



# *Avian Science Notes*

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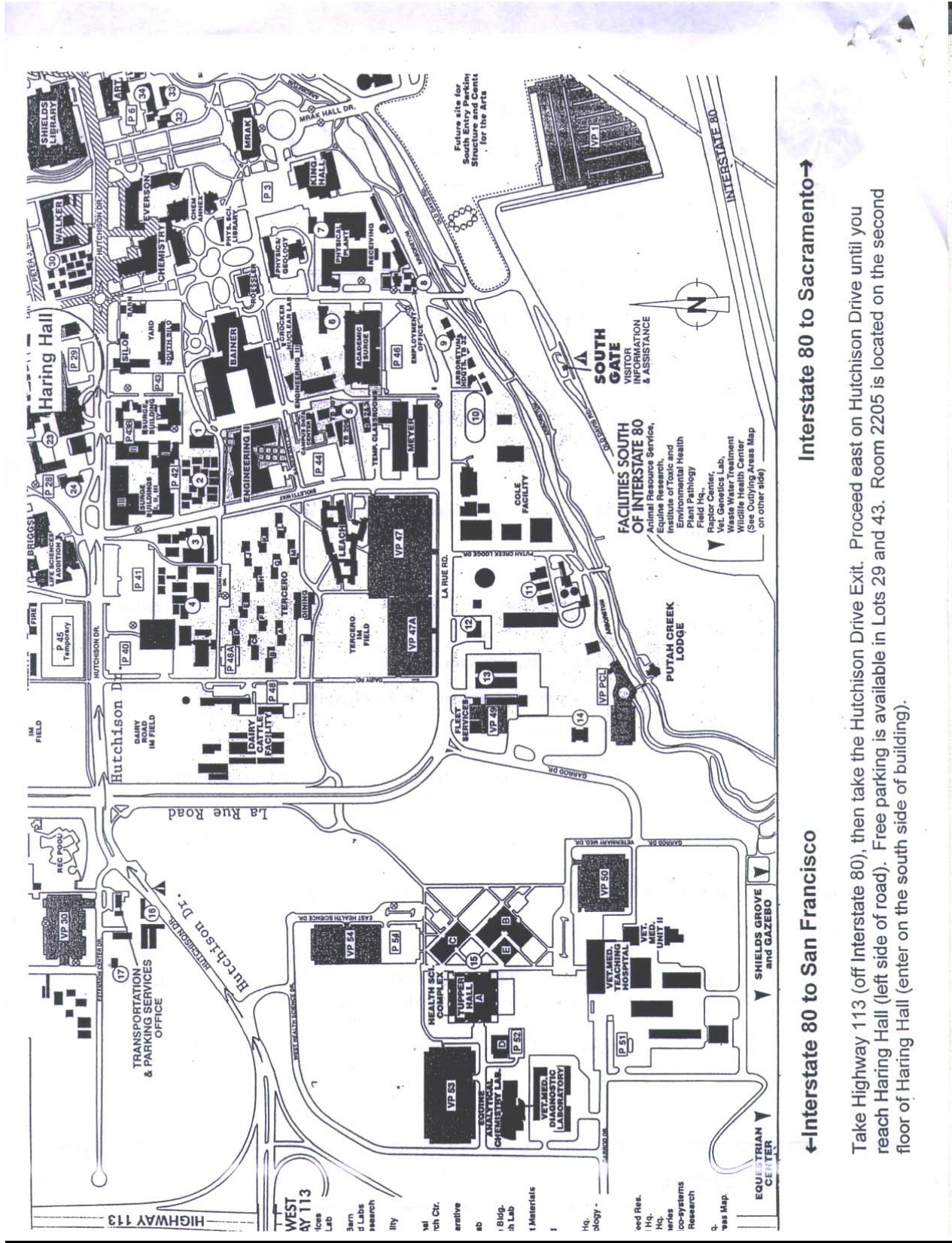
## **Avian Science Day Saturday, February 4, 2006 2205 Haring Hall, UC Davis Campus**

Food - Please bring a sack lunch. The program will run through the lunch hour. There are no facilities to purchase lunch on-site.

**THIS IS THE SAME LOCATION AS LAST YEAR. PLEASE SEE MAP ON PAGE 2.**

- 8:00-9:00 Registration
- 9:00 Welcome: - Dr. Francine Bradley, UC Davis
- 9:10 Broilers: more than just an eating machine, Richard Blatchford
- 9:45 Foot pad dermatitis - Dr. Brigid McCrea
- 10:15 Break
- 10:45 4-H Poultry History - Dr. Francine Bradley
- 11:00 Poultry breeding for feathers - Dr. Tom Whiting
- 12:00 Lunch - bring sack lunch to eat on site
- 12:30 Avian Influenza: protecting your flock - Dr. Francine Bradley
- 1:00 Other legal options for alternative external poultry parasite control- Dr. Janella Loye
- 1:30 Poultry on the Nile - Dr. Francine Bradley
- 2:00 We had a dream - Scott McCalla and Marta Kroger, National Avian Bowl Champions
- 2:10 Program Concludes

**ETHICS TRAINING - must be present at 2:10 SHARP to receive training and certification(see article on page 3)**



←Interstate 80 to San Francisco

Interstate 80 to Sacramento→

Take Highway 113 (off Interstate 80), then take the Hutchison Drive Exit. Proceed east on Hutchison Drive until you reach Haring Hall (left side of road). Free parking is available in Lots 29 and 43. Room 2205 is located on the second floor of Haring Hall (enter on the south side of building).

