**Graduate Seminar** – Anna Grazul-Bilska, Coordinator

**Speaker:** Dr. Anna Grazul-Bilska, Professor of Animal Science

**Topic:** BLANCA: Modern, Technologically Advanced Holstein Dairy Farm in Spain

**Date/Time:** Friday, December 7, 2012: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Hultz 104

Anna Grazul-Bilska received M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Agriculture and Technology in Olsztyn, Poland. She completed a post-doctoral experience in the lab of Dr. Dale Redmer at NDSU in 1990. In 2009, she was promoted to professor. Her major areas of research interest are animal embryology, reproductive physiology and endocrinology, and assisted reproduction.

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**Getting a Job with an Animal Science Degree**

Tuesday, December 4, 2012

5:30-8:00 p.m.

Sudro Hall 27

Topics: career paths, qualities employers look for in future candidates, resume and cover letter tips, interviews

Presenters: Greg Lardy (NDSU ANSC), Leon Vetsch (Genex Cooperative), Sara Van de Streek (NDSU Career Center), Kevin Wulf (Riverview LLP), Jodi Bruns (NDSU Extension Service)

Free pizza and door prizes!
**Quadrathlon Results – Kasey Maddock Carlin**

The NDSU Academic Quadrathlon was held November 26 and 27. Two teams competed in the event. In a close competition where the outcome was decided on the third round of the quiz bowl, the team consisting of Rachael Lagein, Taylor Cymbaluk, Erin Christ, and Jenna Gullickson were declared the winners. The winning team will compete at the Midwest American Society of Animal Science meetings in Des Moines, Iowa, March 10 and 11.

**Meet Deb Thomson**

Deb Thomson began working as Administrative Secretary in Animal Sciences on December 3, 2012. She previously worked for the NDSU Office of Multicultural Programs, and has worked at other universities prior to that. Deb has also worked as an over-the-road truck driver and still holds her Commercial Driver’s License!

Deb grew up in Petersburg, Illinois, and has lived in many places including Alaska and West Germany. She enjoys reading, crafts, and spending time with her family, especially her five grandchildren.

Deb will is available at 231-7116 and debra.thomson@ndsu.edu.

**Careers in the Animal Health and Pharmaceutical Industry**

Thursday, December 6, 2012
12:00 noon-1:30 p.m.
Hultz 104

Jonathan Marohl, Novartis Animal Health

Jonathan Marohl will hold a question and answer session regarding careers in the animal health and pharmaceutical industry. Jonathan is an NDSU ANSC graduate. In addition to working for Novartis, he raises registered Angus cattle in southwestern North Dakota and is a North Dakota Stockmen’s Association board member.

Pizza lunch is provided!
People Flocked to Schools – Reid Redden, Extension Sheep Specialist
A good crowd of people attended the Sheep Shearing and Certified Wool Classing Schools both held at the Hettinger Research Extension Center November 17 through 20.

Students in the Sheep Shearing School learned the professional shearing pattern, how to do tagging and eyeing, equipment maintenance and repair, and wool handling and preparation. Students in the Wool Classing School learned about wool fiber growth, development and production, objective measurement of wool, genetic selection programs, wool contamination and handling, wool classing, packaging, labeling, and marking. At the end of the class, the participants took the Level 1 certification test.