

March 2, 2009

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Calendar

Monday, March 2

- ♦Practice Management presented by Dr. Linda Blythe. Dr. Cori Gross will present during lunch. Lunch by Baja Fresh. M102, 9:00-5:00
- ♦Horse Owner Education Series: "Preventing and Managing Founder," presented by Dr. Tara Riddick. M102, 7:30-8:30

Tuesday, March 3

- ♦SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store, 12:00-12:45
- ♦SCAVMA and Class of 2011 Merchandise sale, Magruder Lobby, 12:00-1:00
- ♦CVM staff meeting, M102, 4:00-5:00
- ♦CVM emergency power outage, 6:00-7:00

Wednesday, March 4

- ♦House Officer rounds, M202, 8:00-8:30
- ♦Necropsy rounds, M125 (necropsy gallery), 8:30-9:30

Thursday, March 5

- ♦Senior papers: "The Pros and Cons of Feeding your Pets an Alternative/Raw Food Diet," Katie Cambier; Dr. Baltzer, advisor. "Equine Insulin Resistance," Kristin Peterson; Dr. Firshman. M102, 8:00-9:00
- ♦First CVM Walk today. Meet at 12:00 sharp, Magruder Lobby.
- ♦ZWE Club Wildlife Veterinary Talk, presented by Deb Schaeffer, Portland Audubon Society. Lunch provided. M102, 12:00-1:00.
- ♦PRIPS: Pasty and Geller labs, D213, 12:00-1:00
- ♦SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store, 4:30-5:30

Friday, March 6

- ♦LA Surgery Journal Club rounds, M288, 7:30-8:30
- ♦Cytology rounds, M125, 8:00-9:00
- ♦Oncology Journal Club/Lab meeting, M269, 9:00-11:00
- ♦Panel Discussion presented by Dr. Blythe. Lunch included. M102, 12:00-1:00
- ♦Target Books distribution, presented by Shelley Mehlenbacher, Bayer. Lunch by University Hero, M 298, 12:00-1:00

Saturday, March 7

- ♦Saturday Academy; Dr. Kristin Patton, M298, 10:00-4:00

Monday, March 9

- ♦Nothing scheduled at this time

Tuesday, March 10

- ♦SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store, 12:00-12:45
- ♦CVM Research Seminar: Pasty and Jin Labs. M102, 12:00-1:00

Wednesday, March 11

- ♦House Officer rounds, M202, 8:00-8:30
- ♦Necropsy rounds, M125 (necropsy gallery), 8:30-9:30

Thursday, March 12

- ♦International Camelid Health Conference, La Sells Stewart Center, 8:00-6:15
- ♦Senior papers: TBA
- ♦Boehringer Ingelheim's newly drug for horses, SURPASSB-I, presented by Dr. Rob Keene. Please respond for lunch to Linx Alexanderson: alexandl@onid.orst.edu, by March 10. M102, 12:00-1:00
- ♦SCAVMA pet food sale, SCAVMA store, 4:30-5:30

Friday, March 13

- ♦International Camelid Health Conference, CH2M Hill Alumni Center or La Sells Stewart Center, 8:00-7:00
- ♦Oregon Veterinary Conference, CH2M Hill Alumni Center and La Sells Stewart Center, 8:30-5:30
- ♦LA Surgery Journal Club rounds, M288, 7:30-8:30
- ♦Cytology rounds, M125, 8:00-9:00
- ♦Oncology Journal Club/Lab meeting, M269, 9:00-11:00

Saturday, March 14

- ♦International Camelid Health Conference, 102 Magruder Hall, 8:00-6:00
- ♦Oregon Veterinary Conference, CH2M Hill Alumni Center and La Sells Stewart Center, 8:30-5:30
- ♦Saturday Academy; Dr. Kristin Patton, M298, 10:00-4:00

Sunday, March 15

- ♦International Camelid Health Conference, 102 Magruder Hall, 8:00-2:00
- ♦Oregon Veterinary Conference, CH2M Hill Alumni Center and La Sells Stewart Center, 8:30-12:00

