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## Calendar

- Wednesday, October 15**
- LA house officer rounds, M202, 8:00-8:30
  - Necropsy rounds, M125, 8:30-9:30
  - Internship presentation by Dr. Cebra for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year students. M102, 12:00-1:00
- Thursday, October 16**
- Senior Papers: No presentation at 8:00. "Pig Chlamydia Detection," Adrian Lass; Dr. Rockey, advisor. M102, 8:30-9:00
  - Integrative Medicine Club meeting. M298, 12:00-1:00
  - AAEP informational meeting with Linx Alexanderson and Dr. Huber. Lunch will be served. M102, 12:00-1:00
  - SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store. 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- Friday, October 17**
- LA Surgery Journal Club rounds, M288, 7:00-8:30
  - Cytology Rounds, M125, 8:00-9:00
  - Oncology Journal Club/Lab meeting, M269, 9:00-11:00
- Saturday, October 18**
- Fort Dodge Food Animal Symposium, all day event, Magruder Hall. For more information contact Mara Supan, Class of 2011.
- Sunday, October 19**
- Fort Dodge Food Animal Symposium, all day event, Magruder Hall. For more information contact Mara Supan, Class of 2011.
- Monday, October 20**
- Residency rounds, M298, 2:00-3:30
- Tuesday, October 21**
- CVM Research Seminar: "Vaccine antibody responses in Iditarod sled dogs," presented by Dr. E. McKenzie. "Evolutionary epidemiology of *Schistosoma mansoni* in Kenya," presented by M. Steinauer. M102, 12:00-1:00
  - SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store. 12-12:45
  - Residency rounds, M298, 8:30-10:30
- Wednesday, October 22**
- LA house officer rounds, M202, 8:00-8:30
  - Necropsy rounds, M125, 8:30-9:30
- Thursday, October 23**
- Senior Papers: TBA, Andrew Chigos. "Blood chimerism in a goat, A case study," Sharleen Henery; Dr. Estill, advisor. M102, 8:00-9:00
  - Novartis Talk – Adequan, presented by Dr. Marc Cohen. Catered. M102, 12:00-1:00
  - Diversity Action Planning committee: Discuss student survey results, Lisa Poland and Terryl Ross. M102, 3:00-5:00
  - SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store. 4:30-5:30 p.m.
  - Preceptorship and Job Opportunities for the Class of 2009 and 2010, presented by Drs. John Jacobson '90 and Jen Malter '08, Town & Country Animal Clinic, Brookings, Ore. Dinner will be served. RSVP to Jen Malter, DVM ([FourPtrPan@aol.com](mailto:FourPtrPan@aol.com)) or 541-469-4661 by Tuesday, October 21 if you plan to attend. M102, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
- Friday, October 24**
- Cytology rounds, M125, 8:00-9:00
  - Oncology Journal Club/Lab meeting, M269, 9:00-11:00

### New Associate Dean for Hospital Programs and Director of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital appointed

Dr. Helen Diggs will be joining the College of Veterinary Medicine as Associate Dean for Hospital Programs and Director of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Having earned her DVM from OSU CVM in 1985, she will be returning to familiar ground. During her 23-year absence from OSU, Dr. Diggs has distinguished herself in notable positions at other academic institutions. She is currently serving as Director of the Office of Laboratory Animal Care and UC System-wide Veterinary Consultant at the University of California, Berkeley. Previous to that she served as the Associate Director for Veterinary Care at the University of Texas Animal Resources Center in Dallas, Tex.

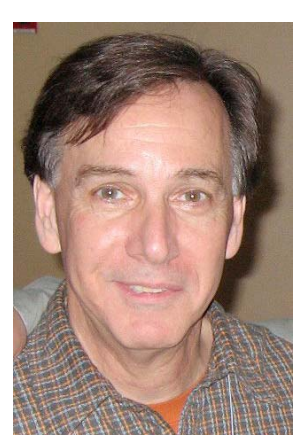


During the course of her career, Dr. Diggs has demonstrated her competence in the fiscal and organizational management of service entities that are similar to the teaching hospital here. Dr. Diggs also has the interpersonal and communication skills necessary to unify the teaching hospital in support of a common mission of service to our students and our clients. In addition to her considerable administrative skills, Dr. Diggs will bring to the university an informed perspective and a wealth of experience relating to laboratory animal use and OSU's ongoing efforts to meet the accreditation standards of the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC).

Dr. Diggs will be joining the College on February 1, 2009.

