**Note from the Chair**

What have ‘I’ done recently? (of course with help from numerous members of our department - so in future I’m just going to say ‘we’).

- Initiated a review of graduate and undergraduate courses. You will be contacted shortly for input. Please respond in a timely manner.
- Reviewed media and wash-up services. Based on costs and consultation with the major users, the media service will be discontinued this semester. We will maintain wash-up, alcohol and milliQ services.
- Begun the reorganization of the basement. Items marked ‘garbage’ were removed.
- Replaced the large defective monitor in the microscopy room. This arrangement should provide greater flexibility for any potential configuration(s).

An ancient Chinese curse says ‘May you live in interesting times’...well these times certainly qualify. I would ask you to view the challenges we face as a chance to seriously review what we do and how we do it and to embrace the opportunities that will result...

Cheers and **Happy Halloween**

John S. Lumsden

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**Pathobiology—ZEW Club Dinner**

The Pathology and Zoology Exotic & Wildlife club dinner forum on October 17th was a success. There were 43 O.V.C students who attended the dinner that night. They were able to connect with veterinarians who have careers in pathology, wildlife, zoo & exotic medicine.

The dinner would not have been a success without our fantastic speakers: Dr. Nicole Nemeth, wildlife pathologist, Dr. Erin Locke (Anatomic Pathologist), Dr. Susan Newbigging (lab animal Pathologist), Dr. Darren Wood (Clinical pathologist), Dr. Sonya Keller (Clinical pathologist), Dr. Dale Smith, (Pathology and Clinical Medicine: Diseases of Avian, Exotic, Wildlife and Zoo Animals), Dr. Brandon Lillie (Anatomic Pathologist), Dr. Adriana Pastor (1st year Toronto Zoo DVSc Resident), Dr. Sarah Wills (Avian & Exotics Intern), Dr. Delphine Laniessie (Avian & Exotic DVSc Resident) and Dr. Sue Carstairs (Staff veterinarian, Toronto Wildlife Centre).

**New Fluorescent Microscope**

A wide field bright field inverted fluorescent microscopy imaging system (based on a Leica microscope) will be installed this coming week in room 3851B, in the lab of Dr Brandon Plattner and thanks to a successful CFI grant last fall. The scope will be equipped with two cameras capable of accomplishing multi-color spectral fluorescence imaging at several objectives (10X, 20X, 40X 60X) and DIC. The system is designed for use in tissue sections, and includes a stage top environmental system that can be used for live cell imaging applications. There will also be a high performance image acquisition PC-based workstation in room 3851B, and another image analysis PC-based workstation in the Plattner lab. Once the system is installed and functioning, it will be available for a nominal hourly usage fee. for any other interested researchers, after appropriate training (see Brandon, Sophia, Monica) and for a nominal hourly usage fee.

**Animal Welfare Book**

The new Laboratory Animal Welfare book was just published (http://store.elsevier.com/Laboratory-Animal-Welfare/isbn-9780123851031/). This is an ACLAM-recognized text and has also been nominated for a 2013 Prose Award (the PROSE Awards annually recognize the best professional and scholarly publications in 40 categories). We won’t find out until February whether it actually receives ones.

**Support Movember**

A small but mighty group of male faculty, staff and graduate students have created a team - Pathobio 2013 - for the MOVEMBER fundraising initiative for men’s health issues (prostate cancer, testicular cancer and mental health). For those who would like to donate to the cause our team page is http://moteam.co/pathobio-2013. Enjoy the strange collection of moustaches that will develop over the next 30 days.

**WISHING**

Dr. Emmeline Tan all the best. We will miss seeing you and all of your hard work and dedication in the department.

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**Community meeting will discuss U of G budget and PPP**

Join U of G president and vice-chancellor Alastair Summerlee and Maureen Mancuso, provost and vice-president (academic) on Friday, Nov. 22, from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Rm 1714.

