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Monday, July 21, 2008
AVMA ALUMNI RECEPTION
Hilton Riverside
New Orleans, LA

Saturday, September 6, 2008
REUNION AND COMEBACK
Grafton Campus

Monday, December 8, 2008
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DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Tufts Alums,

We are enjoying that time of the academic year when we celebrate the achievements of our students and their movement from one phase of veterinary professional education to the next. The Class of 2009 received their white coats at a ceremony in March and then enthusiastically took up the challenges of their first clinical rotations. All indications are that they are doing very well!

The Class of 2008 graduated in mid-May and has disperse to clinical practice, internships and other post-DVM training programs. Cummings students and graduates were, once again, highly successful in their bids for competitive post-DVM internship and residency positions. We wish the Class of 2008 the very best and know that they will have a positive impact on our profession no matter what their chosen area of emphasis.

We were saddened to lose a valued friend and colleague with the passing of Dr. Howard Levine in February. The upcoming issue of Tufts Veterinary Magazine will highlight Dr. Levine's achievements and will also focus on food supply veterinary medicine activities at Cummings. Recently these have included opening of the new facility for Tufts Ambulatory Service (TAS) in Woodstock, CT. Dr. Gene White, newly appointed TAS director, and his faculty continue the strong traditions of excellent clinical service and teaching that have been the hallmarks of TAS since its inception.

All of us are anxiously awaiting the opening of the Agnes Varis Campus Center in June. The old state



Dean Deborah Kochevar

hospital building has been transformed and now includes open spaces flooded with light and well-equipped to support the needs of students, staff and faculty on our campus. The new cafeteria area features indoor and outdoor seating and much expanded food preparation and serving spaces. Student amenities include study lounges, offices for student organizations, exercise facilities and a bookstore. Our faculty will enjoy offices that place them in proximity to both students and the improved support spaces. Ground has been broken on Phase II of the campus center and will result in addition of a much needed, third large auditorium to our campus facilities in January 2009.

Celebrating the opening of the campus center reminds us all of the tremendous impact that Dr. Agnes Varis and Dr. David McGrath and other friends have had on our school. The support of these loyal friends has made all the difference in transforming our campus into a modern and attractive community for learning. We hope you will choose to join with us as we work to cover the remaining costs of these wonderful new facilities.

Please make time to visit campus and appreciate how dynamic we are and how the community continues to thrive. Our alums, students, staff and faculty accomplish amazing things every day - you are a source of pride for all of us! We welcome you back at any time and look forward to your visit.

All the best,
Dean Kochevar

Deborah Kochevar
Dean

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring finally seems to have arrived in New England, nature's annual rebirth. TCSVM, too, is at a new stage of growth. The class of 2008 graduated on May 18th, which also marked the 25th anniversary of the graduation of the first class from TCSVM, V'83. The campus is growing with the completion (or soon to be) of the Agnes Varis Campus Center, the Tufts Regional Biosafety Laboratory, and the Tufts Ambulatory Service facility. I encourage you to visit and see these wonderful additions for yourself.

Unfortunately, we mourn the loss of Dr. Howard Levine, a long-time fixture at the Veterinary School. Dr.



William Rosenblad, DVM

Levine passed away in February after a courageous battle with multiple myeloma, having spent the past 23 years as a passionate large animal practitioner and teacher at TCSVM. Dr. Levine was involved in many aspects of our education and will be missed.

We also say goodbye to Sara Eltzroth Fish who has been invaluable to the TUVAA since 2004. We wish her well as she moves on to a new position at WPI.

As always, please visit the campus to see what's new and exciting for the future of TCSVM and stay in touch with colleagues past and present by attending an Alumni event or via the website at www.tufts.edu/vet/alumni.

Sincerely,

Bill Rosenblad, V'95
President, TUVAA



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Graduation and Awards Dinner

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AGNES VARIS CAMPUS CENTER



The **Agnes Varis Campus Center** will open this summer and completion of an attached auditorium is expected in early June 2009. These additions to our campus will bring together faculty, staff, alumni and students and will allow us to celebrate our common goals, learn from our diverse activities and appreciate the collegiality that makes this school so special. The new auditorium will also serve as a wonderful venue for alumni continuing education.

