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September CE Seminar Addresses Behavior

Please Note: Location Moved Back to Hamburger University

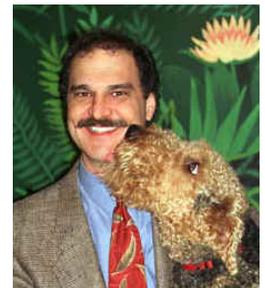
Wayne Hunthausen, DVM will address the topic of behavior at the CVMA Continuing Education Seminar. On September 12, Dr. Hunthausen will address five behavior issues that if left untreated can adversely affect the human/animal bond and potentially result in the abandonment or euthanasia of a pet. Topics will include:

- 1) Helping owners cope with puppy, kitten and adolescent behavior problems
- 2) Understanding and treating the fearful pet
- 3) Common sense approaches to feline house soiling problems

- 4) Home alone: canine separation anxiety
- 5) How dangerous is he? Assess the risk of injury to aggressive dogs.

Dr. Hunthausen is a veterinarian and pet behavior consultant who has been working with pet owners and veterinarians throughout North America to solve companion animal behavior problems since 1982. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Zoology and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degrees from the University of Missouri. An internationally renowned lecturer on the topic of pet behavior, he is currently the Director of Animal Behavior Consultations in the Kansas City

area. The seminar will be held at Hamburger University on the McDonald's campus in Oakbrook. Registration begins at 7:30 am and the session begins at 8:00 am. To pre-register, please call the CVMA Office by Friday, September 7, at (630) 325-1231. The session is sponsored by Veterinary Products Laboratories (VPL).



Finance Series Part 2:

How to Finance Your First Practice

By Marcy Mossburg

On Tuesday, September 11, 2007 at 8:00 pm, this presentation will be held at the CVMA Office in the conference room at 120 E. Ogden Avenue, Hinsdale, IL 60521. Appetizers will be provided. Marcy is the Vice President and Manager of the Professional and Executive Banking Division at Banco Popular. Marcy has over 27 years banking experience, providing financing for small to medium sized companies.

She has spent the past decade helping to provide financing to veterinarians, dentists, insurance agents and accountants on a nation-wide basis.

In this presentation she will be covering:

- 1.) How to choose a lender
- 2.) What you need to present to your lender
- 3.) Different types of loans available
- 4.) What the lenders look for
- 5.) What occurs in the under writing process.

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President's Thoughts

Dr. Kathleen A. Heneghan

Hello! As this newsletter gets to you, I hope that you've already received my "State of the CVMA" letter to update you on all things CVMA. If not, then I've procrastinated yet again and I apologize.

First of all, we've found a wonderful new administrative assistant, Claire MacBride. She started with us just a few weeks ago, but has hit the ground running. If you've spoken with her over the phone, you can attest to her great attitude and helpful nature. She's a fine addition to our office, so feel free to welcome her with a call, or e-mail: cmacbride@chicagovma.org.

This summer, Dr. Emil Baukert and his firefighter clients proposed to us an idea. Your "State of the CVMA" letter contains information on the newly formed CVMA/CFD POP program. The acronyms mean that the CVMA is partnering with the Chicago Fire Department in Providing Oxygen for Pets. Now you suburbans (myself included), don't fear, you can still participate. We'll provide you with information on how your member hospitals can obtain donations and purchase oxygen masks and tubing for your own local firehouses.

Benefits:

1. Community outreach for our member hospitals.
2. Greater service to local pet owners. This is an entirely voluntary program: we just provide the tools. Ever since 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina, we've seen the devastating impact of people separated not only from their families and homes, but also their beloved pets. We've encouraged our clients to ID and/or microchip their pets, as well as place stickers on windows to alert emergency responders to the presence of pets in a household. Considering the enthusiastic participation we had for our Mardi Growl after Katrina, we hope to see a similar level of interest in the POP program. Please keep us posted on your progress with this event.

I've said it before, but I'll say it again: the only constant is change. After her one year contract is completed, our Executive Director, Susan Morris leaves us this August. Thank you, Sue, for all of your help over this last year. I hope you will join me in wishing her well. I'm writing this from the AVMA convention in Washington, D.C. Well, D.C. might have the White House, but Illinois, in my opinion, is the veterinary state. We've got the CVMA, ISVMA and AVMA *all* headquartered here. If you're not a member of all three, you should be, so sign up!

