

The Pathobiologist

Department of Pathobiology
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Good News and Congratulations

Congratulations to the winners of **Graduate Student Research Symposium** Awards which took place in November 2010:
PhD Poster - 1st Place: **Jennifer Thomson**; **MSc Poster** - 1st Place: **Victoria Nowell**; 2nd Place: **Lisa Werden**; 3rd Place: **Stina Nilsson**; **PhD Oral** - 1st Place: **Maureen Anderson**.

Congratulations to the Graduate Award Winners; and thanks to the Department Awards Committee: J.J. (Jack) Andrich Graduate Prize in Large Animal Infectious Disease – **Scott Walsh**; Tippy Atkins Scholarship and the Soren Rosendal Memorial Research Prize – **Valerie Wong**; Professor Jeanne L. Burton Animal Health Scholarship – **Marlene Paibomesai**; Canadian Parrot Symposium Prize in Avian Studies – **Pauline Delnatte**; D.G. Ingram Graduate Travel Scholarship – **Kathleen Thompson-Crispi**; D.G. Ingram Memorial Scholarship – **Eric Pringle**; Korean-Canadian Dr. F. Schofield Memorial Scholarship – **Payvand Parvizi**, **Heindrich Snyman** and **Laetitia Tatiersky**; Col. Benjamin F. Leach Scholarship – **Michael St. Paul**; Joy Lindvik Memorial Scholarship and the Malcolm Scholarship – **Olivier Côté**; Dr. Margaret A. B. Maxwell Memorial Scholarship – **Laetitia Tatiersky**; Dr. McSherry and Dr. Valli Scholarship for General Proficiency in Clinical Pathology and the Pathobiology Scholarship for Graduate Student Excellence – **Melanie Ammersbach**; OVC Graduate Student Recognition Award Pathobiology – **Marie G. F. Dessureault**; Pfizer Graduate Student Research Award – **Payvand Parvizi**; Peter and Christina Robertson Memorial Award – **Iga Stasiak**; Art Rouse Memorial Scholarship in Veterinary and Comparative Cancer Studies – **Jennifer Thompson**; Roland A. W. Scott Memorial Scholarship – **Véronique LePage**; Dr. J. Sherman Memorial Travel Prize – **Bryan Griffin**; Vétoquinol Scholarship in Geriatrics in Companion Animal – **Jennifer Thompson**; Vétoquinol Scholarship in Swine Health – **Heindrich Snyman**.



Andrew Peregrine dyed his hair blonde to help raise funds for the OTS charity auction held March 4th that raised \$6,500 for the educational fund established for the children of the late Dr. Roberto Poma and Dr. Becky Valentine. Thanks to Brandon Lillie who was instrumental as MC and auctioneer for the event. [Andrew is pictured here

with his good friend Maverick, a Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever puppy.]

Patricia Turner who has been awarded the Ontario Veterinary College Alumni Association 2011 OVC Young Alumnus of Honour. Pat will receive this honour on Alumni Weekend at the OVC AA Annual General Meeting on June 18th.



Patricia Turner hosted researchers, approximately 41, from around the globe on March 3 & 4 at the **Laboratory Animal Science Symposium** held here in OVC. Dr. Robert Livingston was the keynote speaker and the event was a huge success. Well done Pat.

Kayla Price, MSc student with John Barta, who was awarded 3rd Prize from the Alltech Young Scientist Competition for her research on “Immunological control of coccidiosis in replacement layer hens with live vaccination”.

Véronique LePage, MSc & DVM student with John Lumsden, who was awarded a 2011 Morris Animal Foundation Veterinary Student Scholarship for her research on “A retrospective study of disease in captive syngnathids”.

Devon Metcalfe, PhD student with Scott Weese, on the birth of her daughter Olivia Mae Patrick who was born on Nov. 13/2010 weighing 8 lbs 3 oz.



Welcome to Dr. Hasani Stewart, a graduate student at the University of Trinidad and Tobago, arrived in March for an 8-month placement in Pathobiology funded by the Canada-CARICOM Leadership Scholarships Program. During this

time he will be working with Andrew Peregrine, Krishna Shakya and Jacob Avula, learning techniques for determining the prevalence of anthelmintic resistance in gastrointestinal parasites of sheep.

