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## Calendar

### Monday, April 28

- Female Reproductive Physiology "Regulation of the ovarian function", Dr. Keith Choi. M102, 10:00-11:00
- VBMA presentation: Taking Advantage of Employee Benefits. Contact: Allison Miller. Lunch will be provided. M102, 12:00-1:00
- "Endocrine Influence on Ovarian Carcinogenesis in Cellular and Animal Models and Therapeutic Potential of Genetically Engineered Stem Cells", presented by Biomed candidate Dr. Keith Choi of the University of BC, Vancouver, BC. Pizza will be served. M298, 12:00-1:00
- SCAVMA Pet food sale at SCAVMA store, 5:15-6:00

### Tuesday, April 29

- CVM guest speaker: "NO Defense: Nitric Oxide in Host-Pathogen Interactions", Dr. Ferric Fang. Pizza will be served. M102, 12:00 noon-1:00.

### Wednesday, April 30

- Presentation on Mongolia trip by IVSA Scholarship recipient, Shana Murphy. Contact: Austin Bell, M298, 12:00-1:00
- SCAVMA executive committee meeting. Everyone invited. M298, 4:00-6:00

### Thursday, May 1

- SENIOR PAPERS: "Preputial Epithelial Cytology as a Screening Tool for Adrenocortical Neoplasia in the Ferret", Holly Protain, advisor Dr. Kutzler. "Immune Response to *Mycoplasma Haemolamae* Infection in the Camelid", Rebecca Bush, advisor Dr. Tornquist, M102, 8:00-9:00
- SCAVMA Pet food sale at SCAVMA store, 12:00-12:45
- CVF lunch and fellowship, M113, 12:00-1:00
- SCAVMA meeting, M288, 5-7 p.m.

### Friday, May 2

- Large Animal Grand Rounds, M202, 8:30-9:30
- Oncology Journal Club, M288, 9:00-11:00
- Fort Dodge presentation: Equine topic presented by Dr. Bigby, catered lunch. Contact Jacki Aschim, M298, 12:00-1:00
- Royal Canin presentation, M102, lunch served, 12:00-1:00

### Monday, May 5

- AVMA GHLIT Meeting. Dick Busby and Bree Beechler will discuss health insurance. For first through third-year students. Dinner will be provided. M102, 5:00-6:30
- SCAVMA Pet food sale at SCAVMA store, 5:15-6:00

### Tuesday, May 6

- CVM Guest Speaker: Chris Hunter, M102, 12:00-1:00
- Pre Vet Club meeting, M102, 7:00-8:00

### Wednesday, May 7

- Pfizer presentation: information about a new long-acting injectable cephalosporin currently under FDA review, presented by Dr. Suzanne Russo. Prize drawing, educational goodies and lunch. Everyone welcome, M102, 12:00-1:00

### Thursday, May 8

- SENIOR PAPERS "Bacterial Endocarditis in a Dog: a Case Study", Holly Smith, advisor, Dr. Bulmer. M102, 8:00-9:00 "The Military Veterinarian: Who We Are and How We Support Our Number One Soldier, the Military Working Dog", Bethany Zarndt, advisor Dr. Tornquist
- CVF lunch and fellowship, M113, 12:00-1:00
- OVMA presentation on "Emergency Medicine and Critical Care." M102, 12:00-1:00
- SCAVMA Pet food sale at SCAVMA store, 12:00-12:45

### Friday, May 9

- Large Animal Grand Rounds, M202, 8:30-9:30
- Oncology Journal Club, M288, 9:00-11:00



## Pet Day and Open House is this weekend!

Pet Day is nearly upon us. It will be taking place Saturday, May 3, in and around Magruder Hall and outlying areas. The first and second-year classes have put many hours of hard work into making this the best one yet. There'll be small, large and exotic animals to fascinate and entertain visitors. There will be games for kids, critters to pet, educational booths and photos to be taken for all who wander through the event. The ever-popular fun run is always a hit and will be fired off at 9 a.m., an hour before the rest of the events get underway. Anyone who wants to have a look at our facilities can take a tour.

The special event Grand Opening Ceremony for our new large animal facilities will be kicking off at 10 a.m. in the paved area in front of the new isolation building.

Grab your children, your pet on a leash, and your neighbors to enjoy the fun at our annual Pet Day and Open House. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!** Volunteer sign up sheets are in the student lounge. PLEASE help us out and sign up or email the Pet Day Co-chairs email ([petdaycochairs@gmail.com](mailto:petdaycochairs@gmail.com)). Friends and family are welcome to participate too.

**SET-UP!!!** We will be starting to set up for Pet Day this Friday. Students signed up for Friday should meet in front of Magruder at 1:00 p.m. (after the lunch talk). Students signed up for Saturday should meet in front of Magruder at 7:00 a.m. Every freshman and sophomore student is expected to clean up after the event.

**PARKING!!!** The small animal parking lot is reserved for specific vendors, handicapped parking and emergencies during Pet Day. The lot just south of Magruder will be closed for Pet Day! Please make sure your vehicles are gone by Friday afternoon. Parking is available

across the street in the stadium lot. If you are working in the small animal hospital on Pet Day, you may park in the loop on the north side of small animal parking, not on the east side. There will be signs posted.

