NOTICES FOR THE MONDAY MORNING ROUNDUP
Please remember to send me all information (i.e., who, what, when, where and why). Notices for The Monday Morning Roundup MUST be received no later than 12:00 noon on Fridays, to guarantee publishing in the following Monday’s publication. Please send your information to Kim Dobson (dobsonk@msu.edu) via e-mail. Seminars will be posted the week preceding and the week of the seminar. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dr. Swanson’s Weekly Calendar
Dr. Swanson’s weekly calendar changes frequently, therefore the dates she is out of town are the ONLY items that will be listed in the Roundup. If you have questions regarding her calendar, please contact Kathy Tatro (355-8417 or tatro@msu.edu).
Thanks.

Hot Topics
MSU Moves Program
Karen Waite has added a team to this challenge and would love more members (even I am a member, go figure)? The Team name is “Hoof n It”. Everyone is welcome.

It does take a few minutes to fill out an initial profile, but you don't have to include every stitch of data they ask for (see informational email that was sent below).

Thanks and Happy New Year! Karen
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MSU Faculty and Staff,

We are pleased to announce the first all-campus challenge for the MSU Moves program. Registration is open until January 19, 2012. The Challenge begins January 23 and ends March 4, 2012.

MSU Moves is a web-based online tracking system to help you track your movement and maintain or increase your overall daily/weekly activity level. MSU Moves is FREE and open to all faculty, staff, students and the spouses/Other Eligible Individuals (OEIs) of these groups.

The goal of the challenge is to establish engagement in movement and fitness activities as a campus community. To participate in the challenge, join MSU Moves at http://msumoves.msu.edu and complete a registration profile, identify a captain of your team and have your captain create the team in MSU Moves.

Teams may be composed of all faculty, all staff, all students or a mix of the members of these groups. Spouses and OEIs are eligible to participate as part of the 5-25 members of each team. You may only participate in one challenge team.
The winning team of the MSU Moves Me 2012 Challenge will be the team that achieves the highest percentage increase in minutes of activity over the team baseline minutes of activity during the six-week challenge.

Grand prize winners will receive a gourmet team dinner with raffled prizes, and a trophy to be displayed at a location of their choice. The top 10 runner-up teams will receive challenge t-shirts and recognition. Team captains will receive tickets to an athletic event for their efforts. The benefit for all participants is a greater awareness of your level of physical activity and tools to help you increase your fitness.

More detailed information about MSU Moves and the challenge can be found here: https://ntweb11.ais.msu.edu/ uphys_MSUMoves/MSUMovesChallengeOverview.html.

If you have questions about MSU Moves or the MSU Moves Me 2012 Challenge, contact the Health4U Program at health4u@msu.edu or 517-353-2596.

We hope you'll join the MSU Moves Me 2012 Challenge!

Good News
Welcome Back. We begin a new semester and with it comes the return of active hallways and fresh faces. I hope the semester gets off to a great start!

The Michigan Sheep Breeders Association’s Shepherd’s Weekend occurred last weekend. I am told they had the largest attendance yet. Thank you to Richard and Ramona Ehrhardt, Al Culham, Gretchen Hill and other MSU and Department staff who contributed to the success of the weekend. As always it was a lot of fun and I am impressed with the enthusiasm for the industry and the support for youth activities and development. ---Janice Swanson.

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MSU Spartan Stampede Rodeo

Congratulations to the MSU Stampede Rodeo as they have been recognized as the IPRA Indoor Rodeo of the Year.

Make A Note of It
Blood Drive

The Animal Science Graduate Student Association (ASGSA) is hosting a blood drive on January 20, 2012 at the MSU Union from 10 am to 4 pm. We need volunteers to help unload and reload the Red Cross truck and individuals to help with registering donors or handing out refreshments. We also need blood donors! If anyone is interested in volunteering or donating, please email Lisa Kaulfersch at kaulfers@msu.edu.

Events

Department Coffee Breaks
Below is the schedule for the Department coffee breaks. They will be held once a month in room 1310 Anthony at 9:30. Please be sure to stop by and enjoy doughnuts/bagels and coffee with your colleagues.

Jan. 13
Feb. 10
Mar. 9
Apr. 13
May 11
Animal Science Honor

Funding Opportunities

ANSIT (ANS Information Technology)

Departmental Seminars
Dr. Camie Heleski – MSU Animal Science – Working Equids in Developing Parts of the World – Thursday, January 19th, 10:00 – 11:00am in 1310 Anthony Hall.

Recent Publications

Other Seminars Around Campus
Pathobiology and Diagnostic Investigation

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Plant Pathology

Graduate

Grad/Faculty Pizza Lunches
The Graduate Student/Faculty pizza lunches will begin for the 2011-12 academic year on Wednesday, 9/21, from noon – 1pm in 2315 Anthony Hall and will continue each month on the third Wednesday of the month.

International News
Heifer Project International
Heifer Project International is looking for twelve faculty/staff/administrators to participate in a study tour to Honduras.
June 15-23, 2012. These twelve "ambassadors" will then help HPI to develop an action plan for strengthening its university programming through scholarly exchange, student-centered curricula building, and outreach opportunities. [http://www.heifer.org/getinvolved/schools/teachers/study-tours-f](http://www.heifer.org/getinvolved/schools/teachers/study-tours-f)

Miscellaneous

**Construction Junction agenda set for Jan. 12**

The Physical Plant Division continues “Construction Junction” construction planning and progress meetings. These meetings serve as monthly opportunities for the campus community and its neighbors to offer input and ask questions about planned construction across campus.