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Take A Cruise with Your Dog!

The CVMA is inviting all members and their families, including the family Fido, (sorry Felix the cat), to come out and enjoy the view of the Chicago skyline from a Mercury Skyline cruise ship. Join us on Sunday, August 19 for a narrated cruise on the Chicago River and lakefront from the only dog-friendly cruise line in Chicago. We will set sail from the southeast corner of the Michigan Avenue bridge at 10:00 am and the cruise boards at 9:40 am. This will be a 90-minute guided tour of the waterfront buildings that make Chicago architecture famous worldwide.

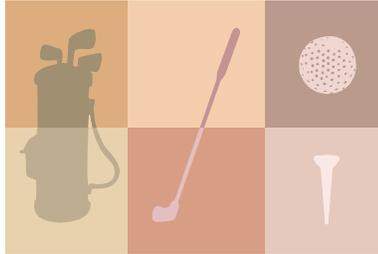
The whole family can experience a day on the water while learning about the city's architectural, historical, and nautical past.

Tickets are \$20 per person. Children 3 and under are free. Doggy tickets are \$6. Seating is both open air and enclosed. Doggy refreshments will be provided by the Membership Committee.

Farewell Suzanne and Welcome Claire!

Claire MacBride joins the CVMA as our new Administrative Assistant. She will be replacing Suzanne Egan, who has recently moved to take a position in Chicago after her recent move into the city with her new husband! Suzanne's dedication to the Association was tremendous, and for that we are grateful. In her tenure here she assisted and directed the CVMA in times of change and restructuring. We have no doubt that she will excel at her new position and wish her well both in her career and marriage. Claire will have big shoes to fill, but with her previous administrative experience and passion for animals, especially horses, we feel we have selected the best candidate for the job. So please welcome Claire when calling the office, as we are excited to have her with us.

Call the CVMA Office at (630) 325-1231 to book your tickets today. Spots go quickly on these cruises so reserve your seat and floor space for Fido right away!



“Go Illini” Golf Outing

Kick-off annual Fall Conference activities with a golf outing hosted by the College of Veterinary Medicine's Alumni Association at the UI Orange Course in Savoy on Wednesday, October 3. This will be a fundraiser for student scholarships and other activities of the alumni association.

The event will start at 11:30 am with a pre-golf luncheon, check-in, and some driving range practice. A shotgun start will begin at 1:00 pm with a scramble format.

Following the fun at the course, join us back at the College for an alumni/student mixer with dinner and presentation of golf awards for longest drive, closest to the pin, and longest putt.

Everyone is welcome, even if you aren't attending Fall Conference this year. If you are a mentor, why not invite your student mentee to join you at the dinner?

Registration will be handled through the Fall Conference registration site at www.cvm.uiuc.edu/ope/.

If you have any questions about the event please contact, Jim Pound, Associate Director of development, at (217) 265-0210 or email jpound@uiuc.edu. We hope to see many alumni and friends on the greens for a good cause!

City of Chicago Dog Park Permit Reminder

The City of Chicago is requiring that in addition to your dog tags, you will need to purchase a dog park permit if you plan on using the pet-friendly city parks. Veterinarians can purchase these permits and tags from the Chicago Park District and distribute them to clientele. Permit books contain 25 permits now in carbon copy and corresponding tags. Permit books are \$100.00 per book or \$4.00 per permit. To order these permit books, or for more information about dog tags or a list of dog friendly places in Chicago, you can go to the Chicago Park District Website www.chicagoparkdistrict.com or contact them directly:

Chicago Park District
Dog Friendly Area Permits
541 N. Fairbanks Court
Chicago, IL 60611

Online Directory

Don't forget that you can look up veterinarians by zip code or name, or download the directory in PDF format on the CVMA website. For a quick find, go to www.chicagovma.org and click "Find A Vet" on the lower left hand side of the page. This will give you all the information you need to contact a colleague. It's a phone book at the click of your mouse!



Minutes from March 2007 CVMA General Membership Meeting

The General Membership Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on March 14, 2007, at 1:10 pm by President, Dr. Kathleen Heneghan. The meeting was held at Hamburger University in Oak Brook, IL, in conjunction with the CVMA CE Seminar on Oncology/Hematology with Dr. Guillermo Couto.

