

TUFTS Veterinary Alumni News

ESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Participate (pär-tis'e-pāt)

Four years and many President's messages later, I return to the theme of my original message participation. Having recently returned from my 20th College Reunion and anticipating my 15th Tufts Veterinary School Reunion, participation in the Comeback (being held this year on September 6th on the Grafton campus) is certainly on the top of my mind. However, over my four years as president of our Alumni Association, I have seen many examples of participation in veterinary school events.

Whether it is participating in a "Preparation for Real Life" panel; volunteering as a mentor for a student, joining us at a social gathering, nominating a fellow alum for the Outstanding Alumnus Award, volunteering as a case based learning facilitator, or attending an alumni association meeting, all of these activities show support for your school, your profession



Scott Handler, V88

and your fellow alumni. The members who decide to step forward and participate strengthen our Alumni Association and I am happy to inform you of two such individuals. Daniel Hebert, V01. has strengthened our group by accepting the nomination for Vice President of the Alumni Association, Bill Rosenblad, V95, will face the challenges that come with accepting the nomination for the President position but he will do so with his skills and vision. I am sure that they will provide the renewed energy necessary to move our association forward over the next two years.

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REMEMBERING FORMER DEAN FRANKLIN M. LOEW



On November 7, 2003, at the AVMA Animal Welfare Forum in Hoffman Estates, Illinois, the AVMA Animal Welfare Award will be bestowed posthumously on Dr. Franklin M. Loew.

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SUMMER/FALL 2003

TUFTS EVENTS

August 10 & 11 A Bridge to the Future Providence, RI

September 6

Reunion & Comeback Open House Grafton Campus

September 20

Norfolk Hunt Grafton Campus

September 21

DEDICATION OF THE LUKE & LILY LERNER SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC Grafton Campus

November 1

Henry & Lois Foster Hospital for Small Animals Rededication Grafton Campus

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RECIPE FOR SUCCESS by Margaret LeRoux

Frustrated at the often-difficult process of medicating chronically ill animal patients, Dr. Steven Harris, V89, cooked up a solution by adapting flavor enhancers developed for children's prescriptions.

Harris applied a classic brainstorming technique: he piggybacked the idea behind FlavorX, a company that supplies drug stores with a wide variety of flavorings for medicine.

"I'd read about the success of FlavorX in making medicine taste appealing for kids, and I thought it was something that I could apply to my patients," Harris said. Four years ago he contacted the fledgling company and was invited to meet with their pharmacists and learn the FlavorX system. Soon, the veterinarian was mixing up a storm, taste-testing flavors like tuna, chicken, and cheese as he developed a collection that would appeal to the most finicky pet.

Harris offered samples to clients and test marketed the flavors in six veterinary practices in Massachusetts and Maryland. In 1999 FlavorX added a veterinary division, headed by the Tufts alumnus, to its company. Now the flavoring system is carried by almost 2,000 veterinary clinics nationwide, and Harris is a technical advisor to the sales force.

"I'm happy to be back in practice instead of in sales meetings," he said, "though I

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While these two individuals have committed to the highest level of participation, you too can strengthen the association by participating at any level. A phone call to a classmate encouraging their attendance at the Comeback, mailing your association dues, sending us your latest news for the alumni newsletter and/or talking to a prospective veterinary student are



enjoyed the challenge of developing the business."

Harris credits the education he received at Tufts for giving him "the building blocks I needed to succeed."

"We received a well-rounded education," he said, "and Tufts gave me a lot of confidence."

With a little creativity, Harris noted, "you can constantly reinvent yourself, but to succeed, you have to think out of the box; follow through on your ambitions and your intuition."

As owner of Midshore Veterinary Service in Easton, MD, Harris relishes the daily challenges of a mixed practice. Stopping by the office for some background material for this interview, he assisted as one of his client's dogs gave birth to the first of her litter in the clinic's parking lot. Later in the week, he was on the road, visiting some of the sheep, goats and horses that make up 20 percent of his practice.

It's the best of all possible worlds for someone "who never wanted to be anything other than a veterinarian," Harris said. 4:

all simple ways to participate and demonstrate support for your veterinary school.

Even though my level of participation will change after I am no longer the Alumni Association president, I plan on maintaining my involvement with the association. I hope you join me in supporting our new leadership by doing the same.

