



Iowa State University Department of Economics

Friday, May 25, 2018

Announcements

Memorial Day holiday observed May 28

The Economics administrative offices (and all university offices) will be closed on Monday, May 28, to observe the Memorial Day holiday.

Blackboard access ends June 1

A friendly reminder that Blackboard access ends Friday, June 1.

2018 Cash Rental Rates for Iowa now available

The results from the Cash Rental Rates for Iowa 2018 Survey are now available at:
<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/wholefarm/html/c2-10.html>

Central Plains Research Data Center - Call for proposals

Central Plains Research Data Center (CPRDC) is seeking seed award proposals that will provide funding for graduate students to assist faculty researchers.

Department Highlights

Zhang elected to AAEA chair

Wendong Zhang, assistant professor, was elected to Chair Elect of the the Agricultural Finance & Management section of the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA) in May.

Plastina hosts spring meeting

Alejandro Plastina, assistant professor, hosted the spring meeting of the North Central Farm Management Extension Committee (<https://ncfmc.org/>) in Heady Hall on May 17-18.

Rosenbloom attends study abroad dinner

Joshua Rosenbloom, professor and department chair, attended the 8th Annual CALS Study Abroad Scholarship Dinner, co-hosted by CALS Global Programs and the ISU Foundation.

Mooney credits startup success to Cystarters

Clayton Mooney, program coordinator, Ag Entrepreneurship Initiative, and his startup company KinoSol, were the topic of an Iowa State University News Service story.

Jacobs gives invited seminar

Keri Jacobs, assistant professor, gave an invited talk at a joint seminar of the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Centre for the Study of Co-operatives at the University of Saskatchewan on Friday, May 11.

Hayes: Drop in hog prices hurts farmers

Dermot Hayes, professor, was quoted in the May 23rd story "Farmers Nervously Await Outcome of Trade Talks" in *Stateline* magazine.

Ag bus junior featured in *Farm World*

Ag bus junior Connor Bollum was featured in the story "Study abroad is valuable to rounding out ag education" in *Farm World*.



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