Secretary's Report

Dr. Shannon Greeley presented the minutes from the January 10, 2007, General Membership Meeting. Dr. Brar requested that the following sentence be stricken from the Nominations Committee Report, "A special election for this position will take place at the March 14, 2007, General Membership Meeting." The recommendation was duly noted.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept these minutes with the above mentioned change.

Committee Reports:

Membership Committee Report

Dr. Andrea Wurzer read the names of eligible members: Drs. Sandra Mendez Cruz, Mary Ubatuba, Cheryl Lynn Schoessow, Maria Luisa Manrique, Laura Pratscher, Anton Spatz, Mohammad Aslam, Valarie Aldridge, Megan Welbourne, Lucia Lemmer, Thomas Brooks, Jessica Von Waldau, Sarah Jerick, Kathryn Long, Saundra Sample, Anne Green, Rosa Mahowald, Jenny Herbert and Tracy Peckham.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept these doctors into the membership of the Association.

Nominations Committee Report

Dr. Jack Brar confirmed the nomination of Dr. Gurdial Basran for the open One-Year Executive Board Director position.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept Dr. Gurdial Basran as One-Year Executive Board Director for the 2007 term.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:22 pm.

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Relief veterinarian listing fees: \$50 for CVMA members and \$100 for non-members. Listings run from December/January issue to October/November issue. Fees shall be applied for the current year through October/November issue and will be assessed come the December/January issue. The listing shall appear in the CVMA Bulletin as well as on the CVMA web site. To be added, contact the CVMA Office at (630) 325-1231. The CVMA does not endorse any veterinarian listed in the Relief Veterinarians section. The Association does not attest to the veterinarians' ability to practice veterinary medicine or to the conduct of the individual.

LOCAL UPDATES FOR CITY OF CHICAGO

ANIMAL ORDINANCES

For over a year, the CVMA has been working with a taskforce to help enhance public safety from vicious dog attacks. This taskforce was chaired by volunteers Cynthia Bathurst and Steve Dale. We give our many thanks to their efforts in gathering city officials, animal interest groups, public health officials, and veterinarians to prepare recommendations for the city to utilize. After much effort by Ms. Bathurst and Mr. Dale to reach out to Alderman, Alderman Schuler responded by asking the taskforce to review his recommendations for a group of ordinances related to dog daycare as well as a few additional ordinances which would incorporate some of the taskforce's recommendations. In light of this past year's tragic animal related events from dog attacks to abandoned daycare boarders, Alderman Schuler hoped his ordinances could be used to encourage more responsible pet ownership and treatment.

For the full ordinances please feel free to check out the City of Chicago website pages listed below. These ordinances are effective immediately with a 60-day grace period for citizens and facilities affected by the daycare ordinance change from April 1, 2007. We have included the most outstanding changes related to veterinarians. Let it be known, the CVMA made every attempt to advise politicians drafting this ordinance, so that it would be as effective as possible while being respectful of veterinary medicine integrity. As many new ordinances, it will most likely be a work in progress as the kinks are worked out. We hope that the following information helps you to make the appropriate adjustments in order to be in compliance with this ordinance. **For those members interested in assisting with future local legislation please volunteer for our Legislative Committee, we are always looking for enthusiastic members.**

Chapter 4-384-060 Animal care facility license-Standards as of April 1, 2007. (a) Every animal care facility that provides day care or boarding for dogs shall:(1) Maintain a file for every dog in its care that includes the certificates and verification required in this subsection (a); (2) provide each dog with a cage or separate individual enclosure;(3) require proof of a current city dog license for any dog that is owned by a resident of the city; and (4) obtain from the dog's owner (i) a veterinary certificate of health and proof of current vaccinations for distemper, rabies, parvovirus, and bordatella. A veterinary certificate of adequate titer protection issued within the previous 12 months from the date of presentation may be substituted for the distemper and parvovirus vaccinations; and (ii) a current veterinary certificate verifying that the dog is free from intestinal parasites.

