



Animal Sciences News

Week of July 17, 2011

Thesis Defense Seminar

Speaker: Rachel Mottet
ANSC M.S. Graduate Student

Topic: Lipoic Acid Supplementation in the
Ovariectomized Ewe

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 20; 9:00 a.m.

Location: Hultz Hall 104



American Society of Animal Sciences Honors Two NDSU Faculty –

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Dale Redmer and Kim Vonnahme, both animal sciences faculty, received awards at the American Society of Animal Science annual meeting in New Orleans on July 11.

Redmer received the Animal Physiology and Endocrinology Award and Vonnahme received the Early Career Achievement Award. The Animal Physiology and Endocrinology Award is intended to stimulate research excellence in physiology and endocrinology. It is awarded based on basic or applied research in physiology and endocrinology with all classes of large and small animals and research work published in the past 10 years.



The Early Career Achievement Award recognizes achievement of young scholars working toward the mission of the American Society of Animal Science, fostering the discovery, sharing and application of scientific knowledge concerning the responsible use of animals to enhance human life and well-being. Candidates for the award must have completed their most recent degree within the past 10 years and their programs must serve the mission of the American Society of Animal Science.



Large Passenger Van Training Scheduled – Facilities Management

Behind-the-wheel testing for 12- and 15-passenger vans has been scheduled for August 11, September 8, and October 6. The web-based portion of the training (which takes about 20 minutes) must be completed prior to behind-the-wheel testing. Contact Jill at 231-9619 to schedule a time for training. All large passenger van drivers must have completed both components of training prior to vehicle release by Motorpool.

Allison Meyer Wins Award at ASAS Meeting

Allison Meyer, was awarded the first-ever Agri-King Outstanding Animal Science Graduate Student Award at the American Society of Animal Science meetings in New Orleans on July 11.

The purpose of the award is to recognize achievement of outstanding graduate students working toward the mission of the ASAS which reads, "The American Society of Animal Science fosters the discovery, sharing, and application of scientific knowledge concerning the responsible use of animals to enhance human life and well-being." To be eligible, the candidate needs to be working toward an advanced degree in Animal Science or be within one year of finishing a degree and also be a member of ASAS. The award carries a two-year complimentary membership in ASAS, registration for the Joint Annual Meeting, a \$1,500 award and plaque, and recognition during the ASAS Awards Ceremony at the Joint Annual Meeting. A single recipient is chosen annually. She was nominated by Dr. Joel Caton.

Allison recently completed her Ph.D. and has taken a faculty position at the University of Wyoming in Laramie.

Alumni News – Gerald Sturn, SW District Director, NDSU Extension Service

KaSondra (Klein) Steiger has accepted the Burleigh County Extension Agent/Agriculture position effective August 1. KaSondra is an NDSU graduate with degrees in Animal Science and Equine Studies. While at NDSU, she was a member of the Livestock Judging Team, was active in Saddle and Sirloin Club, belonged to PAS/C.F.F.A, and was an Ag Ambassador.

Notes from Human Resources – The ReSource newsletter, July 2011; Email from Brittnee Steckler, 7/18/11

- Effective immediately, employees may use up to 80 hours of their own sick leave for dependent purposes per calendar year. "The employee wishes to attend to the needs of an eligible family member who is ill or to assist them in obtaining other services related to their health or well-being. Eligible family members include the employee's spouse, parent, child, or any other family member who is financially or legally dependent upon the employee or who resides with the employee for the purpose of the employee providing care to the family member.
- The basic life insurance amount provided by NDSU for its employees increased from \$1,300 to \$3,500 effective July 1.
- Valley Fair tickets and movie tickets are available at the Stop-N-Go Center at a special rate for NDSU employees.
- The new Employee Assistance Program provider is Deer Oakes EAP. A presentation by this new provider will be July 21, at 10 a.m. in the Hidatsa Room in the Memorial Union.

