



Iowa State University Department of Economics

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Announcement

Paul Olson passes

Paul Olson, son of former CARD graphic designer Becky Olson and her husband Ray, moved from this life to life eternal May 9, 2020 at MercyOne Medical Center in Des Moines after medical complications.

Department Highlights

Rosenbloom reappointed department chair

Joshua Rosenbloom has been reappointed for a second five-year term as chair of the Department of Economics.

CARD, econ launch COVID-19 resource website

Members of the Center for Agricultural Research and Rural Development (CARD) and the Department of Economics have launched a new resource website with COVID-related research, information, and resources that examines the impacts of the pandemic on local, regional, and global economies.

2020 Prescott awardees

The graduate student Prescott Scholarship recipients for 2019-2020 are Raj Chandra, Jiwon Lee, Haoran Li, and Liyuan Ma.

Lyn paper presented

Gary Lyn, assistant professor, had his paper, "Climate Contagion: Temperature and Growth in Spatial General Equilibrium" with coauthors Ariel Ortiz-Bobea (Cornell) and Ivan Rudik (Cornell), presented virtually at the Global Open Series in Environmental Economics.

New publication for Wan

First year PhD student Xiaolan Wan has had her paper, "Market reaction to the international acquisitions by Chinese firms: The role of potential intelligence sourcing and preannouncement," published in *Chinese Management Studies* in April 2020.

Culling could be a real issue: Hayes

Dermot Hayes, professor, was quoted in a May 19 *Mother Jones* story, "When Meat Plants Close Down, Farmers Have to Kill Thousands of Piglets."

Winters' report on Forbes online

A report released May 19 by John Winters, associate professor, was cited in a *Forbes* online story, "New Report: The Size Of The College Earnings Premium Depends On Where You Live."

Hart on High Plains Public Radio

Chad Hart, associate professor, was interviewed on a May 14 High Plains Public Radio program, “Outlook For Corn And Soybeans Isn’t Great, But It Could Have Been Worse.”

Double whammy of meat demand and supply: Schulz

Lee Schulz, associate professor, was interviewed for a May 15 *Meat+Poultry* story, “Meat prices expected to rise as supply continues to decrease.”

Uncertainty in economic recovery: Swenson

David Swenson, associate scientist, talked with Michael Crumb, *Des Moines Business Record*, for a May 15 story, “Coping with Covid-19: Uncertainty surrounds economic recovery from coronavirus pandemic.”

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