As of the last hearing regarding this ordinance, consultation with the city's attorney, we were informed that the above stipulations regarding adequate titering and current fecal status would be left up to the individual veterinarian as there are no state wide excepted titer standards and one fecal screen is only a point in time, not a report of being parasite free. They would also like that we work with daycare facilities to expedite the passing of our information regarding the above. We were also still waiting to hear back that hospitals that do not board overnight, need not comply to the above, this was previously discussed in hearings, but wording had not been clarified prior to the ordinance going into effect.

Chapter 4-5-010 Animal care facility license-Standards The licensing fee for veterinary hospitals within the city of Chicago will be \$192.50. While these fees will be submitted to the general city fund, they will be earmarked to provide additional funding for animal care and control to help support animal officers to investigate the overwhelming report of animal abuse/neglect to the city.

Chapter 7-12-170 Dog License Fee Change as of January 11, 2007 .

<http://www.chicityclerk.com/licenses/dogs.html>. Current dog license fees for the city of Chicago have been amended to encourage neutering of male/females canines in hopes of reducing dog attacks as majority of cases involve intact canines. The license fee to have an intact canine is \$50, or \$5 for senior citizens. New city registration forms will be coming. As the current forms still state old fees, please inform your clients of this change.

Dr. Elizabeth Cutright

Dan Parmer, DVM: Thoughts on Someone Special

Dan Parmer was a social animal. I often joked that you could put him in a room of one hundred total strangers and come back an hour later and he would be on a first name basis with at least half of them. Dan was a great supporter of veterinary medicine and what it meant to be a veterinarian. He served on many committees, being a spokesman for several. He left his stamp on local, state and national issues. It was always better to be on his side rather than against him.

He was capable of walking up to almost anyone and starting a conversation. Even a notable adversary would listen to him, and often soften their stance on the talked about issue. He would address issues that no one else would bring up, if he felt strongly about them.

Dan was a champion of professionalism. The field of medicine, both human and animal, is lessened by his loss. I learned much about being a better human being having Dan as a mentor. I am proud to have known him. Through the years of working together, talking out the world's problems and what we could do about the politics of an issue, we talked a lot.

Though he was one year younger than my father, it never felt like he was a father, rather a colleague. Because of him I fell into the Executive Board of the CVMA and followed in his footsteps to president. He, however, bested all of the board members I know of by serving two three year terms before going up to president.

One of the few times I ever saw him mad, was when someone had misstepped and voted the wrong way on a political issue. It had been one of those defining votes determining the social status of a veterinary hospital in the city of Chicago. Naturally a lot of politics was on the table with lots ridding on it, behind the scenes activity a plenty. The doctor who voted had missed a meeting and voted incorrectly. Outside of this time, I personally never heard him swear much.

Dan was always jovial and content and made everyone feel better about their day. He could walk into a room, put his arm around the ladies, ask "How you doing darling?" and light up the room.

I know that the rest of the veterinary community joins with me in sending our love and condolences to his wife, Donna, and son, Danny.

Ray Wise

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Classified Ad Charges: CVMA Members, \$50/issue. Non-members, \$100/issue for Bulletin only. \$25/members and non-members per month for CVMA web site. 60 word limit. Payment must accompany ad. Ads exceeding 60 words will be edited by the CVMA. "To Be Given Away" and "Job Want" ads from students and technicians are free, 40-word limit. Submit ad in writing, on or before the 15th of the month prior to month of publication.

Practice/Equipment/Other

Schaumburg, IL: Financially successful, 2 veterinarian small animal practice located in the village of Schaumburg, a nice, northwest suburb of Chicago and location of the AVMA. Emergency hospitals nearby. Excellent clientele. Extremely profitable to owner. Option to purchase with or without the real estate. Owner financing available. E-mail: tutu007@comcast.net.

Veterinarian Positions Available

Animal Emergency & Referral Center: Exciting opportunity for emergency veterinarian at our state-of-the-art center in Northbrook, providing 24-hour emergency treatment, critical care and specialty referral services. Wide range of diagnostics and monitoring equipment, CT, MRI. To learn more. Contact Sheri Rothschild: srothschild@aercenter.com or fax CV to (847) 564-9604. Visit our web site at www.aercenter.com.

