Chung Park Presents Research at Conference
Dr. Chung Park, Professor of Animal Sciences, recently presented his work on nutrition and mammogenesis at a symposium session at the 6th Era of Hope Conference sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) Breast Cancer Research Program. His symposium talk entitled, “In utero exposure to dietary methyl nutrients and mammary development and tumorigenesis in offspring,” was selected from more than 1,400 submitted abstracts.

The Era of Hope Conference, one of the key breast cancer research conferences in the United States, provides a forum for scientists and clinicians from a variety of disciplines to join breast cancer survivors and advocates to learn about the advances made in the fight against breast cancer. Over the years, Dr. Park’s study efforts on the role of methyl nutrients (lipotropes) in mammogenesis, lactation, and cancer have been supported by grant funds from the National Institutes of Health – National Cancer Institute (twice), the DOD Medical Research Program (twice), and the American Institute of Cancer Research.

Temporary Instructors Hired
The searches for the Director of the Veterinary Technology Program and for the Instructor/Livestock Judging Team coach are ongoing. Therefore, the following temporary instructors have been hired and will be serving the department this fall as noted below:

- **Jeff Kramer, DVM** – Dr. Kramer has a B.S. in Microbiology from NDSU and a DVM from Kansas State University. He is an associate veterinarian at the Red River Animal Emergency Clinic. He was previously employed by ANSC as an instructor. He will be teaching VETS 135, Anatomy and Physiology of Domestic Animals.
- **Jessica Nesius, DVM** – Dr. Nesius received a B.S. in Fisheries and Wildlife from UND in 2004 and a DVM from the University of Minnesota in 2010. She recently completed an internship at the Wisconsin Veterinary Referral Center in Waukesha, Wisconsin. She will be working in the Veterinary Technology Program as a part time clinician to cover clinic hours with the VETS students.
- **Dr. Tim Grahn** – Dr. Grahn studied pre-veterinary medicine at NDSU from 1971 to 1973 and received a DVM from the University of Minnesota in 1978. Most recently, he was in private veterinary practice at Clark Marathon Veterinary Clinic in Colby, Wisconsin. Dr. Grahn will teach the beef portion of ANSC 220, Livestock Production.
• **Christen Jackson** – Christen has a B.S. in Animal Science from NDSU. She is currently an M.S. student studying with Dr. Reid Redden. She will teach ANSC 331, Livestock Evaluation, and coach the livestock judging team.

**Walters Hired in Lactation Laboratory**
Mark Walters came on board as the Research Specialist in Dr. Chung Park’s laboratory on August 8, replacing Dana Walsh. Mark received a B.S. degree in Biology from the University of Wisconsin-Superior and an M.S. degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology from the University of Minnesota-Duluth in 2010. While in graduate school, Mark studied the effects of perfluorooctanoic acid on mitochondrial metabolism in rats. His findings were published in two journal articles.

Originally from Hibbing, Minnesota, Mark enjoys fishing, camping, canoeing, and hiking with his eight-year-old Rottweiler named Ursa. Mark’s father and sister are both NDSU alumni, so Mark is happy that he can continue his family’s ties to the university. He is especially excited to become a Bison football fan!

Mark’s phone number is 231-7424. His email is mark.w.walters.

**Meyer New Faculty Member at University of Wyoming**
Allison Meyer recently completed her Ph.D. under the direction of Dr. Joel Caton and left NDSU for the mountains of Wyoming. Allison began a position as Assistant Professor of Ruminant Nutrition at the University of Wyoming in Laramie on August 1. Her position is a 65% research, 30% teaching, 5% service split. In addition to starting up her research program this fall, Allison will be teaching ANSC 4100/5100 Nutritional Management.

*A note from Allison:* “I would like to thank the entire department for all of the friendship and support you have given me over the last 4 years. Although Fargo was not my favorite place to live, it was definitely worth it to be a part of such a great department! I will never forget all of the great times and great people at NDSU.”

Allison’s new contact information: Email: ameyer6@uwyo.edu; Office phone: 307-766-5173.

**Back to School Ice Cream Social**
Wednesday, August 24
Memorial Union Ballroom

The event, sponsored by NDSU Ag Ambassadors, is for students, faculty, and staff.
**Veterinary Technology Director Candidate Seminar**

**Speaker:** Richard Brown, DVM

**Topic:** Vision for a Comprehensive Veterinary Technology Program

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, August 17; 9:15 a.m.

**Place:** Hultz 104

Dr. Richard Brown holds a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine. He was employed by several veterinary hospitals early in his career and was a self-employed veterinarian from 1999 to 2005. He was the Senior Program (Attending) Veterinarian for the Research Animal Resource Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison from 2005 to 2010. He is presently teaching Agricultural Production Medicine at Globe University in Madison, WI; doing consulting work with the Kenosha Humane Society and private industry; and doing private practice work locum tenum (definition: temporary substitute for another member of the same profession). He is preparing a manuscript for publication and study in preparation for the ACLAM boards and collaborating on novel (liposomal) drug delivery systems.