



Bulletin

An Information Service of The Chicago Veterinary Medical Association

December CE Topic: Exotics

Most Veterinarians receive little training in exotic animal medicine in veterinary school. This seminar is geared towards general practitioners who would like to increase their skill and confidence in this field.

Dr. Mitchell will discuss the diagnosis and treatment of common disorders seen in the exotic pet population. His 5-part presentation will include:

- Managing Ferret Endocrine Diseases
- GI Disorders of Rodents and Lagomorphs
- Clinical Pathology Considerations for Exotic Pets

- What's your Diagnosis? An Interactive Series of Case Presentations
- Pneumatology of Rodents and Rabbits: Anatomy to Clinical Medicine

The Exotics CE course will be the last of our courses at Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace.

Pre-registration fee is \$110 for CVMA members, \$150 for non-members.

On-site registration is an additional \$30. Registration begins at 7:30 AM and the session begins at 8:00 AM. To pre-register for the 12/10 lecture, please call (630)325-1231 or email: cvma@chicagovma.org no later than Friday, 12/5.



Mark A. Mitchell, DVM, PhD

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Pre-registration fee is \$125 for CVMA members, \$175 for non-members.

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January CE Topic: Neurology



Colorado State University Neurologist, Dr. Lisa Klopp, will be presenting topics in Neurology relevant to private practice.

Topics covered will include:

- The Interactive Neuro Exam
- Seizures: Differentials and Therapies, New and Old
- And many Case Presentations where Audience Participation is encouraged

Dr. Klopp's Neurology CE course will be the first of our courses at Hamburger University in Oak Brook on the McDonald's Corporate Campus.

Lisa Klopp, DVM, MS, DACVIM

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President's Thoughts

Dr. Shannon Greeley, CVMA President

Here's wishing you a safe and happy holiday season. Please know, that it has been a pleasure and an honor to have served as your CVMA President for the past year. When I answered the "call to serve", I never dreamed it would pass so quickly.

Organized veterinary medicine is the glue which holds our profession together, and this is a fact we must never forget. We are a small but mighty profession, and it is imperative that the "veterinary voice" remains strong in all matters pertaining to the animals we care for. The CVMA pledges to uphold the proclamations contained within our Veterinary Oath and to stand up for the rights and privileges of the veterinary professional in the practice of veterinary medicine. To remain the strong and vital organization that we are, we need your continued support. We need your input and your feedback. You should be receiving your CVMA Survey shortly and I ask that you complete and return it upon receipt. For you techie types, we have the option of completing the survey online and a link will be included in the packet you will receive.

The CVMA is in the process of forming a Foundation, the purpose of which is to support student scholarships, public education, charity veterinary care and disaster relief. For those of you interested in helping with these efforts, more details will follow.

Don't forget to update your e-mail addresses with the CVMA Office, so that we can send you timely information between Bulletins. With so much happening so fast in the legislative arena, we are preparing a detailed legislative update that will be sent out to you soon.

Lastly, in your membership renewal package, a letter was included listing the 2009 Board nominees. There was an opening for a 1st year Director. Since sending out that mailing, the position has been graciously accepted by nominee, Dr. Ericka Haynes.

As, always, I welcome your valuable thoughts.

Shannon Greeley, DVM
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From left, Drs. Yuval Nir and Shannon Greeley hanging the door plaque at the new CVMA office.

Historian Column

100 YEARS AGO - DECEMBER 8, 1908

Dr. Raymond Wise, Historian

The December meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Society was held in the Sherman House Parlor. President Hughes rapped for order at 9 PM. Roll call revealed a goodly number of members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and after slight correction approved. In remarks by the President, he said the November meeting was not called for the reason that no program could be arranged. The Secretary reported a letter announcing the decision of the Executive Committee of the AVMA to hold their next meeting in Chicago accepting the invitation extended by this society. Reports of committees: Work Horse Parade, Dr. E.L. Quitman reported having procured incorporation papers. The officers viz. President, Secretary and Treasurer being the incorporators and having named the object of the same and signed the papers. The object agreed before by the Incorporators of the Work Horse Parade, is to promote the welfare of the city work horse.

New Members: The following candidates for membership submitted their petitions, were passed on by the Board of Censors and elected: J.M. Klinck, VS Ontario Veterinary College Class of 1895, Location 556 W. North Ave. Proposed and seconded by L.H. and E.L. Quitman. Walter L. Migley MDC, Chicago V.C. Class of 1906, Location 708 E. 50th St., Chicago. Proposed by J.M. Parks, seconded by Joseph Hughes.

