Alumni and friends gather to celebrate Hallfords’ retirement

Nearly 300 friends, family, staff, students and alumni gathered on June 4 at the Las Cruces Convention Center to celebrate the retirement of Dennis “Doc” and Marilyn Hallford.

The evening began with a buffet dinner and was followed by faculty presenting the couple with gifts to commemorate their time and service to NMSU. Family and former students also told stories and expressed gratitude for the knowledge and life lessons the Hallfords’ had passed to them.

After toasts and final words from the evening’s Master of Ceremonies, Dr. John Campbell, the festive evening concluded with music and dancing.

Top Right: Dr. and Marilyn Hallford are presented with two photographs and a ram’s skull as gifts.
Bottom Left: Former Animal and Range Science professor and department head, Dr. Tim Ross, visits with former student Davena Norris.
Bottom Right: Two customized cakes were made for the celebration, including the one pictured.

Upcoming Events

July 8

Neumann Competition

This scientific paper competition is open to students who are presenting at the Western Section ASAS, National ASAS or the SSR Meeting. It will be held in Knox Hall, room 238.

July 19-23

American Society of Animal Science Western Section Meetings, held in Salt Lake City, Utah.
Publications

Effects of fat and/or methionine hydroxyl analog added to a molasses-urea-based supplement on ruminal and postrumin- 
inal digestion and duodenal flow of nutrients in beef steers consuming low-quality lovegrass hay. R. Lopez, G.D. 

S. Bairagia, b, **K.E. Quinn**, c, A.R. Cranea, b, d, **R.L. Ashley**, c, P.P. Borowicza, b, J.S. Catona, b, R.R. Reddena, e, A.T. Grazul-Bilskaa, b, L.P. Reynolds, a, b,. Maternal environmental and placental vascularization in small ruminants. *Theriogenology*. Volume 86, Issue 1, 1 July 2016, Pages 288-305.


Students travel across the pond to learn about equestrian studies in Ireland

Seventeen students and two faculty members traveled to Ireland in May to experience horse and agriculture in a foreign setting.

During this study abroad session, the students had the opportunity to visit numerous horse facilities, as well as see many cultural sites.

One of the first tours the group received was to the Irish Army Equitation School. Here, horses are trained primarily for 3-day-eventing and show jumping competitions.

Further, the students were able to visit an exclusive horse veterinarian clinic, Clonmel Racetrack as well as Curragh, which is similar to Churchill Downs in Kentucky.

The group also toured six different farms that bred, owned and showed Irish Draught (draft) horses. These horses are used for numerous events.

The travel abroad group kept a blog, which can be seen at https://equinestudyabroad.nmsu.edu/.