

# Iowa State University Department of Economics

Friday, September 28, 2018

# Announcements

## Metasys upgrade Oct. 2

The Metasys server will be upgraded on Tues., Oct. 2 between 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. During this time Metasys will be unavailable, so no alarms will be reporting to DPS. If a Fire alarm occurs in your building, the building supervisor and/or occupants should call 911/DPS. For other critical environment alarms call the FP&M Service Center at 294-5100.

## FEMA wireless emergency alert test

Please be aware that FEMA is planning to broadcast a test "Presidential Alert" message to every cell phone in the country on Weds., Oct. 3, in the early afternoon beginning at 1:18 p.m. CDT.

### NCFDD membership

Now that the fall semester is underway, we wanted to remind you that Iowa State University is an Institutional Member of the National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity (NCFDD).

# MEA conference - Call for abstracts

AEA Annual meeting, March 15-17, 2019 This is an interesting conference for our grad students (and perhaps faculty willing to help). Abstract submission deadline: Oct. 8, 2018

# **Department Highlights**

## Iowa State study reveals trade disruption impacts on Iowa's economy

A new study by researchers at the Center for Agricultural and Rural Development (CARD) at Iowa State University reveals the impacts that current trade disruptions are having on Iowa's economy.

### Hayes on African swine fever in China

Dermot Hayes, professor, was interviewed for a Sept. 21st story in *AgWeb* "U.S. Pork Industry on High Alert with African Swine Fever Overseas" on the effects African Swine Fever is having on herds in China and on U.S. producers.

### Hart on developing new markets, ag trade wars

Chad Hart, associate professor, was quoted in several media outlets regarding the USDA putting money into developing new markets:

# Study: Iowa economy could see \$1.6bn hit from tariffs

John Crespi, professor and interim director of CARD, was interviewed for a story in the Sept. 24th *Financial Times* on a CARD study that reveals the impacts that current trade disruptions are having on Iowa's economy.

## Swenson on Iowa metro area economies

David Swenson, associate scientist, was interviewed for a Sept. 20th story in the *Des Moines Register* "The economies of most Iowa metros are growing — except for two."

#### Ag 450 farm celebrates 75th anniversary

Iowa State's student-run Ag 450 farm is celebrating its 75 years.

#### Undergrads win Landus scholarships

Landus Cooperative, in collaboration with Iowa State University's (ISU) Department of Economics in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, recently awarded fifteen \$1,000 scholarships to freshman majoring in agricultural business.

### **Upcoming Events**

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Candidate Debate Wednesday, October 3, 2018 3:10 pm to 5:00 pm 0013 Curtiss

#### Susan Sayre (Smith College)

Wednesday, October 3, 2018 3:40 pm to 5:00 pm 368A Heady Hall

#### P&S Council Ice Cream Social

Thursday, October 4, 2018 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm Kildee Hall Pavilion

#### Labor-Public Economics Workshop: Anni Isojaervi (ISU)

Thursday, October 4, 2018 3:40 pm to 5:00 pm 360 Heady Hall

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