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## From the President

### To Atlanta, Denver, and Beyond...



While it has been only a few short months since our highly successful 2009 Annual Meeting in Milwaukee has concluded, we are busily making final preparations for the coming ASSA Annual Meeting in Atlanta that

is being held on January 3–5, 2010. And the intense planning efforts underlying the Centennial Meeting of the AAEA, held jointly with WAEA and CAES on July 25–27, are now rather rapidly converging to final form, and the content and experiences that will be part of the meeting celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our venerable Association promises to be truly one for the ages!

For those of you who are planning to attend the ASSA Annual Meeting, I think you will be both pleased and proud about the excellent slate of high quality sessions that are being sponsored by the AAEA. I am confident that

our sessions will attract economists from a wide range of meeting attendees, and casting modesty aside, I am also optimistic that our offerings will be some of the most interesting and relevant sessions provided at the meeting this year. The topics of our sessions include: 1) *Land Use and Climate Change: A Global Perspective on Mitigation Options*; 2) *The Political Economy of Food Policies: The Role of Political Institutions*; 3) *Information, Prices, and Healthy Lifestyle Choices of Adults*; 4) *Microfinance, Rural Finance, and Development: Multiple Products for Multiple Challenges*; 5) *Volatility in Asset Markets: Peeking Through a Bayesian Window*; and 6) *Entry Fixed Costs to Trade: Estimates, Dynamics, and Policy*. I hope to see many of you at the AAEA Reception at the Hilton on Sunday night, beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the T.W. Schultz Memorial Dinner, at which Dale Jorgenson of Harvard University will be providing the Keynote Address.

Regarding the 2010 AAEA, CAES, & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver, I respectfully recommend that this is one set of meetings you do not want to miss! I will discuss aspects of planned special meeting content, events, programs, and centennial themes in future editions of *The Exchange*, and you should have already received your first information update relating to the summer meetings in the every-other-month electronic newsletter that we are sending you called *Denver on Demand*. But given the approaching deadline for submission of Selected Presentation Abstracts (January 18), I wanted to specifically mention one important aspect of the Denver meetings that responds explicitly to feedback we received in our 2009 Annual Meeting survey, and that speaks to the opportunity for members to make a presentation at the coming summer meetings.

In particular, it is clear from survey results that the opportunity to present at the meeting

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### AAEA Speaker Wins Nobel Prize in Economics



David Zilberman and AAEA President Otto Doering present Elinor Ostrom with the Galbraith Award at the 2008 AAEA Annual Meeting.

Recently, the Nobel Prize Committee chose to award its 2009 prize in economics to Elinor Ostrom and Oliver E. Williamson. Ostrom was the Galbraith Forum speaker at the 2008 AAEA Annual Meeting. She is the latest in a long line of Nobel Laureates with ties to AAEA, including Vernon Smith, George Akerlof, Joseph Stiglitz, James Heckman, Daniel McFadden, Gary Becker, Theodore W. Schultz, and Kenneth Arrow.

Otto Doering, AAEA President at the time of Ostrom's speech, reflects on her award and her involvement with AAEA.

At the AAEA meetings in Orlando, I presented Elinor Ostrom with the association's Galbraith Award. I had known Elinor and her

husband Vincent since the late 1970s when applied economists beat a path to their door for their pioneering work on the provision of public services. Elinor won the Nobel Prize for her work on institutions for collective action that can prevent or mitigate the tragedy of the commons. Kevin Gallagher in *The Guardian* noted the thoroughness of her approach. In recent years this included resource depletion analysis by satellite observation, field and case studies, and then behavioral experiments to validate the other observations. In addition, Elinor has also been a prodigious idea generator. The gen-

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# ASSA Annual Meeting

## AAEA Makes Its Mark on ASSA

There will be much to do for AAEA members attending the 2010 ASSA Annual Meeting in Atlanta, January 3–5, 2010. Beyond the general meeting activities, AAEA members will have the opportunity to attend the T.W. Schultz Address, the AAEA Reception, and six AAEA sponsored paper sessions. Interested attendees can find more information by visiting the meetings section of the AAEA Web site at [www.aaea.org/meetings](http://www.aaea.org/meetings).

Dale Jorgenson is the featured speaker of the 2010 T.W. Schultz Memorial Dinner and Keynote Address. Jorgenson is the Samuel W. Morris University Professor at Harvard University, and has served as president of the American Economic Association (AEA) and was named a Distinguished Fellow of AEA. Previous Schultz honorees include Gary Becker (2006) and James J. Heckman (2007) from University of Chicago, and Daniel McFadden (2008) and George Akerlof (2009) from University of California, Berkeley. This year's lecture will take place on Sunday, January 3 from 7:00–9:15 p.m. The cost to attend the banquet is \$75.

The Schultz Address will be immediately preceded by the AAEA Reception. This event is open to all meeting attendees. It gives all AAEA members the chance to meet up and reconnect at the ASSA Annual Meeting. The reception is free, and anyone is welcome to attend.

AAEA will also sponsor six paper sessions at the ASSA Annual Meeting. These sessions will cover a range of topics including climate change, microfinance, and food policy. For more information about these sessions, see the Schedule of Events on this page.

For more information about the ASSA Annual Meeting, including information about how to register, please visit [www.aaea.org/meetings](http://www.aaea.org/meetings).



## Schedule of AAEA Events at the 2010 ASSA Annual Meeting

### Sunday, January 3, 2010

#### AAEA Sessions

Hilton Atlanta, Room 210

8:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.