Congratulations to Melanie Ammersbach, PhD student with Dorothee Beinzle, on her engagement to Hugues Beaufrere, the nuptials will take place in 2012.



Graduate Reminders

OVC Awards Ceremony will be held on **Thurs. Apr. 7th** starting at **7:00 p.m.** in the LLC. If you have been selected for an award please make sure that you attend as your donor will be there.

Registration for Summer 2011 is now available. To avoid late fees, make sure that you have this done before Friday **April 29th, 2011**. Please note: REGISTRATION is a TWO PART procedure on WebAdvisor: PART 1: Registering into: UNIV*7510 Active Full-time or UNIV*7520 Active Part-time Registration course, you must also choose at least one other course, whether it be a real course or UNIV*7500 Research/Writing; PART 2: GRADUATE SETTLEMENT - (example Payroll Deduction or Trust Accounts). If you are not sure, please ask me.

If you are printing to the printers in room 3830, please make sure that you pick up your print jobs. Picking up your mail. Please do this on a daily or weekly. If not able due to pick up your mail, please make arrangements to have someone do this for you.

SAVE THE DATE

Sat. June 4th evening there will be a retirement celebration for Drs. Ian Barker, Bruce Hunter and Pat Shewen. More info to follow.

Thurs. June 2nd, a celebration of the career and achievements of Dr. Bruce McCraw, OVC Cafeteria, 3:00 pm.

Joan Budd's 100th Birthday will be this fall, look for details regarding a celebration in September.

Pathobiology Seminar Series

[Fridays at 11:00 AM in Room 1810 unless otherwise noted.]

Fri. Apr. 8th, Dion Lepp, PhD Candidate Pathobiology, "Novel pathogenicity loci in *Clostridium perfringens* strains that cause avian necrotic enteritis".

Apr. 15th, Dr. Robin Duncan, U of Toronto, "Novel lipases in obesity development: of skinny mice and men."

Tues. Apr. 19th, Dr. Mahfuzur R. Sarker, Departments of Biomedical Sciences and Microbiology, Oregon State University, "*Clostridium perfringens*: A food-borne pathogen that knows how to survive and cause disease", 11:00 am, Room 1817.

Events

Wed. Apr. 6th, Chappel Memorial Lecture, Dr. Michel G. Bergeron, MD, Director and Founder, Centre de Recherche en Infectiologie, Universite Laval, "Revolutionizing medicine through rapid point-of-care (POC) DNA-based diagnostics", 3:00 pm, OVC LLC 1714, reception to follow.

Thurs. Apr. 7th, OVC Graduate Awards Ceremony, 6:30 pm, OVC LLC.

Thurs. Apr. 7th, The Last Lecture, This year's theme is "My life is my message" (Mahatma Gandhi, 1869-1948), 5:45pm-7:00pm in War Memorial Hall

Notices

The **Campus Wide Electrical Shutdown** that was scheduled for Saturday April 30, 2011 has been **CANCELED**.

Jun 5-8, CAHLN Canadian Animal Health Laboratory Network 10th Annual Meeting, hosted by Laboratory Services Division and the Animal Health Laboratory, for information or to register contact Amanda Budd, ext. 54874 at cahlncrctlsa@uoguelph.ca, or go to <http://www.cahlncrctlsa.com/registration.html>



Safety Corner: REMINDERS

- keep lab coats in the lab – no lab coats are to be worn in public areas - coffee shop, cafeteria, etc.;
- absolutely no food or drink in the labs;
- as the warm weather approaches – no open toed shoes in the labs;
- wash your hands with soap often, get between those fingers.

Health & Wellness

Stress Less for Tests

Learn how to stress less and use your brain and body to enhance exam performance. The two-session program meets from 5:30 to 6:50 p.m. Cost is \$5 for U of G students. Location: University Centre, Room 335.

Part 1: April 5; Part 2: April 7

For more information, visit www.uoguelph.ca/~ksomers/stressless.html.