1. **CONGRATS!** Dr Andrea Sanchez is now a Diplomate of the ACVAA.

2. **WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS**
   - Dr Orlaith Cleary is working in Large Animal Surgery until October 1, 2017.

3. **DEPARTMENT FACULTY MEETING** Our next Departmental Faculty Meeting will be held September 22, 2017 at 8:30 – 9:30 am in 2106 ANCC Bldg 49, CS Lounge. Confirm your attendance by accepting your calendar invite.

4. **SEARCH COMMITTEES UPDATES - Ongoing Searches**
   - Small Animal Internal Medicine **2 yr CL Assistant Professor** – in progress
   - Small Animal Surgery **3 yr CL Assistant Professor** – open for applications
   - Diagnostic Imaging **Tenure Track Assistant or Associate Professor** – in process
   - Ophthalmology **Assistant/Associate Professor** – Dr Marina Leis will be interviewing on October 25 & 26, 2017. Itinerary to follow
   - Radiation Oncology **Assistant Professor** – open for applications

5. **UNITED WAY KICKOFF** for the University of Guelph is being held September 18, 2017 in the Branion Plaza starting at 11:00 am. Enjoy the bbq and join in the fun. [United Way Kickoff BBQ](https://www.uoguelph.ca/unitedway/), [Aerial Photo](https://www.uoguelph.ca/unitedway/aerial/)

   OVC United Way plans are in process as well. Check out the attached [OVC United Way](https://www.uoguelph.ca/unitedway/) poster. Contact any member of the OVC United Way Team for 2017 with ideas or if you would like to help.

   **Clinical Studies United Way Representatives** are Nicola Cribb & Linda Wing.

   Pledge forms have been placed in your mailboxes. Please place your pledge sheet in the envelope and return to Linda Wing. Pledge sheets that have been returned will be entered in the weekly incentive draws starting September 22, 2017 until October 27, 2017. Return your pledge sheet early to be entered in multiple draws.

   **Campus Animal Facilities United Way BBQ** will be held at the Campus Animal Facility Building 12, on October 4, 2017 at 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
6. **TA POSITIONS IN THE CLINICAL STUDIES INVIGILATOR POOL** OVC TA Positions for Invigilating Midterms and Exams during the F17 semester is now open until September 29, 2017. Graduate students interested in invigilating during this semester MUST APPLY THROUGH THE FOLLOWING LINK prior to September 19, 2017. Application for Invigilation Positions for F17 Graduate students wishing to invigilate in other departments must apply through the links for the other departments as well. Please apply only ONCE for each department posting.

7. **ANNUAL FIRE DRILLS** The Annual Fire Drills will begin on Monday, September 18, 2017 and will continue throughout the month and into the beginning of October (if needed). Full details are included in the link.

8. **PET TRUST RESEARCH COMPETITION** Applications are due to Carolyn Kerr on October 25, 2017. Details are available through the link or on the Scholarships & Awards link from the Clinical Studies website. Check the Scholarships & Awards links frequently for updates.

9. **UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR UPDATES for 2018-2019** are due in early November. Faculty are encouraged to review the current Undergraduate Calendar pages for errors or omissions. Forward change requests for the new calendar to Linda Wing by November 1, 2017. Veterinary Medicine Course Descriptions and Administration and Faculty – Clinical Studies

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**GRADUATE PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

10. **Changes to Grand Rounds!** The first Grand Rounds for this year will be held on September 20, 2017 from 8:30 – 9:30 am in Rm 1714 LLC. Residents, Interns, Graduate Students and Faculty are encouraged to attend.

    **Arata Matsuyama**

    ‘Rescue Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy in 2 cats with High Grade Gastric Lymphoma’

    Case Advisor: Valerie Poirier
    Program Advisor: Tony Mutsaers
    
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    **Jacqueline Scott**

    ‘Cholecystoduodenostomy in a cat called Bubba’

    Case Advisor: Brigitte Brisson
    Program Advisor: Ameet Singh
UPCOMING EVENTS & SEMINARS

11. **Work Order – Construction area for Production Animal Isolation Facility** The area has already been fenced off, directly south of building 046 and a portion of parking lot P29. Work is scheduled to be completed September 12, 2017 – June 30, 2018. [details]

12. **The Campbell Centre for the Study of Animal Welfare** presentation “The Genetic Revolution” will be presented by Teun van de Braak, Geneticist, Hendrix Genetics, on September 21, 2017 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm [poster]

13. **OVCCareer Day** on September 22, 2017 in PATHO room 1800
   **Attention: All OVC Graduate Students!** Registration for OVC Career Day is now open. Please register before September 12, 2017 at midnight to reserve your spot. Spaces are limited! We will be unable to complete registrations on the day of the event so don’t wait! Email ovccareerday@gmail.com to RSVP and let us know your dietary restrictions. The event will also include breakfast, lunch and a coffee break free of charge. **It is definitely worth your time to attend!**
   The day will comprise of speakers stemming from various disciplines and fields as well as professional development sessions with Dr Nana Lee. These sessions will include CV writing as well as mock interviews for both academia and industry.
   Speakers include:
   - Neda Barjesteh, PhD (Post Doc Researcher at McMaster University)
   - Lauri Wagter-Lesperance, PhD (Post Doc Researcher at University of Guelph)
   - Shiona Kastra, PhD (Senior Epidemiologist, PHAC)
   - Nina Kahlon, MSc (Embryologist at Mount Sinai Fertility)
   - Robert Kozak, PhD (Clinical Microbiologist, University of Toronto)

14. **Wellness@Work**
   This year, the University’s Wellness@Work committee has entered a U of G team in the Guelph Family Health Team’s FHT to MOVE Hustle for the Harvest two-week activity challenge. I hope you’ll join us.
   From September 22 to October 6, 2017, participants from all U of G locations can use the FHT to MOVE online portal to track their daily activity minutes. Any type of activity counts, whether you prefer to rollerblade, practice yoga, garden, or play tennis. The activity challenge helps promote a healthy lifestyle – the major goal of our Wellness@Work committee.
   This team-based challenge allows you to see your individual results. Share your results publicly or use them as an anonymous personal motivator, while helping our U of G team challenge other organizations. The U of G Wellness@Work team is encouraging everyone to be active for a total of 150 minutes each week – the amount of time recommended by the Canadian Physical Activity Guidelines. Visit [www.uoguelph.ca/wellnessatwork/fht-move-activity-challenge](http://www.uoguelph.ca/wellnessatwork/fht-move-activity-challenge) for more about this fun and fit challenge and to learn how to register.