



# Bulletin

AN INFORMATION SERVICE OF THE CHICAGO VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

## October CE Seminar – Geriatric Medicine

*Please Note: Location Moved back to Hilton Hotel Lisle*



Dr. Fortney's discussion on Geriatric Medicine will focus on why pets age and how to slow the affects of aging on our patients. In addition he will discuss various management options available for treating most common aging changes and age-related diseases. The summation lecture will focus on strategies for successful implementation of a Senior Care Program in your practice.

Veterinarian Dr. William Fortney is a pet expert, from basic care tips to significant research. He is knowledgeable about pet allergies, seasonal pet care tips, pet training tips, senior pet health, microchip pet tracking, hip dysplasia and back problems in dogs. Fortney's teaching expertise lies in small animal geriatrics, pediatrics, dermatology and small animal population medicine.

Dr. Fortney has presented more than 250 national and international lectures on small animal geriatrics and pediatrics. He has also written numerous scientific articles and book chapters on those subjects and writes a monthly column on pet health for Pro Plan.

Dr. Fortney has received many awards, including the 1995 Kansas Veterinarian of the Year and the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association's 1993 Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Fortney serves as vice president and small animal program coordinator for the Western Veterinary Conference and is also on the Veterinary Advisory Board for the International Association of Assistance Dog Partners in Fresno, California.

Dr. Fortney first joined Kansas State University's College of Veterinary Medicine faculty in 1977. Fortney earned his doctorate of veterinary medicine in 1974 from the University of Missouri, where he also received his bachelor's in zoology in 1970. He did his veterinary medicine internship and residency at Purdue University from 1975-1977.

Geriatric CE attendees, please note the **change in location** for our October CE meeting, as it will be held at the Hilton in Lisle. Go to: [www1.hilton.com](http://www1.hilton.com) or check out the CVMA website for a direct link to a hotel map.

Hilton Lisle/Naperville  
3003 Corporate West Drive  
Lisle, Illinois, 60532  
Tel: 1-630-505-0900

Registration begins at 7:30 am and the session begins at 8:00 am. To avoid a late fee, pre-register for this lecture by contacting the CVMA office no later than Friday, October 5, 2007.

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**President's Thoughts**

*Dr. Kathleen A. Heneghan*

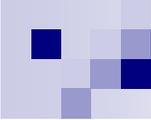
Greetings, all! I hope you're having a good start to the fall season. There's something about this "back to school" time that gets me to take stock on the year so far. It's been an eventful and busy year, but then again, who among us is NOT busy? I love the idea of time management training, if only they'd loan me a personal assistant: then I'd do a great job! Who would I pick? Let me be the first to announce to you the arrival of Rich Susralski, our new CVMA Office Administrator. Thanks to an exhaustive search spearheaded by our Secretary, Dr. Liz Cutright, we were able to hire Rich to join us in late August. His combination of skills was a perfect fit: a background in both member development and veterinary practice management. His timely arrival helped us to conduct an almost-seamless transition within the office. I believe you will find Rich to be an enthusiastic and hard-working asset, as he shares the kind of vision and can-do spirit that will help us continue to move the CVMA forward. Please join me in welcoming Rich to the fold. I'll let him tell you more about himself in his own words.

CVMA member, Dr. Donna Alexander, has stepped in as the new Administrator of Cook County Animal Control, after acting in an interim capacity during Dr. Dan Parmer's illness. We congratulate Dr. Alexander on her appointment and wish her well. In other news, the CVMA was recently asked to participate in a new program set up by the City of Chicago, Chicago Police Department, and several faith-based community groups: Safe, Humane Chicago. The goals of this directive are two-fold: to teach proper care for pets and to provide alternatives to the lure of the dog fighting lifestyle. They've already undertaken 2 pilot programs with great success. We've offered our support in this effort and look forward to an opportunity to enhance it.