TUFTS AMBULATORY CLINIC



The new **Tufts Ambulatory Service (TAS)** clinic in Woodstock, CT, is now open for business! Our faculty moved into the new building in January and all TAS operations are now based in the new location. This new facility will enable us to continue the great work we do for animals, farmers, and alumni in the area, and provide a wonderful learning environment for future alumni.

NEW EQUIPMENT IN HOSPITALS

Both the Foster Hospital for Small Animals and the Large Animal Hospital have recently installed new equipment that will help provide optimal care and diagnostic services for the patients you refer or bring to Cummings.

Two new ultrasound units were purchased. The one in the cardiology department provides the latest technology to assess patients including a trans-esophageal probe that allows for better assessment of the heart and can be used intraoperatively on patients providing real time evaluations during surgery.

The diagnostic imaging section has also upgraded their ultrasound instrumentation to provide multidimensional imaging along with color Doppler flow analysis.

Both these instruments provide additional clinical applications for our clinicians and enhance the ability to look at new clinical research opportunities.

The LAH also just took delivery on an equine table for the CT scanner. This will allow clinicians the ability to assess heads and legs on horses. This now provides TCSVM with a full complement of diagnostic imaging modalities including digital radiography, nuclear scintigraphy, ultrasound, MRI and CT.

DR. HOWARD LEVINE REMEMBERED

From the Desk of George Saperstein:

It is with indescribable sadness that I inform you of the death of our friend and colleague, Dr. Howard Levine, after a courageous battle against multiple myeloma. A member of our faculty for 23 years, Howard was the head of Tufts Ambulatory Service and the Associate Chair of the Department of Environmental and Population Health. A man of great passion for life and for veterinary medicine, Howard was a devoted family man who always thought of others before self. I was proud and honored to call him a friend and will never forget him. We, his colleagues and students, were all touched by the impact he had on our school and its programs. He leaves a gaping hole in the Cummings School, a hole that may never be filled.

Howard came to us in 1985 from private veterinary practice in Vermont and quickly made his mark in our teaching program and in service to the large animal owners of southern New England. He spent his entire career at Tufts in the Ambulatory Service, nearly 100% on clinics – simultaneously serving clients and teaching students every day. He perhaps spent more time and effort on clinical teaching than any other faculty member has at TCSVM. Due to his nearly encyclopedic knowledge of food and fiber as well as equine ambulatory medicine, surgery and theriogenology, he was both an outstanding teacher and role model for our students. Because of his stature in dairy medicine, he was able to place numerous students into externships in practices all over the country. He always strived for excellence in himself and in his students and he educated many who became exceptional veterinarians.

As a board certified theriogenologist he was course director for theriogenology and theriogenology Laboratory. He created and had been course director for the largest course in the school, Clinical Skills and Animal Behavior. He lectured extensively in the Large Animal Medicine course. He taught in Large Animal Medical Procedures laboratory; facilitated in Problem Based Learning; guest lectured in numerous courses such as Human Animal Relations, Reproductive Physiology, and International Veterinary Medicine; and offered electives. Over the years, student evaluations of Dr. Levine's didactic teaching were outstanding – students loved his lectures! In addition, he was the faculty advisor to the Grafton-based Tufts Student Livestock Club; not an easy task from Connecticut.

Dr. Levine received funding for and completed an interactive CD on dairy nutrition. He did this project cooperatively with two faculty members from the University of Connecticut. It is an excellent learning aid for students studying either dairy science or veterinary medicine. He also created a number of CDs and videos on bovine restraint and medical procedures for our students.

On the farm, he was always teaching – both students and farmers. At least once a year he organized continuing education programs for our clients and he frequently gave talks to producer groups. He cared deeply about our clients and the sustainability of their farms and went to great lengths to help them succeed. On numerous occasions I saw him make great personal sacrifices in order to help his friends – our clients – in their time of need.

