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The **SSP** Paper

Employee Spotlight



Larry Watkins
Assistant Manager

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Upcoming SSP Attended Events

October

- MHB Annual Conference
- RTB Golf & Cornhole Tournament
- APV Annual Meeting
- National AALAS (booth #1700)

November

- Chicago Branch AALAS Meeting
- MidSouth AALAS Fall Meeting
- DVB AALAS

Company Updates

SSP @ National AALAS 2023

SSP @ NCAB AALAS

SSP @ NEBAALAS Awards- Spirit Of Boston

Can You Help End The Reproducibility Crisis?

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Industry Insights

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The More You Know...

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ScienceDaily | ETH Zurich | 20 September 2023

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Lorenzo Perez, University Of Virginia | 7 August 2023

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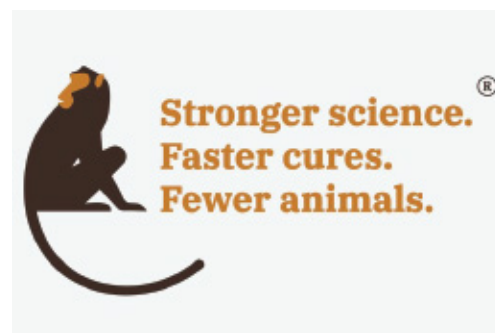
PHSY ORG | Tel Aviv University, 2023

Being Open to Openness: My Personal Experience With Public Engagement

Babraham Institute | 02 August 2023

Assessment of poly- and perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in commercially available drinking straws using targeted and suspect screening approaches

Food Additives and Contaminants: Part A | 24 August 2023



In case you missed it...

Is love for animals what truly drives the animal rights movement? How did this movement begin and what is its ultimate goal? Patti Strand, President and Founder of the National Animal Interest Alliance, has been studying this movement and sharing her findings publicly for decades.

She'll break it all down for us today... on GetReal!

Is it love or conflict fundraising?

Listen here!



Employee Recognition **Larry Watkins**



Title: Assistant Manager
Years at Shepherd: 21 years

Larry joined Shepherd 21 years ago as a machine operator. He has a strong background in manufacturing, which was a bonus for the Watertown operation, and he quickly rose to the position of Production Supervisor. Larry provides direction and leadership at the production facility in line with our Excellence In The Cage Starts Here® initiatives. He keenly focuses on quality and meeting all of our customers' needs.

Get to know Larry

What is one interesting fact about yourself?

"In a previous life, I fished professionally and frequently won first place. An interesting win was when I won an 18-foot Astro boat with 150 mariner motor and a hydraulic jack plate. Made a living this way for 2.5 years fishing."

What are your hobbies outside of work?

"My most important hobby is spending time with my family- my two daughters, their husbands and my two grandsons spend a lot of time doing activities together like boating, road trips, or just plain home cooked meals and sleepovers. After quality time with family, my hobbies are fishing and hunting."

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?

"One of my bucket list items is to visit the Great Wall of China and I will make that trip and walk that wall."

What is one good quality that you believe everyone should possess?

"A good work ethic. With that, anyone can achieve whatever they desire in life all while making the world a better place."

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?

"My chosen superpower would be to be able to take care of my family forever, to give them constant health and happiness, which is why I work so damn hard and save for their future."

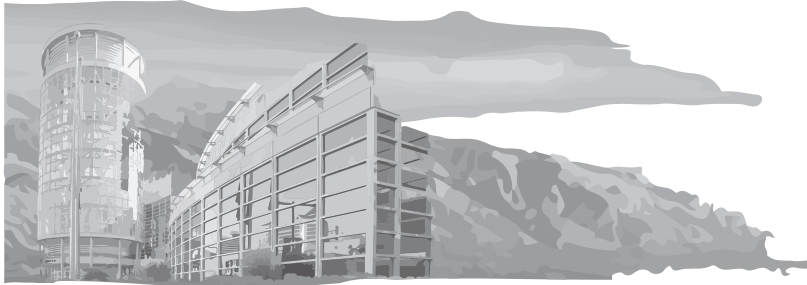
What makes Shepherd so special?

"The products that we make being held to such a high standard allows SSP to lend a helping hand in the process of improving the quality of human life by the work done in the research industry while also catering to and prioritizing the comfort of the animals. Overall, this allows for future children, the elderly, and the general population to live longer, healthier lives."



Company Updates *National AALAS 2023*

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-Solostove**





Company Updates *SSP @ NCAB & Spirit Of Boston*

NCAB

What another great year at NCAB networking, learning, and teaching with some of the best in the industry!

If you want free samples, we have you covered.

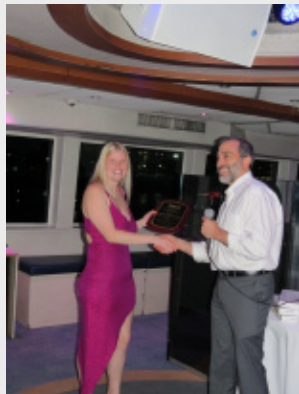
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Spirit of Boston with NEBAALAS

NEBAALAS Annual Awards Show on The Spirit of Boston.
Congratulations to all the award winners!

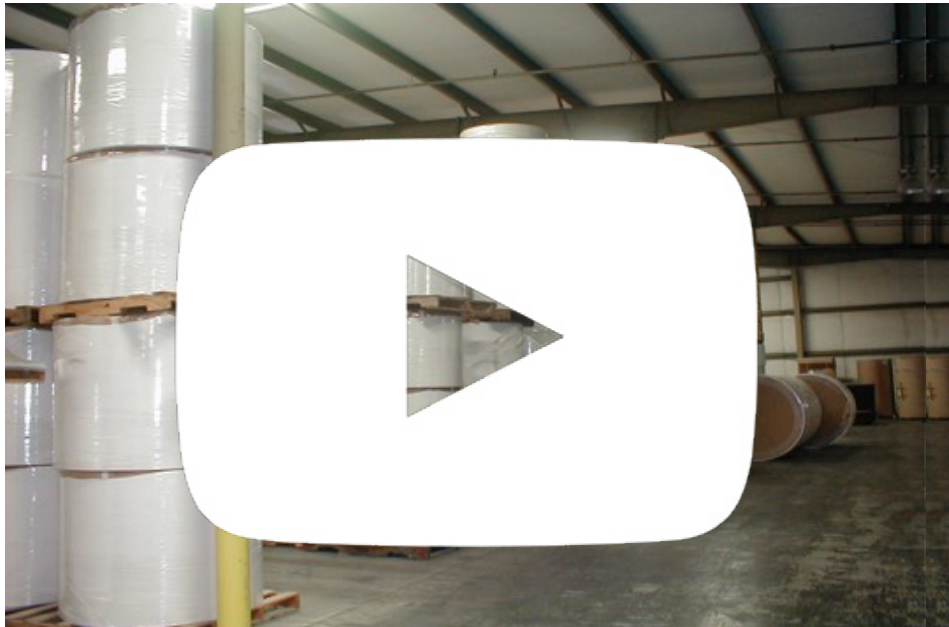


Company Updates *Reproducibility Crisis*

At Shepherd, we prioritize animal welfare and support scientific innovation by creating products that are engineered to ensure your data is the most accurate it can be, *every time*.

When you use other animal beddings in your cages, *you get what you get*.
When you use Shepherd, *you know what you get*.

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