March 23, 2015

NEW DEPT. HEAD

Dr. Glenn Duff has accepted the Department Head position beginning July 1, 2015. He is currently Head of the Department of Animal and Range Sciences at Montana State University. Dr. Duff received his B.S. in animal and dairy science at Northwest Missouri State University, his M.S. in animal physiology at University of Arkansas and his Ph.D. in animal nutrition at New Mexico State University. Upon graduation, he was a postdoctoral research associate at Clayton Livestock Research Center (CLRC), then went on to serve as Research Specialist at University of Arkansas, and Sales Nutritionist with Farr Better Feeds. He returned to the CLRC in 1994 and served as Superintendent there until August 2001. He was member of the faculty at The University of Arizona from 2001 to 2010 when he began his duties at Montana State. He has been an active member of the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) and served as Secretary/Treasurer, President-Elect and President of the Western Section, ASAS. He and his wife, Donna, are looking forward to returning to the desert southwest and NMSU.

TRAVELS

John Campbell served as judge at the Carrizo FFA Invitational and the Tucumcari FFA contests in March. He also attended the International Livestock Congress in Houston on March 4-5 and accompanied the Wool Judging Team to Houston Intercollegiate Wool Judging contest on March 12-17.

Attending the Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIMR)/IACUC Conference in Boston, March 17-20 was Shanna Ivey.

Amanda Ashley and Monica Salazar presented a poster, “Membrane Progesterone Receptor Signaling in Breast Cells” at the Society for Toxicology meeting in San Diego, CA on March 22-26. Co-authors on the paper in addition to Amanda and Monica are Alejandra Lerma-Ortiz, Jessica P. Houston, and Ryan Ashley.

RANCH HORSE TEAM

The NMSU Ranch Horse Team, coached by Joby Priest, competed at the Colorado State University Spring Ranch Horse competition on March 7-9 in Fort Collins, CO. The team placed 1st
overall. Individual winners were Katie Kapp – Non-Pro High Point All Around
Shelby Siegenthaler – Novice High Point All Around
Jacquie Best – 2nd Non-Pro Division
Lily Woodall – 4th and 5th – Limited Non-Pro Division
Myelia Mott – 6th limited Non-Pro Division
Braiden Clement – 9th Novice Division

The team also participated at the Stock Horse Show in La Mesa, NM on March 21. Katie Kapp won the Non-Pro Division, Jacquie Best was second in the Non-Pro Division, and Myelia Mott was second in the Limited Non-Pro Division. Finishing fourth in the Limited Non-Pro was Lily Woodall, while Braiden Clement was second in the Novice Division. Shelby Siegenthaler won the Novice Division as well as the Green Horse Division.

Wool Judging Team
Brian Roberts, Adam Alberson, Josiah Brooks, Christian Gutierrez, Alexis Villegas, and Ana Gardea. Whit Stewart, assisted by Daniel Fellwock, and Kirsten Creighton, served as team coach.

Speedy recovery wishes to Dr. Arnold Nelson, who is recuperating from hip replacement surgery after falling and breaking his hip.