N-CAMPUS NEWS

TUSVM Overseer Receives Honorary Doctor of Public Service Degree

On May 18 at the Tufts University Commencement Program in Medford, President Bacow awarded Agnes Varis an honorary degree. Agnes Varis is the founder of AgVar Chemicals Inc. Her love of animals has led to many generous donations to TUSVM, including the Agnes Varis Lecture Hall. She also established the Agnes Varis University Chair in Science and Society, currently held by Dr. Gary Patronek.

Faculty News

TUSVM is pleased to announce that **Dr. Ray Kudej** has passed the American College of Veterinary Surgeons certifying examination. Congratulations Dr. Kudej!

Dr. Mary Rose Paradis was selected by the Provost and the Dean of Tufts University College of Citizenship and Public Serve to serve as a UCCPS Faculty Fellow for 2003-2005. She plans to develop a selective course on community leadership and public service. Dr. Paradis also hopes to catalogue the citizenship and public service projects TUSVM students are involved in, and additionally, she would like to investigate if there is a correlation between community service noted in our applicants' essays and their actual acceptance as students at TUSVM.

Dr. Rob McCarthy, V83, a member of the clinical faculty, has been promoted to the rank of Clinical Associate Professor. Dr. McCarthy is an excellent clinician and surgeon who heads a busy small animal general and orthopedic surgery service on campus three days a week and spends the balance of his time in mobile practice.

Dr. Karl Kraus' new text, *External Fixation of Small Animals*, cowritten with Drs. Malcolm Ness and James Toombs, has been released. It offers a highly practical guide to the use of linear external fixators in small animal practice and in addition is a valuable learning tool for both surgical residents and practicing veterinarians.

Interns and Residents

Nine interns and 13 residents in the Department of Clinical Sciences completed their programs in July 2003. Several of this year's interns are moving onto residency programs at TUSVM, including Drs. Ryan King, Thomas Jenei, V02, and Boaz Levitin. Many of TUSVM departing residents have obtained positions in referral practice, and some will be moving on to academic positions. The latter include Dr. Dan Chan (nutrition and emergency/critical care medicine), Dr. Sarah Payne (medical oncology), and Dr. Heidi Hutchison, V99 (LA Ambulatory) who will be staying on at Tufts following the completion of their programs.

Interns who have completed their program include: Thomas Jenei, V02, Sarah D'Oench, Jennifer Mateleska, V01, Ryan King, Eric Lee, Erin Romansik, Katherine Stenske, Amanda Wagner, and Boaz Levitin.

Residents who have completed their programs include: Soren Boysen, Jennifer Holm, Elizabeth Streeter, Jennifer Waldrop, Daniel Chan, Adam Gonzales, Heidi White, V99, Fred Pike, VI00, Jacqueline Mair, V00, Heidi Hutchison, V99, Marc Andre D'Anjou, and Sarah Payne.

Kudos to TUSVM students and graduates

TUSVM did extremely well with the national match of internships and residencies this year. TUSVM had 40 matches, the next highest institute with matches had only 35 matches. Additionally, the results from the Dodge Foundation are in! Twenty-six Frontier Fellows from 10 veterinary schools will be funded. Of these, two schools had one fellow, four schools had two fellows, three schools had three fellows, and TUSVM has seven student fellows. Congratulations!! The 2003 Frontiers in Veterinary Medicine Fellows are Danielle Babski, V06, Rachel Brodlie, V05, Rhea Hanselmann, V05, Mina Khoii, V04, Amanda McLaughlin, V06, Kathryn Tuxbury, V05, and Jennifer Zambriski, V06.

Science Park Road Construction

TUSVM is anticipating the construction to begin on the Science Park Road project across from the commuter rail station on Route 30 on July 14th with substantial completion for the project by November 17, 2003. If all goes according to plan the project should be completed by December 1, 2003.



Spay/Neuter Clinic On-Site at TUSVM

TUSVM has exciting news. The Development Department has succeeded in securing funds for the Luke & Lily Lerner Spay/Neuter Clinic to be constructed in underutilized space in the basement of the Henry & Lois Foster Hospital for Small Animals. This has been a top fundraising priority. This facility will contribute to our surgical training program as well as to community efforts to reduce companion animal overpopulation. The new clinic will free up Foster Hospital surgical suites for client surgical procedures and will keep shelter animals separate from hospital patients. ----

ZLUMNI SERVICES

What we can do for you & how you can stay connected to TUSVM!