- *Information, Prices and Healthy Lifestyle Choices of Adults*

10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

- *Land Use and Climate Change: A Global Perspective on Mitigation Options*

12:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

- *Entry Fixed Costs to Trade: Estimates, Dynamics, and Policy*

2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

- *Microfinance, Rural Finance and Development: Multiple Products for Multiple Challenges*

#### AAEA Reception

6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

Hilton Atlanta, Salon E

The reception immediately precedes the T.W. Schultz Memorial Dinner & Keynote Address. All AAEA members are welcome to attend!

### Sunday, January 3, 2010

#### T.W. Schultz Memorial Dinner & Keynote Address

7:00 p.m.–9:15 p.m.

Hilton Atlanta, Salon D

Professor Dale Jorgenson, the Samuel W. Morris University Professor at Harvard University and Distinguished Fellow of AEA, will deliver the 2010 T.W. Schultz Keynote Address.

### Monday, January 4, 2010

#### AAEA Sessions

Hilton Atlanta, Room 210

8:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.

- *The Political Economy of Food Policies: The Role of Political Institutions*

10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

- *Volatility in Asset Markets: Peeking Through a Bayesian Window*

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Employment advertisements are \$200 for the first three inches and \$60 for each additional inch.

The deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month preceding the issue date (e.g., December 10, for the Jan./Feb. issue). Submit all items to: AAEA, 555 E. Wells Street, Suite 1100, Milwaukee, WI 53202; Phone: (414) 918-3190; Fax: (414) 276-3349; e-mail: [newsletter@aea.org](mailto:newsletter@aea.org); Internet: <http://www.aaea.org>

### AAEA Speaker Wins Nobel Prize in Economics—continued from page 1)

eration of novel ideas and thoroughness are not combined often enough. Most important for many of us, Elinor is just a great pleasure to work with and have as a colleague. My reaction to hearing on the radio that she was a prize winner was a loud: YES! I am so pleased that we recognized her before the

Nobel Prize Committee. We do get a number of things right.

*Otto C. Doering is a Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Purdue University and was President of AAEA in 2008.*

## AAEA Foundation

### Heading South Award Winner Focuses on Wind-Borne Diseases



*Anton Bekkerman received the 2010 Heading South Award, which provides funding for him to attend the 2010 AARES Conference in Australia.*

Anton Bekkerman, Assistant Professor at Montana State University, has been named the 2010 Heading South Award winner. As the winner of this award, Bekkerman receives funding to present his paper "Don't Compensate, Mitigate: Welfare Impacts of Check-Off Programs for Wind-Borne Diseases in the U.S."

at the 2010 Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES) Conference in Adelaide, Australia.

"I believe that the presented work on wind-borne invasive species can provide important perspectives and lead to future research in the field within the U.S. and Australia," Bekkerman said. "[Those] agricultural sectors have been subject to a number of destructive invasive species."

The Heading South Award is part of an exchange program between AAEA and AARES. Each year, both associations honor two young professionals who are members of both organizations, and give them the opportunity to take part in a new annual meeting. One resident of North America is invited to take part in the AARES Annual Meeting in Australia (the Heading South winner), and one resident of Australia or New Zealand is invited to present as part of the AAEA Annual Meeting (called the Heading North winner). Each winner receives funding for his/her trip, sponsored by both The AAEA Foundation and AARES.

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## AAEA Outreach

### Reach Out to Decision Makers!

Your work can have more impact on public and private sector decisions! The AAEA Outreach Committee's goal is to disseminate analysis and information to those outside the profession and to share Extension education materials among our peers to strengthen their education programs for policy and industry leaders. *Choices* and *Policy Issues* are our vehicles for the first, and the Shared Outreach Materials Library does the second.

The third quarter 2009 issue of *Choices* contains a very timely theme which addresses the national school meal programs due for renewal by Congress in the coming months. These programs are increasingly being challenged to provide more nutritional benefits to students, at the same time they face national and local budget pressures. Helen Jensen guest edits this insightful series of articles, drawing on her extensive research findings and experience in advising policy makers on these programs. The authors provide insights from the history and operation of the programs, identify the challenges facing them, and explore opportunities for innovative approaches through local and national initiatives. Lessons from behavioral economics and viewing the school food programs as a business at the school level may be extremely helpful to those delivering the programs to students.

An individual article by Bailey Norwood and Jayson Lusk analyzes the farm animal welfare debate, identifying issues that agriculture must come to grips with in order to be more effective in their arguments on behalf of the animal production community.

Another article by Martinez, Bingen, and Conner explores opportunities, barriers, and experiences of produce handlers in sourcing organic produce from the Great Lakes

Region. The findings contain lessons for local sourcing of organic foods nationwide.

William Edwards, editor of the Shared Outreach Materials Library, encourages you to take advantage of the opportunity to contribute to a peer-reviewed set of materials, through this brand-new feature on the AAEA Web site. You may receive additional recognition by P&T committees for work you are doing to meet Extension program needs if it is peer-reviewed. The library is intended to facilitate development of stronger Extension programs by making it easy to share articles, PowerPoint presentations, and spreadsheets with colleagues. Contribute your top program materials to the library and borrow those of others to reduce your workload and increase your impact!

If you have a contact with an organization that could disseminate *Choices* or *Policy Issues* to their members with an interest in the range of our subject matter, please contact Adam DeMarie at the AAEA Business Office ([Adam@aaea.org](mailto:Adam@aaea.org)).

