TRAVELS

Tim Ross attended the opening ceremonies for the SGPDC teaching program in Clovis, New Mexico on May 14-15. He will be in Chile from May 28-June 3 to discuss collaborative research opportunities between NMSU and Chile’s agricultural department.

Attending the W-112 Western Regional Research Coordinating Committee (Reproduction in Domestic Ruminants) in Reno, Nevada on May 30-June 3 will be Dennis Hallford and Ryan Ashley.

FACULTY RECOGNITIONS

Dennis Hallford, Tim Ross (Animal and Range Sciences) and Keith Duncan (Extension Animal Science and Natural Resources) have been given designations as “Distinguished Achievement Professor,” a new professorship program for full professors who have been in rank for at least 7 years and have demonstrated significant achievements at that level.

Effective July 1, 2012, Clint Löest (Animal Science) will receive promotion from Associate Professor to Professor, while Robert Hagevoort and John Wenzel (Extension Animal Science and Natural Resources) will be promoted to Associate Professor.

Congratulations to these well deserving individuals.

MEDALLION AWARDEES

Several spring graduates were recognized for academic and student activities with the department’s Graduate of Distinction medallion. These include Roxanne Benally (Shiprock, NM), Erin Crumbley (Fort Bayard, NM), Austin Graham (Clovis, NM), Monty Lane (La Mesa, NM), Leah Schmitz (Llaves, NM), Aurora Torres (Placitas, NM), and Angela Yemma (Littleton, CO).

Medallion awardees: Aurora Torres, Leah Schmitz, Erin Crumbley, Austin Graham, Monty Lane, Dr. Tim Ross

FIELD DAY

The annual Corona Range and Livestock Research Center will
host its annual “Half Day of College” on June 13. In addition to tours of the facility and a presentation on how NMSU serves New Mexico, class sessions on “Equine Management for Work and Pleasure” and “Range Plant Identification” will be offered.

**SCHOLARSHIP**

Treva Henio of the Navajo Nation has received the John Werner Scholarship from the New Mexico Soil and Water Conservation Society. Treva is scheduled to graduate in December with a degree in range science and a minor in livestock production. She plans to return to the reservation to help her community with natural resource challenges.

**ETC.**

Former faculty member, Dr. Dean Hawkins, currently at West Texas A&M University, was recognized this spring as a Distinguished Alumni from the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at Texas Tech University. He was also just elected as Director-at-Large for the American Society of Animal Science.

Dr. Mike Salisbury, who received his doctorate in animal science from NMSU in 1999, has been named Animal Science Department Head at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. His major advisor at NMSU was Tim Ross.