Calendar of Events:

March 6  Second eight week courses begin
March 13-18  Spring Break
April 29  Classes end
May 1-6  Final exams
May 9  Grades due
May 12-14  Commencement

Photo of the Month:  Allan Gray and Aissa Good traveled to South Africa for the 2016 Agri-Finance for Non-Financial Managers program in Johannesburg. Program participants had access to classroom instruction, networking and agricultural tours.

Congratulations
Two faculty members were recognized for their achievements and service to the people of Indiana at the Purdue Ag Alumni Fish Fry held in Indianapolis on February 4, 2017. Emeritus Professor Janet Ayres and Professor Chris Hurt received the Purdue Ag Alumni Certificate of Distinction.

_Thought You Would Like to Know:_

March 3, 2017, is our Distinguished Ag Alumni event and we are honoring Mr. Scot Ortman, CEO of Kokomo Grain. The event will involve a panel discussion, an invited lunch, and a dessert reception.

April 7, 2017, is the 43rd Annual Snyder Lecture. We will have APEX awards, department awards, and Mr. Don Villwock will be present to introduce our guest speaker, Mr. Dan Sumner from UC, Davis. His title has yet to be determined.

**43rd Annual James C. Snyder Memorial Lecture**  
Friday, April 7, 2017

**Krannert Drawing Room**

- 8:30 Graduate Student Poster Competition  
  posters on display.

- 9:15 Department continental breakfast reception with  
  APEX Awardees.

- 9:45 Presentation of Outstanding theses and dissertation, and department service awards. Presentation of the APEX Awards—awardees to be announced soon.

**Invited Lunch in the John Purdue Room – Marriott Hall**

- 11:30 Guest speaker, Dr. Daniel Sumner from the University of California, APEX Awardees, invited faculty and students.

**Snyder Lecture – Krannert Auditorium**

- 1:30 Opening Remarks, welcoming of Mrs. Mary Ruth Snyder and family; presentation of the graduate student poster awards.

- 2:00 Special introduction by Mr. Don Villwock.  
  Dr. Sumner presents: _Title of the presentation_

**Department Reception – Krannert Drawing Room**

- 3:30 Reception immediately following the lecture.

Dr. Lourival Carmo Monaco Neto will be a visiting scholar in our department from March 2017 until February 2018. Dr. Monaco Neto has a Masters in Agronomy and a Doctorate in Administration from the University of Sao Paulo, Brazil. He will be working with Dr. Allan Gray in the area of how agribusinesses incorporate competitor intelligence in their strategies.

**Departmental Seminars**
News from AGEC Undergraduates:

See the success stories of our undergraduates at:

https://ag.purdue.edu/agecon/Pages/Undergraduate-Success-Stories.aspx

News from Center for Food and Agricultural Business Programs

The Center for Food and Agricultural Business will launch three new professional development programs in 2017: Cultivating Resilience, the Accelerated Management Program, and Turning Trust to Loyalty. See the program lineup at http://agribusiness.purdue.edu/seminars-and-events.

The American Seed Trade Association Management Academy is March 6-10 in Krannert Center. This year marks the program’s 30th anniversary and 30 years of partnership between the center and ASTA. The management academy brings together 50 seed industry professionals for a week of top-notch instruction, networking and industry exposure. It is the center’s longest running program.

The center and Aspyre Growth Accelerator will continue to partner in 2017, offering two programs in Johannesburg, South Africa. Agri-Finance for Non-Financial Managers is May 22-26, and Strategic Agribusiness Management is May 28-June 1.

Land O’Lakes Living Case

The center co-hosted the inaugural Land O’Lakes, Inc., Living Case Competition at Purdue University, Feb. 24-27 alongside the Krannert School of Management. Teams of undergraduate students visited a farm, toured a farmer-owned cooperative, and conducted interviews with representatives of Land O’Lakes Sustain and WinField United. The students then presented their findings to a panel of judges. The winning team was Dane Chapman and Erica Timmons of the College of Agriculture. Second place was Andrea Choka, Rachel Thalls and Vinit Ghia of the Krannert School of Management. Outstanding presenters were Jacquelyn Brown of Agriculture and Sam Phares of Krannert.

News from the Center for Commercial Agriculture:

Advisory Council

The Center for Commercial Agriculture hosted its Industry Council and Advisory Council on campus for their annual meeting in January. Twenty-one attendees representing agribusiness, commodity organizations and farms spent two days casting vision for the center’s future.

Webinars
The center also has hosted five webinars so far in 2017:

- *Ag Business Climate Outlook for 2017*
- *Reducing Your Crop Production Costs: Focus on Fertility*
- *Family Business as a Competitive Advantage*
- *Ag Economy Barometer – January Report Update*
- *Making Your 2017 Crop Insurance Choices*

**Programs**

**Michael Langemeier** and **Jim Mintert** have been speaking at a variety of Extension programs about “Managing for 2017 and Beyond.” These programs, which are focused on helping agricultural producers reduce their per-bushel corn and soybean production costs, are offered in partnership with Purdue Agronomy and Purdue Extension.

**News from Center for Global Trade Analysis:**

Please welcome **Sue Bennett** as the Center for Global Trade Analysis’ new Operations Coordinator. Sue comes to GTAP from the Department of Agronomy here at Purdue, where she was the Business Manager for the past few years.

Welcome, Sue!

**Presented papers, seminars and travel:**


**Publications:**


Positions, Career and Job Sites on the Internet:

Purdue Extension Service: see website listed below
Career and Job Sites on the Internet
Purdue http://www.purdue.edu/jobs
AAEA Job posting http://www.aaea.org/employment.html
Academic Employment Network http://www.academemploy.com/
Agriculture Career Connection http://www.ag-biz.com
Ag Careers http://www.agcareers.com
Academic Position Network http://www.apnjobs.com/
Academic Keys http://www.academickeys.com
Community Colleges, misc http://www.aacc.nche.edu/
ConAgra (http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/
Chronicle of Higher Education http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/
Education Jobs Page http://www.nationajob.com/education
Employment/Resume posting http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html
EPA http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe
Foreign Ag Service http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm
Government Career http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/
National Job Bank http://www.jobs.joe.org
USDA, Ag Research Service http://ars.usda.gov
http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/hr/lsjobs.htm
http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/323686300
http://www.federalreserve.gov/careers/intern_research.htm
http://www.fsdinternational.org/intlopps/programs/internships1
http://www.fcnl.org/young/intern.htm
http://www.uschamber.com/careers/internships/default
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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

Age is something that doesn't matter, unless you are a cheese.