Do you have recent research results relevant to public and private sector decision makers? Take the next step in your research process to communicate beyond your peers. Prepare an insightful outreach piece to leverage your results and increase your impact on decisions in the public and private sector! Please submit *Choices* theme proposals and *Policy Issues* pieces to me at [walt@farmfoundation.org](mailto:walt@farmfoundation.org) and individual articles to Clem Ward at [clement.ward@okstate.edu](mailto:clement.ward@okstate.edu). Submit educational materials for sharing with others through the AAEA Web site, or contact William Edwards at [wedwards@iastate.edu](mailto:wedwards@iastate.edu).

*Walt Armbruster*  
Chair, Outreach Committee

### Welcome New Members

**Abda Emam**, Sudan University of Science & Technology; **Ana Espinola-Arredondo**, Washington State University; **Abdelaziz Farah**, Orange County Community College; **Mark Gibson**, Washington State University; **Joseph Godwin**, Auburn University; **Sarah Jacobson**, Georgia State University; **Lawrence Johnson**, North Caribbean University; **Hari Katuwal**, University of New Mexico; **Ramon Lopez**, University of Maryland at College Park; **Daniel Pate**, Texas Tech University; **Christopher Taylor**, University of Wisconsin at Madison; **Satoshi Tsukamoto**, Michigan State University; **Bernadette Winston**, Tuskegee University.

## C-FARE

### Friends of C-FARE and Agricultural Economics Reception

On September 23, The Council on Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics (C-FARE) sponsored The Friends of C-FARE and Agricultural Economics Reception. The reception is held every other year in conjunction with the biennial meeting of the National Association of Agricultural Economics Administrators (NAAEA). During the event, C-FARE thanks the economists who provide information and guidance to the policy process. We applaud our colleagues on Capitol Hill and at the agencies who provide the expertise, information, and support the lawmakers' request.

We also recognized two members of Congress for their appreciation of the application of economics to policy issues involving agri-

culture, natural resources, food, and nutrition topics. This year, C-FARE opened nominations to departments of agricultural and applied economics from across the country, and the C-FARE Board voted on the nominations. Our two recipients were Congressman Chet Edwards (TX-17 and nominated by Texas A&M) and Congressman Frank Lucas (OK-3 and nominated by Oklahoma State University) as the "2009 Friends of C-FARE and Agricultural Economics."

Present at the reception was an audience of about 75, including academic administrators, agency economists, Capitol Hill staff, and other friends and colleagues from our profession who work in or near the Washington, D.C. area. We appreciate the hospitality of



*C-FARE recognized two members of congress with the Friends of C-FARE and Agricultural Economics Award. LEFT: Congressman Chet Edwards and John Nichols; RIGHT: Damona Doye and Congressman Frank Lucas.*

the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture for reserving the space for the event in one of their hearing rooms.

### Not Your Father's Agricultural and Applied Economics Profession — A Note from the C-FARE Chair

In the first decade of the 21st century, the food, agriculture, and resource sectors have faced new questions and challenges. However, for every new challenge, we also face a new opportunity for food, agricultural, and resource economists to better provide insights for private and public decisions contributing to the broader societal interest and good.

Simultaneously, as the sectors and clientele with which we work closest found themselves in unusual economic and technological times, the demand for Council on Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics' (C-FARE) prod-

ucts and services has increased substantially. Therefore, on the anniversary of our 15th year of incorporation, we began a strategic planning process to examine and outline our future goals, mission, and objectives. C-FARE is working to position itself to best assist in those significant issues and concerns facing the American public and our profession. This strategic plan will guide our future, enhance our organizational and structural aspects, and direct how we will best equip ourselves to move forward.

In the coming months we will be calling

on members of the profession to become more active in the role you can play with our organization and to respond to many of the broad societal issues, which we need to address. I encourage you to take that challenge when you are contacted, or even contact us. Together our profession can provide information that will help understand the magnitude and distribution of many of the trade-offs society faces.

*Jon Brandt*  
Chair, C-FARE

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is a principal reason why many of our members decide to attend the meeting, and it is also considered one of the fundamental values of AAEA membership. Moreover, for many members, the ability to present at the meeting is in fact a necessary condition to be able to attend at all. Upon interacting with our Selected Presentations Committee, it was felt that there has been a rather appreciable number of high quality submissions that nonetheless could not be accepted for presentation due to tightly binding space constraints at some of our recent summer meetings. Considering

all of these issues, we have arranged for an increase in capacity for scheduling selected paper presentations, and we have also expanded our capacity for the number of poster presentations that can be made at the meeting. We will of course continue to be mindful of maintaining the quality of presentations that our members experience at the meeting, but we also expect to be able to mitigate the loss of excellent presentations from the program that, in the past, were casualties of tight space constraints. In short, we expect there to be increased opportunity to present in Denver.

Our intent is to continue this approach beyond Denver if the meeting properly meets the expectations of our members for both high quality session experiences, and the ability to present their high quality professional work at the meetings.

Finally, on behalf of the AAEA, I extend our warm wishes to all of our members for a wonderful and joyous holiday season spent with family and friends, and we hope that your coming new year is both prosperous and filled with opportunity.

*Ron Mittelhammer*  
AAEA President

## 2010 Joint Annual Meeting

### Call for Proposals

### Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Case Study Invited Paper Session

AAEA welcomes proposals for Case Studies for a special Invited Paper session that will be part of the 2010 AAEA, CAES, & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting in Denver. Cases in this Invited Paper session will be published in the *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* in January 2011. Regular page charges will apply. Proposals from individuals or groups must be submitted in electronic form to Lisa House ([lahouse@ufl.edu](mailto:lahouse@ufl.edu)) by January 18, 2010.

