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Outstanding Agriculturalist Honored at GSD Honors Brunch

This year we are pleased to have honored state veterinarian Jim Logan of Riverton as

our chapter's Outstanding Agriculturalist.

The Awards Brunch was April 14 at the UW Union in Laramie. An excellent crowd of about 110 came out to support UW's top agriculturalist and our many excellent students.

Logan was a practicing veterinarian in the Riverton area for more than 20 years, and has served as Wyoming state veterinarian for more than 11 years.

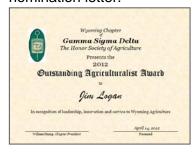
"Jim genuinely has producers' bestinterest in mind at all times," said Dannele Peck, assistant professor in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, while presenting the award.



Dannele Peck presenting Jim Logan with the annual Gamma Sigma Delta Outstanding Agriculturalist Award.

"He is not afraid, however, to tell them tough things they need but don't always want to hear," she said. "When Dr. Logan says 'We need to get serious about this issue' or 'We need to take a hard look at what we are doing here,' producers and colleagues take note."

Logan has not only shown leadership in brucellosis issues but also in sheep industry concerns, said Jim Schwartz, former director of the Wyoming Livestock Board, in his nomination letter.



"Whatever the issue, he has worked toward solving problems based on science instead of yielding to emotional or political pressures," he stated.

Bob Meyer, Wyoming's assistant state veterinarian, noted Logan does far more than normally expected from many state veterinarians.

"Besides his involvement with many agriculturally oriented organizations here in Wyoming, Jim also serves as chairman of various committees for national organizations," he said. "These organizations support and protect our livestock producers from the effects of several livestock diseases, and having Jim's close involvement serves to keep Wyoming's interests front and center."

Congratulations Jim!



Outstanding Freshman Female - McKensie Harris, Laramie, Animal and Veterinary Sciences Outstanding Freshman Male - Shane Bell, Winnemucca, Nev., Ecosystem Science and Management Outstanding Sophomore - Amanda O'Donnell, Spring Creek, Nev., Ecosystem Science and Mngmnt Outstanding Junior - Erin Anders, Cheyenne, Agroecology and Anthropology

Outstanding Senior - Sara van Knapp Jennings, Burbank, Calif., Animal and Veterinary Sciences Outstanding Master's Student - Sarena Olsen, Norridge, Il, Animal and Veterinary Sciences Outstanding Doctoral Student - Rebecca Cockrum, Chesterfield, Md., Animal and Veterinary Sciences









GSD President Bill Stump with McKensie, Shane, Amanda, Erin, Sara, Serena and Rebecca, joined by VP Kristi Cammack, at the awards ceremony April 14.

Departments Recognize Students

At the annual Gamma Sigma Delta Honors Brunch each department within the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources honored some of its top students. Below are this year's honorees.

Agricultural & Applied Economics

WAEA Outstanding Senior Award - Kailey Barlow

Honor Book - Randa May

Agricultural Communications

Honor Book - Kaitlynn Glover

Honor Book - Megan Tanaka

Honor Book - Kelsey Tramp

Animal Science

Honor Book - Brice Mcintosh

Honor Book - Stephanie Schroeder

Honor Book - Saralyn van Knapp Jennings

Honor Book - Tori Walsh

Family and Consumer Sciences

Honor Book - Kati Stoll

Molecular Biology & Microbiology

Honor Book - Anna Justis

Irene Rosenfeld Scientific Achievement Award - Ryan Griesbach

Harold F. Eppson Scholarship - Madeleine Francis

Plant Sciences

Honor Book - Tessa Peters

Honor Book - Bailey Hallwachs

Ecosystem Science and Management

Honor Book, Rangeland Ecology & Watershed Management - Cara Noseworthy

Honor Book, Soil Science - Kristi Mingus

Honor Book, Entomology - Ariana Roe

Honor Book, ESM Graduate Student - Kyle Lilly

Animal and Veterinary Sciences

Honor Book - Julia Ransom



Anna Justis, Mark Stayton, Ryan Griesbach



Kaitlynn Glover, Jim Wangberg and Kelsey Tramp

New Members

We are pleased to announce that 29 people have accepted membership in Gamma Sigma Delta in 2012. Each student is in the top 15 percent of their class (as measured by GPA) and faculty and staff have shown superb ability in their work. Congratulations!

Undergraduate

Keah Cross - Animal and Veterinary Sciences Ryan Griesbach - Molecular Biology Anna Justis - Molecular Biology Tessa Peters - Plant Sciences Lauren Schiermiester - Animal and Vet. Sciences Amanda Thomas - Animal and Vet. Sciences Kelsey Tramp - Agricultural Communications Tori Walsh - Animal and Veterinary Sciences

Graduate

Sherry Adrianos - Molecular Biology Prakriti Bistaghimire - Plant Sciences Peter Burgess - Ag and Applied Economics Caleb Carter - Plant Sciences Carl Coburn - Plant Sciences Wahid HS Dakhel - Veterinary Sciences Andrea Garfinkel – Plant Sciences
Matthew Jolivet – Plant Sciences
Jack Leonhardt – Veterinary Sciences
Louise Lorent – Plant Sciences
Levi Lowder, Molecular & Cellular Life Sciences
Kathleen Meyers – Entomology
Lauren Millett – Molecular Biology
Evgeniy Panzhinskiy– Molecular Biology
Brekke Lane Peterson – Plant Sciences
Jordan Steele – Ag and Applied Economics
Amy Williams – Veterinary Sciences
Megan Wilson – Entomology and Botany
Anna Yedinak – Veterinary Sciences

Faculty and Staff

MD Anowarul Islam - Plant Sciences Steve Miller - Communications & Technology



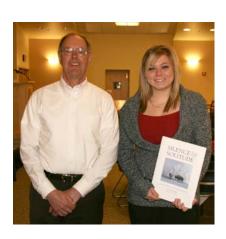
Sonya Meyers and Kati Stoll



John Tanaka with Kyle Lilly, Ariana Roe and Kristi Mingus



Gerry Andrews and Lacey Favazzo



Ed Bradley and Randa May



Tessa Peters Steve Herbert and Bailey Hallwachs



Prakriti Bistaghimire, Louise Lorent, Kathleen Meyers