This whole year I've asked you, our members, to let us know what we can do for you. Recently, we've reconsidered the tradition of an installation dinner dance. As you know, we opted to conduct our installation at our December general meeting last year. We believed this would be a way to make our officers and board more identifiable and accessible to all of you. In the past several years, our Winter Gala has been the event that allowed us to generate funds for our University of Illinois scholarships. However, attendance has been less than ideal. So, we are taking a break this year to reassess what we need to offer in terms of large scale social events. We encourage your suggestions on how to make the CVMA a more cohesive community. For example, we are currently setting up a yahoo group to allow the CVMA officers/committees/executive board to communicate more easily. If it works out well for us, perhaps this would be something we could then open up to our members. Please let us know if you think an online message board system might be a good member benefit. Best of all: it's free!

Looking forward to your input,  
Kathleen Heneghan, DVM  
CVMA President  
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## **MAY 15, 2007 EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES MOTION SUMMARY FOR BULLETIN**

The Executive Board Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on Tuesday May 15, 2007, at 8:10 pm by President Dr. Kathleen Heneghan.

### **Secretary's Report:**

Dr. Cutright presented the minutes from the April 17, 2006 EB meeting.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for approval of the April Executive Board Meeting minutes with minor corrections.

**Membership:** Dr. Elizabeth Cutright presented the following doctors for Membership into the Association: Dr. Tricia Hans and Dr. Alison Wolfgram.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for acceptance of these doctors for presentation before the General Membership at the June 13, 2007 General Membership Meeting.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** to allow the administrative assistant search committee task force to hire an admin assistant during summer break without review of the board.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for elimination of "summer office hours," due to the loss of our administrative assistant

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for adjournment of the Meeting, 9:51pm.

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## **AUGUST 21, 2007 EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES SUMMARY OF MOTIONS**

The Executive Board Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on Tuesday, August 21, 2007, at 8:18 pm by President Dr. Kathleen Heneghan.

### **Secretary's Report:** Dr. Cutright reported:

The minutes from the May 15, 2007 Executive Board meeting were presented.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for approval of the May Executive Board Meeting minutes.

### **Treasurer's Report:** Dr. Nir reported:

A current financial report was provided. The following new adjustment to our budget was made.

- 1) **MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** to purchase a cabinet at the Veterinary Heritage Museum at the University of Illinois in Champaign Urbana in honor of our members as a collective.
- 2) **MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** to accept the budget for October 2007-October 2008.

### **Membership Report:** Dr. Cutright reported:

The following doctors were presented for Membership into the Association: Jason Long, Upadhyaya Neelkanth, Ericka Haynes, Jessica Ann Miller, Maritess Tinio, Deborah Obrich, Kathryn Dolan, Jennifer Wholo, Aarthi Subram, Natalie Spiliopoulos, Stephanie Beaumont, Allison Fedash, Stephanie Brantley, and Rebecca Lederer.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for acceptance of these doctors for presentation before the General Membership at the Sept 12, 2007 General Membership Meeting.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** to have a resolution to give Dr. Heneghan the authority to allow contract negotiations for a new CVMA Administrator.

**MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED** for adjournment of the Meeting , 10:30pm.

## Safe Humane Chicago Campaign

### Chicago Communities Rise up Against Dog Fighting!

On Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 2007 a press conference was held to introduce an extensive community-wide partnership to curb dog fighting and related violence, the Dog Advisory Work Group (D.A.W.G), the Alliance for Community Peace, the Chicago Police Department, and other municipal agencies, organizations, and community advocates announce the Safe, Humane Chicago initiative – an aggressive city wide campaign set to tackle the abhorrent practice of the dog fighting and other associated violence that exists in many Chicago neighborhoods. The CVMA legislative committee volunteers and executive officers fully support and applaud this effort and are excited to watch this campaign unfold. The following is a portion of the press release.