Regular Program. The first on the program, a paper by Dr. Jos Hughes: Bacillus Necrophorus in city veterinary practice was of exceptional interest to all present and judging from the discussion greatly appreciated. The second number in the program: a few prescriptions for the treatment of Quitor, by Dr. L.A. Merillat. Also proved of great interest, followed by a long discussion and exchange of views and methods of treatment. The hour being late it was decided to postpone the paper by Dr. Quitman until the next meeting.

The Question was considered of devising ways and means of entertaining the members of the AVMA at their coming meeting in Chicago. Considerable time being necessary to make the necessary arrangements and to get together the necessary money to finance the same. It was decided to appoint a local committee on arrangements. Motion by Dr. E.L. Quitman seconded by Dr. J. Robertson that a committee of ten members of this society be appointed as a committee on local arrangements. Carried. Committee: Drs. James Wright, James Robertson, L.A. Merillat, C.A. White, O.E. Dyson, M.H. McKillip, E.L. Quitman, R.L. Ryan, T.A. Newell, D.S. Jaffray, Joseph Hughes and J.M. Parks Ex Officio members.

Work Horse Parade – Moved that this matter be laid on the table. Carried.

Question Box – motion by Dr. L.A. Merillat, seconded by Dr. L. Frost that the Question box be adopted, carried.

New Business. The following committee were appointed to audit the books. Drs. S.S. Baker and L.H. Quitman, who reported everything OK. And were discharged with Thanks.

Adjourned, 12:10 AM.

Legislative Column

Dr. David Saidel, Legislative Chair

When you rent a chain saw, you just take it back when you're done cutting. When you rent a dog -- forget about any bonding -- you just take it back, too. Who would rent a dog?

There are people who are too busy or for other reasons are unable to have a pet of their own. There are also people who would use a dog to attract dates, to draw attention on the fashion runway, or to just have a cuddly companion on the weekends. In the last few years, a California company, Flex Petz, started renting pets. They also have existing locations in Los Angeles, New York City and London. However, public opinion and negative bloggers seem to be slowing down the expansion of Flex Petz.

In an effort to curtail this type of business practice, Boston has banned pet renting and leasing. San Francisco is contemplating a ban, while Los Angeles is rumored to be planning the same.

Today it is quite evident that people have a very strong human-animal bond. This can be confirmed by the demand for such things as: gourmet animal foods, doggy spas, doggy day care facilities and specialized veterinary care. With this bonding, it would be difficult for real animal lovers to buy into a rent-a-pet situation.

So, who rents these pets, animal lovers or people who are "using" these animals? Is it fair to the animals?

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Relief veterinarian listing fees: \$100 for CVMA members and \$200 for non-members. Listings run from December/January issue to October/November issue. The listing shall appear as a print ad in the CVMA Bulletin and on the CVMA web site for easy access by our members. 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. If you would like your name added to the Relief List, please contact the CVMA office.

Important Reminders

Rich Susralski, Executive Director

1. Beginning January 2009, **ALL Continuing Education Seminars** will be held at Hamburger University in Oak Brook, on the McDonald's Campus. Most of our CE meetings will be held in their 300-seat auditorium, which will offer us the ability to comfortably seat our growing CE attendance. The address is: 2715 Jorie Blvd, Oak Brook, IL 60523. The nearest intersection is Route 83 & 31st Street. Take 31st Street East to Jorie Blvd, then North on Jorie to Hamburger University.
2. Membership Dues are due to our office by 12/31/08 to avoid a late fee of \$30.00. Please also take this time to update your information on the form that was provided and purchase a CE Package for 2009. If you are practicing in a hospital with non-member veterinarians, please encourage them to join you in this association to help the CVMA grow in size and in its mission.
3. Our office move went smoothly and all correspondence should now be sent to our new address: 100 Tower Drive, Suite 234, Burr Ridge, 60527. We will transition all Wings meetings to our new location in February 2009.
4. Most importantly, you should have received your membership survey. You can either complete the survey by mail or online. Please make sure to submit your responses to our survey company as soon as possible!



And, as always, THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE CVMA!

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North Avenue Animal Hospital: Equipment: Alphatek AX300SE with stand, 3 cassettes, safety light, wolf x-ray id label maker-competite dark room. Great condition-unit works great!! \$1975 or best offer. Also, 5 double VIEW BOXES for sale. Call Marie at (773) 278-1330, ext #6.