Dr. Robert Bildfell in the news

After several cases of *Cryptococcus gattii* (a rare fungal organism that can kill humans and was thought to be isolated to Vancouver Island in British Columbia) appeared in Oregon, Dr. Robert Bildfell became involved in a two-year study which led to the conclusion that its endemic range is spreading. So far, this study has led to two 2009 publications. The first one appeared in the *Journal of Infectious Diseases*. The second one, which was co-authored by Dr. Beth Valentine, was in the *Journal of Veterinary Diagnostic Investigations*. A third article is still being written. See the following links for more information.

http://seattletimes.nwsource.com/html/localnews/2008764855_fungus20m.html
http://www.oregonlive.com/news/index.ssf/2009/02/rare_fungal_disease_migrates_t.html
<http://oregonstate.edu/dept/ncs/newsarch/2009/Feb09/crypto.html>

Dr. Luiz Bermudez featured in Terra

Once again, Dr. Luiz Bermudez is making headlines for his research with *M. tuberculosis*. This time it's for using mefloquine, a common antimalaria drug, to treat the re-emerging disease tuberculosis. *Terra*, an OSU publication, tells the story in its winter 2009 issue.

<http://oregonstate.edu/terra/2009/winter/targeting-old-foe>

Pet Day plans are taking shape

Pet Day is only a few short months away and planning is well underway. Some exciting new changes are taking place as we are moving towards showcasing the College and providing more of an educational approach to Pet Day.

We are currently trying to organize a seminar series and are asking for faculty's help to provide a 10-15 minute talk throughout Pet Day. One topic that we have lined up is on the *Salmonella typhimurium* in peanut butter situation in the United States. If you are interested in participating in the seminar series or have any comments, please feel free to contact the Pet Day co-chairs at petdaycochairs@gmail.com.

Registration forms were sent out a few weeks ago and the due date for them this year is March 13. Please remember that clubs, class booths, and corporate sponsorships must fill out a form as well so they are properly accounted for. If you or someone you know would like a registration form and didn't get one, please contact the Dean's Office or email the co-chairs at the address above.

We are looking forward to the new changes that will be taking place this year and hope to see you all at Pet Day!"



Oregon Pork Producers hosted by the College of Veterinary Medicine

On February 28, the College of Veterinary Medicine hosted the Oregon Pork Producer's Annual Spring Seminar. The theme of the day-long event was "Birth to Show Ring." A broad range of topics were discussed including farrowing, vaccinations, nutrition, swine transport, fair preparation, and showmanship.

The meeting highlight was a discussion of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory services and a demonstration necropsy on two donated animals. Several OSU faculty participated including Drs. Jerry Heidel, Rob Bildfell, and Chuck Estill. About 77 participants also enjoyed a delicious meal featuring pork barbeque.



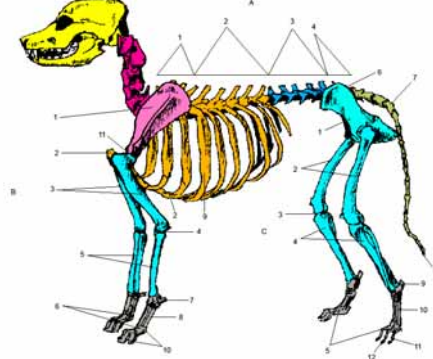
Dr. Kristin Patton introduces veterinary medicine to K-5

Dr. Kristin Patton is conducting an informative and educational research project at two local elementary schools. In January, Turner and Marion elementary students in the Cascade School District were given a survey by Dr. Patton to assess their perceptions of veterinary medicine as a career path. Over the remaining school year, the kids will be exposed to several demonstrations. They will then ultimately be given a closing survey to determine whether or not their perceptions have changed.

Dr. Patton has developed a curriculum to help the students not only explore veterinary medicine, but also to compare the anatomy and physiology of animals to their own bodies. In February, the K-5 grade students were given a demonstration on how veterinarians perform a physical exam on a dog. Dr. Patton and her daughter, Jessica, took a normal dog and a dog with chronic lameness to the schools. All 260 kids were each asked to perform a portion of a physical exam and ultimately, in groups of 20-40, decide what was wrong with the lame dog. They returned to the schools one week later and talked to the students about the anatomy and functions of the skeletal system. In March, students will explore the brain and spinal cord; in April, the students will examine the gastrointestinal tract and respiratory system.

