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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **December 3-5, 2008** – Sheep Shearing School
- **December 15-19, 2008** – Interviews for Cow/Calf Asst. Professor Position
- **December 17, 2008** – Tim Nath, M.S. Seminar, 9:00 a.m. Wahlstrom Room
- **January 6-8, 2009** – Beef 2020
- **January 10, 2009** – Lamb Bonanza
- **January 31, 2009** – 2009 Pork Classic
- **March 27-28, 2009** – 86th Little International
- **September 12, 2009** - Beef Bowl; SDSU vs Indiana State

CONGRATULATIONS

Tara Cook successfully defended her M.S. thesis on November 4th. The title of her project was, "A comparison of patch-burn grazing and continuous grazing in the Northern tallgrass prairie." Tara's advisor was Dr. Sandy Smart.

Abby Bartosh successfully defended her M.S. thesis on November 12th. The title of her research project was, "Effect of supplemental fat from dried distillers grains with solubles or corn oil on cow performance, nutrient digestibility, and plasma concentrations of long chain fatty acids, insulin-like growth factor-1, growth hormone, and non-esterified fatty acids". She studied under the direction of Drs. Cody Wright and Aimee Wertz-Lutz.

Keith Underwood and his wife Julie welcomed their first child into their family on October 24th. **Aubrey Lynn** weighed 7 lb. 5 oz. and is 21 inches long. Keith has accepted the position of Asst. Professor of Meat Science and will begin in January of 2009.

Tom and **Carol Kleinjan** are first-time grandparents. Their son Pete and his wife Katherine are the proud parents of **Johanna Danielle**. She was born Saturday November 1st in Sioux Falls. She weighed 6 lb 12 oz and is 20 inches long.

Leon and **Jane Pesall** have a new granddaughter. Their daughter Julie and her husband Ben Cedar welcomed **Cora Rose** into their family on Nov. 21st. She weighs 6 lb. 6.5 oz and joins two-year old sister Cadence in the Cedar family.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Perry, G. A. and B. L. Perry. 2008. Effects of standing estrus and supplemental estradiol on changes in uterine pH during a fixed-time artificial insemination protocol. J. Anim. Sci. 86:2928-2935.

Now in ARS Library: **Final Report of Grasslands Management and Planning Project**. Sponsored by: SD Grasslands Coalition. Project Coordinator, Justin Jessop. December 2007.

FALL 2008 MEAT JUDGING TEAM FINISHES SEASON AS RESERVE NATIONAL CHAMPION

The SDSU Meat Judging Team finished a successful judging season with three major contests. The team consisted of five dedicated students-**Eric Hogle**, Clarion, IA; **Jace Hollenbeck**, Harrisburg, SD; **Katelyn Milton**, Brooklyn Park, MN; **Tyler Radke**, Minnesota Lake, MN; and **Tyler Urban**, Lennox, SD-and was coached by **Dustin Mohrhauser** and **Sarah Wells**.

As a team, SDSU took 4th place at the American Royal held in Omaha, NE on October 19th. The team was 2nd in specifications, 4th in beef grading and total beef, and 5th in beef judging and reasons. Individually, Hollenbeck was 8th overall, 2nd in pork judging, and 2nd in placings. Hogle placed 9th overall, and 4th in specifications and Radke was 2nd in beef judging. The contest consisted of 12 teams and 70 contestants.

The team then placed 3rd at the Cargill Meat Solutions High Plains Contest held in Plainview, TX on November 2nd. SDSU received 2nd in pork judging, 3rd in beef grading, beef judging, placings, and reasons, 4th in total beef, and 5th in lamb judging. Milton was 5th overall, 2nd in beef grading, and 3rd in total beef. Also, Radke was 8th overall and 5th in specifications while Hollenbeck was 2nd in beef judging and placings and 5th in reasons. There were 10 teams and 53 contestants participating in the contest.

To round out the season, SDSU received **Reserve National Champion** honors by finishing 2nd at the International in



2008 Reserve National Champion Team

Dakota City, NE on November 16th. The team also finished 2nd in beef grading, total beef, specifications, and reasons, 4th in pork judging, and 5th in beef judging. Milton took 7th individually and was 3rd in placings while

Hogle finished 9th overall, 2nd in pork judging, 3rd in beef judging, and 5th in placings and Radke was 5th in specifications. Urban received the Rachel Hamilton Spirit Award while Milton took home 2nd Team All-American honors. The contest consisted of 13 teams and 50 contestants.

ANNUAL FALL CCU FEMALE SALE

The Cow/calf Unit fall female sale was held Wednesday, November 19th. Thirteen bred females were sold by phone auction averaging \$1546. Myron Gauger of M & J Gauger's Angus, Inc. from Clear Lake, SD was the volume buyer, purchasing all thirteen cows. Special thanks goes to Betty Knutsen for the help with the sale flyer and to Amanda Lindsey, Brady Duxbury and Deidra Hoff for the good help out at the unit.

- Kevin VanderWal



Madison Nath, daughter of Tim and Carissa Nath was in the spirit of Halloween in Marshall, MN with her “bacon” costume.

DECEMBER ARS BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 9	Cody Moret	Dec. 17	Brandi Perry
Dec. 19	Adam Rhody	Dec. 21	Cody Wright
Dec. 22	Jane Pesall	Dec. 23	Tim Nath
Dec. 23	Dustin Mohrhauser	Dec. 24	Rozanne McGrath
Dec. 24	Melissa Staples		

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: ENJOY THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.