Proposals are requested for case studies that show how the application of economic principles to decision making in the public and private sectors leads to better decisions. All topic areas that show the application of economic principles are acceptable. Topic areas focusing on emerging issues such as: energy economics, food safety, and company environmental policies (e.g. green scorecard) are encouraged. Proposals will be evaluated by sufficiency in satisfying the following criteria:

- Deals with a problem that has a high level of importance/interest/relevancy to members of AAEA.
- Clear and concise teaching objective(s) and target audience(s) (e.g. undergraduate students, graduate students, extension audiences).
- Leads to a better understanding of how the application of economic principles leads to better decision making.
- A general description of the teaching plan for presenting the case to include expected student use of reference materials
- Case summary that presents solutions and explanations of how the learning objectives are realized.

Proposals should include case title, names and contact information of the authors, and a case outline that covers the company or situation profiled, as well as a detailed outline for the case study. The outline should be 3–5 pages in length and a maximum of 2,000 words. The proposal must also contain an outline and ideas for a teaching note, although the teaching note will not be published with the case.



### Submit to the 2010 AAEA, CAES, & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting

Interested in potentially presenting at the 2010 Joint Annual Meeting in Denver? Submissions are now being accepted. For more information about the various types of submissions, please visit [www.aaea.org/2010am](http://www.aaea.org/2010am).

In order to submit, you'll need to be a 2010 AAEA member, or pay a non-refundable \$25 submission fee. You can take care of either of these requirements in the My Account section on the AAEA Web site, [www.aaea.org](http://www.aaea.org).

### 2010 AAEA, CAES, & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting Submission Deadlines

#### December 7, 2009

- *Invited Paper Submissions, Track Session Proposals, and Pre-/Post-conference Workshop Proposals due*

#### January 18, 2010

- *Organized Symposium and Selected Presentation Submissions due*

#### March 15, 2010

- *Full Track Session Submissions due*

#### May 3, 2010

- *Completed Selected Papers and Poster PDFs due to AgEcon Search*

#### May 3, 2010

- *All Presenters must be AAEA Members and registered for Joint Annual Meeting*

## Students' Corner

Have you ever noticed the snowball effect that a single opportunity can create? Whenever you take a chance, you suddenly find more and more of them around you, and now it is only a matter of choice. One of the most exciting things is that you never know where an opportunity will bring you in the end. Plus, you always know that regardless of where you end up, you will learn something new and will grow both personally and professionally.

Joining the AAEA Graduate Student Section is one such opportunity. With a GSS membership, you can boost your involvement in the profession, make a good investment in your social capital, and enhance your leadership and networking skills. We provide our members with access to the latest news on current events, grant and scholarship availability, as well as job opportunities. You will also be able to participate in a variety of resume-enhancing activities such as competitions, seminars, and track sessions.

I would also like to stress that we listen to your opinion. Let us know if there is anything in particular you would like to learn or get access to and we will do our best to focus on that in the future.

More good news for today is that becoming a GSS member is an easy process. You can join the graduate section when you renewing your AAEA membership. Just look for us under the Sections category on the form.

If you have questions or comments, please, contact Shannon Sand at [shannon.sand@okstate.edu](mailto:shannon.sand@okstate.edu), myself at [kgzp4@missouri.edu](mailto:kgzp4@missouri.edu), or visit us at [www.aaea.org/sections/gss](http://www.aaea.org/sections/gss). You can also join us on our Facebook group ("AAEA-GSS") for more updates and communications.

Good luck with the semester and in your search for new opportunities!

*Kateryna Goychuk*  
GSS Secretary/Treasurer

### Questions? Problems?

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## AAEA News

### Call for Nominations 2010 AAEA Awards Program

The AAEA Awards Program recognizes the excellence in the work of agricultural and applied economists. The Awards Committee, chaired by Robert King of the University of Minnesota, welcomes nominations for all award categories. Award nominations should be sent directly to the subcommittee chairs for each award. The deadline for nominations is **February 1, 2010**. The winners of three of our awards will receive a cash prize: the Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation award, the Outstanding Master's Thesis award, and the Bruce Gardner Memorial Prize for Applied Policy Analysis.

More details on how to submit a nomination, including current criteria and submission guidelines for each award can be found on the AAEA Web site at [www.aaea.org/about/185](http://www.aaea.org/about/185).



*AAEA President Richard Just presents Barbara Kanninen with the Publication of Enduring Quality Award at the 2009 AAEA Annual Meeting.*

### AAEA Welcomes New Section: China Section

The AAEA Executive Board approved the formation of a China Section of AAEA during the Annual Meeting this year. This section is intended to facilitate collaboration among AAEA members and other professionals on agricultural and applied economic issues related to China; to disseminate information and to mentor junior AAEA members with an interest in this area; and to serve as a bridge between AAEA and other professional organizations with a China focus worldwide. The section will create a mailing list and a Web site to disseminate information among members, invite speakers for special events, and organize sessions and pre/post-conference workshops at the AAEA Annual Meeting. Those wishing to become founding members may do so by signing up for the section when renewing your AAEA membership for 2010. Section dues for 2010 will be set at \$5. Further questions can be directed to Holly Wang at [wanghong@purdue.edu](mailto:wanghong@purdue.edu).

