Congratulations to the 2021 June Employees of the Month:

- **Noah Allen** is a senior laboratory technician at the Oklahoma Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory. Noah works in the bacteriology section. He is known for his willingness to help others even if they work in a different lab within OADDL. Noah is always in a good mood and gets along well with everyone.

- **Marie Montelongo** is a laboratory manager in the Department of Veterinary Pathobiology in McElroy Hall. In addition to being very knowledgeable, she is always willing to help. Marie took it upon herself to improve the staff lounge making it more inviting for breaks or eating lunch. She has even added some decorations to the restrooms located by the old necropsy room. Many of the decorations she made by hand or purchased herself.

**INTERACT Corner**

This week we hear from Alex Valiaev at the Technology Development Center, which is part of OSU Cowboy Innovations. Valiaev is responsible for biomedical technology related activities and talks about how his group can help take research to the next level. Read more and watch a short video at Alex Valiaev on INTERACT.

**Neighborhood Cats Offers Veterinary Scholarships**

Veterinarians can increase their capacity to spay/neuter feral and stray cats in their communities. **Neighborhood Cats** is offering two scholarships to attend high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter training.

Eligible applicants must be currently working or actively volunteering in the spay/neuter field. Each scholarship is valued up to $1,800. For details and to apply visit Neighborhood Cats Scholarships.

**Diagnostic Imaging Locums Needed**

The Veterinary Teaching Hospital seeks diagnostic imaging locums for in-person service. Flexible dates are available with a minimum one-week commitment preferred. For complete
• Dr. Liz Solar is an ophthalmology resident in the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. She recently stepped up and covered small animal emergency care when the need arose. When hospital personnel checked on Dr. Solar later that evening in the Critical Care Unit, she was smiling with a positive can do attitude.

Why Researchers Investigate Dangerous Viruses

Dr. Jerry Malayer, associate dean for research and graduate education, shares the importance of investigating dangerous pathogens in an article published by The Conversation. Read more at Dr. Malayer on Dangerous Pathogens.

Jeyasingh Receives Grant

Congratulations to Samuel Jeyasingh on receiving a Summer 2021 Graduate College Robberson Summer Research and Creative Activity Grant! Jeyasingh is a Ph.D. student mentored by Dr. Lin Liu in the Department of Physiological Sciences. This grant covers eight weeks and recognizes his outstanding academic achievements and planned efforts to continue his progress toward degree completion.

House Officer Seminar

Natasha Williams, DVM, will present "Investigating the relationship between cardiac function and insulin sensitivity in horses" on Thursday, June 17, at 8 a.m. in Room 002C at the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Dr. Williams is a food animal medicine and surgery resident mentored by Dr. Martin Furr.

The recorded lecture will be available on Moodle in the course VBSC 6710. However, the questions will be handled in the in-person session only.

OSU/OVMA Summer Seminar

The 2021 OSU/OVMA Summer Seminar will be virtual on June 18-19. Due to lack of enrollment, the Omni Hotel Watch Party has been cancelled. Participants who registered for this option may now attend Saturday’s session at OSU CVM in Stillwater.

For details on Summer Seminar, including information on the keynote speaker, Dr. Christine Jenkins, and to register now, visit 2021 OSU/OVMA Summer Seminar.