Calendar of Events

December 24-26  University Holiday
University offices closed

January 1  University Holiday
University offices closed

January 21  University Holiday
University offices closed

January 22  Spring Sessions classes begin

Graduate Program News

Congratulations to our graduating graduate students!

Kevin Carnes, MS
Anthony DeMooy, MS
Albert Gonzales, PhD
Sampada Joshee, MS

Undergraduate Program News

Fall commencement was held on Saturday, December 15. We recognized thirteen graduating seniors from the Biomedical Sciences undergraduate program – Tifany Atkinson, Amanda Beach, Whitney Carlson, Sabrina Garcia, Kristen Harkrader, Sasha Mintz, Meredith Oakley, Samantha Parks, Michelle Pearson, Katharine Spencer, Morgan Woodard, and Kaitlin Zimmer. Amanda Beach was the student commencement speaker and Sasha Mintz was chosen as the fall “outstanding senior.” Congratulations to all!

This fall, we had 84 new Biomedical Sciences freshmen. Kelley Madden, CVMBS Career Counselor, has been interacting with our new freshmen this past summer and into the fall semester. At each Preview session, Ms. Madden got the word out to students and their family members about CSU career services available. In August, Kelley presented to all the CVMBS freshmen during RamWelcome and here she emphasized the importance of meeting
with her to begin exploring or working on ways to confirm their career choice. In our department, Kelley was a guest lecturer in front of 42 freshmen in the BMS 192 freshman seminars where she stressed the importance of experiential learning. Kelley was also a guest speaker at the Biomedical Student Association. With the emphasis and involvement with freshmen, Kelley has noticed an increase in her freshman appointments and is hoping this early intervention and interaction will help these students with their career goals and plans as the progress through their academic career. This is such a great resource for students and we want them using it early and often!

**Congratulations are in Order**

Congratulations to Chris Counts, a BMS and Anthropology undergraduate student. Chris was recently selected as a 2013 recipient of the prestigious Marshall Scholarship – a fully funded opportunity to pursue an advanced degree in the United Kingdom. Chris is one of only 34 U.S. students to receive the scholarship this year, is the first CVMBS student ever to receive the award, and the first CSU student since 1989.

The Marshall Scholarship Programme, which is named after Secretary of State George C. Marshall, began in 1953 as a gesture of gratitude to the United States for the assistance provided to the UK under the Marshall Plan. The scholarships provide talented young Americans the chance to study for up to three years at a UK university of their choice.

Chris plans to pursue a master’s degree in Public Health at the University College London next year before pursuing medical school. “Chris has seized every opportunity available to him during his time at Colorado State, making him a well-rounded and highly competitive candidate as he applies to medical school,” CSU President Tony Frank wrote in his recommendation letter to the Marshall Scholarship Committee. “Chris has been careful to seek out experiences that will prepare him to handle the more personal side of medicine.”

Read more about Chris and the Marshall Scholarship at:

Dr. Brett Webb, postdoctoral student with Dr. Tod Hansen, has recently accepted a position as Veterinary Pathology at North Dakota State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Fargo, ND, starting February 1. Brett will provide pathology and histopathology expertise on necropsy and biopsy services at the laboratory, as well as doing a small amount of collaborative research. Please join us in congratulating Brett and wishing him well in his new position.

**New Grant Awards**

Dr. Jennifer Barfield has received a grant award from Buy Sun Ranches, LLC for a project titled “Assisted Reproductive Techniques as a Disease Mitigation Strategy for Bison.”

Pfizer has provided grant funds to Dr. Richard Bowen for work titled “Study to Determine the Preliminary Efficacy and Minimum Immunogenicity Dose (MID) of Parapox Rabies Recombinant Vaccine (by Serology and Challenge) when Administered as a Single Dose to Cats by the Subcutaneous Route.”
Dr. Terry Nett has been awarded a grant from Pfizer, Inc.-Animal Health, titled “Effect of Intravaginal Delivery of Buserelin in Dairy Cows.”

Holiday News

Youngsters from Early Childhood Laboratories visited the BMS main office on Halloween to show off their costumes and do some trick-or-treating.

Meanwhile, folks out at ARBL had their own costume show.

Winners of the 2012 Holiday Ornament Contest

Congratulations to winners of the 2012 BMS Holiday Ornament Contest (see pictures of the winning ornaments on page 4):

First place – Hentges Lab
Second place – Earley Lab
Third place – ERL Interns
Winning ornament

Hentges Lab team

2nd place

3rd place