Graduate Seminar – Loren Hanna, Coordinator
Speaker: Kyle McLean, ANSC Graduate Student

Topic: Review of and how early pregnancy data from NDSU supports the “Baton Pass Hypothesis”

Date/Time: Tuesday, August 23; 10:00 a.m.
Location: Hultz 104

Kyle McLean grew up in Miles City, MT. He received his B.S. in animal science in 2010 and his M.S. in animal science with an emphasis on reproductive physiology in 2013 from Oklahoma State University. He is currently working toward a Ph.D. with an emphasis on nutritional physiology under the direction of Joel Caton. His research is focused on the effects of nutritional restriction on the establishment of pregnancy and the potential influences of endogenous retroviral fragments in beef cattle.

Recent Publications


Office hours return to 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – August 22
First full day of classes – August 23
Welcome Back!
Celebrating Baby

Joelle (Jojo) Rebecca Flaten
Born on 8/13/16 at 11:30pm
Weight 8lbs. 7oz.
Length 21.5 inches

Jojo likes: eating, sleeping
Jojo dislikes: being changed, being hungry

Congratulations to the parents – Jordan and Ashley Flaten. Jordan is a research specialist in the AIM Lab, and Ashley owns Ashley Rebecca Salon.

Departmental Picnic

The departmental picnic was held on Wednesday, August 17, in the Shepperd Arena green space. We had great food (thanks everybody), good conversations, and lots of fun!

(photos by Julie Nash)
**SPAM* Award Moves On** – Loren Baranko (photo by Deb Peters)

The SPAM Award is a departmental award established by department Head Greg Lardy to honor people who embody the Spirit, Pep, And Motivation which make the department great. The current award holder is charged with naming their successor within three months. This is what Loren Baranko had to say about the person she chose as the next recipient of the award.

“The next recipient of the SPAM award is someone who has not only been invaluable to me, but also to many other people in the department. This person helped make my first year in this position go a lot smoother because of the constant guidance and answers to all of my questions (believe me, there were and will continue to be a lot!). This individual is the go-to person for myself and many others in the department when it comes to advising and curriculum questions; and I have yet to ask a question that this person doesn’t know the answer to.

“This person is the next SPAM award winner because he genuinely cares about each individual student’s success, even when they aren’t his advisees or students. When there are departmental and student events, you will always see this person there showing support. This person was also my undergraduate advisor, so I know first-hand how good of an advisor he really is. For all of those reasons and many more, that is why Marc Bauer is the next recipient of the SPAM award.”

Past recipients of the SPAM Award include: the Moos, Ewes & More Committee, Tate and Shannon Eck, Dale Redmer, Skip Anderson, Animal Sciences offices staff, Wanda Keller, Jodie Haring, Kim Vonnahme and Anna Grazul-Bilska, Jim Kirsch, Sarah Underdahl, Gerald Stokka, Kendall Swanson, and Loren Baranko.

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**Back to School Ice Cream Social** – Patti Sebesta

NDSU Ag Ambassadors and faculty from the College of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources are sponsoring a back-to-school ice cream social for students, faculty, and staff. The event will be held at **6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24, in the Memorial Union Ballroom**. We’ll have your favorite sundae toppings and door prizes!

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. This is a great opportunity to welcome our new students as well as those returning to campus. Hope to see you on the 24!