GOOD NEWS

Karen Chou Recognized

Dr. Karen Chou received a letter of recognition from the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Medical Toxicology (published by the American College of Medical Toxicology) that her journal article "Phthalates in food and medical devices" is one of the top cited articles in the Journal. Karen was lead author with coauthor Robert Wright. Congratulations Karen!

Saddle and Sirloin Club Award

Jason Rowntree received word on Friday that Dr. Dave Hawkins (retired ANS faculty emeritus) has been selected to have his portrait hung in the prestigious Saddle and Sirloin Club. This recognition is reserved for individuals who have demonstrated major impact and leadership to the livestock industry during his/her career. There are many outstanding individuals who are nominated yet never selected for this award. More than ½ of the awards have been made to faculty members of primarily Land Grant institutions. Dave will have his portrait painted and hung in the portrait gallery alongside ~ 350 honorees from previous years. The gallery now resides at the North American International Livestock Exposition headquarters in Louisville Kentucky. Dave will be inducted in November 2013 during the NAILE. Another MSU leader Dr. Harlan Richie (whose portrait you see on the back wall of room 1310) is also hanging in the NAILE gallery. Thank you Jason and others who worked hard to put this nomination together. Congratulations Dave!

AAALAC

The Association for the Assessment and Accreditation for Laboratory Animal Care, Int (AAALAC) conducted a site visit to evaluate the Michigan State University Animal Care Program the week of February 25th. Four site visitors reviewed the overall animal program for over three days. While they had a number of suggestions for improvement, their recommendation to the Council on Accreditation is expected to be favorable. The Animal Care Program wishes to thank everyone across campus who helped to prepare for the visit and who met with the site visitors. A true team effort!

The site visitors thought we have a very good program and mentioned the following “kudos” in particular:

- We have excellent staff across campus: Animal Care, Husbandry, IACUC who do a great job taking care of the animals.
- The Aquatic facilities are great.
- The IVIS is immaculate and well run.
- The robotic milking machine is great.
- Good support from the Administration.
- Good animal records on the farms and the managers pay attention to the animals.
- They thought it was great that the Laying Hen Facility was working with industry.
- Our Post Approval Monitoring program is very good.
Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of the animal care program and for all the work you did preparing for the visit.

Thanks,

JR

Joseph R. Haywood, Ph.D.
Assistant Vice President for Regulatory Affairs
Professor, Pharmacology & Toxicology


**MAKE A NOTE OF IT**

**Applicants for the Livestock Academic Specialist position** (PD attached) will interview on the following dates:

- Jason Johnson, South Dakota State University – March 12, 2013
- Adam Conover, Iowa State University – March 19, 2013
- Bradley Bennett, Kansas State University – March 25, 2013
- Aaron Gray, University of Idaho – April 3, 2013

Seminar times are the same for each candidate: **10:30 a.m. in 1310 Anthony Hall.**

There is a faculty/staff session for each at **1:00 p.m. in 1310 Anthony Hall.**

CV's are attached as well.

**CGA Newsletter Issue 3**

Please feel free to read the MSU Contract and Grant Administration Newsletter that is attached. The Newsletter has some good information for faculty.

**AT&T Reservationless TeleConference Services**

Okay, to clear up some confusion with regards to the Reservationless Conference Calls, if you need to use the conference call line that the department has (at your cost of the phone call and your guests), you need to contact either Barb Sweeney (sweeney4@msu.edu) or myself at cotton@msu.edu. We need to know the date, time and account number to charge the calls to (typically runs about $5.00). If you don’t already have the numbers, we will then email them to you. The reason to know in advance is two-fold…1) so that there is no overlap in conference calls and 2) the bill does not show who made the call.

The other option is the free conference call ([http://www.freeconferencecall.com/](http://www.freeconferencecall.com/)) web site. This is A GOOD RESOURCE, BUT everyone WHO CALLS WILL BE paying for their own phone call.
EVENTS

Department Coffee Break
The once a month coffee break for the Animal Science Department will be held the following dates at 9:30 in room 1310 Anthony:

March 15th
April 12th
May 10th

MSU Avian Science Club Easter Egg Hunt
For Staff and Faculty
When: March 24th
Time: 2:00 pm
Place: Anthony Hall (Room T.B.A)
Please R.S.V.P as soon as possible to john3256@msu.edu with number of children and ages

SEMINARS

Cara Robison will defend her dissertation entitled “Ex vivo and In vitro effects of omega-3 fatty acids on bone, cartilage, and synovial fluid in sows and gilts” on March 15 at noon in room 1310 Anthony Hall.


UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Animal Science Undergraduate, Beth Rohl Big Ten Indoor Field Athlete of the Year
Feb. 27, 2013 MSUToday Weekly Update

EAST LANSING, Mich. – Redshirt senior Beth Rohl was chosen Big Ten Indoor Field Athlete of the Year as announced by the conference office on Wednesday, Feb. 27. The 2013 Big Ten champion in the weight throw, Rohl posted a career-best mark of 22.17m/72-9 to set a new school record. This marks the second Field Athlete of the Year recognition for Rohl, her first for the indoor season, as she received the award for the first time in the 2011 outdoor season.

“It's a good way for me to go out with it being my last year,” said Rohl, “I was excited to hear the news. I've just been giving it my all since it's my last go around. I've been doing all the work, so it's great to finally get the award for indoor. This pushes me even more to go for it at NCAAs.”

Rohl's Big Ten title win this past weekend was the fifth individual weight throw title this season for the New Buffalo, Mich., native and second Big Ten Indoor title of her career.

She claimed her first indoor weight throw title in 2009.

“It's a great honor,” said director of track & field/cross country Walt Drenth. “When you
consider the high quality of athletes in the Big Ten, to be chosen among her peers in all field event areas, it’s well-earned. She has consistently proved through the course of the indoor season that she is a great athlete. She comes through in the clutch. Her performances have been timely. Winning a Big Ten title, regardless of how talented you are, is no easy task. I’m really proud of her work and her efforts. With an award like that, it sets a standard in something that’s hard to do. Beth has set a standard for the people on the team now that these things are achievable. Hopefully it won’t be long until we receive another award like this.”

GRADUATE STUDENTS

The spring 2013 semester grad/faculty pizza lunches have been scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month. All the lunches will be in 2315 ANH, and will be from 11:30am -12:30pm. Pizza will be provided, but people are asked to bring their own beverage.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Department of Agriculture at Andrews University
Berrien Springs, Michigan.
Chairperson

Title: Chairperson, Department of Agriculture at Andrews University, Berrien Springs, Michigan. The University is seeking an experienced and qualified individual for a full-time teaching and administrative position. The successful candidate is expected to lead in the development of a growing department which offers courses in animal science, horticulture, landscaping, crops and soils.

Qualifications: A Ph.D. degree in an agricultural-related or animal science field, with a minimum of three years teaching experience at the university level. Strong organizational, mentoring and interpersonal skills are essential to provide departmental leadership and vision for growth and development in students and programs offered. Knowledge and experience with state and NCATE accreditation standards and practices is expected, along with a commitment to quality education for all students.
In addition, it is highly desirable to have experience and management knowledge in some or all of commercial enterprises of dairying, row-crop farming, viticulture and fruit-tree orchard management. On-site dairy herd, commercial row-crop farm, orchard and grape production are available for student and staff research projects. Seventh-day Adventist affiliation of applicants is preferred.

**Responsibilities:** The successful candidate will be expected to lead the department and teach selected undergraduate and/or graduate courses, advise students and support the University’s educational goals. Development of a long-term vision for agricultural education and related programs will be expected, while maintaining continuity in international teaching programs already initiated at affiliated universities.

A close liaison with the commercial agricultural operations is expected, with the potential by a qualified candidate for general management oversight of the complete agricultural programs at the University. This will include budget planning, direction to staff managing the various operations, long-range viability planning, all with emphasis for practical student learning experiences in the diverse enterprises.

Résumés, curriculum vitae’s and queries on this position may be directed to the search committee chair, Dr. Verlyn Benson; vbenson@andrews.edu; or phone 269-471-3414.

The position will be available July 1, 2013 or sooner if desired. Applications close on April 15, 2013 and must be received by this date. Applications can be submitted online at www.andrews.edu/hr/emp_apply.php or mailed to Employment, Human Resources, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104-0860. Phone 269-471-3570. Fax: 269-471-6293. Email: employment@andrews.edu. **Andrews University is affiliated with the Seventh-day Adventist Church.**
Jason Johnson
South Dakota State University

Livestock Specialist-Teacher
candidate

Presents:

“Success is not a matter of chance; it’s a
matter of choice”

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Tuesday, March 12, 2013 @ 10:30 am
1310 Anthony Hall
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Department of
Animal Science
Adam Conover
Iowa State University

Livestock Specialist-Teacher candidate

Presents:

“Pathway to Success”

Tuesday, March 19, 2013 @ 10:30 am
1310 Anthony Hall

Department of Animal Science
Bradley Bennett
Kansas State University

Livestock Specialist-Teacher candidate

Presents:

“Molding a Vision into Reality”

Monday, March 25, 2013 @ 10:30 am
1310 Anthony Hall

Department of Animal Science
Aaron Gray
University of Idaho
Livestock Specialist-Teacher candidate

Presents:

“Preparing for Success”

Wednesday, April 3, 2013 @ 10:30 am
1310 Anthony Hall

Department of Animal Science