# Keynote

I am delighted that Dr. Tom Whiting has agreed to present the keynote address at this year's Avian Science (AVS) Day. He will be flying in from Delta, Colorado for our program. A poultry geneticist, Dr. Whiting owns and operates Whiting Farms, the world's largest fly tying feather operation. Come and hear how Dr. Whiting used his love of chickens, avian science training, and lots of hard work to become the global leader in this highly specialized market.

## NOTE TO ALL FIRST TIME AVS DAY ATTENDEES

Avian Science Day is NOT a field day. It contains NO hands-on experiences. There will be NO live birds. There are many opportunities for the above at smaller gatherings held around the state throughout the year.

Avian Science Day is a chance for you to hear the latest science-based information that will be helpful for members raising birds and leaders directing projects. The program is lively with lots of visuals and many hand-outs. **THERE WILL BE SPECIAL ITEMS THIS YEAR FOR ALL REGISTRANTS.**

You do NOT need to pre-register and

there is no cost to attend. While the event is organized with 4-H poultry members, leaders, and advisors as the focus, EVERYONE is welcome.

## ETHICS TRAINING

Ethics training will be offered to those interested **AFTER the official AVS Day program on February 4th.** Market Poultry (Broiler Pens and Meat Turkeys), market steer, and market lamb exhibitors at the 2006 California State Fair will be required to participate in a California State Fair Certified Quality Assurance Program and Ethics Training prior to the opening of the 2006 California State Fair.

Those exhibitors who received Tier III certification at AVS Day 2005 or at other location in 2005 do NOT need to repeat the training in 2006 (that was a 5 year certification). Attending a Certified Quality Assurance Program and Ethics Training Seminar in 2006 will fulfill the training requirement for 2006, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Other species groups may be added in the future.

**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: due to requests from last year's AVS Day attendees, I am offering the Ethics Training in the AFTERNOON, as opposed to the old, early morning format.\*\*\***

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**Do not  
forget to  
practice  
good  
biosecurity.**

# Avian Influenza Knowledge Contest

We are introducing a contest designed to test your understanding of Avian Influenza and its effects on poultry around the world. You are limited to one page, typed or neatly printed, in your response to the questions below. If you are in the 12-15 age group, please indicate to which question you are responding. Winners in each age group will receive their own hard-bound, color copy of The American Standard of Perfection. Winners will be announced at Avian Science Day at UC Davis on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Ages 8-11:

What is the most important thing you have learned about Avian Influenza?

Ages 12-15 (choose one):

1. What is the #1 thing that people do not understand about Avian Influenza?
2. Develop a brochure or fact sheet for your classmates to educate them about Avian Influenza (If you choose this option, please staple or tape a finished copy of your item to the back of this form. Your brochure or fact sheet is limited to the front and back of an 8.5x11 in. sheet of paper).

Ages 16-19:

What actions would you take if you suspected Avian Influenza in your flock (or the flock of a fellow 4-H member).

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**ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED TO:**

**DR. BRIGID MCCREA  
ANIMAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT  
UC DAVIS  
1 SHIELDS AVENUE  
DAVIS, CA 95616  
OR FAX ENTRY TO 530-752-8960  
ENTRIES ARE DUE OR TO BE POSTMARKED BY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>.  
NO E-MAIL SUBMISSIONS.**

**Please submit the following form with all areas completed, along with your entry. Good luck!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

# Calendar 2006

## January 14-15

California Classic Poultry Show  
San Benito County Fairgrounds, Hollister, CA  
Information: John Monaco (408) 779-2383,  
[john@poultryshow.com](mailto:john@poultryshow.com)

## January 28-29

Pacific Poultry Breeders' Mid-Winter Show  
(National Meet of the American Bantam  
Association and American Poultry Association)  
San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, Stockton, CA  
Showmanship classes; Lead Judge: Dr. Francine  
Bradley  
Information: Bonnie Sallee (209) 296-8084,  
[jbsallee@volcano.net](mailto:jbsallee@volcano.net)

\*Entries must be postmarked by January 9<sup>th</sup>.

## February 4

Avian Science Day, UC Davis

## February 11-12

Humboldt Poultry Fanciers' Show  
Redwood Acres Fairgrounds, Eureka, CA  
Showmanship and Avian Bowl; Judge: Dr.  
Francine Bradley  
Information: Mary Willson or Agnes Wilson  
(541) 723-2079 - [maresaridini@yahoo.com](mailto:maresaridini@yahoo.com)

## February 25 – one day show

Greater California Society of Poultry Fanciers'  
Show. Fresno County Fairgrounds, Fresno, CA.  
Hosting the California 4-H Poultry Judging  
Qualifier. Showmanship and Avian Bowl;  
Judge: Dr. Francine Bradley  
Information: David Tune (553) 673-5444,  
[www.gcspf.com](http://www.gcspf.com)

## March 11-12

Monterey Bay Bantam Club's Show  
Monterey County Fairgrounds, Salinas Room,  
Monterey, CA  
Information: Chris Waddell (209) 772-9876

## April 1 (Premium books will be mailed in February) – one day show

Inland Empire Poultry Club's Show  
Ingles Park, Norco, CA  
Information: TBD

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