Not limited to teaching in the United States, Dr. Levine was active in Heifer International and found the time to travel to a number of countries such as Nicaragua, Indonesia, and Armenia to train veterinarians. In an effort to bolster our curriculum in matters of food safety, he received a grant to travel to Italy and Spain to exchange curricular ideas on this subject.

Because of his great competence as a teacher and interest in veterinary education, he served on our curriculum committee for 10 years, several as Chair. Our Academic Dean considered him the most knowledgeable faculty member in curricular matters. His insights and analytical thought led that committee to great heights.

An accomplished musician, his group, the Rambling Pitchforks Contradance Band was well known for many years throughout the region. Students fondly remember their music at our annual barn celebration, Heifer Hoedown.

Extremely intelligent and highly analytical, he was one of those rare

individuals who was both book-smart and in possession of great common sense. While he was always available to help his friends, neighbors, and clients whenever they were in need, he was exceptionally devoted to his wife Jo, daughter Corinna, and son Zeb. Jo could always read him like a book – she knew him better than anyone ever did. They fell in love as idealistic youngsters and their love and devotion never stopped growing. Howard set a high bar for scholarship and service to fellow man and his spirit will always live on in Corinna, soon to graduate from medical school, and Zeb, high school class valedictorian and currently in his first year at Williams College.

He saw the big picture at Tufts and beyond in veterinary education. He was a highly trusted senior member of our administration, whose insights were valued greatly by me and by our Dean. Although his teaching and service duties did not allow him time for research, he somehow carried out a number of modest projects, all of high quality. Most recently, he had been performing bovine embryo collection procedures in a large project for SVF Foundation whose mission is to cryopreserve germplasm from endangered breeds of livestock.

Howard will be remembered for many things he accomplished through veterinary medicine – he kept dozens of farmers farming, encouraged scores of students to respect and commit to veterinary service, and prevented disease in tens of thousands of animals. His devotion to ever improving animal health and welfare will be carried on and multiplied by the students he educated. Honest, trustworthy, and a humanitarian in its truest sense, he embodied all that is good about the profession of veterinary medicine. Those that knew him and learned from him will pass that on to their children and to their children's children. That is the legacy he has left to the veterinary profession.

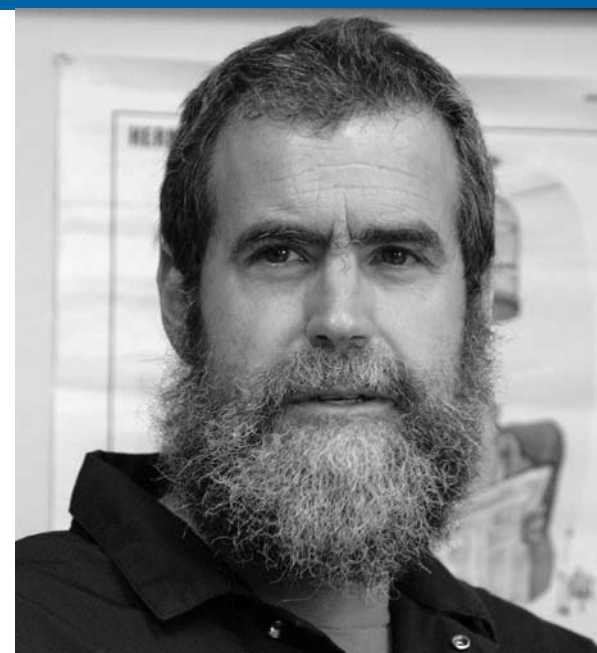
People say that our school is special. But there is nothing special about the buildings and land that make up the campus of the Cummings School. What makes our school special are the faculty, staff, alumni, and students who, like Howard, really do practice the golden rule in service to people and the animals that share our planet. Throughout his illness Howard wanted to keep working at all costs. He loved his work and he told me repeatedly his work was keeping him alive. I, for one, will honor his memory by doing my very best to continue to make this school special, the school to which Howard's name will forever be connected.

Howard's family has requested that gifts in his memory be made to Tufts' Cummings Veterinary School, 200 Westboro Road, North Grafton, MA 01536, Attn. Development Office. Donations will support Tufts Ambulatory Service.