#### **The Campaign: Stop the Violence, Educate the Public, and Provide Activities and Alternatives**

To stop the violence and to foster a safe, humane city, Chicago needs a grassroots effort movement to stop dog fighting and other forms of animal abuse in our communities and to provide education about responsible dog ownership and beneficial activities. With animals that engender the respect our children and young adults seek. This can be achieved with an alliance among local government, animal advocates and humane organizations, and the faith-based community. The alliance would conduct animal education programs for both adults and children: develop youth intervention programs to stop the crimes before they are committed; and create open communication lines for community members to report these violent crimes to trusted allies that will assist law enforcement in stopping the violence. Ongoing, such a campaign would create safer, more humane neighborhoods in the City of Chicago.

The campaign consists of three main segments, each addresses a different segment of society and all based on ongoing education, training, positive opportunity and responsibility.

\***“Kids, Animal and Kindness”**, an educational and participatory program for children

\***“It’s all Connected”** an educational and participatory program for adults

\***Direct Intervention** by government, community-based groups and community members, which will accommodate multiple approaches such as “Faith Leaders for a Safe, Humane Chicago”

Veterinarians are invited to sign up to be educators by contacting D.A.W.G. directly. Together we can make a difference!

D.A.W.G. ,P.O. Box 14601, Chicago, IL 60614-0601, 312-409-2169  
**WWW.DAWGSITE.ORG**

## When is it OK to Swear?

### Veterinary Oath

Being admitted to the profession of veterinary medicine,

I solemnly swear to use my scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the conservation of animal resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of medical knowledge.

I will practice my profession conscientiously, with dignity, and in keeping with the principles of veterinary medical ethics.

I accept as a lifelong obligation the continual improvement of my professional knowledge and competence.



# Relief Veterinarians

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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. Fees for 2008 are due no later than November 15, 2007, for inclusion in the December/January Bulletin.

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.

## Chicago Legislative Update

### Fido is now allowed at Chicago Outdoor Patios!

We have all been hearing the word on the street about allowing our canine companions to join us out on the town. The CVMA received the detailed scoop on the new Chicago City ordinance from the city clerk's office which was passed on Sept 6, 2007.

Dogs will be allowed in restaurants pending license approval and registration. This is a volunteer enrollment for restaurants and clear signage will be located on the patio patrons to identify participating establishments.

- Only restaurants with outdoor areas where dogs do not have to pass through the interior of the establishment to the outdoor area will be allowed to participate.
- Servers will not be allowed to handle the dogs or offer food to dogs, only water.
- Dogs will not be allowed to sit or place their paws on furniture.
- If attacks occur on the premises, 311 must be contacted by the establishment.
- Dog patrons must have a city license and proof of vaccines to utilize dog friendly patios.
- It will be effective Jan. 1, 2008

### Revised Update on the dog friendly permits.

In our previous update we let members know where they can get the dog friendly permits/tags. After some recent inquiries we learned that for those vets who do not want to buy entire packets, they can contact the Chicago Park District to purchase a few tags at a time.

<http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/index.cfm/fuseaction/contact.home.cfm>

### Safe Humane Chicago

See the preceding article on the new Safe Humane Chicago Campaign promoting responsible dog ownership through grassroots education in hopes of decreasing the violence of the dog fighting world and related activities.

## From the Administrator's Desk

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I met many of you for the first time at the Behavior CE Seminar in September and I look forward to meeting many more of you at the upcoming Geriatric Medicine CE Seminar. Although, I am new to the CVMA, I am not new to veterinary medicine, business management or the area. I was born and raised in Berwyn and currently live one block from my mother's house. When growing up, I worked at my brother's pet shop and had aspirations of becoming a veterinarian. As you know, this is difficult and costly. I joined the Army for tuition assistance and became a Certified Laboratory Animal Technician and worked at a military research laboratory. I managed the vivarium and all veterinary staff while going to night school earning my B.S. in Business Administration by the time I was honorably discharged. I then came home and began working as a Technician at the Berwyn Veterinary Associates in 1987. One year later, I accepted the position as Hospital Administrator and continued to work with a great group of Veterinarians representing several specialties until 2003. From then until present, I have been the Membership and Marketing Director for the West Cook YMCA. I will use my life experience to help grow the CVMA and fulfill its mission. I look forward to being part of a great organization and working with all of you.

