Graduate Seminar – Kim Vonnahme, Coordinator
Speaker: Casie Bass, ANSC Ph.D. Student

Topic: Oxidative Stress: A Con to an Aerobic Life

Date/Time: Tuesday, November 12; 10:00 a.m.
Location: Hultz 104

Casie Bass was born and raised in southern Illinois. Her family had a plethora of animals, including the occasional snake or lizard that Casie tried to sneak in. Casie completed her B.S. and M.S. degrees in animal sciences at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale where she studied mare reproductive physiology. Casie moved to Fargo with her husband and is beginning her second year as a Ph.D. student studying reproductive physiology under the guidance of Drs. Anna Grazul-Bilska and Dale Redmer.

Notice Regarding Graduate Seminar
Dr. Chung Park, Graduate Seminar coordinator for spring semester, has changed the day and time to Fridays from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Please note the change on your calendar.

Friday Afternoon Club – Kendall Swanson
Friday Afternoon Club will meet in Hultz 104 at 3:00 p.m. on November 15.

Lauren Hanna has picked a paper entitled, “Validity and feasibility of qualitative behavior assessment for the evaluation of Nellore cattle temperament” (attached). There is a lot of interest on the impacts of temperament on performance and product quality in the department, so it should be a great paper to discuss.
Special Seminar – Kim Vonnahme
Speakers: Drs. Rodolfo and Nicolas Negrin Pereira

Topic: Beef Production and Reproduction in Uruguay
- General introduction to Uruguay, a glimpse at the beef sector, and generalities about beef production
- Reproduction and what vets do on a day-to-day basis

Date/Time: Tuesday, November 12; 2:00 p.m.
Location: Hultz 104

Rodolfo Negrin Pereira (photo on left below) was born in Montevideo, Uruguay. He graduated from the Universidad de la Republica Oriental del Uruguay in 1992 as a doctor in veterinary medicine and technology. He completed several postdoctoral studies and a study tour in A.I. in Spain and Belgium. He is certified by the Institute of Cordoba, Universidad Nacional de Cordoba, Argentina, as a specialist in animal reproduction and in bovine reproductive ultrasound. Rodolfo was a technical director of MUNAR & Asociados del Uruguay S.A. from 2009-2011. He is currently a technical director of NEGRINVET S.R.L. – Reproduccion Animal. He and his brother are currently private consultants in animal production and reproduction.

Nicolas Negrin Pereira (photo on right below) was born in Montevideo, Uruguay. He graduated from the Universidad de la Republica Oriental del Uruguay in 1992 as a doctor in veterinary medicine and technology with top honors. He received a Master of Science degree with distinction in animal production from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland in 1996. His thesis title was “Embryo metabolism and development in sheep embryos.” He has participated in several postgraduate courses in cattle reproduction and applied reproductive biotechnologies in Uruguay, Argentina, Brazil, and Scotland. Nicolas was also a technical director of MUNAR & Asociados del Uruguay S.A. from 2009-2011. He is the veterinary advisor for the Suffolk Sheep Breeders Society in Uruguay and is also a technical director of NEGRINVET S.R.L. – Reproduccion Animal.

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Visiting Scholar in Animal Sciences
Nurgul Korzhikenova, a Ph.D. student at Kazakh National Agrarian University, is currently a visiting scholar in the department. She is from Astana, Kazakhstan. She will be with us for a few weeks. She is studying deer breeding with Rob Maddock.

Nurgul is housed in Hultz 108. Please welcome her to NDSU.

Academic Quadrathlon Coming Soon – Kasey Maddock Carlin, Coordinator
Academic Quadrathlon is a competition on animal science topics. Teams of four students compete in a lab practical, written test, quiz bowl, and oral presentation. A free pizza supper will be provided to contestants on Tuesday night.

The winning team will travel to Des Moines in March to compete against students from other universities at the Midwest Animal Science meetings.

This year’s competition will be:

December 3 at 5:00 p.m., ANPC (lab practical, quiz bowl, and written test)
December 4 and 5, time and place TBD (oral presentations)

Faculty members are asked to announce the competition in their classes and encourage students to register their team with Kasey Maddock Carlin (kasey.maddockcalin@ndsu.edu) or Megan Kortie (megan.kortie@ndsu.edu).

Recent Publications – Let’s Communicate Newsletter, November 2013, No. 214
AS1256 Revised Quality Forage: Stressed or Damaged Crops by J.W. Schroeder
Stressed crops resulting from unfavorable weather conditions require special management considerations. Yield and quality of frost and drought-damaged crops usually are maximized when harvested as silage.

AS1641 Improving Profitability through Feed Efficiency by Reducing Feed Bunk Losses by J.W. Schroeder
The feeding pattern of group-housed dairy cows is largely influenced by the timing of fresh feed delivery, and the delivery of fresh feed has a greater impact on stimulating cows to eat than does the return from milking.
Vet Tech Club Halloween Costume Contest *(photos by Jennifer Thomas)*

The NDSU Vet Tech Club held a pet costume contest for animal sciences students and faculty on Friday night, November 1, in Shepperd Arena. Animals of all sizes and shapes competed. As yet, a winner has not been named. Additional photos are available on the Animal Sciences Facebook page *(https://www.facebook.com/NdsuAnimalSciencesDepartment)*.
Get Your Raffle Ticket – Justin Crosswhite

The NDSU Judging Club is holding a beef raffle. Four winners will each receive an equal one-quarter portion of beef.

Tickets are $5 each and are available from any Judging Club member or at Holly’s desk in Hultz 102. Tickets may be purchased until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 6.