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1. College Alumni Receive Awards

The CASNR Week Banquet in April gives the Alumni Association opportunity to recognize our Achievement, Service, Legacy and Emeriti Departmental award recipients.

The Honorable James Kube of Norfolk received the Alumni Achievement Award for his dedication to Nebraska agricultural and environmental law and exemplary service through the volunteer lawyers project and agricultural and natural resource interests and organizations. He is judge of the District Court in the 7th Judicial District. Judge Kube is a 1982 and 1987 CASNR graduate with a dual major in wildlife management and range management. He graduated from the University of Nebraska College of Law.



Jim Kube '82, '87, '92 with wife Connie

John Miller of Murdock, NE received the Association's Service Award to honor his imaginative contributions to agriculture, his active engagement with youth education and career development and his passionate service of lasting impact to the College, the Institute and the University. He is founder and president of Oxbow Animal Health, maker of premium foods for small animals. Service Award recipients need not be CASNR alumni. Miller is a 1971 agricultural engineering graduate.



John Miller '71 with wife Patricia

Ted and Alice Doane received the Association's Legacy Award for their lifelong team effort enriching lives through teaching, advising, mentoring, guiding careers for young people and adults here and abroad, endowing a scholarship and being genuine ambassadors for the Department of Animal Science, the College, Extension and the University. Dr. Doane is professor emeritus in the Animal Science Department.



Ted and Alice Doane

The School of Natural Resources was honored with the Award for Engagement of Emeriti Faculty for effective and innovative engagement of emeriti and recognition of this rich resource to the betterment of the department, its students, the College and the University. Dr. Don Wilhite, Director of the School of Natural Resources, and Associate Director Tala Awada accepted the award for the Department.



Dean Waller, Don Wilhite, Tala Awada

Eight CASNR alumni were honored recently by the Nebraska Alumni Association at their 2011 Alumni Awards Banquet which was held May 5 (photos courtesy Nebraska Alumni Association):

Paul Engler, from Stuart, Nebraska, received the Nebraska Builder Award. Engler is a cattle rancher from Amarillo, Texas. He studied animal science at UNL. Paul recently announced a \$20 million gift to the University to support programs in agribusiness. The gift from the Paul F. and Virginia J. Engler Foundation will establish a permanently endowed fund to support the Paul F. Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship Program at the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The gift will provide new student scholarships and an endowed chair in agribusiness entrepreneurship.



Paul Engler '51

A Nebraska Builder Award posthumous presentation honored the contributions and life of Willard Waldo of DeWitt, Nebraska. He was an influential leader in the agricultural industry and was a farmer and breeder of Duroc hogs, Hampshire sheep and Polled Milking Shorthorn cattle. He won countless awards and honors for his service to the industry, served four terms in the Nebraska Legislature and was a member of the State Board of Education from 1972-1976.



Willard Waldo '34 (*posthumous*)

Tom Burnell of Lincoln received the Distinguished Service Award. He is CEO of the Nebraska Heart Institute and Heart Hospital. Prior to joining Nebraska Heart, Tom served as CEO and vice chairman for Eurofins Scientific, Inc. Additionally, Tom started his own international consulting business, Milestone Business Management. He has also served as CEO of GenomicFX and president of Continental Grain Company's Animal Nutrition business. Tom has provided tremendous support and volunteer service to UNL and the Nebraska Alumni Association. He graduated from UNL with bachelor's and master's degrees in animal science. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky.



Tom Burnell '84, '85

Additional CASNR alumni were honored by the Nebraska Alumni Association:

Suzy Hammons received the Howard and Judy Vann Student Leadership Award. Suzy graduated in May with a degree in food science and technology. She is from Weeping Water.

Sarah Schroeder received the Jack Miller Scholarship. Sarah is a junior biological systems major from Columbus.

Misti Hogan was honored with the Early Achievers Award. Misti graduated with a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics and agribusiness and a minor in agricultural leadership, education and communication. She now lives in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Teresa Zimmerman received the Young Alumni Achievement Award. She graduated from UNL

with a bachelor's degree in fisheries and wildlife and received a Ph.D. from South Dakota State University. She lives in Chadron and teaches at Chadron State College.

John Plucknett was honored posthumously with the Alumni Achievement Award. He graduated from UNL with a bachelor's degree in agriculture and lived in Louisville, Nebraska.

2. Football Reunion and Silent Auction September 10

The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Alumni Association will host its annual football reunion and benefit silent auction on September 10 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. The NU – Fresno State kickoff is scheduled for 6:00 pm. The reunion is a fun time for alumni to get together and also a great time to participate in the silent auction as donor, buyer or both. The auction benefits student scholarships and generated over \$9,000 last year.