Services Available

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Veterinarian Positions Available

Addison Animal Hospital: Part-time Associate Veterinarian needed for growing small animal practice in the west suburbs. Seeking enthusiastic team player to practice quality medicine. Excellent support staff. Great clientele. Laser surgery. Contact Dr. Alan Stocks at (708) 212-0502 or email: jajastocks@comcast.net.

Animal Ark Veterinary Clinic: 4-doctor, AAHA accredited hospital is looking for full- or part-time associate. New, fully equipped facility with excellent support staff & clientele. We're looking for a compassionate, personable team player that loves working with people and pets. Excellent opportunity for professional growth and long-term association. Competitive salary & benefits. Great location in the heart of Chicago. Fax resume and cover letter, with salary requirements, to Animal Ark Veterinary Clinic at (773) 442-6507 or email Practice Manager, Jennifer Landini at: jennifer@animalark.us Our website: www.animalark.us

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Veterinarian Positions Available (continued)

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Country Court Animal Hospital: AAHA well-equipped small animal/exotic practice seeks easy-going, dedicated full- or part-time third associate. Good communication skills essential. Flexible schedule includes some evenings and some Saturdays. No emergencies. Great support staff. Salary and benefits competitive. Long-term association desired. Practice in northwest suburb of Chicago. Contact Dr. Block: fax (847) 520-4124, e-mail CCAH13@gmail.com

Elmhurst Animal Care Center: Small animal clinic located in Elmhurst looking for a veterinarian. Full service hospital with many unique features, including digital and dental radiography, CT scanner, ultrasound, MRI, in-house laboratory and offer a flexible schedule. Our doctors perform both soft tissue and orthopedic surgeries. Also offer obedience and behavioral counseling. Please call Dr. Sandra Faeh at (630) 530-1900.

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E.L. Minard DVM: Veterinarian needed for small animal clinic in northwest suburb of Chicago; 2 or 3 days per week as owner transitions into retirement. Potential ownership for the right individual. Experienced staff and great clients! Contact Donna Santella at (847) 695-1151 or e-mail: minarddvm@sbcglobal.net

Escanaba Animal Hospital: Relief veterinarian for weekdays, 10 AM-7 PM. No Wednesdays or Saturdays. Please call Dr. Raju: (773) 375-2433.

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Member Spotlight—Dr. Glen Romney

Dr. Elizabeth Cutright, Secretary

The CVMA would like to welcome our latest volunteer, Dr Glen Romney, the new chair of the Bulletin Committee, which currently has been spear-headed by the CVMA office staff and CVMA Secretary with the editing team of volunteer members Dr. Saundra Sample and Dr. Janel Zuranski. Both Drs. Sample and Zuranski, who practice small animal medicine, one emergency and the other general practice respectively, have served on the committee in this past year. We truly appreciate their eye for detail and are grateful for their assistance. Dr. Romney will now lead this committee into not only the new year, but hopefully into a new committee tied to our website and public relations committees, helping to create more informative and pervasive communications within and throughout the CVMA for its members.

Dr. Glen Romney, originally from Guadeloupe (French Caribbean) graduated from Tuskegee University in 2005. He currently practices in Oak Park. This past October 25th, he married his true love, Shelliann, amongst close friends and family. They have two dogs: Capone, a rather handsome American Bulldog and Soleil, a feisty Min Pin/Yorkie mix. His medical interest is in small animal medicine and he is licensed in Georgia, Florida and Illinois.

Dr. Romney is excited to be a new member of the CVMA and we are glad to have him! Feel free to forward any ideas for upcoming bulletin articles to the CVMA office for Dr. Romney's review.



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DVM or equivalent degree and eligible for an Illinois license are required. Preference will be given to candidates who have at least 2 years experience in general small animal practice. He/she must be competent in common medical and surgical practices and business management. American Board of Veterinary Practitioner certification (or other board certification) is desirable but not required. Successful candidates will have excellent communication, interpersonal, team building, and leadership skills.

For a complete copy of the position announcement, please visit <http://vetmed.illinois.edu/viewjob.cfm?id=135>

To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by August 31, 2009. Interviews will take place beginning in September 2008.

Interested applicants are invited to submit an electronic application (letter of application, curriculum vitae, a statement of career goals and interests, and names of 3 or more references) to dee@uiuc.edu or mail to Ms. Dee Bergman, University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine, 2001 South Lincoln Avenue, Urbana, Illinois 61802. Please ensure your application contains your email address. Questions should be directed to dee@uiuc.edu at 217-333-2760.

