Wanda Keller Receives SPAM Award
After much consideration, the office staff (prior recipients) came to the decision to name Wanda Keller as the next worthy recipient of the SPAM Award. Wanda was presented with the plaque at the department potluck on December 11. She was given the award based on her meticulous care in running first the Lactation Lab and more recently the Muscle Biology Lab, for her tireless support of both graduate and undergraduate students, and for her enthusiasm for her work and other activities in the department.

Recent Publications
Effectiveness of oxygen barrier oven bags in low temperature cooking on reduction of warmed-over flavor in beef roasts.
http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.meatsci.2013.11.012

Influence of supplementation with corn dried distillers grains plus solubles to growing calves fed medium-quality hay on growth performance and feeding behavior.
http://www.journalofanimalscience.org/cgi/content/abstract/jas.2013-7067v1

Supplementing metabolizable protein to ewes during late gestation: I. Effects on ewe performance and offspring performance from birth to weaning.
http://www.journalofanimalscience.org/cgi/content/abstract/92/1/339
**Extension Event – Precision Agriculture Summit**

The third annual Precision Agriculture Summit will be at the Farmer’s Union Conference Center in Jamestown on January 20-21. The summit is intended to be an opportunity for sharing precision agriculture research, technology, and needs among farmers, industry, consultants, and university personnel. The main agenda focuses on new trends in precision agriculture technology, such as Google Glass, unmanned aircraft systems, and the economics of precision agriculture. Presenters from Boeing and Trimble Navigation will discuss their work with unmanned aircraft systems in agriculture.

Department personnel involved in the summit will be:

- J.W. Schroeder who will serve as moderator for the livestock precision agriculture track agenda
- Lauren Hanna who will discuss “Current technology in cattle genetics”
- Carl Dahlen who will present “Cattle reproduction technologies”

For more information or to register, visit the Red River Valley Research Corridor Web site at [http://theresearchcorridor.com/precisionagsummit2014](http://theresearchcorridor.com/precisionagsummit2014) or contact Ryan Aasheim at 701-499-6994 or email ryan@theresearchcorridor.com.

**Reminders**

- Vacation hours continue until January 13; the office will be staffed from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Faculty need to turn in Spring Semester syllabi to Megan Kortie as soon as possible
- Have students fill out Student Informed Consent Forms as soon as classes start
- Turn in leave cards to Megan as soon as you return from the holidays; each pay period must be on a separate card

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