### Renew Your AAEA Membership for 2010

You can now renew your AAEA membership for 2010 on the AAEA Web site. Simply visit [www.aaea.org](http://www.aaea.org) and login to the My Account section to renew. Our new form saves our members time by filling out most of the information for you automatically.

The benefits of your 2009 AAEA membership only last through the spring of 2010, so be sure to renew soon to ensure that you keep receiving services from AAEA throughout the upcoming year.



### University of Wyoming Department of Economics and Finance

**W**e offer MS and PhD degree programs and research opportunities for students interested in economics and finance.

**T**he UW economics program has a micro-economic emphasis. Both our MS and PhD programs provide you with a strong foundation in economic theory that can be applied in selected field courses. Our faculty and department are internationally recognized in the area of natural resources and environmental economics, ranking as one of the top ten U.S. programs in environmental economics. Wyoming is a natural laboratory for studying issues related to energy development and environmental regulation.

**O**ur program is small by design with limited fields of specialization. Our small classes enhance student-faculty interaction, and our representation of students from a variety of countries gives you a unique opportunity for participating in seminar environments in your course work. As a graduate student in our department, you can get maximum individual attention from faculty members in their fields of interest. The department typically has around 40 students actively working on degrees. Nearly half our students are from the United States with the remainder of international students coming from countries such as Canada, India, Norway, Sweden, Turkey, Greece, Pakistan, Korea, France, Russia, China, and Taiwan.

**W**e currently have approximately 20 active faculty members, including three chaired professors in economics, Dr. Jason Shogren, Dr. Edward Barbier, and Dr. Charles Mason, and a fourth chaired professor in finance, Dr. Sherrill Shaffer. Our faculty members have active research programs, receiving millions of dollars in research grants from organizations such as the National Science Foundation, Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Department of Agriculture. They have also written a number of books and published in leading economic journals such as the *American Economic Review* and the *Journal of Political Economy*.

**W**e offer competitive financial aid packages, providing tuition and fee waivers, as well as annual stipends between \$15,000 and \$20,000 for PhD students and \$5,000 for MS students. Students also receive the opportunity to actively participate in the teaching and research missions of the university.

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## News

### Call for Papers 2010 NAREA Workshop on Economics of Local Food Markets

The 2010 Workshop on the Economics of Local Food Markets will be held at the Trump Plaza Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, June 15–16, 2010, immediately following the annual meeting of the Northeastern Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA). The goal of the workshop is to highlight current research and bring together researchers, extension educators, private sector participants, and policy makers to exchange ideas and develop a common set of priority research and education needs for local food systems. The synthesis of ideas that result from this workshop will be disseminated in a variety of relevant outlets to encourage collaboration on local foods research and extension. The format will include two thematic sessions emphasizing rural and urban local

food issues. Each session will begin with a presentation by an invited speaker selected for their expertise in practical or theoretical aspects of local food markets.

A special issue of the *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review (ARER)* will be published from workshop papers accepted after an expedited version of the journal's normal peer-review process.

An honorarium of \$500 to \$1000 (depending on funding) will be provided for selected papers upon submission to *ARER*. The deadline to submit is Monday, February 1, 2010. For more information, including the full call for papers, please visit <http://www.narea.org/2010/workshop.html>.

Major support for the workshop comes from the USDA-Economic Research Service.

### The Latest Issue of *The Giannini Reporter* is Now Available Online

*The Giannini Reporter*, Volume 21, is now available for downloading in PDF format at <http://giannini.ucop.edu/reporter.htm>. *The Giannini Reporter*, published by the Giannini Foundation of Agricultural Economics, is a biennial report, which documents the ongoing research of the foundation's members. University of California faculty and Cooperative Extension specialists in agricultural and resource economics on the Berkeley, Davis, and Riverside campuses comprise the membership. The broad mission of the Foundation is to promote and support research and outreach activities in agricultural economics and rural development relevant to California.

Volume 21 of *The Giannini Reporter* covers foundation activities from 2007–2009, including journal articles written by foundation members, dissertation titles of PhD graduates from the three campuses, and current research activities funded by the foundation. Since 1973, *The Giannini Reporter* has been published and distributed to AAEA members worldwide in print. Volume 21 is the first issue to be available online only.

### Call for Papers 54th Annual AARES Annual National Conference

The Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society (AARES) would like to extend a warm invitation to the AAEA membership to attend and submit contributed papers and/or mini-symposium for our 54th Annual AARES Annual National Conference, "Government Roles in Resource-Based Industries in an Interconnected World."

The 2010 conference will be held in beautiful Adelaide, South Australia on February 10–12. Three pre-conference workshops are planned for February 8–9. Contributed paper and mini-symposium submissions are due Friday, November 6, 2009 and can be submitted at <http://www.alloccasionsgroup.com/aares-2010-conference-call-for-papers>.

The conference promises to be an exciting and informative event, bringing a diverse range of delegates from all sectors of agriculture and resource management together in one of Australia's premier conference venues, the Adelaide Convention Centre.

For more information and to submit an abstract or mini-symposium proposal visit [www.alloccasionsgroup.com/AARES2010](http://www.alloccasionsgroup.com/AARES2010).

### Call for Papers and Symposia NAREA 2010 Annual Meeting

The Northeast Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) will hold its annual meeting in Atlantic City, NJ, June 13–June 15, 2010. Detailed information is available at <http://www.narea.org/2010/>.