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From the Dean of the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine

Now that I have your attention, I'd like to remind you of simple ways you can support your College to ensure "Brilliant Futures" for today's veterinary students and the veterinary profession of tomorrow.

1. Student externships. Fourth-year students now receive credit for experience in any primary-care practice setting. This is a great way to contribute to veterinary education—and get a preview of a potential new associate. For details, go to vetmed.illinois.edu/vcm/.

2. Continuing education. An investment in your own knowledge base keeps your skills sharp and your outlook fresh. We're offering hands-on programs on canine dentistry and fish medicine in Chicago on January 9 through 11. New modules on our Veterinary Education Online Web site deal with emergency and critical care and toxicology. See vetmed.illinois.edu/ope/ to explore these options.

3. Companion Animal Memorial Fund. Through this program, you invest in your practice as well as in the College. Clients know you care and build loyalty to your practice when they receive a sympathy card, signed by me, letting them know you've made a donation in memory of their departed pet. Proceeds from this fund support seed grants for promising companion animal health discoveries. Call Jackie at 217/244-0680 to learn how to participate.

4. Grateful clients. Have your clients been so moved by the care they and their animal received that they expressed a desire to help? Charitable giving by grateful animal owners has a significant impact on relieving the financial burden on students, supporting important research initiatives, and enhancing activity in our hospital. Contact Brenda Betts, assistant dean for advancement, at 217/333-2762 to put us in touch with your grateful client.

5. Make a gift. Whether you are a recent graduate or nearing retirement, you can make a difference by supporting your College. Donate an item for the Wildlife Medical Clinic auction next March, organize your class to endow a scholarship, or include your College in your estate planning. There are many opportunities through the "Brilliant Futures" campaign to invest in an aspect of the College that is most meaningful to you.

Above all, I invite you to donate your enthusiasm, advice, and involvement. With the Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine opening in spring of 2009, I look forward to stronger ties to the CVMA and its members. Please contact me at dean@vetmed.illinois.edu with your feedback.



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Drs. Sandra Manfra and Mark Mitchell Offer Hands-On CE in Chicago

Even before the new Chicago Center opens in March, the College of Veterinary Medicine is coming to Chicago!

Registration is now open for Canine Dentistry Laboratory, January 9, with Dr. Sandra Manfra Marretta, and Fish Medicine Lecture and Laboratory, January 10-11, with Dr. Mark Mitchell. Both are full-day courses to be held at the University of Illinois-Chicago Biological Resources Lab, and both combine lecture and hands-on laboratory. See the Web site for details: vetmed.illinois.edu/ope/.

In March, be sure to watch for news of opening receptions at the new Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine at 2242 West Harrison. Your College will also host an exhibit at the Chicagoland Family Pet Expo in Arlington Heights, IL, March 20-22.



September 2008 CVMA General Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

The General Membership Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on September 10, 2008 at 12:15 PM by President Dr. Shannon Greeley. The meeting was held at the Drury Lane in Oak Brook, IL, in conjunction with the CVMA CE Meeting on Clinical Pathology with Dr. Mary Anna Thrall.

President's Report: Dr. Greeley provided a request from Dr. Donna Alexander, Cook County Rabies Control Officer, to attend and provide an update on the Cook County Managed Feral Cat Colony Ordinance at the October General meeting on Feline Medicine. The request was approved by the general membership.

Report of the Administrator: Mr. Rich Susralski informed the general membership that a new Administrative Assistant, Danielle Rothe, was hired to work full time and began September 2, 2008. There will now be someone in the office M-F 8:30–5:00. Rich updated the group on the status of the Membership Survey and urged all members to complete the survey when they receive it.

Report of the Secretary: Dr. Cutright was absent, so Dr. Greeley read and presented the Minutes from the March 12, 2008 and the June 11, 2008 General Meetings for approval. **Motion was made seconded and approved to accept the meeting minutes as read.**

Report of the President Elect: Dr. Yuval Nir presented the 2008-2009 CVMA Budget approved by the Executive Board. **Motion was made seconded and approved to accept the Budget as presented.**

Membership Committee Report: Dr. Andrew Miz read the names of eligible members: Margaret (Peg) Firth, Ashley Hammer, Andrea W. Fischer, Mary Carr, Brian Brumfield, Tamara Schmitt, Margo Golden, Leslie Gellatly, Pamela J. Cuevas, Yip-Pin Eve Cheung, Tracy L. Garza, Leah M. Katz, Sally Gilbertson, Matthew M. Harres, David W. Bainbridge, Caroline Fenlon, Michael Hochman, Daniel Erjavec, Audrey Fazio (Balthrop). **Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept these doctors into the membership of the Association.**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 PM.