A special thank you to the alumni who have already given gifts in memory of Dr. Levine:

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Sponsored by The Veterinary Scholarship Trust of New England

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Recipient: Bridget Ann Picano

American Association of Feline Practitioners Award

Presented by: Dr Susan Cotter

Recipient: Cona Clara Anwer

Clinical Excellence in Anesthesia Award

Sponsored by SurgiVet and American College of Veterinary Anesthesiologists

Presented by: Dr Alicia Karas

Recipient: Mariana T. Quina (Schlitz)

Veterinary Specialty Team Award – Pain Management

Sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health

Presented by: Dr Alicia Karas

Recipient: Stephanie Ann Pumphrey

Tufts Veterinary Oncology Award

Presented by: Dr Kristine Burgess

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Presented by: Dr Frank Zak

Recipient: Anna Barbara Ludi

American College of Veterinary Surgery - Large Animal

Presented by: Dr Carl Kirker-Head

Recipient: S. Emmanuelle Knafo

Richard J. Sheehan, D.V.M. Equine Award

Presented by: Dr Carl Kirker-Head

Recipient: Stephanie A. Roy

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Presented by: Dr Lais Costa

Recipient: Kristin L. Williams

Excellence in Clinical Skills - Large Animal

Sponsored by Fort Dodge Animal Health

Presented by: Dr MaryRose Paradis

Recipient: Anna Christine Renier

Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society Award

Presented by: Dr Elizabeth Rozanski

Recipient: Adam Edward Porter

Jeff Proulx, D.V.M. Memorial Award

Presented by: Dr Elizabeth Rozanski

Recipient: Lea Sheldahl

Veterinary Specialty Team Award – Emergency and Critical Care

Sponsored by Pfizer Animal Health

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Recipient: Marc Hirshenson

Amelia Peabody Livestock Proficiency Award

Presented by: Dr Eugene White

Recipient: David Matthew Hernke

Tufts Avian Award

Presented by: Dr Florina Tseng

Recipients: Thea Simone Doidge, Julie Lyn Pera

Wildlife Club Award

Presented by: Dr Maureen Murray

Recipient: Anna Barbara Ludi

International Veterinary Medicine Award

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Presented by: Dr George Saperstein

Recipient: Janine Megan Calabro

American Animal Hospital Association Award

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Recipient: Laura Lee Pavlech

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Veterinary Specialty Team Award – Internal Medicine

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Presented by: Dr Mary Anna Labato

Recipient: Adam Edward Porter



Mary Labato presenting the Veterinary Specialty Team Award to Adam Porter

Excellence in Clinical Skills - Small Animal

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Recipient: Mariana T. Quina (Schlitz)

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Small Animal Clinical Skills Award

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Academic Achievement Awards (Alphabetical Order)

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HENRY E. CHILDERS AWARD - 2008

The Childers award is given at commencement in honor of Dr. Henry E. Childers, a graduate of Auburn University who has been a friend and supporter of Tufts veterinary school since our beginning. Dr. Childers, who has numerous awards from the AVMA for teaching and service, has offered our students the benefit of his years of clinical experience as a practice owner in Cranston, Rhode Island. Over the past decade, he has volunteered his time as director of our Problem Based Learning curriculum for first year students. This program encourages veterinarians in private practice to facilitate small group case study sessions on a weekly basis. The experience and perspective provided to students through this contact is inspiring and underlies the philosophy for this award.

The Henry E. Childers Award is given "in recognition and with gratitude for sustained and extraordinary contributions to the education of Tufts veterinary students" by a part-time instructor.

Dr. Childers, I believe you will be very pleased with our choice this year. The 2008 recipient received her DVM from Tufts in 1995, and she practiced ambulatory medicine in New Hampshire for one year. For over 9 years, she has assisted teaching our first year students in both small animal and large animal gross anatomy, both in lab and giving lectures. Her evaluations from students attest to her knowledge of the subject, ability in dissection,

and most of all, her willingness to take time to be sure students understand the material. From what students have written, it seem the main problem is that we cannot clone her so that she could be at all dissection table at once!

