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PUBLICATIONS

Recent departmental publications include the following:

“Influence of slice baling on feeding value of alfalfa hay in receiving and finishing diets for feedlot cattle,” **F. Loya-Olguin, L. Avendaño-Reyes, Manny Encinias, Derek Walker, Nathan Elam, and Sergio Soto-Navarro**, Journal of Animal Science 86:2749-2755.

“Research note: Cattle grazing distribution and efficacy of strategic mineral mix placement in tropical Brazilian pastures,” R. C. D. Goulart, M. Corsi, **Derek Bailey**, and S. S. Zocchi. Rangeland Ecology and Management 61:656-660.

“Economic analysis of water temperature reduction practices in a large river floodplain: An exploratory study of the Willamete River, Oregon,” S. Seedang, **Sam Fernald**, R. M. Adams, and D. H. Landers. River Research and Applications 7:941-959.

“Cover pole design for easy transport, assembly, and field use,” **David Toledo, Laurie Abbott**, and J. E. Herrick. Journal of Wildlife Management 72:564-567.

TRAVELS

Kirk McDaniel served as a member of the accreditation team

reviewing the University of Wyoming range program on November 11 in Laramie.

Jack Thomas attended the faculty athletic representative association annual meeting in San Diego, CA on November 12-15.

Derek Bailey participated in the WERA 40 meeting, of which he serves as chairman, in Tucson, AZ on November 12-15. He will also give a presentation to the Colorado Society for Range Management meeting in Fort Collins, CO on December 1-3.

Mark Petersen and Travis Mulliniks visited with University of Arizona researchers and producers in Benson, Yuba City, and Camp Verde regarding NMSU research on November 12-14.

Milt Thomas will be attending the National Beef Cattle Evaluation Consortium Genetic Prediction Workshop in Kansas City on December 7-10. He will discuss implementing genetic markers into EPD for beef cattle.

STUDENT NEWS

The NMSU Ranch Horse Team competed at the Collegiate Stock Horse Show at

Tarleton State University in Stephenville, TX on October 31-November 2. The team placed 3rd overall with Bryn Wells earning High Point Limited Non-Pro rider honors. Zach Ozborn won the working cowhorse class, placed 5th in reining and 4th high point rider in the Open division. Denny Burnett placed 5th in cowhorse, 4th in reining, and was 5th high point rider in the Open division. Sean Reagan and Kaycee McDaniel finished in the top 10 in reining and cowhorse in the Novice division while Trey Rusk placed in the top ten of the Limited Non Pro class. The team is coached by Joby Priest and their next competition will be in the spring.

The NMSU Horse Judging team competed at the AQHA World Championship Judging Contest in Oklahoma City on November 13-20. The team finished 5th overall, 5th in reasons, 5th in performance, and 5th in halter. Individual honors went to Jacinda Hinkson (2nd High Individual, 2nd in performance, and 4th in reasons) and Ari Wilbanks (9th overall). Other team members were Logan Potts, Kali Benson, and Emily Hibbard. Audra Powell, a range science alumni, competed in the amateur breakaway roping while Megan Duff Schuller (animal science alumni) participated in the amateur working cowhorse class.

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA

Gamma Sigma Delta, the Honor Society of Agriculture, held their 30th annual banquet on November 19. New inductees include Ely Camacho, Mike Horvath, Dustin Yates, and Johnette Browne-Silva. The Distinguished Graduate Student award was presented to Travis Mulliniks, who recently completed his M.S. degree under Mark Petersen. Current officers of GSD include Clint Löest (President), Shanna Ivey (President-Elect), and Marilyn Hallford (Treasurer and Historian).

ETC.

Congratulations to Boone and Lori Carter on the birth of their 3rd daughter, Mayleigh Marie, born on November 4.

Sunday Peters, PhD student working with Milt Thomas, has been awarded a scholarship to attend the Gordon Research Conference in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics in Galveston, Texas in February 2009.

Congratulations to Shanna Ivey, who recently won a saddle and a belt buckle at the “Cowboys for Cancer Research” team roping competition.

