WELCOME TO OUR LOCUMS:

- Dr Thandeka Ngwenyama will be in Emergency & Critical Care March 11 – 23rd
- Dr Benoit Cuq will be in Small Animal Medicine March 11 – 17th
- Dr Serene Lai will be in Neurology March 25 – April 5th

1. T&P 2019 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Our Departmental T&P Committee requires 1 additional member. If you wish to be part of this committee, please complete the Nomination Form and submit it to the Chair’s office by March 15, 2019.

2. GRAND ROUND!
This week’s seminar on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 will be held at 8:30 – 9:30 am in Rm 1714 LLC. Presenting this week:

Sarah Laliberte & Scott Gibson

3. Grad Review We are still looking for recommended reviewers for our upcoming Grad Review of the Diploma and MSc programs. If interested, please contact the Chair’s office by March 15, 2019.

4. SEARCH COMMITTEES UPDATES:
- Large Animal Internal Medicine – Assistant or Associate Professor – in progress
- Nutrition – 1 yr CL Assistant Professor – in progress
- Emergency Critical Care Medicine - 2 yr CL Assistant Professor – Announcing the Committee: Dr Alexa Bersenas, Dr Shane Bateman, Dr Anthony Abrams-Ogg, Dr Andrea Sanchez, Dr Carolyn Kerr
- Large Animal Surgery – Announcing the Search Committee: Dr Judith Koenig, Dr Alex zur Linden, Dr Melissa Sinclair, Dr Dan Kenney, Dr Carolyn Kerr

The current Collective Agreement between the University of Guelph Faculty Association and the University of Guelph requires that all members of faculty search committees receive orientation to address potential unconscious (or implicit) bias in the faculty search process. To Begin the Orientation - please visit Minimizing Implicit Bias in the Search Process

5. College Royal Open House is a campus-wide event on March 16-17, 2019. Check their website for full details on events. The OVC Teddy Bear Surgery is organized by the Phase 3 vet students. College Royal is an opportunity for the community and their families to tour the campus and explore the many wonderful aspects of being part of the University of Guelph. During Teddy Bear Surgery, the children dress up as surgeons and, with the help of the vet students, they get to cure the ailments of their stuffed animals. It always seems to be a big hit with the kids and the students always have a lot fun practicing their bandaging and suturing skills. This year, we are hoping to make it bigger and better, as such, we are looking for donations of stuffed animals to the event. If you have any stuffed toys you would like to donate to the event, please drop them off outside room MAH 1313 (Jr. Surgery) by March 15, 2019. For any questions or details about Teddy Bear Surgery, please contact Paula at bayap@uoguelph.ca.
6. **2019 College Budget Meetings and Town Hall** Schedule of Meetings
OVC College Budget Meeting will be held on **March 21, 2019** from 12:00 – 1:00 pm in Peter Clark Hall Wing B.
2019 University Town Hall Meeting will take place on **April 1, 2019** from 12:00 – 1:30 pm in Peter Clark Hall. Invitation Poster

7. **University Fiscal Year End April 30, 2019 – Expense Claims** Year end is fast approaching! Expense claims (hard copies with receipts) must be APPROVED AND RECEIVED in ECS by **May 1st before 4:30 pm**. We strongly recommend submitting claims now to avoid missing this deadline due to unforeseen delays obtaining documentation or signatures. During April/May, processing times may be extended. You can monitor the status of claims at any time by logging in to your ECS account. As always, when the expense form and documentation are complete, this ensures a timely reimbursement.

8. **Centre for Public Health and Zoonoses Symposium** is a one-day event that brings together all pillars and forms of public health and zoonotic disease work and research. The symposium will take place **Thurs, May 30, 2019** in Rozanski Hall. Abstract submission and registration forms are available from the CPHAZ website, along with more information about our event. We are encouraging everyone working in public health and zoonotic disease related areas to submit abstracts, either for a presentation in poster or oral form. Check the website for further details.

9. **UofG Swine Research Day** will be held on **Thurs May 9, 2019**.
The call for abstracts for the graduate student competition and general abstract session is now open. Details can be found in the attached document as well as on the Ontario Swine Research Network (OSRN) website. [https://www.uoguelph.ca/osrn/](https://www.uoguelph.ca/osrn/)

10. **Animal Behaviour and Welfare Seminars** Full details are available on their [website](https://www.uoguelph.ca/)

The next seminars:

Presentation by: Becca Franks, Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of Environmental Studies, New York University
Title: Positive welfare for fish: rationale and ways forward
Thursday, **March 28, 2019**, 12:30-1:25pm
Room 1800, PAHL
Followed by a Meet and Greet in Room 1707c, OVC Lifetime Learning Centre

Presentation by: Dr. Kees Scheepens, Founder & Owner of international veterinary consultancy and creator of "Pig Signals"
Title: Are we smart enough to know how smart pigs are? Implications for daily practice!
Thursday, **April 4, 2019**, 12:30-1:25pm
Room 1800, PAHL
Followed by a Meet and Greet in Room 1707c, OVC Lifetime Learning Centre

11. **Wellness@Work Update** Check the Wellness@Work Website for upcoming events and program overview. [March Calendar of Events is linked here](https://www.uoguelph.ca/)
Submissions of Grant applications to further enhance the physical and psychological health, safety and quality of life for all faculty and staff are now being accepted. Applications must be received by **March 29, 2019**.