



Bulletin

AN INFORMATION SERVICE OF THE CHICAGO VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

2007 Dues

Your 2007 CVMA dues notice should have arrived via mail by now. If you have not received it, please contact the CVMA Office at (630) 325-1231.

Get Ready for the Winter Gala!

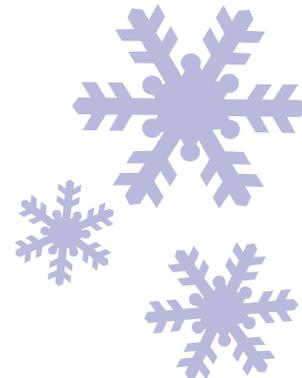
The CVMA's Winter Gala is quickly approaching. So mark your calendar for **Saturday, January 20**. The 2007 event will be held at Petterino's Restaurant, 150 North Dearborn Street, in the heart of Chicago's theater district.

For the first time, we're offering two options for attending the Gala:

- **Join us for the entire evening, including dinner and the installation of new officers;**
- **Or, arrive at 8:00 pm for cocktails, dancing and the silent auction.**

Either way, it will be a night to remember. Your invitation is on page 5 of this Bulletin.

Please fill out the invitation and either fax or mail it to the CVMA Office with your payment by January 12.



Clinical Nutrition Focus of December CE



Dr. Lisa Freeman

Clinical nutrition is the topic for the CVMA's December 13 Continuing Education Seminar, when Lisa M. Freeman, DVM, PhD, DACVN, will present a six-part seminar on clinical nutrition for the general practitioner.

Dr. Freeman received her BS from Tufts University, her DVM from Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine, and her PhD in Nutrition from Tufts School

of Nutrition. She completed a rotating small animal internship at North Carolina State University before doing her residency in clinical nutrition at Tufts. She was board-certified by the American College of Veterinary Nutrition in 1997 and has been on the faculty at Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine since 1996, where she is currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Clinical Sciences. Her research focus

has been on the nutritional modulation of cardiac disease in dogs and cats.

The seminar begins at 8:00 am, with registration starting at 7:30 am, and will be held at The Lodge on the McDonald's Campus in Oak Brook.

To pre-register, please call the CVMA Office at (630) 325-1231 by **Friday, December 8**.

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President's Thoughts
Dr. Jack Brar



It is graduation time. I have completed my obligations to this organization and I feel a sense of accomplishment. This is the last column that I am going to share with you, but I will continue to support the Association as a past president.

I started the year with a lot of zeal and high hopes. I wanted to change the shape and size of CVMA. I felt inertia and stillness had crept into the CVMA. Sometimes, it seems like we talk too much and accomplish too little with some members becoming dissatisfied and ending their membership. I wanted to reach to them and energize the spirit of organization.

The sudden resignation of the past Executive Director (ED) changed the shape of my plans. The CVMA Office is the nucleus of the organization's energy and spirit, and has to be kept functioning, and the search for a suitable new ED was a difficult and time-consuming job. With the help of many members, we were able to install Susan Morris as our new ED. We hope she will carry forth the spirit of the organization in the future.

The year has produced some notable events. We celebrated the 110th anniversary of our organization at Brookfield Zoo in July. More than 70 veterinarians and 160 members of their families attended the event. A special thanks goes to Ford Dodge, which hosted a management seminar before our event. Longtime CVMA members, Drs. Roger Mahr, Andreas Wurzer, Ron Kolar and Ray Wise shared with us their memories and experiences in the Association. This is the first time that we have felt the importance of our history, and we want to continue to explore this area.

This country's demographics are rapidly changing, as are those in our profession. Recognizing the interests of under-represented groups for the first time in the history of the CVMA, we organized a diversity group meeting, with veterinarians from seven countries in attendance. Diversity brings new strength to our organization and helps us recognize the needs of all segments of the Association. Many potentially useful ideas came out of that meeting. I want to thank Pfizer Animal Health for sponsoring this event and Drs. G.S. Basran and N. Vinuthamani for their help in organizing this meeting.

As I prepare to vacate this post, I want to thank all the Executive Board members, officers and committee chairs, as well as our CVMA office staff for their help. I am grateful to my wife, Mary, my daughter, Amrita, and my son, Anant, who have let me attend the Tuesday night meetings for the last six years. I am thankful to my staff for taking all the calls related to these responsibilities.

Most of the time I have enjoyed being a member of the Board, chairing the Technician Committee and serving in different positions. There were difficult times, but I tried to handle them to the best of my knowledge and skills.

