Agricultural and Resource Economics might be just one of many departmental pieces of pie at NC State University but our pie slice is full of fruitful work overflowing every bite with flavors from research, extension and academic ingredients. Activities spreading into the student body show how much our department is dedicated to cooking up success (makes you hungry, doesn’t it?!):

**Ag-Econ Seminar**
The first seminar of the 2014 Academic Year kicked off with a NCSU Economics Grad Student, Xiaojie Xu.

**Agribusiness Club**
The Agribusiness Club (now known as the AgBiz Club) hosted a popular barbeque welcoming new and current members to agribusiness.

**Study Abroad**
ARE is going overseas this Spring/Summer through three different Study Abroad trips!

- Melissa Hendrickson is taking a group to Croatia and Italy.
- Ed Kick and Karl Jicha are taking a group to Scotland and England.
- Fred Parker is taking a group to Latin America.

**Toastmasters**
Ted Feitshans is the advisor for the Toastmasters International and was proud when Ewann Domalain, a Biomedical Engineering undergraduate, placed third in the Division I Contest.
⇒ Seminars and workshops are in full swing!

**AG-ECON SEMINARS**
[http://ag-econ.ncsu.edu/research/are-seminar-series](http://ag-econ.ncsu.edu/research/are-seminar-series)
- **Coordinators:** Tom Vukina and Xiaoyong Zheng
- **Location:** 4210 Nelson Hall
- **Time:** Tuesdays, 3:00—4:15 pm
(see calendar via above link for exact dates of seminars)

**ECONOMETRICS WORKSHOPS**
- **Coordinators:** Dept. of Economics
- **Location:** NCSU, Duke, and UNC
- **Time:** Various—see workshop link

**MACRO/INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR**
[http://www4.ncsu.edu/~njtraum/seminar/seminar.htm](http://www4.ncsu.edu/~njtraum/seminar/seminar.htm)
- **Coordinators:** Giuseppe Fiori, Ivan Kandilov, and Nora Traum
- **Location:** 4210 Nelson Hall
- **Time:** 3:00 pm
(see calendar via above link for exact dates of seminars)

**MICROECONOMICS WORKSHOPS**
[http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rghammon/workshop.html](http://www4.ncsu.edu/~rghammon/workshop.html)
- **Coordinators:** Bob Hammond (Econ. Dept.)
- **Location:** 4210 Nelson Hall
- **Time:** Wednesdays, 3:00—4:15 pm
(see calendar via above link for exact dates of seminars)

**CEnREP: LUNCH COLLOQUIUM**
- **Coordinators:** Laura Taylor and Roger von Haefen
- **Location:** NCSU Campus
- **Time:** Fridays, 12:15—1:15 pm
(see calendar via above link for exact dates of seminars)

**CEnREP: TREE SEMINAR SERIES**
- **Coordinators:** Laura Taylor and Roger von Haefen
- **Location:** RTI International
- **Time:** Thursdays, 3:15—4:45 pm
(see calendar via above link for exact dates of seminars)

CALS Calendar of Events also provides seminar information as well:

Do you have a seminar you would like to announce? Feel free to contact the department staff!

⇒ Estate Planning, Present Use, and Sales Tax Update

— Thank you to Ted Feitshans and Guido van der Hoeven for providing updated information concerning estate planning and sales tax in conjunction with the NC Cooperative Extension on October 10, 2014.

***In photo from left to right: Danelle Cutting, Ted Feitshans, Guido van der Hoeven, and Mark Megalos***

⇒ Keeping the Farm Workshop—September 11th was when Ted Feitshans contributed to the 10th annual Wake County Keeping the Farm Workshop planning meeting alongside multi-organization supporters. The 10th annual Wake County Keeping the Farm Workshop will be held on January 28, 2015. Ted and Guido typically present at the workshop. The purpose of the workshop is to help Wake County landowners maintain their land in forest and agricultural uses. Topics presented have included taxation, estate planning, farm transition, food safety, liability avoidance and risk management, conservation easements, forest management, local agriculture, and handling trespassers.

⇒ Land Grant University Tax Education Foundation—Guido van der Hoeven was recently appointed President by its Board of Directors. LGUTEF produces a ~700 page text annually which is used as the text for tax practitioners in 26 states to ~30,000 tax practitioners. Learn more at: [www.taxworkbook.com](http://www.taxworkbook.com)

⇒ Wall Street Journal’s 125th—As part of celebrating it’s 125th anniversary, The Wall Street Journal has recognized its top 125 professors who were referenced by students. Congratulations Ted Feitshans on your recognition!

⇒ Woodland Steward Series: Mountains Program—Ted Feitshans presented at the 2014 Woodland Steward Series: Mountains Program


Osman Gulseven and Michael Wohlgenant. "Demand for Functional and Nutritional Enhancements in Specialty Milk Products," Appetite. Note: Appetite is a leading international journal that specializes in behavioral nutrition.


Growth is never by mere chance; it is the result of forces working together

- James Cash Penney
Conference Rooms

I am requesting a week's "heads up" for those wanting me to assist them with Audio-Visual equipment in the 3'rd Floor Conference Room. I have a million things going on and would appreciate being able to assist you properly, that is, not at the last minute. Technology can throw a lot of surprises as you know, and A/V equipment is not exempt. When reserving the room please make a mental note to immediately go and give arehelp@ncsu.edu an email regarding your reservation/request.

Reminder

Please use the email address arehelp@ncsu.edu when requesting IT assistance. These emails are flagged and highlighted in my inbox and priority will be given to requests made using this address.

Thank you,
Scott

(ARE IT Administrator)

Open Enrollment

October 1-31, 2014

- Those in the 80/20 or CDHP must complete the wellness activities (health assessment & smoking attestation) by October 31, 2014 to receive the lower monthly premiums in 2015.
- No more waiting periods in 2015 in the dental plans except for orthodontic benefits.
- Must re-enroll in flexible spending accounts to have them in 2015.

go.ncsu.edu/annualenrollment

Flu Shots on Campus

October– November

Human Resources will be sponsoring appointment and walk-in flu vaccination clinics across campus during the months of October and November. Just like prior years, all State Health Plan members, dependents, and retirees are eligible for a FREE flu vaccination at the NC State campus clinics.

For more details or to schedule your flu vaccination appointment, visit:
go.ncsu.edu/getmyflushot