Alumni Connections

The Tufts Online Community offers great resources to stay connected. Registration is fast and free, and you can win great prizes.* Online services include:

- Alumni directory-find friends and update your info
- @alumni.tufts.edu-get your Tufts email alias
- Career center-job hunting? Got an open position?
- Email news-never miss an event!
- Plus message boards, chat rooms, and yellow pages
- * **Free Prizes!** Register by August 31, and you'll be eligible to win a Dell(TM) laptop, a digital camera, or amazon.com gift certificates.

Library Privileges

The Webster Family Veterinary Library is open to the alumni of TUSVM. The following services are available to alumni:

- Alumni borrowing cards: Available at the Library Service Office, allows borrowing privileges of non-reserve materials.
 Applications may be picked up at the library. You may gain access to the Library after hours by calling Campus Police - you must have your borrowing card with you to gain access.
- Database Searching: for selected onsite databases.
- Web Access: please visit Libraries

and Computing to learn more.

• Fee-based Document Delivery: Requests for articles in our collection will be processed and sent to you by mail or fax.

Library Hours

The Library is open 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday - Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Noon-10 p.m. Sunday. The Library is locked beginning at 6 p.m. daily so please contact Campus Police to gain access.

Alumni Visitors Pass

Coming to campus and would like to visit the old haunting grounds? Please stop by the Development and Alumni Relations Office to pick up an Alumni Visitors pass to access the halls of the hospitals.

Alumni Gatherings

The Office of Alumni Relations hosts gatherings and dinners for alumni throughout the academic year and throughout the United States. Often these receptions are in conjunction with veterinary professional conferences. A complete listing of upcoming events can be found at www.tufts.edu/vet/alumni/ calendar.php. These gatherings are a great opportunity to reconnect with friends and colleagues. +

REMINDER

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PAY YOUR Alumni Association Dues!

A DUES FORM CAN BE FOUND ON-LINE AT WWW.TUFTS.EDU/VET/ALUMNI/SERVICE

SEND YOUR FORM IN TODAY!

REUNION & COMEBACK 2003 back in Grafton! Saturday, September 6, 2003!

CELEBRATING REUNION CLASSES 1983 • 1988 • 1993 • 1998 *Alumni from all classes are encouraged to attend!*

Don't miss this fun-filled celebration and remember to bring the family! A sampling of events include: Continuing education • Events for the kids • Alumni Dinner & Dance!



TUSVM is pleased to announce that Dr. Dan Chan has been hired as a Research Assistant Professor in nutrition and emergency/critical care medicine. Dan is a 1998 graduate of Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine, and he completed a rotating internship at the Animal Medical Center in New York City in 1999. He is currently completing a unique 4 year residency in nutrition and emergency/critical care medicine at Tufts. Dr. Lisa Freeman, V86, V91, N96, obtained funding from Purina to support the faculty position.

Dr. John Keating, V94, was recently hired as a member of the faculty. John was a resident in the Section of Pathology two years ago and successfully completed the ACVP certification examination in September of 2002. Since that time he has been working part time as a surgical pathologist at the Angell Memorial Animal Hospital. Having John on board will allow TUSVM to read hospital biopsies in-house which should result in a 24-hour turn around time in most instances.

Dr. Quincey Simmons, V01, comes to TUSVM as a third year pathology resident after completing two years of training at the Angell Memorial Hospital. Quincey graduated from TUSVM in 2001.

Lara Weaver, V00, has been appointed the Assistant Director of the Division of Teaching and Research Resources. Lara first worked at Charles River Laboratories as a Clinical Veterinarian and then as the Assistant Director of Veterinary Services. In January 2002, she moved to Children's Hospital as Assistant Director, Animal Resources while continuing to work for CRL Contracting Staffing. ::

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Alumni Events



Barbara Saperstein, Shari Procious, V04, Dr. Allen Rutberg, and Dr. George Saperstein

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Edward Chen, V94, Leslie Taylor, V85, Craig Morrell, V00, Dean Kosch, Elisa Harvey, V92, Karen Ceragioli, V87, Steve Harris, V89, and Dr. Angie Warner

OLF TOURNAMENT



Melanie Tong, Rob McCarthy, V83, Ray Kudej, and John Berg participated in the 3rd Annual Tufts Veterinary School Student Scholarship Golf Tournament.