I wish success to President-Elect Dr. Kathy Heneghan as she looks forward to leading this organization next year.

Jack Brar, DVM

From the Director's Desk

Susan Morris, Executive Director

With the holiday season fast approaching and the new year on the horizon, the year's end signals a time of reflection and gratitude as well as a sense of renewal and new beginnings. It is a time when each of us is more aware of those things we treasure most – our family, friends and our community. It is a time of giving and sharing, not only of gifts, but of our time and ourselves with those that matter most.

The holidays are also a time to make resolutions and commitments that are good for us as well as the community at large. It is no coincidence that at this annual time of renewal, your notice of renewal in

the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) has been distributed. As you have probably noticed, the form this year has been redesigned to not only make your membership renewal process easier, but to allow us to collect valuable information on our members in an effort to be more effective in our service.

In the spirit of the holidays and the new year, we ask that this year, when you renew your membership in the CVMA, you consider joining the Association in its mission to promote the veterinary profession, as well as the importance of appropriate veterinary care for Chicago area pets, by participating as a

committee member. Your input, and just a marginal amount of your time, would be invaluable to the CVMA's membership programs and services. And your contribution would be a true service to your fellow members and the profession at large. So while setting your resolutions, why not resolve to take a more active role in the CVMA? It may be a resolution that is far easier to keep than the annual promise to exercise daily and eliminate between-meal treats.

May you, your families, your staffs and your clients all have a lovely holiday season and a marvelous New Year!

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Veterinary Hospital Planning, Design, and Construction

Do you need to improve practice image and efficiency, or start a new practice, but are unsure how to start?

We can provide the information that will guide your decisions and make project success normal.

We can help answer your questions:

- Should we renovate, add on, remodel an existing building, or build anew?
- What have other veterinary hospitals done and found successful?
- Who are the players needed and how are they best assembled?
- How much will it cost and how long will it take?

We can:

- Refine the definition of your needs and priorities.
- Evaluate the feasibility of possible solutions.
- Inspect and review possible sites for feasibility, constructability, and cost.
- Complete all permitting, design, and construction.



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Minutes from September 2006 CVMA General Membership Meeting

The General Membership Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on September 13, 2006, at 12:45 pm by President Dr. Jack Brar. This meeting was held at Hamburger University in Oak Brook, IL, in conjunction with the CVMA Continuing Education Meeting on Clinical Pharmacology with Dr. Dawn Boothe.

President's Report

Dr. Jack Brar announced the passing of Dr. David McConnell (CVMA President 1974) and a moment of silence was held in his honor. A request for volunteers was made for those interested in serving on committees. Dr. Brar discussed the Cook County three-year rabies tag shortage. He announced that the CVMA Position Statement on breed specific legislation is available on the CVMA web site. He also announced that a Diversity Forum will be held on October 22, 2006, with more details to follow.

Secretary's Report

Dr. Shannon Greeley presented the minutes from the June 14, 2006, General Membership Meeting.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept these minutes.

2006-2007 Budget

Dr. Kathleen Heneghan presented the 2006-2007 CVMA budget.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept this budget.

Membership Committee Report

Dr. Andrew Miz read the following list of eligible members: Drs. Frank Lee, Lynn Milewski, Molly O'Brien, Jennifer Maloney, Krista Shears, Sarah Mateles, Amy Zeigler, Margaret Minett, Juliet Turkel, Kelly Braly, Jennifer Frey, Natalie Marks, Nathaniel Cook, Mary Beth Wajda, Tamara Gardner, Amy Ujiki, Lisa Scott, Marisa Wlodek and Beth Waisburd.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the new members.

Proposed Bylaws Changes

In response to recent changes in Bylaws Section 4.2, Bylaws Section 4.1 required revision to reflect these changes. The new wording as proposed by Dr. Al Glater and read by Dr. Yuval Nir is as follows:

An annual meeting of the members shall be held on the day of the scheduled Wednesday full-day CVMA Continuing Education Seminar in the month of December of each year, at such time as designated by the Executive Board, for the purpose of electing the members of the Executive Board, Officers and ISVMA Representatives, and for transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. (PASSED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD ON AUGUST 15, 2006).

Motion was made, seconded and approved to approve these changes to Bylaws Section 4.1.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 pm.

Special Announcements

Blind Service Association (BSA) is currently creating a guide dog users program to promote dog ownership among blind people, advocate dog owner rights, provide education through veterinarians and to educate the public. They are seeking veterinarians to help promote the program by speaking to BSA's clients on topics relating to health issues of guide dogs. Contact Michelle Arnoto at (312) 236-0808.