**Call for Selected Paper Proposals:** Submit an extended abstract of no more than 500 words, plus a 50-word abstract for publication in the *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review*, through <http://www.narea.org/2010/>. Individuals whose abstracts are selected will be notified no later than March 31, 2010. Final papers must be submitted to the Chair of the Selected Papers Committee no later than May 31, 2010.

**Call for Symposium Proposals:** Symposia are submitted in two stages: 1) the session proposal and justification must be submitted by the symposium coordinator and 2) paper abstracts to be included within each symposium should be submitted individually by each author(s). Symposium abstracts follow the same formatting guidelines and word limitations as Selected Papers. See <http://www.narea.org/2010/> for more details.

**Submission Deadline: February 1, 2010.** Submission questions can be directed to the paper selection chair, President-Elect Robert J. Johnston ([rjohnston@clarku.edu](mailto:rjohnston@clarku.edu)). Questions about web submission can be directed to Jill Caviglia-Harris ([jlcaviglia-harris@salisbury.edu](mailto:jlcaviglia-harris@salisbury.edu)). Questions related to conference location can be directed to arrangements coordinator Sanjib Bhuyan ([bhuyan@aesop.rutgers.edu](mailto:bhuyan@aesop.rutgers.edu)).

### One Week Intensive Course: Irreversibilities, Uncertainties, and Real Option Values

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Applications should be sent to Dr. Rusty Bishop, Director of the Center for Dairy Research; c/o Bonnie Jaedike; 240 Agricultural Hall; 1450 Linden Drive; University of Wisconsin-Madison; Madison, WI 53706; including a detailed cover letter providing a summary of relevant experience and a curriculum vitae. Three letters of recommendation should be sent directly to Dr. Bishop. Electronic applications/letters of recommendation may be sent to [dairypolicydir\\_search@cals.wisc.edu](mailto:dairypolicydir_search@cals.wisc.edu). To ensure consideration, applications must be received before December 1, 2009, or until a suitable candidate is identified. For additional information, potential applicants can contact Dr. Bishop at (608) 265-3696 or at [jrbishop@cdr.wisc.edu](mailto:jrbishop@cdr.wisc.edu).

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## People

### California Polytechnic State U, San

#### Luis Obispo

- **Visitor:** **Stanton Ullerich**, Siebens School of Business at Buena Vista Univ, Visiting Prof, Fall 2009.

### U of California, Berkeley

- **Visitor:** **Lingappan Venkatachalam**, Associate Prof of Economics, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Fulbright Visiting Scholar, September 1, 2009–April 30, 2010.

### U of California, Davis

- **Awards:** **Richard Howitt**, AAEA, Fellow; **Michael Carter**, AAEA, Fellow; **Kristiana M. Hansen**, AAEA, Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award; **Julian M. Alston**, WAEA, 2009 Distinguished Scholar Award.
- **Position Taken by Recent Graduate:** **Henry An**, PhD, Asst Prof, Univ of Alberta.
- **Leaves:** **Steve Blank**, Oct 1, 2009–June 30, 2010; **Philip Martin**, In Residence, Oct 1, 2009–December 31, 2009.
- **Visiting Scholars:** **Seong-Yeon Park**, Lecturer, Ewha Womens Univ, Visiting Scholar, July 23, 2009–February 28, 2010; **Oleg Brinza**, Faculty Member, Univ of Moldova, Visiting Scholar, October 1, 2009–January 31, 2010.

### Clemson U

- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Anusha Pokuri**, PhD, Data Resource Consultant, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Florida; **Melanie Victoria**, MS, Credit Risk Analyst, USAA.

### U of Connecticut

- **Honorary Position:** **Boris E. Bravo-Ureta**, Visiting Prof of Agricultural Economics, Univ of Talca.
- **Visitor:** **Indah Susilowati**, Diponegoro Univ, October 7, 2009–November 15, 2009.

### Cornell U

- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Alan M. Green**, PhD, Asst Prof, Lander Univ; **Deepthi Kolady**, PhD, Research Economist, World Bank; **Chandra Kumar**, PhD, Registrar and Director, Agriculture Marketing, Government of Orissa; **Ning Shen**, MS, Account Associate, Citigroup Yield Book; **Burgen Belltawn**, MPS, Economic Development Intern, Prosperity Initiative; **Wai Lam William**

**Shum**, MPS, Manager, Shum Mak Ling.

- **Retirement:** **Nelson Bills**, 24 years.
- **Resignation:** **Charles Nicholson**.

### U of Georgia

- **New Appointment:** **Don Shurley**, Extension Coordinator.
- **Visitor:** **Tingwu Yan**, Teacher, Ocean Univ, Visiting Scholar, 1 year.

### U of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Lee Lyman Brittain**, MS, Operations Analyst, Teays River Investments; **Evelyn Del Valle Colino**, PhD, Asst Prof, Universidad Nacional de Rio Negro; **Lenis Saweda Liverpool**, PhD, Postdoctoral Fellow, IFPRI; **Sarah A. Low**, PhD, Economist, USDA-Economic Research Service; **Yan Yan**, PhD, Credit Risk and Policy Analyst, HSBC Card and Retail Services.
- **Retirement:** **Michael A. Mazzocco**, 24 years.