For information on activities and booths at Pet Day, check the website: [oregonstate.edu/vetmed](http://oregonstate.edu/vetmed). Tell your friends and families to join in on the fun. There are plenty of activities on campus Saturday, including the Craft Fair in the MU Quad for Mom's Weekend and the OSU Football Scrimmage in Reser Stadium at 1 p.m.

**PIG ROAST!!!** After Pet Day is all cleaned up, the Ag Animal Club will be throwing a Pig Roast Party! Admission is \$5 to cover the cost of the pig. What a great way to kick back and reward ourselves for all of our hard work!

**Special thanks go to all the hard working students helping to organize Pet Day!**  
— Co-Chairs: Jennifer Buchanan, Christine Gustin, Kristy Headings, Ryan Scholz

## Congratulations!

### 2008 Classified Employee Outstanding Staff Award Recipients



**Dave Johnson** has served as an Information Technology Consultant since August 2005. He keeps the network running smoothly—a task that is becoming increasingly difficult due to the constant attack by computer viruses.

**Scott Normandin** has served as Warehouse Worker since August 2007. He efficiently receives and delivers mail and packages with a smile and a warm greeting. He goes the extra mile for customer service regardless of the weather!



### 2008 Professional Staff Exemplary Service Award Recipients



**Dr. Terry Crowder** serves as the Director of Pharmacy, a position he assumed in August 2006. He has been a registered pharmacist in Oregon since 1983.

**Rocky Baker** has served as a microbiologist in the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory since July 1981. He has worked very hard to expand the technical capabilities of the VDL, including tests involving molecular biology.



## Students volunteer at annual Ag Fest weekend in Salem

by Kristin Carnohan

During what may have been one of the most attended Ag Fest weekends ever (more than 20K at the Fairgrounds in Salem), eight of our students, Jenny Beedle, Andrea Brayko, Meghan Brooks, Julie Kelly, Laura Magruder, Ruth McDevitt, Cathy Pierce, and Jessica Thompson volunteered in shifts at the Veterinary Profession booth with local veterinarians to answer questions about bones, eyeballs, and veterinary medicine along with giving demonstrations of how to listen to a cat's heart (thanks to Meghan's cat, Skif), and informed people about Pet Day and the upcoming comedic presentation by Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald, *Animal Planet's* star of Emergency Vets. The booth is a joint effort between OSU CVM and the Marion-Polk Veterinary Medical Association that is coordinated by Dr. William Fullmer of Dallas. One of the highlights was a video of the birth of a foal. Many thanks to our volunteers for contributing to this educational event!

## CVM Student in Haiti

by Lindy Young

Veterinary student, Liz James '09, loves to travel. More than that, she loves to help people in far-off lands. In 2007, she was awarded an International Veterinary Student Association (IVSA) scholarship for \$500 towards a trip to Haiti.

Liz first visited Haiti in 2006 and worked in a human medicine clinic. What she saw of animal conditions convinced her to take a subsequent trip to help the people by helping their livestock. With only 75 veterinarians (mainly educated in Cuba) in a population of eight and a half million people, the rural areas rely largely on visiting veterinarians and local veterinary agents for veterinary care.

Liz joined Dr. Keith Flanagan and Dr. Kelly Crowdis who work through Christian Veterinary. The veterinary team traveled north from Les Cayes, where Dr. Crowdis is based, and then to the eastern interior, stopping to set up clinics in small towns along the way. In addition to clinics where the animals were treated, the visiting veterinarians and veterinary agents provided education for the locals. In one place, a boy approached them with a bloody bandage on his thumb. Dr. Crowdis removed the bandage to find a huge cut that almost severed his thumb. She and Liz stitched it up, as no human doctor was available.

Most of the animals treated by the veterinarians suffered from malnutrition and parasites. Donkeys, mules and cattle used as work animals were often overloaded and in need of treatment for abrasions and abscesses. As it has the highest rate of rabies deaths in the Caribbean, Haiti took part in the first Rabies Day in 2007, to address the problem.



In a land of great contrasts, Liz discovered that dogs and cats are generally not pets. Dogs are usually guard dogs, patrolling the gated and barred dwellings in the towns. She saw few cats and the locals generally feared them. She observed damage done by hurricanes to housing too close to the sea and she visited beautiful beaches surrounded by lush tropical plants. She also visited the Peligre Dam, built to provide hydroelectricity for the teeming capital city of Port-au-Prince, which in turn inundated prime farm land and displaced many people.

Some of the problems facing veterinarians in Haiti include lack of education of the population, poverty, and a breakdown of communications between government departments. Add to this a lack of electricity, which means that most often, transported medical supplies have to be cooled in containers with large, melting blocks of ice — when obtainable. The tropical climate makes the unpaved roads impassable when it rains, provides an ideal breeding ground for malaria and other tropical diseases and contributes to death and destruction when hurricanes hit.

Liz looks forward to a time when she can return to Haiti as a professional. She is working hard to that end.