Cook County Animal Control will sponsor a spay/neuter program in February 2007. The program is limited to two pets per household and the pets must reside in Cook County. All pets must have current rabies vaccinations. Private hospitals will receive a \$40 rebate for each spay/neuter. Shelters will receive a \$20 rebate. For further information, contact Cook County Animal Control at (708) 974-6140.

Chicago Veterinary Medical Association

Winter Gala

Saturday, January 20, 2007

Petterino's Restaurant

150 N. Dearborn Street, Chicago

6:00 pm Reception ♦ Dinner ♦ Dancing - \$100/person

8:00 pm Cocktails ♦ Dancing - \$50/person

Silent Auction for UIUC Veterinary Scholarship Fund

R.S.V.P.

Names of Winter Gala Attendees # _____

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Or mail to: CVMA ♦ P.O. Box 5017 ♦ Oak Brook, IL 60522-5017

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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.

Historian Column

100 Years Ago—November 8, 1906

The November meeting was called to order by Dr. E. L. Quitmann in the banquet hall of the Kuntz Remeler Restaurant at 10:45 PM after a banquet at which 20 members participated.

The special committee appointed by President Quitmann to take charge of the banquet at which the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association and visiting veterinarians were to be our guests reported that everything was well underway.

A motion was made by Dr. D. S. Jaffray Jr. and seconded by Dr. Robertson asking that the banquet at which the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association and visiting veterinarians were to be our guests, be held on the evening of December 9th, 1906, at the Victorian Hotel. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded that any member who is in arrears for dues will, by paying the current year's dues be considered a member in good standing.

Motion carried.

The Legislative Committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. L. A. Merillat, Dr. Jos. Hughs and Dr. A. C. Worms. The reading of papers was laid over until the next meeting.

A motion was made by Dr. A. H. Baker and seconded by Dr. White asking that we skip the December meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 AM.

L. H. Quitmann, Secy.



CVMA Hosts First Diversity Forum



The Diversity Forum of the CVMA met for the first time on Sunday, October 22, 2006. Sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health, members met at the Sher-A- Punjab Jewel of India restaurant in Downers Grove, IL. In attendance were 30 Chicagoland veterinarians from eight different countries.

Spearheaded by CVMA President Jack Brar, the forum stemmed from a recent AVMA symposium on the matter. The objectives of the forum are to increase awareness of diversity within the veterinary community and improve sensitivity to these groups from others within the veterinary profession. Ten percent of the CVMA membership is of a minority status. The forum was held as a means to encourage CVMA membership and involvement within committees from minority groups. CVMA Secretary Shannon Greeley sees the forum as a tool to provide mentorship and make the opportunities within veterinary medicine aware to minorities.

Future plans are to offer social gatherings for members to interact and celebrate in the diversity of the veterinary profession. With further development, President Jack Brar would like to see the forum as a self standing committee or as a subcommittee within an existing one. Diversity brings strength to our organization. Members are encouraged to take part in this fledgling effort. At this point, the Diversity Forum lacks diversity itself so please feel free to contact President Brar for additional information.



CLASSIFIEDS

Classified Ad Charges: CVMA Members, \$50/issue. Non-members, \$100/issue for Bulletin only. \$25/members and \$50/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

For Sale: Four Mason Ultrabase fiberglass kennels. Above floor design, no gutter or special sewer line required. Elevated unit measure approx. 3x6. New cost is \$1,500 per unit plus tax and freight. Asking \$750 each. Call Dr. Andrew Miz at (847) 673-2616 for details.

Established Sole Small Animal Practice for Sale: Real estate included. Des Plaines area. Owner retiring. Phone: (708) 460-3794.

Veterinarian Positions Available

Animal Hospital of West Lake Forest: Rare opportunity to join a well-established, three-doctor small animal practice on the North Shore. Great clientele and support staff. Seeking a full-time, experienced associate. Partnership potential. Contact Dr. David McKenna at (847) 234-2111 or e-mail ahwlf@msn.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 and compassionate veterinarian 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 at (708) 636-8586 x 232. Fax: (708) 636-9488. Mail: 10305 Southwest Hwy., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415.

Beverly Hills Animal Hospital: Associate needed for busy small animal practice in beautiful, historic Beverly/Morgan Park area of Chicago. Practice quality medicine in a friendly setting. Full- or part-time considered. New grads welcome. Competitive salary and benefits package. Contact Margaret Walsh, DVM, at (773) 779-7790 or fax resume to (773) 779-4719.