### Dr. Helfand awarded \$200,000 grant to study hemangiosarcoma in canines

Dr. Stuart Helfand and his colleague Dr. Brian Druker, director of the Oregon Health & Sciences University (OHSU) Cancer Institute, have recently been awarded a three-year grant for \$200,000 from the Morris Animal Foundation to study hemangiosarcoma in dogs. Dr. Helfand's laboratory developed a cell line from a dog that died of hemangiosarcoma that, with this grant, is now also being studied by Dr. Druker's laboratory. Hemangiosarcoma is a rapidly growing, highly invasive cancer which is seen in humans as well as canines. With this joint research effort they are hoping to develop a drug that can be used to treat this type of cancer. This, in turn, may ultimately benefit people with similar cancers. [http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/about/news\\_events/news/cancerindogs091608.cfm](http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/about/news_events/news/cancerindogs091608.cfm)



### First-year veterinary student featured in the Oregonian

First-year student Sarah Tauber was recently featured in "The long, winding road to becoming a veterinarian," an article that appeared in *The Oregonian* a week ago. In order to collect information to write her story, Deb Wood ("Pet Talk" writer for the *Oregonian*) spent a day shadowing Sarah during freshman orientation. [http://www.oregonlive.com/living/index.ssf/2008/10/the\\_long\\_winding\\_road\\_to\\_becom.html](http://www.oregonlive.com/living/index.ssf/2008/10/the_long_winding_road_to_becom.html)



First-year student Sarah Tauber receiving her white coat at the White Coat Ceremony.

### October 12-18 is National Veterinary Technician Week

"Vet Techs: The Heart of Pet Wellness" is the theme this year for National Veterinary Technician Week (NVTW), recognizing the role of veterinary technicians in veterinary care. National Veterinary Technician Association (NAVTA) and has been celebrated annually since 1994. NVTW provides an opportunity to recognize and honor veterinary technicians for the outstanding job they do everyday as part of the veterinary health care team.

NAVTA also aims to raise public awareness of the crucial role that technicians play in the care of animals.

"National Veterinary Technician Week is an opportunity to honor veterinary technicians for the outstanding job they do. It also is an opportunity to educate companion animal owners about the benefits of working with a veterinarian who employs credentialed veterinary technicians," stated Andrea Ball, executive director of NAVTA. "When you invest in medical treatment for your pet, you should receive the best care possible, and credentialed veterinary technicians help ensure this happens."

Veterinary Technicians of the Oregon State University CVM Teaching Hospital have an additional role. They provide technical support and guidance to students mastering skills while providing treatment for the animals in their care.



### Fort Dodge Animal Health Food Animal Symposium

The Fort Dodge Animal Health Food Animal Symposium will take place Sunday, October 19, at Magruder Hall as an all day event. Hosted by Fort Dodge Animal Health, the symposium seeks to give students more experience with food animals. Topics for laboratories include mastitis, ultrasound, injection site/BQA, bull breeding soundness exam, ruminant physical exam and sample collection. Lecture topics include general practice concepts such as legislative issues, biosafety/bioterrorism, and veterinary ethics. Industry expert Dr. Batz Riddel, executive vice president of AABP, will be lecturing as well as local practicing food animal veterinarians and OSU faculty.

Registration for this event is closed but there may be limited opportunity to attend for those on the waiting list. Students who would like more information about the symposium can contact Mara Supan, Fort Dodge representative.

### Wolf to Woof – The Story of Dogs

The largest and most comprehensive traveling exhibition ever created on the history, biology and evolution of dogs is on display at the World Forestry Center in Washington Park (Portland) now through December. Sunday, October 19, small animal surgeon Dr. Jennifer Warnock and third-year student Cathy Pierce will set up and staff a table at the event to promote the College, the small animal rehabilitation program, and the veterinary profession. They could use a few more student helpers, so contact Cathy if you would like to help out for a few hours. If you help staff the booth you can attend the exhibit for free. Sunday is Doggie Palooza – Pet Fair Day. The Dean's Office has several free tickets to the exhibit and will give them away to those interested in attending.



### New Employee

#### Wanda Miller Mills– Accounting Technician



Wanda comes to OSU with a diverse background. She has been a high school business instructor, a coach, has banking experience and most recently finished a 15-year hiatus with Hewlett-Packard. Although an Oregon native, Wanda is fairly new to the Corvallis area and very new to OSU. She enjoys kayaking, fishing, and camping and has a special love and appreciation of the Oregon coast and Columbia Gorge. Being a sports fan and former athlete, Wanda is passionate about football and will easily become an all-sports Beaver fan. Because her first career choice is education, then adding to that her love of animals (satisfied by her two cats, Troubadour and Norman), working at the College of Veterinary Medicine will be a rewarding experience.

### Fort Dodge tailgater and shrimp feed

The annual Fort Dodge Shrimp Boil Tailgate Party took place during last Saturday's Beaver football game. Thanks to Dr. Rocky Bigbie and his Fort Dodge Animal Health team, students, staff and faculty enjoyed the delicious shrimp, corn, potatoes and sausage feast



before the OSU vs WSU game. Not only was the food tasty, it was also an excuse for Dr. Bigbie to have some fun surprising Dr. Clarke with a 50<sup>th</sup> birthday poster.



### All-College Welcome BBQ kicks off the academic year

More than 200 students, staff and faculty from the College celebrated the start of the academic year at the annual All-College BBQ last Wednesday. The catered event was spread out across Magruder Hall's front lawn and has become the traditional way the College welcomes the students back to their studies, as well as welcoming new faculty and staff to the College. Along with the human attendees, there were a plethora of dogs, a couple llamas and a kitten enjoying the evening. Students also staffed club tables to promote their club's activities and sign up new members. The barbecue was sponsored by Nestlé-Purina and SCAVMA.