Some game tickets are available for CASNR Alumni Association members who are also members of the Nebraska Alumni Association. Not a member and want to come to the reunion? You can join the CASNR Alumni Association for \$20 now by clicking <http://casnr.unl.edu/AlumniFriendsDonorsExtension/CASNRAlumniAssociation/HowtoJoin>. From this site you can either print a form and mail it with your check or pay online.

Details of the reunion can be found on the College Web site at <http://casnr.unl.edu>. Scroll down to “In The News” lower right and click on “September 10 CASNR Alumni Association Football Reunion.” The reunion will be held in the student union on City Campus.

If you or your employer or an associate can come up with an item to donate to the auction please let us know as soon as possible. We have started gathering auction items and, on behalf of students, will appreciate all contributions. Please contact Paul Horton if you have questions or suggestions for the auction: 402-472-3936, phorton2@unl.edu.

3. Mobile App Available

The College and CASNR Alumni Association now have a free mobile app available. The app brings you a great reference entitled *life after school explained (the definitive reference guide)* providing tips and humorous guidance on real-world issues like taxes, etiquette, engagement rings, home buying, investing, retirement and much more of interest to recent graduates as well as others. If you want sports scores and campus news you can select from a variety of social media feeds including UNL football news, Daily Nebraskan (during the school year) and CASNR Facebook.

The app is designed for iPhone, iPad, Android, Blackberry, iPod and Web (desktop). Search your app Store for “UNL CASNR Crib Sheet” on mobile devices or visit <http://www.mycrsheet.com/unlcasnr> on the Web for free download.

Keep CASNR in your pocket! Take us with you.

4. Fall Animal Science Events for Youth

(contributed by Vicky Kobes, Department of Animal Science)

High School Companion Animal Science and Wildlife Career Day to be Held at UNL on September 28, 2011.

This one-day event is for high school students who are interested in careers in companion animal science and wildlife. The day will be spent learning about career opportunities, visiting with current UNL students and participating in hands-on activities similar to what is done in UNL classes. This event is free for attendees (including lunch!). A flyer about the event may be accessed at http://animalscience.unl.edu/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=4a596339-d066-4a5b-81e8-a324cfdef94c&groupId=2074044&.pdf.

Animal Science Overnight Event to be Held at UNL on October 13-14, 2011.

This activity is for high school juniors and seniors who are interested in a career working with animals. The visit to UNL will give the students an opportunity to experience student life in the Animal Science program...to learn about academic programs, extracurricular activities, available scholarships. Students will get to know current UNL students, tour the UNL East Campus, view the hands-on animal classes and have the opportunity to experience campus housing with an Animal Science student host. There is no charge for participants. A flyer about the event may be accessed at http://animalscience.unl.edu/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=444dc48f-fee4-45c8-8bf2-39e5576074eb&groupId=2074044&.pdf.

Nebraska Youth Beef Leadership Symposium to be Held at UNL on November 19- 21, 2011.

If you know of a high school junior or senior who is interested in learning more about the beef industry, marketing of beef products through hands-on activities and meeting new friends from all over the country this is a conference they don't want to miss! Students will develop and market their own beef products in small teams and possibly earn a \$500 scholarship to UNL! The cost is only \$30 (covers hotel, meals, and materials). A brochure about the event may be accessed at http://animalscience.unl.edu/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=4038cae7-1351-4ddf-8797-53c567c1e743&groupId=2074044&.pdf.

5. First Class of Students in New Vet Program Graduate

(contributed by the School of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences)

Professional Program in Veterinary Medicine – Graduation 2011



Front row: Megan Losee, Jennafer Glaesemann, Kelly Barrett, Amanda Young, Kelsey Kerwin, Elizabeth Farrow, Kathryn Kasten, Sara Pettis, Esther Park, Laura Hardin
Back row: Richard Christen, Cole Vanicek, Michael Rukstalis, Jeff Faiman, Alan Moeller, John Thomson, David Hardin, Amy Marin, Melissa Thompson, Robert Reid, Johanna Fithian

Graduation for the 2011 Class of Veterinary Medicine took place on May 7, 2011 at Iowa State University (ISU). Among the 142 graduates, 23 were from the inaugural class of the Professional Program in Veterinary Medicine between the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Iowa State University. In this program students complete their first two years of veterinary medicine at UNL and their last two at ISU. Of the 23, five graduated with honors. An informal gathering was held on Thursday, May 5th in Ames and Dr Ron Wallman, Seward, Nebraska DVM representing the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association, was present to give students the portfolio provided by the NVMA.

As with any graduation, students and their families were excited about graduating and moving on to another phase in their lives. Thursday marked the final day of clinic duty, so all students could not attend the gathering. Seven of the students found jobs in Nebraska, two in Iowa, and one in Missouri. All students expressed appreciation for the opportunity that this program has provided.

The professional program has selected students in the Class of 2015. The UNL building used for student surgery and clinical foundations will undergo renovation this summer. The area will be equipped with tables, equipment, and instruments to provide experience in doing physical examinations and other procedures.

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