

2024 Kiracofe Lecture

Tuesday April 30, 2024

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Dr. Jeff Stevenson

Professor Emeritus

Kansas State University



“Perils and Performance of Peer Review”

Stevenson was born in 1951 in Salt Lake City, Utah, attended elementary and secondary schools there before relocation to Gresham, Oregon in 1967, graduating from Gresham Union High School in 1969. He attended Utah State University (USU) graduating with a B.S. in Dairy Science. During summers, Stevenson worked on his uncle's dairy farm in southeastern Idaho and spent two college years milking cows on a private dairy in Smithfield, Utah and feeding experimental cows for Dr. Melvin C. Anderson, USDA-ARS in Logan, Utah. While a student at USU, he was active in Alpha Zeta (officer) and Dairy Club. He was honored as Utah's Dairy Shrine Student Recognition Awardee in 1975. While a student at USU, he married Barta Lee Morrill. He entered graduate school in Dairy Science at Michigan State University and served as a graduate research and teaching assistant until completing the requirements for a M.S. in Dairy Science in 1977. That same year, he relocated to Raleigh, North Carolina, and enrolled in a Ph.D. program in Animal Physiology at North Carolina State University under the direction of Dr. Jack H. Britt. While fulfilling the requirements of the Ph.D. during 1977-1980, Stevenson served as a graduate and teaching assistant in the Department of Animal Science. In August, 1980, Stevenson was appointed Assistant Professor (70% research/30% teaching) in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry at Kansas State University with promotion to Associate Professor in 1986 and Professor in 1992. After 42 years, he retired from his faculty role in 2022. During his distinguished career at Kansas State, Dr. Stevenson's responsibilities included teaching “Dairy-Poultry Science” and “Ovarian Physiology,” for example. He coordinated the graduate Physiology-Animal Breeding weekly seminar series and served as faculty coordinator for the Kansas Artificial Breeding Service Unit and the Dairy Teaching and Research Center. Research interests included the study of factors controlling estrus and ovulation in dairy and beef cattle to facilitate artificial insemination. Stevenson has served on the editorial boards of the Journal of Dairy Science, Journal of Animal Science, and Animal Reproductive Science, and served as section editor for the Physiology and Management Section of the Journal of Dairy Science (2004 through 2006). From June 1992 through December 2020, Stevenson was a monthly contributing author for the Artificial Breeding column in Hoard's Dairyman. He mentored 34 M.S. and 9 Ph.D. students and is the author or coauthor of 197 peer-reviewed journal articles, 18 invited papers, 11 book chapters, 298 popular press articles, and 143 paper presentations at professional meetings.

Dr. Stevenson will give another presentation in our weekly
Physiology and Animal Breeding seminar:

“Physiology and Technologies Developed for Reproductive Management”

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Weber Hall 146 – 8:30 am

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