DeVries Animal Hospital: Experienced full- or part-time veterinarian needed for high-quality practice in western suburbs. Our friendly, dedicated staff, great clientele, excellent work schedule combined with competitive salary and benefits make this a great place to work. Send resume or contact Dr. John DeVries, DeVries Animal Hospital, 518 Spring Road, Elmhurst, IL 60126. Phone: (630) 833-7387. Fax: (630) 833-5227.

DuPage Animal Hospital: Seeking full-time associate veterinarian to join our busy AAHA certified practice in Villa Park. If you like having every other weekend off, no emergency hours and want to work with a dedicated staff and superior clients, look no further. Facility is equipped with ultrasound, laser, digital x-ray, video otoscope and much more. Please fax or e-mail your resume to (630) 834-0324 or dupageanimalhosp@sbcglobal.net.

Elk Grove Pet Clinic: Looking for a compassionate, enthusiastic, full-time associate with excellent people skills to join our team. Great work environment with caring experienced, fun support staff. Opportunity to practice high-quality medicine and surgery. Experience preferred but new grads welcome. Interest in ultrasound a plus. Reasonable hours with no emergency duty. Competitive compensation and benefits based on experience. Please fax resume to Dr. Gregory Stram at 847/524-9942 or call 847/524-8387.

Higgins Animal Clinic: Opportunity available with new, state-of-the-art facility. Will consider experienced practitioner or new graduate. Salary based on experience. Benefits include insurance, association dues, CE, two weeks paid vacation and bonuses based on individual productivity. Future purchase potential. Mail/fax resume to Humphrey Roberts, DVM, 1705 W. Belmont Ave. Chicago, IL 60657. Phone: (630) 835-7673. Fax (847) 240-1274.

Midwest Bird & Exotic Animal Hospital: Seeking motivated veterinarian for emergency and avian/exotic hospital just west of Chicago. Primarily emergency practice that sees exotics and dogs/cats, but could include shifts with the exclusively exotic day practice if desired. Five full-time doctors and excellent support staff. Competitive salary, flexible schedule and full benefits. Contact Drs. Poliakoff or Clarkson at (708) 453-8181 or fax resume to (708) 453-8194.

Mill Creek Animal Hospital: Palos Park, IL. Small Animal. Seeking an associate veterinarian for our two-doctor practice. Must be enthusiastic and compassionate with people and pets. Opportunity to join a growing practice. Please contact Dr. Jay Whittle at (708) 361-6002 or e-mail drjw@millcreekac.com.

New Buffalo Animal Hospital, Inc.: Beautiful, well-established, state-of-the-art small animal hospital has immediate opening for a full-time associate veterinarian. Just one hour from Chicago, the first town in Michigan on Lake Michigan. We offer a 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) 469-5114.

PAWS Chicago: Join the PAWS Chicago Lurie Clinic team from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm to perform surgery check-ins, vaccine clinics, and handle in-house shelter medicine for 50 adoptable dogs and cats. May also perform spaying/neutering. Sunday & Wednesday or Tuesday & Thursday. Contact clinic director for information and details. E-mail Laura Hinze at lhinze@pawschicago.org. Fax to (773) 521-1082 or call (773) 521-7729, ext. 226.

Portage Park Animal Hospital: Enthusiastic veterinarian needed to work in new, well-established, 5-doctor veterinary hospital on far N.W. side of Chicago. Excellent clientele. Well equipped, including ultrasound and laser. Contact Dr. Roger Schrock at (773) 725-0260. e-mail: ppah@aol.com. Www.portagepark.com.

River Heights Veterinary Clinic: Join a seven-doctor hospital committed to AAHA standards, daily rounds and advanced diagnostics. Experienced support staff, ultrasound, digital radiography, state-of-the-art veterinary dental facility. Opportunity for an individual with strong surgical or dental skills/interest. Contact Stephen Juriga, DVM, at (630) 554-3400. www.riverheightsvet.com. www.veterinarydentalcenter.com.

Veterinarian Positions Available (cont.)

Roscoe Village Animal Hospital: Excellent opportunity for associate veterinarian to work in a new, state-of-the-art veterinary hospital. Located in an upscale, fun, north Chicago neighborhood, our clinic has an excellent staff and clientele. Benefits include monthly production bonus, medical and dental insurance, paid association dues, CE and vacation pay. No emergency hours. E-mail resume to roscoevillageanimalhospital@yahoo.com or contact Scott M. Rovner, DVM, at (773) 549-3131.