The goal of this project is to develop an understanding of children's perceptions to science and veterinary medicine as well as to develop a sound curriculum that could be implemented further in educational settings by K-5 grade teachers. Ultimately, with the use of this curriculum, the number of children interested in animal-related science fields may be positively influenced.

Materials for the study were provided by Banfield Charitable Trust.



OSU Food Drive 2009—Final results

The College of Veterinary Medicine raised a grand total of \$1,109 towards the OSU Food Drive for 2009. This equates to more than 6,000 pounds of food. While not as much as last year, it was enough to meet the Steve Lehto challenge. He has shaved half his beard and mustache – a new fashion he'll be sporting for the rest of this week.



The raffle's Grand Prize, lunch with Dean Clarke, was won by Bernadette Stang, Pat Hutson, and Adrian Lass (class of 2009). Joy Flachsbart, Dr. Erica McKenzie and Dr. Chris Cebra won first, second and third choice from the prize table. The rest of the prizes have been distributed to their rightful winners. Donations for prizes came from the local community including Safeway, Grassroots, Old World Deli, Ark Animal Hospital and West Hills Animal Hospital. The total weight of actual food items donated will be determined later this week.

Thanks to everyone who participated!

New books in the McDowell Veterinary Library

Since January, the following books have been added to the McDowell Veterinary Library collection:

♦**Anaesthesia of exotic pets / Lesa Longley** SF914 .L66 2008

♦**Cartilage repair strategies / edited by Riley J. Williams III** RD686 .C37 2007

♦**Current therapy in equine medicine [vol. 6]** SF951 .C932 – reserves

♦**Diseases of the goat / John Matthews [3rd edition]** SF968 .M37 2009

♦**Equine anesthesia : monitoring and emergency therapy / [edited by] William W. Muir, John A.E. Hubbell [2nd edition]** SF951 .E54 2009 – reserves

♦**Equine breeding management and artificial insemination / [edited by] Juan C. Samper. [2nd edition]** SF291 .E68 2009

♦**Handbook of veterinary emergency protocols : dog and cat / Maureen McMichael** SF778 .M46 2008

♦**Parasitic diseases of wild birds / edited by Carter T. Atkinson, Nancy J. Thomas, D. Bruce Hunter.** SF995.6.P35 P37 2008

♦**A practical guide to canine and feline neurology / [edited by] Curtis W. Dewey. [2nd edition]** SF992.N3 P73 2008

♦**Small animal internal medicine / [edited by] Richard W. Nelson, C. Guillermo Couto. [4th edition]** SF991 .S5917 2009 – reserves

♦**Veterinary hematology : atlas of common domestic and non-domestic species / William J. Reagan, Armando R. Irizarry Rovira, Dennis B. DeNicola. [2nd edition]** SF769.5 .R43 2008 – reference

Veterinary Internship and Residency Matching Program

So far these fourth year students have been matched with an internship or residency through the Veterinary Internship and Residency Matching Program.

Book, Alison – Class of 2008
University of Illinois
Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
Veterinary Oncology Residency

Brigham, Staci - Class of 2009
Veterinary Specialty Hospital of San Diego
San Diego, California
Small Animal Internship

Neilson, Sara - Class of 2009
Loomis Basin Veterinary Clinic
Loomis, California
Small Animal Medicine/Surgery Internship

Ryan, Erin - Class of 2009
Wheat Ridge Animal Hospital
Denver, Colorado
Rotating Internship (Small Animal - Med/Sx/ER/Crit Care/Rad/GP)

Simmons, Kristen - Class of 2009
Oklahoma State University
Norman, Oklahoma
Small Animal Medicine and Surgery Internship (2009)

Stayer, Lauren - Class of 2009
WestVet Emergency & Specialty Center
Boise, Idaho
Rotating Small Animal Internship in Medicine and Surgery

Taylor, Amanda - Class of 2009
Atlantic Veterinary College, University of Prince Edward Island
Canada
Small Animal Internship