Jim Meyer, RPh was presented the 2017 Washington State University (WSU) Faculty Member of the Year Award by the Washington State Veterinary Medicine Association (WSVMA).

25 WSU DVM alumni returned to Pullman for 5 days each to mentor 2nd year veterinary students in this year’s Diagnostic Challenge exercises. Photos on https://www.facebook.com/WsuCvmDC.

Dr. Kathy Potter, VMP Professor Emeritus, was presented with the 2017 Harold W. Casey Award for Sustained Excellence in the Teaching of Veterinary Pathology by the Charles L. Davis-Samuel W. Thompson Foundation for the Advancement of Veterinary and Comparative Pathology at the American College of Veterinary Pathologists annual meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, on November 6. This is the ultimate award of the Foundation presented approximately every third year by which it honors a veterinary pathologist who has established a superb record of excellence in the teaching veterinary pathology over many years. Many veterinary pathologists who trained under Kathy submitted letters in support of her selection for this very prestigious award.

Santanu Bose (VMP) received a new grant from Spring Bank Pharmaceuticals to continue studies to identify targets for novel therapeutics for influenza virus.

WSU’s Neuroscientists: Using Brain Science to Understand Drug Addiction – WSU CVM Advance

WSU Begins Search For Elk Hoof Disease Expert – KWSU NPR

WSU Regents approve design phase for two research buildings – WSU News

Mike Konkel’s lab (SMB) published two recent papers outlining responses of the food-borne pathogen, Campylobacter jejuni:


Doug Call (Allen School) and his colleagues recently published a review of contamination by the food-borne pathogen, Listeria monocytogenes in Brazil: Camargo AC, Woodward JJ, Call DR, Nero LA. Listeria monocytogenes in Food-Processing Facilities, Food Contamination, and Human Listeriosis: The Brazilian Scenario. Foodborne Path Dis 14:623-636, 2017


STUDENTS and EDUCATION

Gerardo Herrera (senior undergrad student) presented his research poster at the ABRCMS (Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students) meeting in Phoenix, AZ. Title: Estrogen Signaling Pathway in the Vaginal Epithelial Cells Is Required for Normal Neutrophil Infiltration and Maintenance of Tissue Integrity.

Dr. Liam Broughton (combined anatomic pathology resident/PhD student) was presented with the Charles Louis Davis Foundation Graduate Student Scholarship during the Davis-Thompson Foundation Awards Reception, November 6 at the American College of Veterinary Pathologists annual meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Each North American College of Veterinary Medicine selects its awardee based upon excellence in progress in veterinary pathology training and research. Liam’s major advisor is Nicolas Villarino (VCS).

Rachel Lencioni (a 2015 DVM grad) and her mentors recently published work Rachel conducted as a DVM student: Lencioni RD, Ragle CA, Kinser ML, Coffey T, Fransson BA. (VCS) 2017. Effect of simulator orientation during skills training on performance of basic laparoscopic tasks by veterinary students. JAVMA 251:1196-1201.

DEVELOPMENT and ALUMNI

William C. and Elizabeth Davis ($100,000) to support the Bill & Betty Davis Endowment for Basic and Applied Research in Immunology of Food and Companion Animals. Bill is a long-time CVM faculty Member.

Laura Ann Gallagher, DVM alum: $1,000,000 estate gift that will fund an excellence endowment (unrestricted funds for the dean).

Hosted a new annual event, a Scholarship Dinner, with donors and students in Pullman. This is an effort to thank our scholarship donors (and introduce them to their "students), who provided over $640,000 in scholarship support in 2017.

Participated in the Washington Estate Planning Conference in Seattle, where we promote planned giving as a way to support the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Hosted a very successful DVM alumni reception at the American Association of Equine Practitioners meeting in San Antonio, Texas.

Participated in donor recognition and grand opening/open house at Seattle Humane Society’s new facility launch in Bellevue (12/8 – 12/9)

ENGAGEMENT

COMINGS and GOINGS

George Michael (Mike) Malcolm is retiring at the end of December after serving as Area Finance Officer for the College of Veterinary Medicine for 43 years. In this capacity he was a key member of the CVM’s leadership team and advisor to deans going back to Leo Bustad in 1973.

Steve Greene (VCS Professor), retired in November after a long career as a veterinary anesthesiologist and expert in pain control. He served in many leadership capacities, including Interim Chair of VCS.

Laura White (VMP Clinical Assistant Professor) has joined the CVM faculty this month. Laura will teach and conduct clinical service as an anatomic pathologist in WADDL.