# News Bites from our Public Education Committee

*Jay Whittle, DVM*

## **Does Microchip Identification Cause Cancer?: Facts and Myths 9/22/07**

Recent stories circulating suggest that there is a link between the microchips used in identifying pets could be linked to cancer.

Why is this being suspected now? Presidential candidate Fred Thompson has been quoted as being in support of the microchips in human, and there are questions about his interest in the company. Those opponents of chipping in humans found a 20 year old study linking the development of cancer in mice to the microchips...up to 1%. The study has not been repeated or verified. And laboratory mice develop cancer more easily.

How many dogs and cats have been diagnosed with tumors related to the chip? This number is unknown, but review of veterinary pathology journals cite 1 case in a French Bull dog. The chip was detected close to the mass, so there is no definitive connection. On the Veterinary Information Network, a veterinary internet listserv, there has been lively discussion of the story. A few veterinarians report isolated suspicious cases, several oncologists that weighed in on the discussion reported none.

Is it safe? Every procedure, every choice we make has potential negative consequences and we weigh the risks against the benefits. Is anything 100% safe? NO. There will always be someone or something that reacts differently than the general population. It is my belief, after re-visiting this issue and researching this issue that the chips are extremely safe. The risk of a pet being killed in a shelter because the pet cannot be identified is astronomically higher than the risk of cancer developing as a result of the chip. My dog is chipped, and I will chip any additional dogs that come into my life in the future.

## **RABIES:**

Recent reports of an increases of rabid bats across Illinois and throughout Chicagoland as reported by the associated press reporter Don Babwin has prompted many concerned public, veterinarians, and there staff. "State health officials and wildlife experts have no answer for a worrisome statistic: The number of rabies cases in Illinois this year is the highest on record. So far, there have been 99 confirmed rabies cases - all among bats - almost double the previous high of 51, set in 2004 and 2005. There have been no reported cases of human infections, although a handful of people who came in contact with bats have undergone rabies shots as a precaution. Officials are warning people not to touch bats and to call authorities if they see bats lying on the ground or flying during the day."

The CVMA has received several calls from concerned members on how to help protect their staff. Although the CVMA no longer holds Rabies Clinics offering discounted Rabies vaccines, we would like to remind members that they can have their Rabies Titers checked by Kansas State labs rather affordably for \$25-\$30 from a 2 ml serum sample submitted directly to the lab. Use the following link to download the lab request forms.

<http://www.bah.state.mn.us/diseases/rabies/World%20Rabies%20Day%20packet.pdf>

You may also visit the World Rabies Day website for more information. <http://www.worldrabiesday.org>

Thanks to Dr. Heneghan, who recently spoke to the public about this major zoonotic disease, your clients are more informed. Help further inform you clients by following this link to post information on your hospital board for staff and clients describing what rabies is, how it affects us, and how we can protect ourselves.

<http://www.batcon.org/getInvolved/pdfs/rabiesfacts.pdf>

# CLASSIFIEDS

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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Agape Animal Clinic:** Well-established small animal practice located in Lagrange, IL. This financially successful clinic is located only 25 minutes outside Chicago. The building is 3,600 sq feet that includes a 3-bedroom apartment on the second floor, one car garage, and parking space. Serious inquiries only contact Dr. Reddy at (630) 654-3904 or dr.schintam@yahoo.com.

**Elk Grove Village:** Practice for Sale (847) 439-8282.

**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.

## Veterinarian Positions Available

**Animal Emergency & Treatment Center:** Full-Time ER Associate: 24-hour, all ER and Specialty practice. Our great working environment and relationship with each other is what sets us apart from other ER/Specialty practices. When we say team, we mean TEAM. We are looking for an ER doc who will add to our collaborative, value-driven environment. Contact Dr. Matt Tompkins (847) 650-2352 or matttompkins@aetcenter.com.