Animal Medical Center: Full-time associate for seven-doctor small animal hospital. Pleasant work environment in 10,000 square-foot hospital and no emergency duty. Contact Dr. Bryan Lantow at (708) 460-6000 or send resume to 16200 S. LaGrange Road, Orland Park, IL 60467.

Animal Welfare League: FT dedicated enthusiastic & compassionate vet needed for established, non-profit with FULL SERVICE clinic. The right candidate will have general surgical skills, ability to build strong relationships and a good 'bedside' manner. Very competitive salary/benefits. Contact Linda Estrada, Animal Welfare League, 10305 Southwest Highway, Chicago Ridge, IL 60415. Phone: 708-636-8586 x232. Fax: 708-636-9488.

Bevlab Animal Hospital: Part-time or full-time associate veterinarian needed for a 6 doctor dynamic duo of practices in suburban Chicago. Flexible hours, low stress environment, great salary and benefits, and CE stipend available to the veterinarian who wants to utilize our in-house lab, work with our talented staff and grow with our friendly hospitals. Contact Emily O'Brien, Hospital Manager, at eobrien55@yahoo.com or 708.385.3790.

Becker Animal Hospital: Associate Veterinarian sought for North Shore small animal hospital. Affluent clientele allow for high-quality medicine/surgery. Low hour work week with nearby emergency/special center. Newly remodeled building with in house ultrasound, long term staff. Contact Dr. Eric Wagner, Becker Animal Hospital 322 Frontage Rd. Northfield, IL 60093. Email: wagsdvm@aol.com.

Indian Prairie Animal Hospital: P/T & F/T position in small animal/exotic hospital in Naperville/Aurora location. Excellent support staff, with no after hour emergency duty. Send resume to Dr. Sam Ristich c/o Indian Prairie Animal Hospital 621 S. Rt 59, Aurora, IL 60504. Phone: 630-820-6999. Fax: 630-820-5880.

Kragness Animal Hospital: Full- or part-time veterinarian needed for small animal clinic in Chicago. Average 32-35 hours per week. No emergency hours. Competitive salary, medical insurance, education and retirement benefits. Recent grads welcome. Craig Kragness, DVM. Kent Kragness, Manager. Phone: (773) 568-2800. E-mail: krag411@comcast.net.

Loving Care Animal Clinic: Part-time associate veterinarian needed for small animal practice in Rolling Meadows. We have a CO2 laser and new dental machine equipped as well as an excellent support staff. Our clientele is family oriented and friendly. Looking for an experienced, personable and compassionate DVM to join our team. Perks include monthly bonus incentives, CE and a great environment for a few days a week. Please send resumes to Dr. Joanne Carlson, Loving Care Animal Clinic, 2633 Kirchoff Road, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008. Fax: 847-670-8488, Email: carlsonjll@sbcglobal.net. Check our website at lovingcareanimalclinic.com.

Near North Animal Hospital: Looking for an experienced, dedicated, full-time veterinarian to join our growing animal hospital, located in Chicago's Old Town. We offer a friendly/helpful, dedicated staff, benefits and competitive salary. Surgical experience required. Fax curriculum vitae to Bel Jackson at (312) 944-8254.

New Buffalo Animal Hospital: Work where you play. Immediate opening for full-time associate veterinarian at beautiful, well-established, state-of-the-art small animal hospital on the fastest growing community in Michigan. Just one hour from Chicago on Lake Michigan. Wonderful opportunity with flexible hours, generous salary and benefits, including partnership for the right person. Phone Dr. Sorensen at (269) 469-5400 or fax resume to (269) 469-2077.

Oak Park and Ambassador Animal Hospitals: Two state-of-the-art animal hospitals located in Oak Park and Hanover Park. Both include advanced diagnostic equipment - ultrasound, endoscope, IV pump, etc. We have achieved the highest AAHA accreditation and have maintained a superior reputation for over 50 years in practice. New graduate welcome for full/part-time flex schedule. Excellent compensation, great team and friendly environment. Please phone Dr. Bascharon at (630) 605-2659.

Prairie State Veterinary Clinic: Seeking full or part-time associate for small animal clinic. Great location in Orland Park in a newly remodeled clinic. Excellent support staff, long-time loyal clientele, competitive compensation. Contact Dr. Fleming at 708-349-3331.

