• **Congratulations are in order!**
  Catherine Yeates (Frank Lab, Anatomy and Cell Biology) successfully defended her thesis recently!

• **Upcoming Thesis Seminars**
  Rachel Clark (Voss Lab, Psychological and Brain Sciences) “Beneficial Contribution of Health Behaviors to Learning and Related Brain Mechanisms in Older Adults”
  - March 29, 2018 (Thursday) at 1-2pm in 1459 PBDB
  
  Jessica Thomas (A. Lee Lab, Physiology) “Elucidating the molecular and biophysical determinants that suppress Ca2+-dependent facilitation of Cav2.2 channels”
  - April 6, 2018 (Friday) at 1:30-2:30pm in 1117 MERF

• **Neuroscience PhD Program Seminar Series**
  - March 6, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 2117 MERF - “CHANGING FEAR” with Guest Speaker Elizabeth “Liz” Phelps, PhD, Julius Silver Professor of Psychology and Neural Science, Department of Psychology, New York University
  - March 13, 2018 (Tuesday) - NO SEMINAR, Spring Break
  - March 20, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 2117 MERF - “Bridging the Gap Between the Spatial and Mnemonic Views of the Hippocampus”
    Guest Speaker Elizabeth “Beth” Buffalo, PhD, Professor, Department of Physiology and Biophysics, University of Washington School of Medicine; Chief, Neuroscience Division, Washington National Primate Research Center
  - March 27, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 101 BBE - Lex Gomez & Kelsey Heslin
  - April 3, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 1459 PBDB - DATA BLITZ
  - April 10, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 1459 PBDB - 1st year rotation talks
  - April 17, 2018 (Tuesday) NO SEMINAR, CCOM Health Sciences Research Week
  - April 24, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 101 BBE - 1st year rotation talks
  - May 1, 2018 (Tuesday) 4:00pm in 1459 PBDB - 1st year rotation talks
  - May 8, 2018 (Tuesday) NO SEMINAR, Finals Week

• **Postdoc opening at The Jackson Laboratory**
  See attachment for more information

• **Iowa Neuroscience Institute (INI) Updates**
  ~ Check the INI website for dates and details on their seminar series and journal club

• **Wisconsin Symposium on Emotion**
  The theme this year is “Order and Disorder in the Emotional Brain.” Tickets for the 2018 Wisconsin Symposium on Emotion are available now: register online to reserve your seat. See attachment for more information.
  - April 19-20, 2018 at University of Wisconsin-Madison

• **International Behavioral and Neural Genetics Society: Genes, Brain, and Behavior Meeting 2018**
  Given the proximity of Rochester to the University of Iowa, the 20th Annual Genes, Brain, and Behavior meeting of the International Behavioral and Neural Genetics Society could be a great opportunity to attend. Registration is open. General registration and abstract submissions are due March 16th. For more information or to download printable flyers, please see the meeting website https://www.ibangs.org/meetings
  - May 17-21, 2018 in Rochester, MN

• **Department of Biology Seminar Series**
  ~ Spring seminar schedule can be found here

• **Molecular Psychiatry Seminar Series**
  More details can be found here of seminar series dates spanning through June 2018

• **Cerebellar Interest Group**
  Monthly meetings, dates listed here at 1pm in 1385 PBDB, with lunch from the INI! Please RSVP for lunch to Krystal Parker, PhD.

• **SAVE THE DATE: Health Sciences Research Week—The Connected Brain**
  Health Sciences Research Week will be held Monday, April 16 through Thursday, April 19, 2018. Please visit the Research Week website for updates and specific details.