Graduate Seminar – Rob Maddock Coordinator
Speaker: Beth Mordhorst, ANSC Graduate Student

Topic: Effects of Protein Supplementation in Multiparous Beef Cows on Uterine and Mammary Blood Flows During Late Gestation

Date/Time: Friday, April 12, 2013; 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Location: Hultz 104

Beth Mordhorst is from western Iowa. She received her B.S. degree in Animal and Dairy Science from Iowa State University. She is currently working on her M.S. degree with Dr. Kim Vonnahme.

Meats Judging Shines at Contest – Rob Maddock, Coach
The NDSU Meats Judging Team, consisting of Spenser Wirt, Jake Keller, Maria Hager, and Jordan Zenker, competed at the Southeastern Meats Judging Contest in Columbus, Ohio, April 5 and 6. Twelve teams comprised of 62 individuals competed in the contest. The NDSU team had a very successful showing. They placed 2nd in beef grading, 4th in beef judging, 5th in lamb judging, 1st in pork judging, 1st in placings, and 2nd overall. Individually, the students placed as follows:

- beef grading: Maria – 4th, Spenser – 6th
- beef judging: Spenser – 5th
- lamb judging: Jordan – 5th
- placings: Maria – 3rd, Jordan – 4th
- overall: Jordan – 9th, Maria – 11th, Spenser – 13th, Jake – 17th

Congratulations everyone!
Riders Advance to National Competition – Tara Swanson with Ellen Crawford, NDSU Agriculture Communication, April 4, 2013

North Dakota State University's Western equestrian team had a strong finish in semifinal competition in March. Teams are assigned randomly to one of three semifinals.

Ten members of NDSU’s team took part in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association semifinal competition on March 23-24 in Morehead, KY. Each individual class in that competition had 18 competitors. The top four in each class advance to national competition. NDSU team members who placed while competing in individual classes were:

- Emily Norwig, a sophomore from Hampton, MN, third in intermediate horsemanship
- Megan Hansen (pictured), a junior from Breckenridge, MN, fourth in advanced horsemanship
- Karley Schaefer, a freshman from West Fargo, ND, fourth in intermediate horsemanship
- Cami Slaubaugh, a sophomore from Wolford, ND, fifth in beginner horsemanship

Norwig, Hansen, and Schaefer qualified to compete at nationals May 2-5 in Harrisburg, PA.

The team did an exceptional job at semifinals. They practiced hard and showed tremendous dedication to the team, which paid off in strong finishes. We are excited to head to nationals in May.”

Coach Tara Swanson

The riders who competed in the semifinals qualified individually by placing in the top two in regional competition at the University of Minnesota-Crookston on March 2-3.

NDSU's riders also competed at semifinals in the team competition. The team with the most cumulative points in each zone and region earns the opportunity to compete as a team at semifinals. The NDSU team was named Zone 7 Region 3 high-point team in regional competition.

Team members representing NDSU were: Hannah Beyer, a senior from Rapid City, SD, reining; Ashley Lindell, a senior from Solway, MN, open horsemanship; Emily Kedrowski, a junior from Apple Valley, MN, advanced horsemanship; Codie Miller, a senior from Prior Lake, MN, novice horsemanship; Nicole Holasek, a junior from Waconia, MN, intermediate horsemanship; and Hailey Aagard, a sophomore from Wadena, MN, beginner horsemanship.
Nine teams competed in the semifinals. The top three advance to national competition. Points from each rider's placings are added together for an overall team score.

NDSU's team finished in 4th place just two points behind the 3rd-place team. The riders' placings were: Lindell – 2nd, Holasek – 2nd, Beyer – 4th, Aagard – 5th, Kedrowski – 6th, Miller – 7th.

(L to R) Coach Tara Swanson, Ashley Lindell, Hannah Beyer, Codie Miller, Emily Kedrowski, Nicole Holasek, Hailey Aagard
Special Seminar
Tom Burke from the American Angus Hall of Fame
Wednesday, April 10
2:00 p.m., Hultz Hall Room 104

Angus Cattle Marketing,
Marketing Seedstock Cattle,
and Sale Management

Tom Burke was born on the family farm near Blooming Prairie, Minnesota.

Tom became a member of the American Angus Association in 1955. A charter member of the Minnesota Junior Angus Association, Tom was elected the first president of that organization in 1960. He served three consecutive terms as president.

Tom has had a very active and recognized career. He is an author and prolific speaker. USA Today recognized him as one of the 25 most traveled people in America in 1993. Tom annually conducts over 175 Registered Angus Sales. He has been an Angus Sale Manager for over forty years, longer than anyone in the history of the breed. In 2004, Tom was honored as the 146th inductee into the American Angus Association’s prestigious Angus Heritage Foundation.

Tom resides on a 200-acre farm in Platte County, Missouri, where he raises registered Angus cattle and Suffolk sheep, maintaining a flock of 150 brood ewes, combined with a diversified farming operation. He also oversees his family’s 400-acre farm in Dodge County, Minnesota.

Today, Tom Burke’s sale management firm, The American Angus Hall of Fame, manages purebred Angus cattle auctions. In the 135-year history of the Angus breed, the American Angus Hall of Fame has managed more “million dollar plus” Angus sales than all competitors combined. The American Angus Hall of Fame has continued to grow and expand in total dedication to the welfare of the Angus breed worldwide and is celebrating its 73rd year.
**Success at National Block and Bridle** – Jim Kirsch, Advisor

Six members of the NDSU Saddle and Sirloin Club attended the 93rd National Block and Bridle convention held April-6 in Ames, Iowa. The NDSU chapter placed 1st in the scrapbook competition again this year with the scrapbook assembled by Danelle Hoff. The chapter was 4th in the Chapter Yearbook competition with last year’s Little “I” catalog. Sarah Schaaf placed 3rd in the Outstanding Senior Award which carries a $300 prize and a plaque.

Thirty-four chapters (550 members) were in attendance at the event.

Front:  Marcy McNichols, Kathryn Smith, Nicole Synsteker  
Back:  Laura Compart, Nicole Smith, Lacy Wulfekuhle, Jim Kirsch, Advisor

Good job everyone!
Help us celebrate agriculture with Trent Loos
Tuesday, April 9, 7 p.m.
Shepperd Arena, NDSU Campus
Free seminar, open to the public

Trent’s passion for agriculture started years ago. Often referred to as an agricultural activist, Trent has long believed in the true value of our food supply as a means of national security for our great country. Farmers who feed us and the dedicated United States military personnel are the two most unsung and vitally important factions of our population. Both are undervalued and misunderstood, but Trent is working to share their message through Loos tales.
Swine Seminar – April 12
The NDSU Extension Service and North Dakota Pork Council are sponsoring a swine education seminar, Friday, April 12, at the NDSU Carrington Research Extension Center.

The seminar is for pork producers, Extension personnel, NDSU faculty and staff, and anyone else with an interest in the swine industry. The event runs from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The seminar is free of charge, but those planning to attend should contact Holly Erdmann at 701-231-7513 or holly.erdmann@ndsu.edu by Tuesday, April 9, to register.