In addition to the first year gross anatomy course (which represents an enormous amount of time and work, she has also taught in the third year Bovine clinical skills course teaching bovine restraint and basic procedures.

The recipient this year has made a sustained contribution to education and mentoring of Cummings School students and has provided a role model of excellence in teaching.

It gives me great pleasure to present the Henry E. Childers award for 2008 to Dr. Nancy Thompson.



Nancy Thompson, V98

26TH COMMENCEMENT – SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2008

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FIRST RECIPIENT NAMED FOR THE KENNETH C. MORRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Members of the veterinary class of 1985 remember their classmate, Kenneth Morris, as the kind of outgoing, sociable person who brought them all together. Following Ken's untimely passing in 2004, members of the class of 1985 paid tribute to their dear friend by organizing a scholarship in his name to support future Tufts veterinarians.

Three years later, with endowed funding secured by generous V85 class donations and others, Jaclyn Morency, V11, has been named the first recipient of the Kenneth C. Morris, V85 Memorial Scholarship. "It is an honor to be named the first recipient and I am deeply grateful to the alumni who are helping to support my Cummings education," offers Jaclyn, who has just begun the second semester of her first year among a class of 82 students.

On January 3, members of the Morris family and key alumni scholarship organizers had the opportunity to meet their first student beneficiary at a luncheon hosted on the North Grafton veterinary campus. Scholarship co-organizer, David Garlick, V85, said, "It was wonderful to meet Jaclyn as the first recipient of the Ken Morris Memorial Scholarship and it was very special to have Michelle and Kate Morris with us as well to meet her. The



Jaclyn A. Morency, V11, beneficiary of the first annual Kenneth C. Morris, V85, Memorial Scholarship

idea of doing something in Ken's memory first emerged among members of the class of V85 at our 20th reunion in September 2005. In just two short years, the first scholarship has been awarded, which is a wonderful legacy to leave in Ken's memory. I would like to say thank you to my V85 classmates, and to Morris family members and friends, as well as many of Ken's former clients who made generous donations to help establish this scholarship in such a short period of time."



Attendees at the Morris Scholarship Luncheon on 1/03/08: Front row l-r: Michelle Morris, Kate Morris, Lisa Maue, V85, Jaclyn Morency, V11, Meg Connelly, V85, Bernadette Morency Back row l-r: Adele Garlick, David Garlick, V85, Bob Connelly

TUFTS LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Message from President Larry Bacow:

I am very pleased to announce the formal launch of Tufts' new Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP).

This important new initiative will help Tufts graduates who are working in public service to pay a portion of their annual bills for educational loans. While loan repayment assistance programs are already in place at many institutions, including Tufts' own Fletcher School, ours is believed to be the first university-wide program of its kind in the nation. It is especially appropriate for Tufts to make this commitment, since as an institution we seek to encourage a spirit of public service in our students.

The LRAP program will be funded by income from the Omidyar-Tufts Microfinance Fund, which was established in 2005 with a \$100-million gift from Tufts graduates Pierre and Pamela Omidyar. The Omidyars share with Tufts a strong commitment to active citizenship, and we are grateful to them for this new opportunity to support our graduates' careers in public service.



All alumni with undergraduate, graduate, or professional degrees from the university are eligible to apply for loan repayment assistance if they are paying off educational loans incurred in order to attend Tufts and are employed by a non-profit or public-sector agency. All awards will be need-based. More details on the program and how to apply are available at <http://activecitizen.tufts.edu/LRAP>. Applications are due September 1.

The LRAP program is part of our long-term strategy to make a Tufts education more affordable. This has already led to important changes in financial aid policy, such as our announcement last year that we would replace loans with grants for undergraduates whose families earn less than \$40,000 a year, starting with the Class of 2011. Support for undergraduate and graduate financial aid is a critical priority of Beyond Boundaries: The Campaign for Tufts, and we are grateful to the many alumni and friends who are helping Tufts open its doors to exceptional students.

Every student who graduates with a loan worries about how to pay it off. We hope that the new Tufts Loan Repayment Assistance Program will make it easier for our graduates to pursue their passions and make a difference in the world.

