Graduate Seminar – Chung Park, Coordinator
There is no seminar this week due to Spring Break. Join us next week at the regular time.

Success at Midwest ASAS Meetings
(photos ANSC Facebook page)
The department has had a number of notable successes at the Midwest Section American Society of Animal Science Meetings going on in Des Moines, IA, this week.

The Academic Quadrathlon Team from NDSU which is coached by Kasey Maddock Carlin and which is comprised of undergraduate students Justin Bartholomay, Laura Bachmeier, Morgan Geer, and Janna Rice, placed third overall and first in presentations at the meetings.

It was a clean sweep for our graduate students in the M.S. poster competition! Jena Peine Bjertness won 1st place, Loren Baranko won 2nd place, Dani Black won 3rd place. First place in the oral presentation went to Beth Mordhorst!

Congratulations to these fine students!

(L to R: B. Mordhorst, D. Black, G. Lardy, J. Bjertness, L. Baranko)
Erika Berg’s Work Featured
http://www.ndsu.edu/news/banner_stories/erikaberg/
The scrolling news on the NDSU home page currently features Dr. Erika Berg’s work with therapeutic horsemanship and its potential to positively modify the behavior of children with troubled backgrounds. She has been collecting data at the Home on the Range in western North Dakota for the past 4 years. The intensive equine therapy program includes riding, grooming, and equine assisted psychotherapy sessions that involve the horse, the equine specialist, and mental health experts for 7 hours per week for 12 week.

Recent Publication
Ovarian and uterine characteristics and onset of puberty in adolescent offspring: Effects of maternal diet and selenium supplementation in sheep.
Grazul-Bilska, Anna T., Tammi L. Neville, Ewa Borowczyk, Akanksha Sharma, Lawrence P. Reynolds, Joel S. Caton, Dale A. Redmer, and Kimberly A. Vonnahme

Upcoming Event – Swine Education Seminar
– NDSU Agriculture Communication, Ellen Crawford with David Newman, March 17, 2014
To help prevent the spread of the deadly porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDv) and other swine diseases, the NDSU Extension Service is holding an educational seminar March 28 at the NDSU Carrington REC.

Speakers will focus on PEDv, which has killed more than five million piglets since it was discovered in the U.S. in April 2013, and swine health requirements in North Dakota. A panel will discuss the precautions producers and exhibitors should take when considering whether to send pigs to a fair or sale and what steps exhibition and sale organizers and officials should take to keep their events disease-free and how to handle sick swine.

Date/Time: March 28, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Cost: Free
Register: Call Debra Erickson at 701-282-2200 or email info@redrivervalleyfair.com

For more information, contact David Newman at 701-231-7366 or david.newman@ndsu.edu.

The winner of the Heifer Raffle held by the Judging Club was Taylor Freisz who will add the heifer to his existing herd. Congratulations!