N THE NEWS

Dr. Nicholas H. Dodman, director of the animal behavior clinic at TUSVM was highlighted in the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* regarding the use of canines for security purposes.

M. Duffy Jones, V99, & Diane Monsein Levitan, V94R, were both featured in VetCentric advertisements that appeared recently in *JAVMA*.

Dr. Michael Parker, V89, was featured in the *San Francisco Chronicle* (2/8/03) regarding his ownership of Maddie's Charm and her future racing prospects.

The Chicago Daily Herald (March 12, 2003) profiled **Dr. Rachel Heart, V91,** as a woman who has entered a predominantly male field of equine veterinarians.

Kathleen Allspaw, V02G, was featured in the *Boston Globe Magazine* on March 16, 2003 in an article about what people feed their pets.

Michele L. Goldsmith, assistant professor, was featured in the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* (April 1, 2003) and in the *Boston Globe* (May 17, 2003) for her research on gorillas.

Several alumni were profiled by the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette* in May with the Commencement coverage and the celebration of TUSVM's 25th anniversary. Among the alumni profiled were Janet Martin, V90, and her work with zoo animals at the Roger Williams Park Zoo.

Dr. Kyleigh Geissler, V02, was featured in *The Cape Codder* on June 13. After graduating from Nauset Regional High School as the valedictorian, Kyleigh attended Wellesley College and TUSVM. She is currently at North Carolina State University as a resident specializing in veterinary pathology.

Gary Block, V97G, was featured in the *Providence Journal* (April 17, 2003) in regards to testing that was being done on animals that were presumed to be poisoned by tainted meat in a field in Warwick, RI. **Dr. Annette Rauch, V86, V00G** was also consulted on this case.

The Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association (JAVMA) has recently featured many members of TUSVM faculty as well as alumni. Dr. Gary Patronek was featured on May 1, 2003 (Vol 222, No. 9) in an article addressing animal hoarding and state laws on hoarding. Dr. Stefanie Schwartz's article entitled "Separation anxiety syndrome in dogs and cats" was published on June 1, 2003 (Vol 222, No 11). Elizabeth Clancy, V96G, and Dr. Antony Moore co-authored "Evaluation of cat and owner characteristics and their relationships to outdoor access of owned cats" which was featured on June 1, 2003 (Vol 222, No. 11). Dr. Gary Patronek was sited numerous times in the footnotes. In the same JAVMA issue. Drs. Heidi White, V99. Elizabeth Rozanski, Amy Tidwell, V90R, Daniel Chan, and John Rush co-authored "Spontaneous pneumothorax in two cats with small airway disease".

Dr. Elizabeth A. Lawrence, was quoted in the *Science Times* article "Cute but Wild: The Perilous Lure of Exotic Pets" (*The New York Times*, Junes 24, 2003) :

HOSPITAL REFERRALS Liaison/Extension Service

Who are you going to call? When referring cases to the hospital, please use the liaisons listed below. Also, please indicate that you are an alumnus/a of TUSVM.

Angela Davis 508-839-5395 X84681

- Internal medicine
- Vaccination clinics

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- Orthopedic surgery
- Behavior
- Soft tissue surgery

Ellen Baker

- 508-839-5395 X84696
- Ophthalmology
- Neurology
- Cardiology
- Nutrition

Kelly Reed

508-839-5395 X84682

- Oncology
- Theriogenology
- Dermatology

Rose Shaughnessy 508-839-5395 X84745

- Dental
- Emergency
- Acupuncture
- Critical care medicine
- Exotics medicine
- 4th year general students calls

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Carol Ann Bryda, V00,

passed away on May 6, 2003. Dr. Bryda was born on November 25, 1967 and was a 1990 graduate of Holdy Cross College. Dr. Bryda was primarily working with large animal farms in Granville, NY and had been associated with Granville Veterinary Service. She is survived by her husband George Bouret, her parents, and two sisters. **Dr. Cheryl DiGangi, V86,** passed away on May 23, 2003 at her home in Rome, Italy. She is survived by her husband Vincent DiGangi, her uncle Richard DiGangi and his wife Betty, her uncle Denis DiGangi and his wife Barbara, her aunt Cherilyn and her husband Richard Albrycht, her aunt Susan Armstrong Cox and her husband Richard.