UPCOMING CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

Small Animal Dentistry for Veterinarians

June 22, 2008, Tufts Dental School, Boston, MA

Course Director: Dr Bonnie Shope

PURPOSE: This year's dentistry laboratory will be geared toward the veterinarian just beginning to incorporate advanced dental procedures into their general practice. The focus of the laboratory will be on important procedures that the general practitioner needs to master: Dental Radiography and Surgical Extraction.

The **dental radiography** section will expose the attendee to the basics of

taking, developing, and reading dental x-ray films. The newest technology, digital radiology, will be available as well as conventional developing methods. By the end of the session, participants will have obtained the knowledge and skills needed to successfully operate a dental radiograph machine and produce quality, diagnostic radiographs.

Dental extraction is one of the most common procedures performed in small animal practice. For certain teeth, surgical extraction is necessary to achieve predictable and desirable results. This session of the laboratory will detail the various steps in the surgical extraction process and give the participant experience using state of the art high-speed equipment.

From the Horse's Mouth

V84

Dana MacNamee reports that **Ruth Solomon V06** has been at his practice, Bay State Animal Clinic for a year and a half. They share an interest in Therio, and are having fun with that. Dana says that he and Mary have five "budding soccer stars in the family, the oldest of whom is heading for college this fall!"

V85

Bob and **Meg Connelly** are proud to announce the opening of their new veterinary clinic in Quincy, Massachusetts.



David Garlick wants to "thank all of my V85 classmates who donated to the Ken Morris Memorial Scholarship Fund."

Gail Mason tells us that she is expanding their building at Portland Veterinary Specialists. She is enjoying her three sons (ages 14, 17, and 19) and showing quarter horses in her free time.

Ray Powell is currently the Regional Director of the Jane Goodall Institute Service Learning Program. He is also serving as the Vice Chair for the New Mexico Board of Veterinary Medicine and a member of the New Mexico Attorney General's Task Force for Prevention of Animal Cruelty.

John Turco sold his practice to VCA Animal Hospitals, but has continued on there as Chief of Staff. John is also a commissioned Captain in the U.S. Army Reserves.

V87

Daniel Grayson reports that he is "getting older, probably not any wiser, and certainly not any richer!"

Andrea Simonsen tells us that "life is good in south west Montana!" Her daughter, Sara, is a freshman in high school. Andrea says that her practice is doing well, and that they have a new part-time associate. Her husband Dan's practice (M.D. ortho) is busy!

V88

Lori Bergel Kreidberg reports that she is entering her fourth year as the owner of a mobile practice and is "overwhelmed and excited" by the challenges it brings. She tells us that she is fortunate to have her 10 year old and 9 year old "play tech" on occasion.

V89

When asked "what's new with you?" **Mindy Newman** said "more like what's old!" She also remarked about wearing reading glasses, and telling patients that she has been practicing 19 years this spring! Mindy also hopes the V89 class will make a big effort to attend the 20 year reunion next year. She says "it should be fun!"

V90

Robert Anthony Monaco is celebrating his 13th year as the owner of Old Country Animal Clinic - a dog and cat practice and Long Island's "premier birth and exotic animal referral center."

Jake Tedaldi was featured in the May 4th issue of *Boston Globe* in a story about his experience running a mobile veterinary clinic.

V91

Laura Zurfluh has been working in shelter medicine for the past several years and "loving it." She encourages classmates to check out the cat shelter she is at by visiting www.TabbysPlace.org.

V92

Timothy Becker is still living in Knoxville, Tennessee and teaching at the University of Tennessee Veterinary School. He was recently board certified in Cardiology.

V93

Ashton Kane reports that things are going well one year into practice ownership. She says "God bless Patty Burke at the CVMA meeting in February!"

V94

Eileen Cullinane tells us that she "continues to save lives and stamp out disease at Lincoln Animal Hospital, a small animal practice in northern Rhode Island." She enjoys the company of her Boston "Terror", Buddy, who is "an athlete and a genius!" Eileen says "Best wishes to my classmates and our teachers. I think of you."