September 2008 CVMA Executive Board Meeting Minutes Summary

An Executive Board Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was held on the Tuesday, September 16, 2008, at 8:20 PM at CVMA office (Hinsdale, IL) presided by President Dr. Shannon Greeley. As of 8:20 pm, it was determined that a quorum would not be present and no official business could be conducted. In attendance: Executive Board members and Officers: Drs. Shannon Greeley, Yuval Nir, David Sidel, Alexis Newman, Ajaz Alvi, Kathleen Heneghan and Paul Arndt. Also in attendance were Richard Susralski and Norm Bloch.

President's Report: Dr. Greeley reported on the Strategic Planning Goals activities since the last meeting. The company chosen to administer our membership survey received our draft of questions to prepare in final format. The By-laws revision is in process. Dr. Greeley noted the need to coordinate our bylaws and SOPs. She stated the standing Judicial committee needed to be phased out and retired.

Administrative Report: Rich Susralski reported on the Office Lease/Relocation Update – A location at 100 Tower Road, Suite 234 in Burr Ridge has been identified as a potential relocation office. Dr. Greeley and Dr. Nir have both visited the location with Rich.

Treasurer: Dr. Rengarajan was absent, so Dr. Nir reported that all looks very good this year and the fiscal year ends September 30, 2008.

ISVMA Report: Dr. Arndt Reported the ISVMA is also going through a bylaws revision. The ISVMA has sent representatives to Cook County to represent the profession on current legislative issues including MSN. A discussion of ISVMA nominations for the CVMA was discussed.

Legislative: Dr. Sidel read the September Legislative report. This detailed a meeting which was to have taken place August 20, 2008 with Aldermen of Chicago regarding the proposed Chicago ordinance requiring mandatory spay/neuter. No aldermen showed up for the meeting, but was instead attended by three aldermen aids, Jordan Matyas, HSUS Legislative Director for Illinois, Dr. Shelly Rubin, Dr. Greeley and Dr. Sidel. Dr. Greeley noted that our position statement on MSN was posted in the last Bulletin and also published in a document produced by the "Alliance of Chicagoland Pet Owners". She requested the office make copies of this document to keep in the office.

Membership report: Dr. Cutright was absent, so Dr. Greeley presented the following doctors for membership into the association: Drs. Jennifer M. Slack, Kate McNamara and Susan Heatter. The motion was made to accept these doctors into membership and will be emailed for vote.

Continuing Education: Provided by Rich Susralski. There were over 215 registrants to the September meeting, but only 167 attendees.

Meeting adjourned 10:15 PM.

October 2008 CVMA General Membership Meeting Minutes Summary

The General Membership Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on October 15, 2008 at 12:22 PM by President Dr. Shannon Greeley. The meeting was held at the Drury Lane in Oak Brook, IL, in conjunction with the CVMA CE Meeting on Feline Medicine with Dr. Thomas Graves.

President's Report: Dr. Greeley introduced Dr. Donna Alexander, Cook County Rabies Control Officer, who provided an update on the Cook County Managed Feral Cat Colony Ordinance.

Report of the Administrator: Danielle Rothe, Administrative Assistant, reminded the general membership that the CVMA Administrative office is relocating to Burr Ridge. She invited all in attendance to contact her at the CVMA office if they have any questions about the move.

Report of the Secretary: Dr. Elizabeth Cutright was absent, Dr. Kathleen Heneghan read the minutes from the September 10, 2008 General Meeting, which were then presented for approval. **Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the meeting minutes as read.**

October 2008 CVMA General Membership Meeting Minutes Summary (continued)

Nominations Committee Update Dr. Heneghan reported. The EB is currently working on a list of award nominations for 2008. She invited all members to submit any nominations they see fit. All will be reviewed at the October 21st EB meeting.

Membership Committee Report: Dr. Heneghan read the names of eligible members: Jennifer M Slack, Kate McNamara, and Susan Heatter. **Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept these doctors into the membership of the Association.**

Mandatory Spay/Neuter Update: Dr. Greeley gave a summary of our position on the MSN Program. She reminded that we oppose the program along with the ISVMA. She urged members to contact their local Aldermen and express their opposition. She asked all members to make sure the CVMA office has a current email listing for everyone, in order for members to get eblast updates on the MSN program.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34 PM.