**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.

**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

**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.

**Mount Plaines Animal Hospital:** Full or Part-Time veterinarian needed at a 2 1/2 doctor, 4 year AAHA practice in Mount Prospect. Flexible hours, competitive salary, insurance, continuing education, well equipped, modern facility in addition to a dedicated and friendly staff. Contact Dr. Kim Ruffolo at (847) 259-0330 or fax resumes to (847) 259-0375.

**Naperville Animal Hospital:** Associate wanted for a multi-doctor practice in Naperville. Modern facility with modern equipment. Great clientele. Overnight patient monitoring. Large case volume, medical and surgical. Large amount of orthopedic work. Looking for someone to join our team approach to veterinary medicine. Board Certified veterinary practitioner on staff. 4 day work week. Salary starting between \$60,000-\$70,000 plus benefits. Please contact Dr. Tom Staudacher at (630) 355-5300.

**Near North Animal Hospital:** Looking for a 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. Fax CV to Bel Jackson at (312) 944-8254.

## CLASSIFIEDS (continued)

**North Avenue Animal Hospital:** 4 doctor AAHA accredited hospital is looking for a full time associate. New, fully equipped facility with excellent support staff & clientele. Dogs & cats only. We're looking for a compassionate, personable team player that loves working with people and pets. Competitive salary & benefits. Great location in the heart of Bucktown. 1901 W. North Avenue, Chicago. Please contact Marie at (773) 278-1330, option 6 on M-W-F only, 10am-5pm.

**Plainfield Veterinary Clinic:** Associate Veterinarian needed for growing 2 doctor practice wanted 40 miles Southwest of Chicago. Great staff and clientele. We practice high quality medicine with emphasis on surgery, including bone plating, THR's, TPLO's. No emergency duty. Contact Dr. Craig Haddy at (815) 439-8700 or fax resume to (815) 439-9090.

**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 randalloaksanimalhospital.com. Thank you for your interest!

**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.

**Sugar Grove Animal Hospital:** Associate Veterinarian needed for growing small animal practice. Good clientele, terrific staff, no emergency hours. Located just off I-88. Contact Dr. Craig Zabel P.O. Box 540, Sugar Grove, IL 60554. Phone: (630) 466-7387, email: zabs@juno.com.

**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.

**Emergency Veterinary Care South:** Crestwood, Position available for busy, fully equipped, well established small animal emergency clinic. Work approximately 13 shifts per month with experienced staff. Minimum one year experience. Emergency experience not required. Guaranteed base salary plus increasing percentage (75-100K) Excellent benefits including IRA, insurance and vacation. Barbara Egner 708-335-4424, fax 708-388-3795, e-mail [baegner@aol.com](mailto:baegner@aol.com).

## Practice Personnel

**Blum Animal Hospital:** Veterinary Technician; Certified or Licensed Technician wanted to join our 10-veterinarian, 65 employee, progressive, busy AAHA small animal hospital. Responsibilities include assistance with surgery, endoscopies, x-rays, anesthesiology, dentistry, lab procedures, ultrasounds and client education. Looking for full-time including some Saturdays. Competitive salary/benefits including 401k. Send resume to Tania Hayes, Blum Animal Hospital, 3219 N. Clark St., Chicago, IL 60657 Fax: (773) 327-1456; or email: [hr@blumvet.com](mailto:hr@blumvet.com).

**Knollwood Hospital for Pets:** Do you have superlative, complete, updated veterinary nursing skills, absolute passion for our profession, successful veterinary staff management experience, ability to teach, learn and motivate, and the realization that you determine your own professional and financial success? Surf [www.knollwoodhospitalforpets.com](http://www.knollwoodhospitalforpets.com) and follow up as indicated. Salary/benefits entirely open, depending on what you can do for our multi-doctor, 4-year AAHA practice.

## Services Available

**Fred Rothschild:** CLU, RHU, and David Rothschild have advised more than 400 veterinarians. For AVMA Group Life and Health information, underwritten by New York Life Insurance Company, New York, NY, as well as your investment needs, contact us at (847) 673-5040 or [rothschild-ins@mcleodusa.net](mailto:rothschild-ins@mcleodusa.net) for analysis.

