Dr. Thomas Rosol appointed as Liaison to the American Registry of Pathology

Dr. Tom Rosol (Professor, Department of Veterinary Biosciences) has been appointed for a three-year term to the American Registry of Pathology (ARP) by the American Veterinary Medical Association. The Registry is charged with building collections of rare and unusual specimens from throughout the country for research and educational purposes. Founded in 1921, ARP is a leading institution that conducts educational courses and second-opinion diagnostic pathology services without fee. One function of the ARP is to expand the scope of activities that Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) can undertake by acting as principal liaison to the civilian medical community. This interaction with the civilian medical sector takes the form of Cooperative Enterprises between ARP and AFIP, which Congress has authorized in the broad areas of medical research, education, and consultation. Through the Cooperative Enterprise mechanism, ARP receives fees for educational
courses and consultations as well as private grant funding that, in turn, is used to enhance the combined mission of both organizations. ARP acts as the sponsoring body for private and public contracts and grants and, with AFIP, appoints Distinguished Scientists who have largely replaced SES members as Chairs of departments.  
http://www.afip.org/ARP/index.html

Outreach & Engagement:

Dr. Steve Krakowka coaching middle school students at Immaculate Conception School

Dr. Steve Krakowka, professor in the Department of Veterinary Biosciences is coaching middle school students at Immaculate Conception School. This year, he is working with two middle school girls from 6th and 7th grade on microbiology including principles of virology, mycology, and protozoology twice a week for an hour after school to prepare for the Science Olympiad. The Science Olympiad is a national educational organization that is designed to introduce the sciences to middle school students (grades 6 through 8, although Immaculate Conception middle school in Clintonville permits 5th graders to participate), beyond that given to them as a part of their regular scholastic curriculum. The idea behind the program is to solicit volunteers from the students’ parents or other interested adults to provide individual tutoring and other science-related experiences during the school year. There are monthly “competitions” held through the state of Ohio, all culminating in a Science Olympiad grand championship match held in late spring of each year. Two weeks ago, the first state competition was held at Magsig Middle School in Dayton, Ohio; over 30 schools/teams participated. Overall, Immaculate Conception was one of the smaller schools but placed roughly 15th.

Selected Publications:

Publications:


Staff Feature: Suresh De-Silva

Suresh De-Silva is a Postdoctoral Researcher in Dr. Li Wu’s lab in the Center for Retrovirus Research working on HIV pathogenesis. He comes to us from New York where he completed his PhD in Biochemistry at the University of Rochester. He grew up in Sri Lanka where he attended the University of Colombo and obtained his BSc in Biochemistry and Molecular biology. In his spare time, he enjoys playing basketball and spending time with his 3 year old daughter. We are all happy to have Suresh in the VBS family!

Announcements:

Jumpstart your weight loss goals
Through the Center for Wellness and Prevention’s Living Well and Healthy Living weight management programs, our new health coach can help you personalize an action plan focused on your needs and goals. Classes are held at the Morehouse Pavilion on Mondays and Tuesdays. Free information sessions are offered every Monday at 6pm and on the first Thursday of the month at noon. Payroll deduction is an option for all OSU faculty and staff, and OSU insurance plan members may be eligible for up to 50 percent reimbursement. For more information or to enroll, call 293-2800.

Learn How to Succeed Financially: Long Term Care Insurance
Thursday, February 17th from 12-1 Office of Human Resources 1590 N. High Street Suite 430, Room 425
Presenter: Brad Winnekins, President of Legacy Services Inc
This seminar covers important issues consumers need to understand before buying Long Term Care Insurance (LTCi).

Topics include: How to determine if LTCi is right for you; Learn what LTCi pays for; Understand the approximate cost of LTCi; Criteria for choosing a carrier; Understanding inflation protection options; How to decide on coverage levels; and the new Ohio Partnership Program LTCi.
OSUCCC-James 13th Annual Scientific Meeting
February 18, 2011 Ohio Union, 8 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Registration and abstract submission is open now for this meeting entitled “Exceptional Cancer Research from Patient to Populations.” For more information and to register, visit cancer.osu.edu/go/ASM.

Wellness News: February is National Cancer Prevention Month

February is a good month to initiate some gradual changes in our lives to prevent cancer. By making even small changes in your everyday life, you can help reduce your risk for developing certain types of the disease.

American Institute for Cancer Research (AICR) three Guidelines for Cancer Prevention can help you focus on what’s most important:

1. Choose mostly plant foods, limit red meat and avoid processed meat.
2. Be physically active every day in any way for 30 minutes or more.
3. Aim to be a healthy weight throughout life.

To read more, go to: http://www.aicr.org/site/News2?page=NewsArticle&id=14377

For comments or suggestions for our newsletter, please contact Ms. Elizabeth Hope, Program Assistant at hope.18@osu.edu Department of Veterinary Biosciences.