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Randall Oaks Animal Hospital: Seeking compassionate, organized and client oriented FT veterinarian to help our 5 yr old, AAHA accredited small animal practice grow to the next level. General medicine, surgery and dental skills desired. Paperless practice using Cornerstone software. Will consider PT. Experienced or new graduate OK. Contact Dr. Mary Benz @ 847-428-8430 and visit randalloksanimalhospital.com. Thank you for your interest!

Roscoe Village Animal Hospital: Seeking Associate Veterinarian to work in a new, modern, fully equipped veterinary hospital designed by an award-winning veterinary architect. We are located in the North Chicago Roscoe Village neighborhood. Our clinic has an excellent staff and clientele. Benefits include monthly production bonus, medical and dental insurance, paid association dues, IRA plan, CE stipend and vacation pay. No emergency hours. Please Email your resume to rov99@sbcglobal.net or contact Scott M. Rovner, DVM at 773-549-3131 www.roscoevillageanimalhospital.com.

River Heights Veterinary Clinic: Join a six doctor hospital committed to AAHA standards, daily rounds and exceptional service. Outstanding facility including ultrasound, digital radiography, and state of the art dental suite. Experienced support staff. Special interest in ultrasound and surgery a plus. Contact Stephen Juriga DVM 630-554-3400 www.riverheightsvet.com or www.veterinarydentalcenter.com.

Schaumburg, IL: Experienced veterinarian needed to manage two-person small animal practice. Excellent clientele in nice suburb of Chicago. Compensation package includes base salary of \$85,000, 35% share of the profit (a real possibility of \$60,000 to \$100,000), CE, vacation time and severance pay agreement. Option to purchase practice and real estate on reasonable terms at any time during employment is included. E-mail: tutu007@comcast.net.

The Animal Doctor: Experienced, enthusiastic veterinarian needed to join our caring and dedicated team! We are a 4-year AAHA accredited small animal and exotic practice emphasizing quality animal care within a highly ethical environment. We will be moving to our new 10,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art facility in the beginning of 2008. We offer competitive salary, medical, dental insurance, CE, vacation, and pension plan. Please send resume to The Animal Doctor, Att: Denise, 600 Industrial Dr., Unit L, Cary, IL 60013. Phone: 847-516-8190. Fax: 847-516-8624. Email: denise.c@theanimaldoctor.net.

Uptown Animal Hospital: Full-time veterinarian wanted to join busy, six-doctor practice in the exciting Andersonville neighborhood on Chicago's North Side. Practice moved to a new, modern facility on March 1, 2007. Competitive salary/benefits. Experience preferred. Big city practice with small town charm. Fax or e-mail resume to (773) 561-5158 or uptownah@uptownah.com.

Valley Animal Hospital: Looking for an associate veterinarian. Our 3 doctor small animal practice is in a newly built free standing facility that includes in house lab, ultrasound, endoscope and laser surgery. We have solutions-oriented support staff and wish to find a vet who compliments VAH in demonstrating teamwork and exceptional customer care. Contact Dr. Juriga fax: 630-845-1250 or email: valleyah@sbcglobal.net.

Practice Personnel

The Anti-Cruelty Society: Located in downtown Chicago, seeks a full-time CVT. We are a full-service humane society with an AAHA accredited clinic staffed by six veterinarians. Salary is commensurate with experience and includes benefits. Contact Dr. Brian Dent, The Anti-Cruelty Society Clinic, 157 W. Grand Avenue, Chicago, IL 606010. Phone: (312) 644-8338, ext. 357. Fax: (312) 644-3878.

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River Heights Veterinary Clinic: Employment opportunity available for a full-time, experienced technician or CVT. We are looking for that special individual with the personal and technical skills required for a busy, seven-doctor practice. Please send resumes and references to www.riverheightsvet.com. Fax: (630) 554-9432.

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Services Available

Riverdale Animal Hospital: FOR SALE, stainless steel cages, small, medium, large. Three exam room tables, one surgery table, 3 small refrigerators for vaccine storage in exam rooms. Office chairs, one washer and dryer all in good condition. Any reasonable offer accepted. Please call cell phone, Dr. Saif 708-217-3876.