St. Charles Veterinary Clinic: Looking for a full-time veterinarian to join our dedicated, diverse, progressive team of doctors. We are a well-equipped, AAHA accredited hospital that provides a positive, enriching work environment. Competitive salary. Benefits include health insurance and Simple IRA with match. Mail/fax/e-mail resume, Attn: Dr. James Miles, to 530 Dunham Road, St. Charles, IL 60174, (630) 584-0416 or stcvetclinic@sbcglobal.net.

Valley Animal Hospital: Located in Geneva, Illinois, 3.5 doctor practice specializing in small animal medicine. Our facility provides an excellent work environment, includes in-house lab, endoscope and laser surgery. We are looking for an individual with strong interactive skills to provide exceptional veterinary care. Salary is negotiable. Benefits include group health insurance and Simple IRA with match. Fax: (630) 845-1250 or e-mail: juriga@sbcglobal.net.

VCA Aurora Animal Hospital: Looking for full-time emergency doctor for busy specialty, general and emergency practice. The doctor will work three 14-hour shifts each week. Our emergency/critical care unit is well equipped with multiple fluid and syringe pumps, Bair Huggers, defibrillator, ventilator, in-house laboratory, blood pressure and pulse oximetry. Please contact Dr. Schaefer at (630) 896-8541.

West Suburban Veterinary Associates: Award-winning, state-of-the-art animal hospital seeks an associate veterinarian to join our busy, four-doctor small animal practice located in Westmont. We offer a terrific work environment combined with an exceptional support staff. This is an exciting opportunity for the right candidate. Please contact Janet Storzjohann or Dr. Alan Main at (630) 968-4212 or e-mail resume to jstorjohann@westsuburbanvet.com.

Practice Personnel

Blum Animal Hospital: Certified or licensed veterinary technician wanted to join our 10-veterinarian, 60-employee, progressive, AAHA small animal hospital. Responsibilities include assistance with surgery, endoscopies, x-rays, anesthesiology, dentistry, lab procedures, ultrasounds and client education. Full-time, including some Saturdays. Competitive salary/benefits, including 401K. Send resume to Tania Hayes, 3219 N. Clark St., Chicago, IL 60657. Fax: (773) 327-1456.

Hanover Park Animal Clinic: Experienced/licensed veterinary technician wanted at fast-paced, busy, well-equipped practice that will be expanding to a larger, brand new facility. Looking for enthusiastic team player wanting chances for growth. Full-time/part-time positions available. Contact (630) 830-6620 or fax resume to (630) 830-6697.

Jewell Animal Hospital: Seeking talented certified veterinary technician, two technician assistants and receptionist for a start-up small animal hospital in Lincoln Square on Chicago's North Side. Please send resumes and references to Leonard_Jewell@hotmail.com or call (312) 330-3064.

LePar Animal Hospital: CVT with interest in rehabilitation needed for facility opening in southwest suburbs. Experience and rehab certification preferred but will train motivated individual. We use acupuncture, chiropractic, electromagnetic therapy, conventional medicine and physical therapy. Salary/benefits negotiable and commensurate with experience. Send resume to Dr. Joe Whalen, 3811 W. 95th Street, Evergreen Park, IL 60805. leparvet@interlync.com. Fax: (708) 423-3484.

Midwest Bird & Exotic Animal Hospital: Seeking experienced, full-time veterinary technician/assistant to join our team of five doctors and exceptional support staff. We work exclusively with avian/exotic pets so experience with these species is preferred, but we are willing to train the right individual. Competitive salary, full benefits and a fun work atmosphere. Fax resume to (708) 453-8194 or send to contactus@midwestexotichospital.com.

PetVets Animal Hospital: Seeking full- or part-time veterinary technician for small animal hospital in Oak Park, IL. Our busy 4.5 doctor practice includes general medicine and surgery, as well as behavioral counseling and holistic medicine. Full-time benefits include paid vacation, health insurance, uniform allowance, CE, 401k and competitive salary. Fax resume to (708) 445-0937, attn: Dr. Frey.

The Animal Doctor: AAHA accredited small animal/exotic practice looking for a FT personable, compassionate, certified or trained veterinary technician who enjoys client interaction and applying medical skills. Competitive salary, CE package (CVT), and health benefits. Please submit resume to Denise at The Animal Doctor, 600 Industrial Dr., Unit L, Cary, IL 60013. Fax: (847) 516-8624. E-mail: denise.c@theanimaldoctor.net.

