



Animal Sciences News

Week of October 21, 2012

Graduate Seminar – Anna Grazul-Bilska, Coordinator

Speaker: Philip Steichen, NDSU ANSC Graduate Student

Topic: Effects of Natural Service and Artificial Insemination Breeding Systems on Pregnancy Rates, Calving Characteristics, and Weaning Weights

Date: Friday October 26, 2012

Time/Place: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., Hultz 104



Philip Steichen grew up on a beef and dairy farm near Hitterdal, Minnesota. He completed his B.S. degree in animal science at NDSU in the spring of 2011. During his undergraduate career, he worked for Drs. Kim Vonnahme and David Newman and at ANPC. He also did an undergraduate research project with Dr. George Perry at SDSU. Phil started his M.S. program in the summer of 2011, working at Central Grasslands Research Extension Center. His research focuses on beef cattle reproduction and management. He is being co-advised by Drs. Carl Dahlen and Bryan Neville.



S/S Club Smoked Turkey Sale

12-14 pound turkeys

\$30 per bird

Deadline to order – **October 24**

See Megan Kortie in Hultz 102

Pick up November 16, 19-21

NDSU Meats Open House – Austen Germolus

Join us at the Meats Open House! Sample products, meet our employees, take a tour, and attend educational workshops. The Open House is free and open to the public!

Friday, October 26, 2012

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Shepperd Arena, 1350 Albrecht Boulevard



Tours of the Meat Lab

3:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 5:30 p.m.

Educational Workshops

3:00 p.m. – Degree of Doneness: Cooking the Perfect Steak or Chop

5:00 p.m. – Meat Selection – How to Choose the Best Cuts and Where They Come From

Open Enrollment Dates – NDSU Human Resources

Open enrollment for **health, dental, vision and life insurance** will be held from **October 22 through November 9**. All changes made during this time will be effective January 1, 2013, with the exception of life insurance increases which must be underwritten and approved.

This year, employees will be able to enroll, add/delete dependents and cancel coverage online using NDPERS Member Self Service. An informational presentation on how to set up your online log-in is available at: <https://community.ndus.edu/course/view.php?id=134>. Use your PeopleSoft log-in information and then click on the tutorial to listen to the presentation.

You may access NDPERS Member Self Service (MSS) at:

[https://perslink.nd.gov/perslinkwss/\(S\(uskansdf5f4wz4ey12zxpfx\)\)/wfmLoginME.aspx](https://perslink.nd.gov/perslinkwss/(S(uskansdf5f4wz4ey12zxpfx))/wfmLoginME.aspx)

Once you have logged in, you will see a special section entitled “Annual Enrollment.” Employees can view the plan information as well as make changes to their plans online.

Flexible Spending open enrollment for calendar year 2013 will be held from **November 1 through November 30**. More information will be forthcoming.

New Online Animal Science Magazine for Children – J.W. Schroeder

Sign your young people up to be Jr. Animal Scientists! Through the *Jr. Animal Scientist* magazine and special online resources (created in conjunction with ASAS), kids can learn about pets, farm animal, and zoo animals. Scientific information is tailored for kids ages 5 to 12. Eye-catching photos and exciting animal activities add to the fun! Plus, all Jr. Animal Scientists get special prizes just for joining. The web site is <http://animalsmart.org>.

Open House Retirement Reception



Carolyn E. Grygiel, NRM Program Director
and
Mario Biondini, Professor, Range Sciences



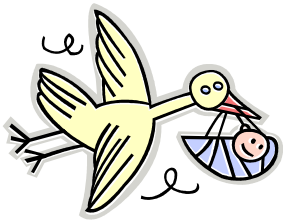
October 29
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Morrill Hall, Room 307

Both Mario and Carolyn were faculty members in Animal and Range Sciences prior to the development of the School of Natural Resource Sciences. Please stop by and thank them for their service to NDSU and to wish them well in this new chapter of their life.

Student Organization – Collegiate Cattlewomen

NDSU Collegiate Cattlewomen is an organization that works to promote the beef industry among students and faculty at NDSU and to people across the state of North Dakota. Advisors are Kasey Maddock Carlin and Kelli Armbruster. Meetings are the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Jordan Hieber (jordan.hieber@ndsu.edu).

Announcing . . .



Cody Glen Newman

Born Thursday, October 18, 2012
7 Pounds, 14 Ounces
Parents are David and Kristin Newman

Momma and baby boy are doing great!!!

