Neal Gutterson is a former CTO with Corteva Agriscience, and now partner and CTO of Radicle Growth, an early stage sustainable agriculture and food venture fund. Looking back over his long career, his advice is to adopt a “portfolio” methodology when approaching innovation and your career. More specifically, Neal lays out the benefits of pursuing high-risk projects and career options.

Lucinda Jackson, scientist and business executive, spent almost 50 years at three universities and four Fortune 500 companies. Lucinda doesn’t mince words on the topic of historical unequal treatment of women in the workplace, or how to secure the most fulfilling retirement possible (the latter of which is the focus of the article in today’s newsletter). Regarding retirement, she urges people to ask, “What’s important to me?” rather than “What do I do now?” And she challenges corporate America to rethink what it considers to be “old” with respect to its employees.

We’re on the road with Ingrid Montes. Based in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Ingrid has traveled a great deal over her long career in academia, and she shares some memories from her many trips. Ingrid recalls her first business trip to the U.S. with great fondness and explains the appeal of Singapore and Patagonia.

Finally, as increasing numbers of us return to the office, we’re re-publishing an article featuring advice from four ACS Career Consultants on the topic of when it’s okay to skip out on work-related social events.
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