Graduate Seminar – Eric Berg, Coordinator
There is no seminar the week of January 12, 2015.

Post-Doctoral Fellow Joins Department
“I am Soumi Bairagi from the state of West Bengal in India. I did my graduate studies in biomedical sciences at the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Centre for Biomedical Research at Delhi University, India. I received the CSIR (Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) scholarship from the government of India for my Ph.D. at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras, India. There I worked on elucidating the role of circulating progenitor cells and angiopoietin system in polycystic amenorrheic females where my interest in working in the field of reproductive biology evolved. My current research interests include the role of steroids in angiogenesis in the female reproductive system. Presently, I am working as a postdoctoral researcher with Drs. Lawrence Reynolds and Anna Grazul-Bilska on the role of estrogens and progesterone and their receptors in the regulation of utero-placental growth and development. My other interests include traveling and photography.”

We welcome Soumi to the department. You can find her in Hultz 123. Her phone number is 231-9479 and her email is soumi.bairagi@ndsu.edu.

Recent Publication
What animal scientists really are: Health care workers, environmentalists, peacemakers, and much more!
Larry Reynolds, Meghan Wulster-Radcliffe, and Debra Aaron.
American Society of Animal Science Taking Stock.
http://takingstock.asas.org/?p=14109
**Morrill 212 Conference Room Available** – Janelle Quam, Assistant to Ken Grafton
Effective January 5, Morrill 212 is available to faculty and staff in the College of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources. The room has a long oval conference table with seating for 16 and additional side seating. The room does not currently have phone and internet connectivity. You can view the availability of the room on Microsoft Outlook calendar by searching for NDSU Morrill Conference Room 212. To request a reservation, contact one of the following individuals:

- Janelle Quam – [janelle.quam@ndsu.edu](mailto:janelle.quam@ndsu.edu), 231-7655, Morrill 314
- Lorie Herbel – [loretta.herbel@ndsu.edu](mailto:loretta.herbel@ndsu.edu), 231-7656, Morrill 315
- Lori Lymburner – [lori.lymburner@ndsu.edu](mailto:lori.lymburner@ndsu.edu), 231-8944, Morrill 311
- Diane Tronson – [diane.tronson@ndsu.edu](mailto:diane.tronson@ndsu.edu), 231-8790, Morrill 315

After reserving the room, you will need to arrange for the room to be unlocked for a specific period of time. Please visit with one of the contacts listed above.

**STUDENT TRAVEL REMINDERS** – Holly Erdmann
If you will be traveling with students in your class this semester:

- They must fill out the Student Field Trip Informed Consent form – whether you use state fleet vehicles or rental vehicles – before you travel.
- If you are using state fleet vehicles, you will also have to file an Authorized Academic Use of State Fleet Vehicles form at least 10 days before you travel.
- Employees must fill out in-state or out-of-state travel requests for trips with students. The usual guidelines apply.

See Holly if you have questions.