http://www.ag-biz.com</a>
Ag Careers	<a href="http://www.agcareers.com">http://www.agcareers.com</a>
Academic Position Network	<a href="http://www.apnjobs.com/">http://www.apnjobs.com/</a>
Academic Keys	<a href="http://www.academickeys.com">http://www.academickeys.com</a>
Community Colleges, misc	<a href="http://www.aacc.nche.edu/">http://www.aacc.nche.edu/</a>
ConAgra	<a href="http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/">(http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/</a>
Chronicle of Higher Education	<a href="http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/">http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/</a>
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