V95

Beth Chittick Nolan was married to Jim Nolan in June of 2007. They are happily settled in Orlando, Florida.

Antonietta Orlandi (Mancini) and her husband, Ranieri, welcomed their third child, Luca Giovanni Orlando, a boy, on October 11, 2007. He joins his older sister, Alexandra (11 years old) and Giancarlo (5 years old).

V96

Jeffrey Paul Margolis is still living in Southern California with his wife Jody, daughter Zoe (10 years old), and son Jake (8 years old). He tells us that he is "loving owning my own practice!"

V97

Rachel Keyser says "we have had a very busy and snowy winter so far." Rachel reports that she and her husband are pregnant with their second child, due in August. She tells us that Kevin is busy with training their Paint horses for the upcoming show season and their mares are foaling out this season's crop. Rachel says "if you're up in the Lakes Region, feel free to stop in!"

Noelle LaCroix has recently returned to New York and is practicing ophthalmology in a multi-specialty practice on the south shore of Long Island.

Ethan Morris reports that he and his wife had their third child, Elijah Jeffrey, on November 21, 2007. Elijah joins a sister, Cameron (5 years old), and a brother, Sawyer (3 years old).

V99

Husna Ulla is working part-time. Husna and **Harish Narayanaswamy** are busy running after their three boys. They also have a wonderful Doberman named Ronin.

Kelly Wolfenson-Guay reports a "recent addition to the pack" - Anna Rosa Guay was born at home on December 7, 2007. Big sister, Gabriella, loves her new role and "loves being two!" Kelly recently started as Medical Director at VCA Blackstone in Uxbridge, Massachusetts.

V00

Katie Moynihan and her husband, Michael, welcomed Charles Robert (Charlie) to their family on January 18, 2008. They live with their dog, Bridget, in Somerville, Massachusetts.

V02

Carrie DeRegis tells us that she will be defending her PhD thesis at Cornell in May and will then be returning to Tufts to start an Oncology residency in July. She says "I'm so excited to go back to Tufts!"

Stacey Kielec, her husband Matthew, and their two-year-old son Ethan, welcomed a beautiful baby gift to the family. Hannah Marie was born on October 17, 2007. Stacey reports that "big brother, Ethan, loves her and is adjusting well to the change." Stacey currently is an associate at Andover Animal Hospital where she sees small animals and exotics.

Kathryn Marie McGonigle has been accepted at Cornell University for a Small Animal Internal Medicine Residency starting in July of 2008.

V03

Astrid Kruse reports that "our first human child, Julia Kruse Muelhoeler, was born on February 21, 2008." She says that the "fur kids" are adjusting well, "better than the parents!" Astrid is still working at VCA Wakefield Animal Hospital, building up a "wonderful rabbit clientele."

V05

Daniel Foy, resident in small animal medicine at UW-Madison is this year's recipient of Bayer Small Animal Resident of the Year Award.

V06

Chagit Steiner is "doing well" and has a new job in general practice.

V07

Lee Bar-Sagi tells us that she is getting married and getting a horse.

Stephanie Borns-Weil has a new job at the Animal Hospital of Lynnfield, and she is "loving it!"

Suzanne Zelman will be finishing a rotating small animal medicine and surgery rotation. She will enter general practice this summer.

INTERNSHIP/RESIDENCY MATCHING - TUFTS VETERINARY GRADS EXCEL

From the Desk of John Berg:

Our current students and recent grads did extremely well in competing for internships and residencies in the recent match.

