**NOTEWORTHY**

**Published**
Animal Science assistant professor, Dr. Janice Siegford, recently had two articles published. For the complete articles, contact Dr. Siegford at siegford@msu.edu. Here are the citations:


**National Association of County Agricultural Agents Awards**
The MSU Beef Team was a national finalist for “Search for Excellence in Livestock Production.” The team includes Brenda Reau, assistant director of the MSU Product Center Food-Ag-Bio; Jason Rowntree, assistant professor in the Department of Animal Science; and Extension educators Gerald Lindquist, Jeannine Schweihofer, Kable Thurlow and Kevin Gould. The team took an innovative approach to educating beef producers utilizing a series of webinars held in 2011 and 2012.

The state-level win for the publication *Carcass Composting: A Mortality Management Option for Michigan Equine Owners (E3168)* was a team effort. Extension educator Thomas Guthrie and Dr. Dale Rozeboom, professor and Extension specialist in the Department of Animal Science, wrote the publication. Extension educator M. Charles Gould and Extension specialist Dr. Karen Waite reviewed it. Dr. Judy Marteniuk, associate professor in the Large Animal Clinic, was instrumental in helping with carcass composting demonstrations at the MSU Ag Expo, which led to the creation and development of the publication. The publication helps horse owners in Michigan become aware of and understand how to utilize composting for animal carcass management and helps them develop or make improvements in mortality management procedures.

**SEEKING ASSISTANCE**

*Your Help Is Needed!!*
Currently the Animal Science Evacuation Team consists of: Faye Watson, Dave Main, Janet Ireland, Nancy Raney, Barb Sweeney, Patrick Bradley, Jennifer Dominguez, and Courtney Preseault. After yesterday’s fire alarm scare, it was apparent that we need more people to help out. So, with that, where can you get a designer vest, pretty yellow hard hat, a walkie talkie, a whistle, and a flashlight for free? That’s right, nowhere but here J. If you have been envious of everyone on the team for their stylish fashion sense, then you need to join our team. You too can have these things and also help out your fellow co-workers. Your help is GREATLY needed to make the evacuation of Anthony a smoother process.

Please contact Faye Watson (cotton@msu.edu), if you are interested in helping us out. We need 3 to 4 extra people.
EVENTS

Annual RPT meeting
The Annual RPT (Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure) meeting will be October 24, 2013, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., 1310 Anthony Hall. Please mark your calendars for this very important meeting. More information will be forthcoming.

8th Annual Animal Science Graduate Research Forum
The 8th Annual Animal Science Graduate Research Forum will take place on October 31st, from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. The Forum coordinators this year are: Paola Piantoni (Piantoni@msu.edu), Jessica Shire (shireje@msu.edu), Marilia Chiavegato (chiavega@msu.edu), and Dr. Adam Lock (allock@msu.edu). Please see the flyer or contact a forum coordinator for more information.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Grad/Faculty Pizza Lunches
The fall 2013 semester grad/faculty pizza lunches have been scheduled for the third Thursday of each month starting Sept. 19th. All the lunches will be in 2315 ANH, and will be from 12pm -1pm. Pizza will be provided, but people are asked to bring their own beverage.