**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](mailto:jfmccarthy@ntsource.com).

## Coming Soon to a Facility Near You...

*By Dean Herb Whiteley*

We've been working on a new initiative for a long time, and many of you have been rooting for us. It's the University of Illinois Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine.

Thanks to faculty leadership, our vision of establishing a presence in Chicago will soon be a reality. This new center will initially offer small animal primary care services, engaging students in the clinical and management aspects of the practice. Ultimately we expect this venture to augment our specialty caseload and help us attract faculty, recruit students from underrepresented groups, collaborate with biomedical researchers in Chicago, and connect with new donors.

The location is 2242 West Harrison in the medical district just south of the Loop, with easy access from the Eisenhower expressway. That area is rapidly growing residential neighborhood that is currently underserved by primary care veterinary practices.

Our suite includes 6,400 sq ft of space we'll lease from the University of Illinois at Chicago. We are in the process of designing and building out the space, purchasing equipment, and hiring personnel to get it up and running.

Befitting a program of the world-class University of Illinois, the primary care facility will be envisioned as a state-of-the-art 21st century practice. Among its chief roles will be providing veterinary students with exposure to a fast-paced caseload of routine veterinary appointments. Students will be engaged in practice management as well as patient care.

Clinical specialists in Urbana will be able to teleconsult with the Chicago staff on puzzling cases. Our oncology section and other hospital services hope this site will also greatly increase access to cases to enroll in clinical trials. In time we hope to offer expand the services offered to include some on-site specialties, especially since an attractive metropolitan location could make it easier to recruit in-demand clinical experts.

Having a facility in Chicago also gives us a home base for providing continuing education for veterinary professionals and otherwise supporting the profession in the Chicago-area.

The timeline is still being worked out, but I hope that by next summer we will be seeing cases and inviting all of you in for a grand opening. Until then, if you have any questions or ideas about this venture, please get in touch with me at [dean@cvm.uiuc.edu](mailto:dean@cvm.uiuc.edu).

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### Outstanding Instructor Award

The CVMA would like to solicit our recent UIUC graduates to participate in helping us choose the "Outstanding Instructor Award" To a faculty member from the University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine. This prestigious award goes to an instructor who provides excellence in clinical instruction. Each year, the recipient is chosen by the previous two years of Illinois DVM graduates who are members of the CVMA. Please review eligible candidates at <http://www.cvm.uiuc.edu/directory/orgcharts/faculty.cfm> and submit your suggestions to Dr. Cutright at [erprado2001@yahoo.com](mailto:erprado2001@yahoo.com)



## 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 7:30 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 packets of 50 for \$10.00 or 100 for \$15.00.

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.  
630-325-1231



### Minutes from June 2007 CVMA General Membership Meeting

The General Membership Meeting of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association was called to order on June 13, 2007 at 1:01pm by President-Elect Dr. Shannon Greeley. The meeting was held at the Hilton Hotel in Lisle, IL, in conjunction with the CVMA CE Meeting on Toxicology with Dr. Stan Casteel.

#### Secretary's Report:

Dr. Shannon Greeley presented the Minutes from the March 14, 2007 General Meeting.

**Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept these Minutes.**

#### Committee Reports:

##### Membership Committee Report:

Dr. Donald Sedlacek read the names of eligible members: Theresa SaLee, Nagar Singh Brar, Tricia Hans, Alison Wolfgram, Megan E. Williams, Erika B. Dahlgren and Douglas Hammer.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 pm.

##### President's Announcements: Post Meeting

Dr. Heneghan announced that the State of the CVMA letter would be appearing in the upcoming Bulletin. Dr. Emil Baukert is coordinating a drive to raise funds to provide local firefighters with oxygen masks for pets. More info will follow. Dr. Heneghan conveyed farewell wishes to Suzanne Egan as she leaves us to pursue other endeavors. She announced that the "Unleashed" blog on the Chicago Tribune website now has a link to the CVMA Pet Loss Support page. She also called for volunteers to help update our website.

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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.