NATIONAL:

Students applying for internships - 1017

Students matching - 645

Proportion matching - 63%

Applying for residencies - 770

Matching with residencies - 253

Proportion matching - 33%

TUFTS:

Students applying for internships - 48

Students matching - 43

Proportion matching - 90%

Applying for residencies - 29

Matching with residencies - 14

Proportion matching - 48%

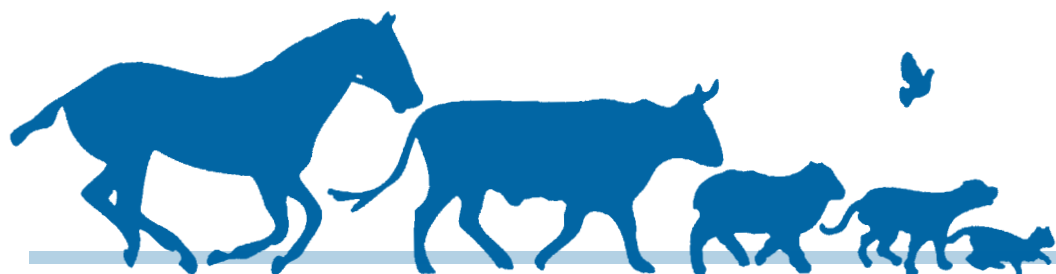
Both our total number of students matching with internships and residencies (57), and our proportion matching (77%), were the highest among U.S. veterinary schools.

We tend to do very well in the match every year, and there are several factors that make our students successful. The quality of the students we admit is unquestionably a huge factor. Many of you devote significant time to writing excellent letters for our students. The ACE program and other programs on campus encourage students to consider internships and specialization as career steps, and help them succeed. Last, but not least, all of us should take pride in the fact that we as a faculty are doing many things right: our students are clearly perceived by other institutions as being very well trained. And this is not purely a regional phenomenon - in addition to a variety of regional institutions, our students matched with the following, among others:

U Penn, U of Georgia, Red Bank, Florida Vet Specialists, Washington State, NYC Vet Specialists, Purdue, U of Minn, Cornell, Bay Area Vet Specialists, West LA, Ohio State, NCSU, Va-Md, Iowa State, Vet Specialists of Carolinas, Wheatridge (Denver), Texas A+M, Oradell, and Vet Specialists of Seattle.

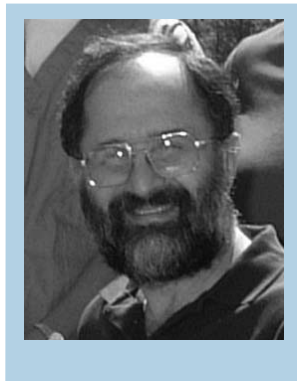


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DOING SOMETHING 'WILD'?

From the Desk of Mark Pokras:



Dear Friends,

The faculty from Wildlife, International and Conservation Medicine are in the process of putting together a database and mailing list on all the wonderful TCSVM grads that are involved in these non-traditional areas of veterinary medicine. There will be several purposes for these resources including professional networking, identifying summer

opportunities for current students, encouraging and recruiting young people interested in veterinary medicine, finding guest lecturers, making contact with old friends, and many other things.

We want your contact information whether you're doing these sorts of things

on a full-time or part-time (or even volunteer) basis! So if you're involved in wildlife rehabilitation, international development, wildlife pathology or toxicology, zoonotic & emerging disease studies, or other such areas PLEASE get in touch with either Dr. Gretchen Kaufman or me (gretchen.kaufman@tufts.edu, mark.pokras@tufts.edu) and let us know what you're up to.

While you're at it, we'd also love to solicit your thoughts on a new graduate program we're developing in conservation medicine. You may have gotten an email query in addition to this newsletter, but it would be great if you could fill out the survey by following the link at www.tufts.edu/vet/ccm

Thanks! Look forward to hearing from you.

Mark

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FACULTY UPDATE



Dr. Eugene White
has been promoted
to Associate
Professor at

TCSVM. An outstanding large animal clinician and teacher, Dr. White joined the faculty in 1997. He received his DVM degree from Cornell University and is a diplomat of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners - Dairy Practice Category. On clinics all the time, he has still found the time to carry out a number of important research projects on mastitis, cattle lameness, and sustainable agriculture and to author 2 book chapters. Dr. White teaches in a variety of courses, laboratories, and clinical rotations and is an extremely productive clinician, dedicated to sustaining our farm clients' livelihoods and educating the next generation of well rounded veterinarians. In recognition of his exceptional teaching abilities, Dr. White was awarded the Carl Norden Distinguished Teacher award in 2005.