PUBLICATIONS
Recent departmental publications include:


TRAVELS
Laura White attended the National American Quarter Horse Association convention in Houston on March 7-11 where she gave a presentation on summer horsemanship clinics. She also attended the AQHA judging training seminar in Fort Worth on March 17-21.

Andrés Cibils has been invited to speak at the Sixth Argentinian Rangelands Conference in Santa Rosa, La Pampa, Argentina on April 8-12. His presentation is titled “Sustainable Livestock Production on Rangelands: Emerging Trends in the USA,” co-authored with Rick Estell, Jerry Holechek, and Dean Anderson.

ABOVE AND BEYOND AWARD
Dana Wiebe, Administrative Assistant (General) in the Department was recognized at the February Board of Regents meeting with the “Above and Beyond Award”. The award honors “full-time employees who have demonstrated a strong commitment to NMSU and made a significant contribution to our institution.” Individuals are recognized for their efforts “above and beyond” their regular duties and demonstrating a positive attitude.

STUDENT NEWS
The NMSU Ranch Horse Team competed in the ASHA Collegiate Stock Horse Show in Fort Collins, Colorado on March 3. The group won the HIGH POINT team award. Individuals receiving awards were: Katy Rosencrans – High Point Individual and Kendra Werner – 3rd High Point Individual in the Non-Pro class; Chelsea Reimholz – Reserve High Point in Limited Non-Pro class; Jodi Easley
– High Point Individual and **Jacquie Best** – Reserve High Point in Novice class. The other team participant in limited non-pro division was **Mieke Canan**. **Joby Priest** serves as team coach.

Competing at the Houston Livestock Show on March 11 was the NMSU Wool Judging Team. Members were **Elizabeth Elliott, Laci Kennedy, Erin Arko, and Courtney Hurt**. The team was accompanied by **Tim Ross** (coach) and **Consuelo Gurule** (assistant coach).

Participating in the Graduate Student Research and Art Symposium (GRAS) on March 13 was **Kelsey Quinn**. Her presentation was titled “Alterations in CXCR4 and CXXL12 in ovine placental tissues during early pregnancy: Natural breeding and assisted reproductive technologies (ART).”

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Farewell to **Laura (Dawdy) Tracey and Reid McDonald**. Both are off to new adventures. Laura, research associate in the Nutrition Lab has accepted a position with Land ‘O Lakes as a nutritional consultant and will remain in Las Cruces. Reid recently completed his Ph.D. with **Clint Löest** and he, Becky, and Cooper will be moving to Australia where he will work with the Australian Division of Nutritional Services Associates.