TRAVELS
Sarah Veeder and Deanna Duran attended the Therapeutic Riding Conference in Orlando, Florida on November 6-8.
Attending the Southern Section, Professional Animal Scientist meeting in Lubbock, Texas on November 6-8 were Sergio Soto, Jose Caballero and Fathi Amraga.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM
The Livestock Judging Team, coached by Clayton Gardner, competed at the American Royal Livestock Judging contest on October 30 – Nov. 3 in Kansas City. They traveled to Louisville, Kentucky to participate in the North American International Livestock Exposition. Team members are Lawrence Velasquez, Troy Mitchell, Joslyn Beard, Veronica Alba, and Lyndi Owensby.

HORSE JUDGING TEAM
The Horse Judging Team competed at the Arabian National Horse Judging Contest in Tulsa, Oklahoma on October 25. Matthew Crouse was First High Individual, 1st in reasons, 2nd in performance, and 3rd in halter. Other team members were Veronica Alba, Taylor Calloway, Violet Herrera, Kyia Lively, Lyndi Owensby, Jordan Potthoff, and Kymberlie Wilson. Next contest will be the National Reining Horse Futurity in Oklahoma City on December 5-6. Team coach is Laura White.

FFA AWARD
Animal Science major and livestock judging team member, Lawrence Velasquez of Santa Rosa, New Mexico, was one of 27 New Mexico FFA members to receive the American FFA Degree at the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA
Animal and Range Sciences faculty and graduate students inducted into Gamma Sigma Delta, the Honor Society of Agriculture,
on November 14 were Dr. Amy Ganguli, Stephanie Lopez, Mohammed Sawalhah, Megan Coleson and Clayton Gardner. Sergio Soto received the Past-President’s plaque for his service as club President for the past two years, while Marilyn Hallford received a “Distinguished Service Award” for her 15 years service as Historian and Treasurer of the organization. Current President is Andrés Cibils and President-Elect is Eric Scholljegerdes.

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Congratulations to Whit and Lindsay Stewart on the birth of a son, Thomas Whitney, on October 25. Whit is a Ph.D. student working with Eric Scholljegerdes.

Ely Camacho, who received her Master’s degree in animal science from NMSU in 2009 under the direction of Dennis Hallford, has been selected as a “Young Scholar Award Recipient” for the Midwest Section of the American Society of Animal Science. Ely is currently completing her Ph.D. in animal science at North Dakota State University.

Congratulations to the winners of the departmental Pumpkin Carving contest:

Dr. Ashley’s Grad Students
1st Place

Lauren Svejcar
2nd Place

Brenna Slayton-Magitman
3rd Place