Research in the media

Martin Nyachoti, animal science, and Dilantha Fernando, plant science, were recently featured on Farmscape, a radio segment that airs on CKLQ, CFRW and other stations. Martin was interviewed on the feeding of fusarium infected grain to pigs. Dilantha was interviewed on the 2008 situation of fusarium head blight disease in the prairies, and in particular about the toxin changes that have been identified through research in his lab. The audio interview and the writeup can be seen at: http://farmscape.ca.

Dilantha’s work was also quoted in the Winnipeg Free Press (October 4) in the article “Infected wheat toxics another worry on farm” by Laura Rance.

Rick Holley, food science, continues to provide the media with his food safety expertise - he was recently interviewed by the media to provide the media with his food safety expertise - he was recently interviewed on the feeding of fusarium Fusarium head blight disease in the prairies, and in particular about the toxin changes that have been identified through research in his lab. The audio interview and the writeup can be seen at: http://farmscape.ca.

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Clinical Research Project and Documentation Management Lectures

Thursday, December 4, 2008
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Research Seminar Series

Canadian Women's Health Practices, Perceptions, and Behaviors During Pregnancy and the Postpartum Period. Results from the Manutenity Experiences Survey

Presentation by: Dr. Maureen Heaman
November 19, 2008
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Room 570, Helen Glass Centre

Helping our violent homes

BY SEAN MOORE

“Everyone who works in this field envisions a world of violence-free homes and working days. We are working to achieve that outcome, but I also think service providers and researchers are realistic,” Ursel said.

Ursel is specialized courts – the subject of her book, What’s Law Go To Do With It: The Law Specialized Courts and Domestic Violence in Canada. Edited by Ursel, Leslie Tutty and Janice le Maistre, it examines the impact of specialized domestic violence courts and Protection Order Legislation in a number of provinces in Canada.

Six jurisdictions now operate specialized courts in Canada. Manitoba opened Canada’s first domestic violence court in 1990 and Ursel has led a longitudinal study of its impact since its inception.

She has found its functioning to be correlated with improvements in safety, as noted in the drop in domestic homicide rates from 1993-2003.

“With specialization, crown attorneys are able to develop an expertise in working with these very complex cases and prioritize victim safety in their presentations,” Ursel said.

One of the most dramatic results of specialization was the change in sentencing. Conditional discharge, which comes with little consequence and offers no treatment for the offender, has become rarer while probation and court mandated treatment has become the most frequent court outcome.