Pathobiology Seminar Series
Fridays @ 11:00 am, Room 1810

Nov 1  Samuel Wokenhe, McMaster University TOPIC - Oncolytic viruses HOST Sarah Wootton

Nov 8  Jackie Gallant, Gallant Custom Laboratories TOPIC – TBD HOST – Rob Kozak

Nov 22  Rob Kozak, Pathobiology TOPIC – TBD HOST – Sarah Wootton


OVC Events
Mon Nov 18 Community of Teachers Seminar “How do we teach clinical decision making with Dr. David Kelton, Department of Population Medicine 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm LLC Rm 1715

Fri Nov 22 Community meeting: Fiscal update and the PPP Join U of G president and vice-chancellor Alastair Summerlee and Maureen Mancuso, provost and vice-president (academic) for a fiscal update as well as information related to the Program Prioritization Process. 12:30-1:30pm LLC Rm 1714

University Events
Nov 15  Roy C. Anderson Memorial Lecture in Parasitology from the University of Georgia presents "Mucosal Immunity and Fish Vaccinology: Insights from a Parasitic Ciliate." Everyone is welcome. 3 pm (reception at 2:30 pm) Rozanski Hall, Rm 102

Nov 21  Animal Behaviour and Welfare Seminar Prof. Elsa Vasseur, Campus d’Alfred, University of Guelph, presents “Welfare and Behaviour in Organic Dairy Research.” For more information, visit www.uoguelph.ca/ccsaw. 12:30 pm LLC Rm 1713

Nov 27  Margaret Atwood Visits U of G The Bookshelf and Cafe Philosophique present Margaret Atwood. Advance tickets are available from The Bookshelf. For more information, visit https://www.uoguelph.ca/arts/Cafe. 8 pm War Memorial Hall

Pumpkin Carving Competition Winners
1:30pm LLC Rm 1714

Everyone is welcome.
presents “Mucosal Immunity and Fish Parasitology
from The Bookshelf. For more information, visit www.uoguelph.ca/arts/Cafe.

United Way Activities
50/50 Bingo
Beginning Mon Oct 28th
Pick up your bingo cards and receive the daily numbers until the first person to get a BINGO and wins 50% of the money from the game. Victoria x54157 room 1443

Christmas Card Making 101
Nov 4 & 5 7pm to 10pm Hutt 234 $25
Contact Carol Hart, x56719

Used Book Sale
Nov 7 & 8 8am to 3pm UC Courtyard

Bake Sale
Fri Nov 29th Pathobiology and Sunken Lounge

Department Photo
Take the time to visit the photo directory on the 3rd floor to review your photo and information. If you need a photo taken or wish to have a new one taken, please visit Nathalie Room 1814. OR e-mail a photo that is suitable to print 3" x 5" photo at 300dpi. (minimum 1,504 x 1,000) to nrlemieu@uoguelph.ca

Pet Trust gala a big success
More than 300 pet lovers gathered at one of Toronto’s newest cultural hubs this week at a gala fundraiser for the Mona Campbell Centre for Animal Cancer at the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC). http://bulletin.ovc.uoguelph.ca/post/64688901437/pet-trust-qala-a-big-success

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Defenses, Oral Qualifying Exams
Wed Nov 13th Defense
Hein Snyman, DVSc Final Defense
9:00 am Presentation Room 1800 and Oral Examination Room 4838
Thesis title: “Single nucleotide polymorphisms in the innate immune genome and their effect on disease resistance in pigs”.

Student Seminars:
Mon Nov 25 11:00 am Rm 1810
Russell Fraser
Title: “TBA”
Mon Dec 2—2 seminars:
11:00 am Rm 1810
Kristin Bondo
Title: “TBA”
Astrid Oscos Snowball
Title: “TBA”

Nov 7—Grad students wanted to join KTT circle An organizing meeting will take place Nov. 7 for grad students interested in learning strategies for research dissemination and mobilization. Details at http://ktt2013nov7.eventbrite.ca.

Nov 1—Canada Graduate Scholarships (Masters) – CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC
Application Deadline for CGS M (CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC) to the Research Portal for more details see: www.uoguelph.ca/graduastudies/finance/extawards_ogs

Dec 2 - Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OQS) Deadline for submission of complete application package to the Graduate Awards Contact in the department in which you are/or intend to be registered for your Master’s or Doctoral studies. For more details see: https://www.uoguelph.ca/graduastudies/finance/extawards_ogs

REMEMBER to FACULTY:
Graduate Student Evaluation Reports are to be submitted every semester. Forms for Summer 2013 are due to the Graduate Secretary Donna Kangas by Monday November 18, 2013 at noon.
The new blank form can be found at: https://www.uoguelph.ca/graduastudies/sites/default/files/docs/evaluation_report.pdf