Dr. Tom Colville Retires
Professor Thomas Colville retired from the department of Animal Sciences on Tuesday, January 4, 2011.

Dr. Colville received a B.S. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1969 and a DVM in 1971. In addition, he received an M.S. degree in Aquatic Veterinary Studies from the University of Stirling, Scotland, in 1981 while on sabbatical there.

Before coming to NDSU, Tom was a Research Assistant in the Department of Microbiology at the University of Minnesota from 1969 to 1971 and worked in private veterinary practices in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Arlington, Virginia, from 1971 to 1976. Tom joined NDSU in 1976 and was charged with developing the NDSU Veterinary Technology Program. He has overseen the growth of the program into what has become one of the most visible four-year veterinary technology degree programs in the country.

Dr. Colville has been active in a number of professional organizations; department, college, and university committees; and has published numerous journal articles, newsletters, books and book chapters, and developed veterinary software.

Dr. Colville taught 11 different courses at NDSU. He was nominated for the following awards at NDSU: Mary McConnel Gunkelman Recognition Award (1989), College of Agriculture William J. and Angelyn A. Austin Advising Award for Excellence (2001), and College of Agriculture Excellence in Teaching Award (2002). He received the following awards while at NDSU: Faculty Performance Award from the Vice President for Academic Affairs (1997), College of Agriculture Certificate of Commendation for Excellence in Teaching (1990), and Alpha Zeta Outstanding Educator in Agriculture (1990, 1987).

We thank Tom for his many years of service to NDSU and wish him the best in his retirement.

Outlook Tips
To help you learn how best to use Outlook e-mail and calendar, ITS has placed a number of documents on its Website (http://www.ndsu.edu/its/help_desk/ndsu_outlook_hub/).
Emeritus Professor LaDon J. Johnson Passes — Excerpted from Boulger Funeral Home Obituary
LaDon Johnson, 76, Fargo passed away Monday, January 3, in Bethany Retirement Living, Fargo.

LaDon was born September 11, 1934. He grew up on the family farm in Grandin and attended school in Hendrum, Minnesota, graduating in 1951. LaDon attended NDSU and earned his B.S. degree in Animal Husbandry in 1956. He then earned his M.S. degree in Animal Science from NDSU in 1957. LaDon served in the U.S. Army in Germany from 1957 to 1959. He earned his Ph.D. in Animal Science from Ohio State University in 1965.

During his college years, LaDon was a member of the National Honor Society and “Who's Who in American Colleges.” At NDSU, he was a charter member and first president of Farm House Fraternity and was a member of several other fraternities. LaDon participated on numerous livestock judging teams. He received many awards at NDSU, culminating in his recognition in the North Dakota Agricultural Hall of Fame in 2002.

LaDon worked as an assistant County Extension Agent in LaMoure County before landing his "dream job" at NDSU where he worked as a Livestock Specialist with the Extension Service, retiring in 1995 as Professor Emeritus.

Throughout his active years, LaDon remained involved in 4-H Judging, Pork Producers Council, North Dakota Winter Show, Harvest Bowl Committee, the Extension Service, and Cattlemen's Association.

Gathering: 5-7 pm, Sunday, January 9, at Boulger Funeral Home, Fargo, and 9-10 am, Monday, January 10, at Mavis Whiting Chapel of Bethany Retirement Living, Fargo; Funeral: 10 am, Monday, January 10, at Bethany Retirement Living; Burial: Nora Lutheran Church cemetery in the spring.

Classes begin at 4 pm Monday, January 10
Regular hours (8 am to 5 pm) resume Monday, January 10