### International Food Policy Research Institute

- **New Appointments:** **Kuntal Saha**, Postdoctoral Fellow; **Lenis Saweda Liverpool**, Postdoctoral Fellow; **Alex De Pinto**, Research Fellow; **Teunis van Rheenen**, Senior Research Fellow.
- **Award:** **Bart Minten and David Stifel**, IAAE, 2008 Best Article in Agricultural Economics.
- **Honorary Positions:** **Shenggen Fan**, Executive Committee, IAAE; **Jose Falck-Zepeda**, Scientific Advisory Board of Value Generation through Genomics Project, Genome Prairie Center/Genome Canada/Univ of Saskatchewan/Univ of Ottawa; **Joachim von Braun**, Scientific Advisory Board, Courant Research Centre; **Kwadwo Asenso-Okyere**, Chairman of the Board, United Nations Univ Institute for Environment and Human Security; **Guillaume Gruere**, AAEA Quality of Communication Award Subcommittee, October 2009–December 2011.
- **Visitors:** **Nunung Nuryartono**, Senior Lecturer, Bogor Agricultural Univ, September 8–18, 2009; **Miriam Cabanilla**, Corporación del Instituto Nacional de Investigación Agropecuaria, September 14–25, 2009; **Norman Kiwikiriza**, Kawanda Agricultural Research Organization of Uganda, September 14–15, 2009; **Suresh Pal**, Head of the Division of Ag-

ricultural Economics, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, USDA Norman Borlaug Fellow, September 16–October 15, 2009.

### Kansas State U

- **New Appointment:** **David Lambert**, Department Head.
- **Award:** **Michael Boland**, AAEA, Outstanding Teaching Award: Undergraduate Teaching, Ten or More Years' Experience.

### U of Kentucky

- **New Appointment:** **Larry Jones**, Interim Associate Dean for Academic Programs.

### U of Massachusetts Amherst

- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Thomas Martin**, MS, Asst Research Analyst, PointRight; **Ria Galiano**, MS, Research Analyst, Marsoft, Inc.
- **Visitor:** **Ena Maldonado-Simán**, Prof, Universidad Autónoma Chapingo, Visiting Researcher, September 2009.

### Michigan State U

- **Awards:** **Feng Song**, AAEA Foundation, 2009 McCorkle Scholarship Award; **Jacob Ricker-Gilbert**, IAAE, T.W. Schultz Best Contributed Paper Prize.
- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Elliott Mghenyi**, PhD, Young Professional, The World Bank; **Mariah Branch**, MS, Director of Planning and Development, Prout Research Institute of Venezuela; **Tomokazu Nagai**, MS, Engineer-Rural Development Division, NTC International Company, Ltd; **Gomes Cambuta**, MS, Community Engagement Advisor, Chevron Oil Company; **Cristin Popelier-Hosmer**, MS, Database Coordinator, Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce.

### U of Minnesota

- **Awards:** **Harry Kaiser**, Univ of Minnesota, Outstanding Achievement Award; **Jean Kinsey**, St. Olaf College, Alumni Achievement Award.
- **Honorary Position:** **Elton Mykerezi**, Member of Feeding Minnesota Task Force, Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

### U of Missouri

- **Award:** **Brady J. Deaton**, Prince of Songkla Univ, Honorary Degree.
- **Position Taken by Recent Graduate:** **Yiyong Yuan**, PhD, Asst Prof, Southwestern Univ of Finance and Economics.
- **Visitors:** **Nataliia Gerasymchuk**, Borlaug Fellow, National Univ of Life and En-

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vironmental Sciences of Ukraine, October 11–November 17, 2009; **Karin Hakelius**, Prof of Economics, Swedish Agricultural Univ, Visiting Scholar, September 19–October 10, 2009; **Daniel Kekana**, Borlaug Fellow, National Institute of Economic Policy, Agriculture Research Council, September 22–November 15, 2009; **Darja Regorsek**, Visiting Scholar, Univ of Slovenia, August, 2009–February, 2010.

### North Carolina State U

- **Leave:** **Dan Phaneuf**, Univ of Kiel, August 16, 2009–May 15, 2010.
- **Retirement:** **Geoffrey Benson**.

### The Ohio State U

- **Positions Taken By Recent Graduates:** **Jose Pablo Baquero**, PhD, Research Economist, Central Bank of Costa Rica; **Emilio Hernandez**, PhD, Research Specialist, United Nations Industrial Development Organization.
- **Resignation:** **Mark Benintendi**.
- **Visitors:** **Sam-Ryang Kim**, Associate Prof/Head Researcher/Director of Industry Promotion, Department Korean Health Industry Development Institute; **Alessandra Faggian**, Associate Prof, Univ of Southampton.

### Oklahoma State U

- **Retirement:** **Clement E. Ward**, 31 years.

### Oregon State U

- **New Appointment:** **Yong Chen**, Asst Prof.
- **Awards:** **Thorsten Egelkraut**, College of Agricultural Sciences, Savery Outstanding Young Faculty Award; **Starr McMullen**, Oregon Transportation and Research Consortium, Researcher of the Year Award; **Gil Sylvia**, College of Agricultural Sciences, James and Mildred Oldfield/E.R. Jackman Team Award.

### Purdue U

- **New Appointment:** **Nelson Villoria**, Postdoctoral Research Associate.
- **Appointment Change:** **Wallace Tyner**, James and Lois Ackerman Prof of Agricultural Economics.
- **Awards:** **Marshall Martin**, Purdue Alumni Association, 2009 Special Boilermaker Award; **Miriam Otoo**, CGIAR Gender and Diversity Program, African Women in Agricultural Research and Development; **David Ortega**, Food Distribution Research Society, 2009 William

Applebaum Memorial Scholarship Award; **Christopher Hurt**, Purdue Univ Cooperative Extension Specialist Association, Career Award; **Allan Miller**, Purdue Univ Cooperative Extension Specialist Association, Mid-Career Award; **Maria Marshall**, Purdue Univ Cooperative Extension Specialist Association, Early Career Award; **Miriam Otoo and Christopher Chibwana**, USDA Leadership Enhancement in Agriculture Program, Norman E. Borlaug International Agricultural Science and Technology Fellowships; **Indiana Council for Economic Education**, Council for Economic Education, Adam Smith Award.

- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Jason P. Brown**, PhD candidate, USDA-Economic Research Service; **Valerin Pede**, PhD candidate; **Todd Kuethe**, PhD candidate, Agricultural Economist, USDA-ERS Farm Rural Business.
- **Honorary Position:** **Otto Doering**, National Academy of Sciences' Water Science and Technology Board, 3 years.

### South Dakota State U

- **New Appointments:** **Kuo-Liang (Matt) Chang**, Asst Prof; **Michael Miller**, Asst Prof; **Larry Swain**, Instructor/Extension Specialist; **Zhiguang (Gerald) Wang**, Asst Prof.

### Texas A&M U

- **Award:** **John B. Penson**, Texas A&M Univ Association of Former Students, College Level Teaching Excellence Award.
- **Positions Taken by Recent Graduates:** **Matthew Gleinser**, MS, Performance Improvement Analyst, Dairy Farmers of America; **Brett Lauppe**, MAB, Associate Credit Analyst, CoBank.

### Texas Tech U

- **Awards:** **Jaime Malaga**, Undergraduate Agricultural Economics Association, Outstanding Faculty Award; **Benaissa Chidmi**, **Emmett Elam**, and **Jeffrey Johnson**, CASNR, Apple Master Teacher Award; **Phillip Johnson**, CASNR, Outstanding Service/Outreach Award; **Thomas Knight**, CASNR, Outstanding Researcher Award; **Don E. Ethridge**, CASNR, Distinguished Alumni Award; **Don E. Ethridge**, Gamma Sigma Delta, Outstanding Service to Agriculture Award;

**Justin Weinheimer**, Gamma Sigma Delta, Outstanding Graduate Student Award.

### USDA-Economic Research Service

- **New Appointments:** **Alisha Coleman-Jensen**, Research Social Scientist; **Katie Fitzpatrick**, Research Social Scientist; **Aylin Kumcu**, Research Agriculture; **Sarah Low**, Agriculture Research; **Thomas Hertz**, Research Agriculture; **Ann D'Souza**, Agricultural Economist; **Luanne Lohr**, Research Agriculture; **Thomas Capehart**, Research Agriculture; **Kim Hjort**, Agricultural Economist; **Nicholas Rada**, Agricultural Economist.
- **Appointment Changes:** **Timothy Park**, Agricultural Economist; **Edward Roeger**, Agricultural Economist.
- **Award:** **Laurian Unnevehr**, AAEA, Fellow.
- **Resignations:** **Joyia Smith**; **Veronica Pozo**.

### Washington State U

- **Awards:** **Ana Espinola**, Junta de Andalucia, Research Fellowship; **Felix Munoz**, Junta de Andalucia, Research Fellowship; **Doug Young**, Washington State Univ, Recognition of Lifetime Achievement; **Doug Young**, WAEA Preconference Symposium, Honoree.
- **Position Taken by Recent Graduate:** **Hui-fang Zhang**, PhD, Economist, State of Washington.
- **Honorary Position:** **Ken Casavant**, President, PAC Ten Conference.
- **Leave:** **Richard Shumway**, Europe, 1.5 years.

### U of Wisconsin at Madison

- **Award:** **Truman Graf**, National Dairy Shrine Hall of Fame, Member.
- **Visitors:** **Linh Duy Nguyen**, Hanoi Univ of Agricultural, September 15–December 15, 2009; **Tru Anh Nguyen**, Hanoi Univ of Agricultural, September 15–December 15, 2009; **Joseph Guenther**, Univ of Idaho, September–December, 2009; **Do Kimchung**, Hanoi Univ of Agriculture, November 1–30, 2009.



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### November 15–17, 2009

- *The Economics of Alternative Energy Sources and Globalization: The Road Ahead*—Orlando, Florida

### January 3–5

- *2010 ASSA Annual Meeting*—Atlanta, Georgia

### January 13–15

- *Workshop on Wetlands Management, Economics, and Policy*—Victoria, British Columbia

### February 8–10

- *2010 AARES Conference*—Adelaide, Australia

### March 18–20

- *2010 SCC-76 Annual Meeting, “Economics and Management of Risk in Agriculture and Natural Resources”*—Destin, Florida

### April 19–20

- *2010 NCCC-134 Conference, “Commodity Price Analysis, Forecasting, and Market Risk Analysis”*—St. Louis, Missouri

### April 19–23

- *Course on Irreversibilities, Uncertainties, and Real Option Values*—Wageningen University, The Netherlands

### June 13–15

- *NAREA 2010 Annual Meeting*—Atlantic City, New Jersey

### June 15–16

- *2010 NAREA Workshop on Economics of Local Food Markets*—Atlantic City, New Jersey

### June 28–July 2

- *World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists*—Montreal, Quebec

### July 25–27

- *2010 AAEA, CAES, & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting*—Denver, Colorado

### September 15–17

- *115th EAAE Seminar, “The Economics of Food, Food Choice, and Health”*—Munich, Germany

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