Construction Junctions are at 8:30 a.m. the second Thursday of the month in Room B122 of Wells Hall.

The agenda for Jan. 12 is as follows (subject to change):

**New presentations:**

- McDonel Hall – River Trail Engagement Center
- Steam Distribution – West Circle Steam Loop - 2012

**Project updates:**

- Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum
- Bott Building for Nursing Education and Research (Life Science Addition)
- Library – Chiller Replacement
- Wells Hall Addition
- Case Hall Renovations

**Parking information:**

The nearest public parking for those without MSU parking permits is in [Lot 79](http://www.construction.msu.edu) (located in front of Spartan Stadium on Shaw Lane), for a rate of $1.60 per hour.

**Construction information resources:**

If you are unable to attend Construction Junctions, keep up with all the latest construction information by visiting [www.construction.msu.edu](http://www.construction.msu.edu) frequently. The site contains specific project information, detour maps, Construction Junction meeting information and more. Also get construction updates by following the MSU Physical Plant in social media.

**Upcoming meeting dates are** (agendas will be sent prior to meetings):

- Feb. 9
- March 8
- April 12

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**Position Announcements**

The NDSU Carrington Research Extension Center is accepting applications for the following position:

Research Specialist – Animal Science
Office headquarters: Carrington, North Dakota
Screening begins: February 13, 2012

Attached is the position announcement. Screening for this position begins on February
13. Your help in referring potential candidates for this position would be greatly appreciated. A complete announcement is posted on the NDSU home page at the following URL: http://jobs.ndsu.edu/postings/1586.

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Michigan State University - Department of Animal Science
REPRODUCTIVE AND DEVELOPMENTAL SCIENCES PROGRAM

The Reproductive and Developmental Sciences Program (RDSP) at Michigan State University is undergoing a major expansion in conjunction with the Center for Women’s Health Research and the Engineering and Health Initiative. This expansion is a joint effort between the Colleges of Human Medicine, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Veterinary Medicine, and MSU AgBioResearch. Applications are invited from outstanding scholars for up to eight tenure system positions at the ranks of Assistant, Associate and Full Professor. Individuals with a Ph.D., MD, DVM, DO or a combination of advanced degrees with excellent post-doctoral training and/or an established track record of scholarship and funding are invited to submit their applications. The individuals should be committed to interdisciplinary and collaborative research focused on Reproduction and Development and will be part of an established and vibrant joint program involving faculty in East Lansing and Grand Rapids. It is expected that the junior faculty candidates will complement the interests of the senior faculty hires to enhance existing programs or develop focused and thematic areas of expertise that will lead to further scientific advancement and the development of multi-investigator projects for extramural funding. The positions will be within the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Biology in the College of Human Medicine, the Department of Animal Science in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Department of Physiology in the College of Veterinary Medicine. The primary areas of emphasis are Stem cells and Regenerative Medicine, Developmental Epigenetics, Environmental Impact on Reproduction and Development and Women’s Health and Reproduction. Excellent start up and benefit packages commensurate with academic rank are associated with these positions. Interested applicants should visit https://jobs.msu.edu (position number: 5588).

For additional information, you may contact:

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Position Information

The successful candidate will become part of a team of scientists and support staff working in beef cattle research and education involving nutrition and management of beef cows and calves and feedlot growing and finishing. The individual selected will participate in planning, conducting, summarizing and presenting practical and progressive research projects focusing on ruminant nutrition, livestock management, environmental issues, health, carcass quality, and economics of livestock production in North Dakota; participate in husbandry activities such as feeding feedlot cattle and beef cows, calving beef cows, and health care along with logistics planning for feed and other supplies; help plan and conduct maintenance and renovation of facilities and equipment; work cooperatively with other NDSU employees in support of Research Center activities; and maintain open and positive communications with faculty, producers, and industry people.

The Carrington Research Extension Center (CREC) is one of seven out-state NDSU Research Extension Centers. The CREC is located near Carrington, a community centrally located about two hours from each of the four largest cities in North Dakota. Carrington is a thriving community of approximately 2,500 people in a widely diversified agricultural production region of east central North Dakota. Carrington is a vibrant rural community with progressive schools (K-12), modern medical services (clinic and hospital), and recreation opportunities including hunting, fishing and birding. For further information visit http://www.carringtonnd.com/.

Minimum Qualifications

• Completed Bachelor of Science degree in animal science with beef research experience
• Evidence of successful independent care and management of feedlot cattle and beef cows.
• The ability to safely and efficiently operate and maintain farm and livestock equipment, facilities, and buildings.
• Physical capability to work in adverse environments, lift, climb, walk and accomplish other tasks related to care and management of livestock throughout the year.
• General knowledge of computers and computer software including word processing, data management, spreadsheets, presentation programs, and ration balancing software.
• Evidence of excellent written and oral communication skills including public speaking experience and producer contact.
• Ability to organize data, records, reference material, supplies, feed inventory, and other items.
• A valid ND driver’s license or qualifications to procure one.

Preferred Qualifications

• Master of Science Degree in Animal Science (ruminant nutrition or related discipline).
• Evidence of professionally organized and executed independent research and outreach activities.
• Working knowledge of experimental design and research techniques for experiments with livestock.
• Experience in statistical analysis of livestock research with SAS.
• Leadership ability exhibited in communication, direction, and motivation of personnel.
• Evidence of independent successful grantsmanship.
• Proof of collegiality with colleagues, producers, and industry representatives.