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TRAVELS

Shanna Ivey, Clint Löest, Sergio Soto-Navarro, and Cole Gardner visited Universidad Autonoma de Chihuahua in Chihuahua City, Mexico and attended the Expogan. Cole served as a cattle judge at the Expogan.

Milt Thomas attended the International Brangus Breeders Association Breed Improvement Committee meeting in San Antonio, Texas on October 10-11. He gave a report on "DNA extraction from semen on IBBA-sire repository." He will return to University of California-Davis to complete his mini-sabbatical studies on SNP detection from sequences in un-related bovine of 5 genes in IGF-1.

Andrés Cibils, Derek Bailey and Carlos Ochoa met with zootechnia faculty at UACH in Chihuahua on October 19-21 to discuss collaborative research.

Jack Thomas officiated at the National FFA meats judging contest in Champaign, Illinois on October 24-27.

Jose France, graduate assistant working with Kirk McDaniel, will give a presentation at the New Mexico Vegetation Management Association Conference on November 8-10 in Albuquerque.

WOOL RESULTS

At the New Mexico State Fair, fleeces from NMSU's West Sheep Unit and Corona Range Livestock Research Center won several ribbons. Corona fleeces

received 2nd and 3rd in Fine Wool class, 1st and 2nd in ½ blood ewe class, 4th in 70'-80's ewe lamb class, 1st in ½ blood and coarser ewe lamb class, and 1st in 64's ram class. In the Farm Flock Division, the West Sheep Unit earned 1st and 2nd, Champion Farm Flock Fleece, and Reserve Champion Farm Flock Fleece.

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Congratulations to Nathan and Misty Elam, Clayton Livestock Research Center, on the birth of a son, Noah Joe, on October 5, 2006 in Amarillo, Texas.

Congratulations to Summer and Wes Eaton on the birth of a daughter, Briley Kay, on October 8, 2006 in Las Cruces, Proud grandparents are Chris and Stephanie Allison.

Sympathy is expressed to Bobby and Margie Rankin on the death of her mother, Marie Bond, on October 14, 2006.

Rachel Endecott, who recently completed her Ph.D. in ruminant nutrition under the guidance of Mark Petersen, has accepted a research associate position at Fort Keogh Livestock Research Center in Miles City, Montana, beginning November 1.

Michael Rubio, senior research assistant at the Corona Range Livestock Research Center, has accepted a position as Ranch Manager at a ranch near Animas.



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Accounting work-study students, Samantha Cortez and Julian Gonzalez, carved the pumpkins for Homecoming display, and earned a fruit basket for “Funniest Pumpkins.”