West Suburban Veterinary Associates: Seeking excellent veterinary technician. Outstanding opportunity to work in an award-winning hospital. Our state-of-the-art facility features digital radiology, ultrasound, excellent monitoring equipment and a dental work station. This is a progressive, four-doctor practice focusing on quality patient care, pain management and excellent client communication. Competitive salary and benefits package. Contact Janet at (630) 968-4212 or jstorjohann@westsuburbanvet.com.

Services Available

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Veterinary Hospital Planning, Design and Construction. Site evaluation for feasibility, suitability, and optimal time and cost of project completion. Master budget development for planning, cost control and financing. Design and engineer your site and building, and obtain zoning approvals and permits. Construct the hospital to achieve your goals. Contact Joe McCarthy at (708) 547-5096. E-mail: jfmcCarthy@ntsource.com.

CVMA Social Corner

As for our next social outing, the Membership Committee looks forward to the Winter Gala, where old and new members can ring in the new year.

The CVMA would like to thank Trader Todd's Adventure Bar in Wrigleyville for providing such a fun venue for our new members on October 24. Although none of our members were brave enough to join in on the karaoke, we sure were entertained by those who did.

As for our next social outing, the Membership Committee looks forward to the Winter Gala, where old and new members can ring in the new year...even if there won't be any karaoke. Thanks to Dr. Ingrid Baksys and her supportive staff at Riser Animal Hospital for helping put on the event.

Summary: September 2006 Executive Board Meeting Minutes

The Executive Board Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on Tuesday, September 19, 2006, at 8:00 pm by President, Dr. Jack Brar.

President's Report

Dr. Jack Brar introduced the meeting's guests, Dr. Herb Whitley, Dean of the University Of Illinois College Of Veterinary Medicine, and Dr. Mike Biehl, Director of the University's Veterinary Teaching Hospital, who shared with the board an update on current programs and initiatives including the College's fund-raising campaign.

Secretary's Report

Dr. Shannon Greeley presented the minutes from the August 15, 2006, Executive Board Meeting.

Motion made, seconded and passed for the approval of the August Executive Board Meeting minutes with noted changes.

Committee Reports

Membership – Dr. Liz Robertson presented the following doctors for membership in the Association: Sarah Schroeder Blair and Keith Norberg.

Motion made, seconded and passed for the acceptance of the doctors for presentation before the General Membership at the October 11, 2006, General Membership Meeting.

Auction Items Needed for Winter Gala

The Winter Gala Committee is seeking items for the upcoming Winter Gala. If you have any items you wish to donate, or know anyone who may be interested in contributing, please contact the CVMA Office at (630) 325-1231.

Proceeds from the Winter Gala Silent Auction benefit the CVMA scholarship fund at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine.



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New Leader, New Facility Integrate Clinical and Research Strengths

By Dean Herb Whiteley



You will be happy to know that our College is taking concrete steps to

better integrate clinical relevance throughout the veterinary education, as well as to translate our growing research strengths into practical results with real-world impact.

I want to share with you two new ways this is happening.

The first is the arrival in November of Dr. Duncan Ferguson as head the Department of Veterinary Biosciences. Dr. Ferguson has more than 25 years of experience in veterinary medicine, spanning three veterinary institutions. He also has a strong record of success in "translational" research in basic and clinical endocrinology, endocrine disruptor toxicology and clinical pharmacology.

You will recall that Veterinary Biosciences oversees many tough but important veterinary courses: anatomy,

physiology, toxicology and pharmacology. Dr. Ferguson's leadership signals the value of both the clinical and the research perspectives as his department re-examines these fundamental courses in our current curriculum review process.

Dr. Ferguson earned a veterinary degree and a PhD in pharmacology from the University of Pennsylvania and also completed a residency in small animal internal medicine there. He is board certified in both veterinary internal medicine and veterinary clinical pharmacology.

He has taught at Cornell's veterinary college and, for the past 20 years, at the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine, with appointments in both Physiology/Pharmacology and in Small Animal Medicine.

The second way our College is bridging the divide between clinical and basic sciences is literal. A new building will physically link our teaching hospital

with our basic sciences building. This facility will house the surgery and imaging suites of the future. It will also make it easier for faculty from diverse fields to interact and find areas of common interest.

I hope you will develop an uncommon interest in what's happening at the College and how you can play a role in our successes.

Please contact me at dean@cvm.uiuc.edu to find out more.

—Herb Whiteley



Dean Herbert Whiteley

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OUR MISSION:

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.