Special Seminar – Kim Vonnahme
Speaker: Don Lay, Research Leader
USDA Agricultural Research Service Livestock Behavior Research Unit, West Lafayette, IN

Topic: Animal Welfare: A World of Change

Date/Time: Monday, September 22; 3:00 p.m.
Location: Hultz 104

Don Lay was raised in central Virginia, on a traditional family farm consisting of cattle, swine and horses. Currently, he lives in Indiana on a small acreage with a large menagerie of pets.

Don received a B.S. degree in Animal Science from Virginia Tech in 1985; and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Animal Science from Texas A&M in 1990 and 1995, respectively. Upon graduation, he accepted a position at Iowa State University as an Assistant Professor specializing in behavioral physiology. In 2000, Don moved to West Lafayette, IN, to serve as Research Leader of the USDA-Agricultural Research Service’s Livestock Behavior Research Unit. This research unit is paired with members of Purdue University’s Animal Science department, effectively creating the largest and most significant team of scientists in the U.S. focused on animal welfare. Don leads his team of scientists responsible for developing scientific measures of stress and well-being in swine, cattle, and poultry; using the multiple disciplines of stress physiology, immunology, neurophysiology, bacteriology, and ethology.

Friday Afternoon Club – Kendall Swanson and Larry Reynolds, Coordinators

Topic: Effects of wet corn distillers grains with solubles on visceral organ mass, trace mineral status, and polioencephalomalacia biomarkers of individually fed cattle (see article attached to newsletter)

Date/Time: Friday, September 19; 3:00 p.m.
Location: Hultz 272
Newman Named as 40 Under 40 Honoree

David Newman has been named by Vance Publishing Corporation’s Agribusiness Group as one of its 40 Under 40 Award honorees. The program recognizes people making a significant contribution to America’s food system.

Profiles of the honorees will be included in the November and December Drovers/Cattle Network, Dairy Herd Management, Bovine Veterinarian, PorkNetwork, The Packer, AgProfessional, Citrus + Vegetable, The Grower, and Produce Ops publications and websites. The profiles will be posted on 40Under40ag.com as well.

The honorees were chosen by a panel of six judges who have had distinguished careers in the agriculture field.


Rodeo Team Results – UW-River Falls – Tate Eck, Coach
The NDSU Rodeo Team started out the rodeo season on a strong note at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls this past weekend. Following are the results of the competition.

Women’s Team Result
• 3rd place (out of 12)

Individual Women’s Results
• Shannah Plehal (Ag Business major) – 4th place in Breakaway Roping
• Shelby Schields (Zoology and Psychology double major) – 2nd place in Team Roping
• Ingrid Mlodzik (Mechanical Engineering major) – 4th place in Team Roping
• Tracy Ellig (Animal Science major) – 4th place in Goat Tying

Men’s’ Team Result
• 8th place (out of 12)

Individual Men’s Results
• Kasey Dressler (Ag Economics major) – 2nd place in Saddle Bronc Riding

The students hope to continue with their early success. They will compete in 10 rodeos in a six-state region for the opportunity to compete at the College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) which will be held in Casper, WY, in June.
Recent Happenings in Animal Sciences – Animal Science Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/NdsuAnimalSciencesDepartment)

A lot has been happening in Animal Sciences in the past couple of weeks. Here are a few snapshots to let you in on the action.

The Ag Minister from Kyrgyzstan (shown here with Sarah Underdahl) visited the Beef Cattle Research Complex on Wednesday, September 10. Kyrgyzstan is a former Soviet republic. They indicated that they want to extend the “Silk Road” to include trade in agricultural equipment and goods (including education) with the United States.

David Newman and Austen Germolus, of NDSU’s BBQ Boot Camp, did an on-air cooking demonstration and served a meal to the ESPN Game Day hosts on Saturday, September 13. To view footage of David grilling for Game Day, go to the Animal Sciences Facebook page.

The department hosted the North Dakota Angus Association on Wednesday, September 17. The tour group visited the BCRC and learned about the types of research conducted by our faculty.
Agriculture Career Expo  
Tuesday, September 23, 2014  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
FargoDome  
(Bring your student ID and resume)

The Agriculture Career Expo is an annual event attended by NDSU students and alumni in agriculture-related majors. The Agriculture Career Expo provides an excellent opportunity for students to connect with employers and to discuss or interview for current and future career-related employment and cooperative education and internship opportunities. Last year, 70 employers and 475 students attended the event. For more information, go to the NDSU Career Center website at http://www.ndsu.edu/career/agriculture_career_expo/.

**Saddle & Sirloin Turkey Sales 2014**  
Orders are due by October 10  
$30 for a 10-12 pound smoked turkey, due upon ordering  
Available the week of Thanksgiving (pickup by November 26)

To order, contact:  
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