Graduate Seminar – Eric Berg, Coordinator
Speaker: Alexis Siomka, NDSU ANSC Graduate Student
Topic: The Influence of Diet on Obesity-Related Metabolic Disorders
Date/Time: Friday March 6, 2015; 3:00 p.m.
Location: Hultz Hall 104

Lexi Siomka is originally from the state of Michigan. She received her undergraduate degree in animal sciences with a specialization in food processing as well as a minor in crop and soil sciences from Michigan State University. While at MSU, she worked in the Meat Lab, participated on the meat judging team, and eventually coached the meat judging team. Currently, Lexi is pursuing her M.S. degree in meat science under the direction of Dr. Eric Berg.

Friday Afternoon Club – Kendall Swanson, Coordinator
Facilitator: Matthew Crouse, NDSU ANSC Graduate Student
Date/Time: Friday, March 6, 2015; 4:00 p.m.
Location: Hultz 104

All ANSC personnel are welcome to participate in the conversation.
Baranko New Faculty Member – Greg Lardy, Department Head
Loren Baranko has accepted a position as a lecturer in the Animal Sciences Department starting March 1. Loren recently completed her M.S. in animal sciences under the direction of Dr. Eric Berg. She will be responsible for the following courses in the fall semester 2015: AGRI 189 (Skills for Academic Success), ANSC 114 laboratory (Introduction to Animal Sciences, ANSC 150 (Animal Sciences Orientation), and ANSC 396 (Animal Sciences and Equine Sciences Internship). Loren’s office is in Morrill 207A.

Cupcakes & Canvas Event – Kasey Maddock Carlin, Adviser
(photos by Kasey Maddock Carlin)
The NDSU Collegiate Cattlewomen hosted a Love & Cupcakes event on Friday, February 27, at the Baymont Inn & Suites in Fargo. Attendees had the opportunity to paint their versions of a cow, enjoy cupcakes, and listen to ANSC graduate student Ben Howard give an overview of beef production in the U.S. and the proposed USDA dietary recommendations.
Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

- Friday, March 6 – Fall grades of incomplete convert to F
- Monday, March 9 – Eight-week courses for second half of semester begin
- March 16-20 – Spring Break – no classes, but offices are open 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Spring ahead one hour on Sunday!