

La Semaine Vétérinaire

April 21-27, 2008

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Monday, April 21

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Student Chapter of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners (SCAABP) Meeting.
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Room 1205 (Third-Year Classroom).

Tuesday, April 22

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Personal Health and Training Club (PHAT) Meeting. Room 2103 (First-Year Classroom).

Wednesday, April 23

8:15 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

EHSP House Officer Rounds (Dr. Lisa Kivett). Room 1815.

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Wildlife Avian Zoo Exotic Medicine (WAZEM) Meeting.

6:30 p.m.

McNeese State vs. LSU Baseball. Baton Rouge, La.

Thursday, April 24

12:00 p.m.

PBS Seminar: Salmonella Interactions with Host Cells: Is There an Elephant in the Room?
Olivia Steele-Mortimer, Ph.D., senior investigator, Laboratory of Intracellular Parasites, NIAID, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, Rocky Mountain Laboratories, Hamilton, Montana. Room 1212C.

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Student Chapter of the American Association of Feline Practitioners (SCAAFP) Meeting.

1:00 p.m.

Dr. Ed Breitschwerdt, the guest speaker at our Small Animal Internal Medicine Symposium, will give a special seminar to the SVM community on Thursday, April 24 at 1:00 pm in room 1212C. The title will be: **Bartonella and Bartonellosis: Implications for the Veterinary Profession.**

Friday, April 25

8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

VCS Seminar (Cremer). Room 1212C.

10:00 a.m.

Administration Council Meeting. Dean's Conference Room.

5:00 p.m.

Kickball Tournament. SVM Grounds.

7:00 p.m.

South Carolina vs. LSU Baseball. Baton Rouge, La.

Saturday, April 26

3:00 p.m.

South Carolina vs. LSU Baseball. Baton Rouge, La.

Sunday, April 27

Last day to view the 21st International Exhibition on Animals in Art. SVM Library.

8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Small Animal Internal Medicine Symposium. Auditorium.

1:00 p.m.

South Carolina vs. LSU Baseball. Baton Rouge, La.

Drs. Frederic and Lorrie Gaschen (VCS) spoke at the *51st Congress of the British Small Animal Veterinary Association* (BSAVA) in Birmingham, United Kingdom. Lorrie presented six lectures. In the pre-congress day, she talked to the British branch of the European Association of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging about “Ultrasonography of the Icteric Patient.” She also presented at the meeting of the British Small Animal Medicine Society about “Ultrasound, The Companion of Thoracic Radiographs.” During the BSAVA congress, she lectured on: “When to Use Ultrasound in Patients with Acute Abdomen,” “Is It Surgical or Not? Abdominal Radiographs in Patients with Acute Abdomen” and “Imaging Endocrine Disorders.” Lorrie also gave a state-of-the-art lecture on “Gastrointestinal Haemodynamics in Dogs with Chronic Diarrhoea: Improved Diagnostics.” Frederic gave three lectures in a series entitled “Approach to...” (a) Chronic Diarrhoea in the Dog, (b) The Vomiting Cat, and (c) The Febrile Patient.” Frederic and Lorrie also gave a joint seminar on “Case Studies in Gastroenterology.”

Dr. Mandi Lopez (VCS) was awarded \$220,500 for the project entitled, ‘Adult stem cell suppression due to alcohol induced microenvironment alterations’ for the period 4/15/08-3/31/10.

Dr. James Catallo (CBS) was awarded \$10,000 from the Board of Regents NSF Pfund for his project entitled, ‘Bio-based petrochemicals: Hydothermal production of Acetic Acid and CO₂ from Pest Vegetation Biomass’ for the period of 4/1/08-3/31/09.

Matthew McGeachy, an LSU undergraduate senior and EHSP undergraduate laminitis researcher presented a poster “Alterations in Toll-like Receptor Regulation in the Liver from Horses with Laminitis” Matthew McGeachy¹, Amy Bell², Michael L Keowen¹, Juliana Peiro¹, Ashley M. Stokes¹. ¹ VCS, EHSP, SVM, LSU; ²University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE at the 2008 Experimental Biology Meeting in San Diego, CA. He presented his poster in the American Physiological Society (APS) Undergraduate Poster Session and the General APS Poster Session in Liver and GI Physiology. Matthew was awarded the American Physiological Society Minority Travel Fellowship Award out of numerous applicants for this award including graduate students, postdoctoral students, advanced undergraduate students and faculty members from around the country. Only 53 recipients were selected and of these only 3 undergraduates were selected including Matthew.

Dr. C. S. Venugopal (VCS) and Earnestine Holmes (EHSP Research Associate) presented two abstracts at the 2008 Experimental Biology Meeting in San Diego, CA titled “Pulmonary Arterial Oxidative Stress in Equine Recurrent Airway Obstruction” C. S. Venugopal¹, N. Mariappan², C. Elks² and J. Francis²; ¹ VCS and ²CBS, EHSP, SVM, LSU presented in the APS Oxidative Stress section and “Inhibition of endothelin-induced response on equine bronchial rings” C. Venugopal, E. Holmes, R. Beadle, C. Koch, and S. Eades; VCS, EHSP, SVM, LSU presented in the APS Airway Biology and Physiology section.

The annual **SCAVMA kickball tournament** is quickly approaching (April 25th), and it’s time to assemble your troops. Just email **Brady Pratt** at bpratt@vetmail.lsu.edu with a list of names and a team name so that he can set up the brackets. Teams should include 10 members (50% male and 50% female), and there is no limit to how many teams sign up. Rules and regulations will be sent out to teams that confirm. Thanks and we look forward to some friendly competition. Get it on!!

Upcoming Events

March 30-April 27 April 25	21st International Exhibition on Animals in Art. SVM Library. CELT Workshop: <i>Introduction to Macromedia Dreamweaver MX 2004.</i> 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. 133 Himes Hall. Go to www.celt.lsu.edu for more information.
April 29	Intervet Meeting. 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.
April 30	Pathology Club Meeting. 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.
May 1	Merial Meeting. 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Auditorium.
May 1	Spring Reception and Presentation of Staff Awards. 1:30 p.m. SVM Courtyard.
May 2	Shelter Medicine Club Meeting. 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.
May 2	Awards & Honors Banquet. Cash Bar at 6:00 p.m. Dinner and award presentations at 7:00 p.m. Cotillion Ballroom. LSU Union.

“A goal without a plan is just a wish.”

--Antoine de Saint-Exupery, French writer (1900 - 1944)