The New DVM Curriculum & You

By Dean Herb Whiteley



After more than a year of intensive study and discussion, our faculty recently approved changes to the veterinary curriculum that will make it more practice-focused and flexible. The biggest change involves expanding the clinical rotations from 12 to 16 months and requiring two four-week, for-credit rotations at primary care practices of the student's choosing. The goal is for students to get a better feel for practice management and to see more primary care cases than they would encounter at our Urbana teaching hospital. Although the new curriculum will not be implemented until the Class of 2012 enrolls next fall, the primary care rotations have been approved for elective credit now. If you are interested in mentoring a student, you can register your practice through the online Veterinary Career Resource Center at any time (go to www.VCRCIllinois.org and follow the instructions from the "Employers Only" link). The new elective rotation allows students to spend 2 or 4 weeks at any U.S. private veterinary practice in order to increase their knowledge and skills pertaining to practice management, business practices, primary care, and preventive medicine. The practice may see small, mixed, or large animal patients but must have a substantial primary care component. Students must be able to accomplish a majority of defined learning objectives at the practice and must be adequately supervised.

The curricular revisions are the result of much hard work involving the entire faculty. Please join me in thanking them. Special thanks go to the members of the Courses and Curriculum Committee, to its chair Dr. Federico Zuckermann, and to Dr. Jonathan

Foreman, who was heavily involved in the curriculum review process over the past year and who stepped into the role of Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs on July 1.

The College Courses and Curriculum Committee, aided by a faculty member chosen for the new position of Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs and Curriculum, will oversee the ongoing process of coordinating and maintaining a vital and relevant veterinary curriculum.

Much remains to be done over the coming year to trim material from core courses and make room for the expanded clinical year. More than 30 existing core courses will likely be revised. Some material cut from core courses will be moved to elective courses so that interested students can still benefit from the information.

"The key is flexibility," says Dr. Foreman. "Trimming core and adding electives allows students to tailor didactic courses to their area of interest. Every student will still get a good broad education in veterinary medicine but also enjoy the flexibility to focus."

We hope that many of you will engage with students and partner with the College through the new primary care rotation program.

I welcome your feedback on the curriculum changes. You can reach me at dean@cvm.uiuc.edu.



**WINGS
CVMA Pet Loss
Services**

Pet Loss Support Helpline:
630-325-1600

The Wings Pet Loss Support Group meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the CVMA Office, 120 E. Ogden Avenue, Hinsdale, IL 60521.

No cost or reservations needed, but donations are accepted.

Members can also purchase Pet Loss Brochures in a packet of 50 for \$10.00 or a packet of 100 for \$15.

Packets of sympathy cards, including helpline brochures or grief articles are available to veterinarians in recognition of a client's loss. Donation of \$60.

Call the CVMA Office to place an order or for any questions.



**Legislative Committee Report:
Pros and Cons of City of Chicago Registration Change
New Chairperson for Legislative Committee**

The CVMA discussed with legislators the problem that may arise with clients that choose to register their dogs with the City of Chicago when they are vaccinated for rabies, but opt to wait to neuter until six months. The clients would be forced to pay a higher fee despite their plans to neuter. Unfortunately, we were unable to convince the city of this problem with this discrepancy in the ordinance. We will continue to work with the city on this ordinance change. As the current forms still state old fees, please inform your clients of this change. We have submitted this past month to the city clerk's office ideas and concerns with future suggested changes to this ordinance. We also submitted suggestions on creating a useful pamphlet reminding the public of the benefits of registration: easier location of lost pet, increase revenue by pets means increased expenditures on pets (Animal Care and Control funding), and support of all the dog friendly areas.

On a more personal note, the Legislative Committee would like to welcome Dr. David Saidel as our new Chairperson. Not only will his years of experience benefit the committee, but his background in public health will enhance our participation when working with city legislators.

We would like to thank him for volunteering and are excited to have him at the helm.

Dr. Elizabeth Cutright

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The purpose of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association is to provide its members opportunities for:

- Professional enrichment and communication
- Quality continuing education
- Dissemination of information to the public
- Promoting the health and well being of animals

OUR VISION:

The membership of the CVMA is dedicated to the health and well being of animals through its nurturing of the human animal bond. The CVMA will strive to fulfill the diversified needs of its members by providing nationally recognized CE programs, cultivating membership involvement, and offering innovative member services and public awareness.