October 2008 CVMA Executive Board Meeting Minutes Summary

The Executive Board Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on Tuesday, October 21, 2008, at 8:03 PM by President Dr. Shannon Greeley and was held at CVMA office (Hinsdale, IL). In attendance: Drs. Shannon Greeley, Yuval Nir, David Saidel, Alexis Newman, Ajaz Alvi, Kathleen Heneghan, Georgie Ludwig, Natalie Marks, Lori Civello, Gurdial Basran, Bala Rengarajan, and Elizabeth Cutright. Also in attendance Richard Susralski.

President's Report: Dr. Greeley reported. CVMA member wrote to express concern regarding recent article on dangers of exotic pets. The matter was discussed & EB found the article to be of sound information & did not elect to respond to the paper. Dr. Greeley updated progress of Strategic planning: By-laws to be discussed later in meeting, survey was revised too aggressively so we are still in writing stages with hopes of sending it out this calendar year.

Administrative Report: Rich Susralski reported on Office Lease/Relocation Update – Office is packed and ready to move. Phone Number will stay same but PO and address will change to new location 100 Tower Dr. Suite 234, Burr Ridge, IL 60527.

Secretary: Dr. Cutright reported and read the minutes from the February, 2008 EB meeting. **Motion Made, Seconded and Passed** for approval of the August, 2008 EB meeting minutes. The minutes from the unofficial Sept EB were reviewed.

Treasurer: Dr. Rengarajan reported. We discussed our investments due to current state of our financial market.

ISVMA Report: Drs. Marks/Greeley reported. The ISVMA constitution amendments to accept technicians as members, states that there must be a certain number of technicians before a representative can be chosen. Dr. Greeley would like it to be clarified. A congratulations to Dr. Natalie Marks, proclaimed a new ISVMA Board Member. ISVMA will be working on the practice act this year.

Membership: Dr. Cutright reported and presented the following doctors for membership into the association: Drs. Tara Clack, Jennifer Leigh Henderson, Kate Swindell, Julie Bunn, Berit Spieker, Frank Lee, Shari Brown, Carrie Nealon. The following doctors were presented for lifetime membership into the association: Dr. Michael P Passarella, Dennis E Rohde, Henry F. Graske, Jr. Richard L. Sopiartz, Matt K. Maish, John A. Coyne, Gary R. Friederich, John R. O'Malley, Kenneth Page, Bruce M. Kramer, Stephen Camp, James Ammirati, Tim Wallace, Dan Woodle, Warren Lindberg, Raymond Wise, Larry Fox, Lloyd Shaw, Jerry McGraw, BK Latoza, and Robert Moskal. **Motion Made, Seconded and Passed** to approve these members/life members into/for the association. Recent "Opening a Practice" Finance lecture had a record 17 person turn out. We are working on an updated directory for 2009 and will make CD versions with updated specialty information received from dues renewals.

By-Laws Revision committee: A recent email has been sent out to task force members were assigned sections to review: ISVMA reps references need to be removed, Judicial committee needs to be eliminated. **Motion Made, Seconded and Passed** to eliminate this committee. In its place we may provide the public and our members with information on how to handle grievances (2 different brochures). New Membership Application fees need to be opened up to foreign grads who don't always get their licensure within the year. **Motion Made, Seconded and Passed** to extend new application fee waivers to within 1 year of graduation. **Motion Made, Seconded and Passed** to strike from the bylaws specific requirements for time and location of Exec Board meetings and to allow for teleconferencing. Electronic voting and reducing the number of physical meetings to enhance volunteer participation were also topics that were provisionally approved.

Public Relations: Provided by Dr. Nir. We are in the process of updating our booth for the shows we participate in. We have obtained and submitted a proposal for a lightweight pop banner which would be professionally designed. We are hoping to obtain a laptop so we could have a power point presentation at the booth also. We are continuing to do our NBC segments on Saturday mornings. According to Dr. Marks, the economic climate is not going to be conducive to fund raising so we are postponing the idea of resurrecting the dog jog.

Foundation Committee: The foundation committee was established with Dr. Civello, Dr. Rengarajan and Mr. Susralski as officers. Dr. Civello reviewed questions that needed to be answered for the application of the foundation.

Meeting adjourned 10:03 PM.

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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.