Week of May 20, 2012

@ Park Research Noted – Mark Walters
Dr. Chung Park’s research was recently featured on a West Fargo High School biology class blog (http://mrs gsbiologyclass.edublogs.org/). The site features articles related to animal behavior, awesome scientists, ecology and environment, endless forms beautiful, energy and matter, evolution, genetics, and health and medicine on which the students post their comments.

Greetings from China
The Animal Sciences Global Food Production Systems Study Abroad group, led by Drs. Carl Dahlen and David Newman, flew from Fargo to Beijing, China, this past Saturday. The first day’s activities included touring Tiananmen Square (photo below), the Forbidden City, the Emperor’s Summer Palace (photo at right), a 240-year-old home, and a pearl shop. The group also enjoyed meeting the family of NDSU visiting scientist Sun Xin (Rex), having lunch at a local restaurant, taking a rickshaw tour through the older part of the city, and shopping at a local mall. Tuesday will be spent learning about Chinese agriculture and education at the Chinese Agriculture College.
Stoltenow Receives Promotion
Dr. Charlie Stoltenow was recently notified of his promotion to Professor effective July 1.

Dr. Stoltenow has served as NDSU Extension Veterinarian since 1996 and as Director of the Veterinary Technology Program since 2010.

Congratulations Dr. Charlie!

Lardy Elected to National Position
Dr. Greg Lardy, Head of the Department of Animal Sciences, has been elected to serve a one-year term as President-Elect of the American Society of Animal Science beginning in July 2012, to be followed by one year as President and one year as Past President of the organization.

ASAS is the premiere organization for animal science researchers in the United States. Currently there are more than 5,000 members.

Dr. Lardy served the society as Midwest Section Director from 2008 to 2001 and Program Chair for the Joint Annual Meeting in 2010. He continues to serve on the ADSA/ASAS Way Forward Committee which addresses specific issues related to the Joint Annual Meeting. In 2010, Dr. Lardy was awarded the ASAS Extension Award.

Shelly Engebretson is New Account Technician
“I’m an accounting graduate from Interstate Business College. During my working career, I have worked for an architecture/engineering design firm, an electrical contractor, public broadcasting, and NDSU.

I was very active in foster care and was elected treasurer of the board for the North Dakota Foster Parent Association. While in that position, I helped establish a grant to help older children transition out of the system. My family and I did parking lot fundraisers during downtown events at the NRI parking lot to help establish and fund this grant.

I live with my husband Tracy on a small acreage where we raise pigs and chickens. I have two sons and two grandchildren who I love to spoil and fill up with sweets just before sending them home!”

Shelly fills the Account Technician position vacated by the promotion of Lisa Dubbels. Shelly’s office is in Hultz 100, her email is shelly.engebrethson@ndsu.edu, and her phone is 7643.
**Sharnae Klein Joins NRCS**

Sharnae Klein, recent Animal Sciences M.S. graduate, is the new Soil Conservation Technician for the Natural Resources Conservation Service, in Center, North Dakota. She will work with producers, assisting them with planning and implementing different conservation programs that NRCS offers.

Sharnae’s contact information with NRCS is: 345 Center Avenue, PO Box 87, Center, ND 58530, 701-794-3215, Extension 108 (phone), 701-794-3318 (fax), and sharnae.klein@nd.usda.gov (email).

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**May 28**

Memorial Day Holiday
University Closed