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Dr. John Berg, Dr. Bill Rosenblad, V95, and Dean Kosch

ALUMNI EVENTS



Dr. Sandra Silva-Arrieta, V02 and Dr. Bill Rosenblad, V95

COMMENCEMENT 2003



On a beautiful Sunday afternoon, 81 students received their Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree and 8 students received their Master of Science degree. Commencement also kicked off the 25th Anniversary of TUSVM.

The Class of 1983 held a 20th reunion brunch and then joined the academic procession with their President, Dr. Jonathan Sonneborn-Turetsky, who addressed the Class of 2003. The Class had a wonderful turnout as 22 of the 36 charter graduates of 1983 were there.



ALUMNI GIVING

Thank you Tufts Alumni for contributing more than \$42,000 to the Tufts Alumni Fund. Alumni support provides the veterinary school with important unrestricted funds for financial aid, academic and clinical program development, and for library and computer resources. It's never too late to make a contribution. For information on giving, please visit our web site at www.tufts.edu/vet/alumni/gift.shtml.

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Patricia D'Almeida Averill Donna F. Chase Henry Foster Mary A. Labato David E. Lee-Parritz Craig J. Mabray Bartholomew M. Murphy Steven L. Rowell Peter H. Rowland Joan M. Taylor William B. Wilmot V84 Fredric L. Cantor Sarah L. Cochran Kathryn A. Eaton Deborah A. Green Gail C. Hartman Phoebe M. Hovt Michael F. Leverone Cathy F. Levy Carol A. Luther Edward R. Maher Elisabeth A. Morris Anita S. Murphy Mark A. Pokras Katherine A. Reiner Rosalind M. Rolland David S. Rosene Paula M. Ruel Daniel R. Schwartz Pamela A. Shaeffer Margaret A. Shively Joanne Parent Thacher Holly E. Willard V85 John H. de Jong Belinda L. Burwell Jay A. Butan Ronald J. Emond Linda A. Frank David S. Garlick Cecelia A. Helenski Robin H. Holtsinger Anita Sabellico Holtzman Barbara J. Korry James L. Levin Joann M. Lindenmayer Lisa Maue Steven Sahl Elizabeth Shaker Inglis Leslie K. Taylor John D. Turco V86 Cady Barns

Cady Barns Elizabeth S. Bradt Thomas J. Crosson Elaine Stanley Gilleece Karen Anne Heaton-Walsh Lee A. Hinerfeld Bonnie J. McArthur David J. McGrath III Andrea Autorino Pagni Amy L. Perille John R. Rosseel Jessie R. Shavevitz Cynthia A. Smith Donna L. Stadtmore Diane M. Thomas V87 Deborah L. Ackles Margaret A. Batchelder Susan M. Bauer Ann M. C. Craig Peter R. Geannelis Daniel E. Grayson Michelle Haroules John P. Hurley Douglas C. Novick Bryan G. Parrott Ilene Hope Segal Dianne Sequoia Marsha G. E. Smith Garv J. Stuer Sheryl Robin Swankin Matthew J. Wilson Katherine E. Wolfgang Robin A. Zuckerman V88 Tracy D'Allesandro Carreiro Paul R. Biagiotti Margaret L. Delano Scott R. Handler Lynne I. Kushner Richard A. Moschella Kathleen S. Pittman Michael Podell Richard J. Sheehan Alan J. Topal Kathryn J. Trenholm **V89** Kathrin Luderer Christopher J. Bert Page R. Bouchard Elizabeth Hassinger Campbell Andrew V. Cooke Peter M. Cournoyer Elizabeth M. Gatti Dean E. Gebroe Katharine M. Goldthwait Angela Y. Hahn Mary E. Kahan Elizabeth Laws Kilgallon Laurie Lofton Stephen C. Major Mindy C. Newman

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PROBLEM BASED LEARNING FACILITATORS

If you are interested in serving as a Problem Based Learning facilitator please contact Joanne Melesky at (508) 839-7950 or

joanne.melesky@tufts.edu for first year PBL or Mary Levesque at (508) 839-7960 or mary.levesque@tufts.edu for second year PBL. **Please note, if you would like to participate, you need to have completed PBL training. If you would like to be trained, please contact the Alumni Relations Office at (508) 839-7976 for information on training sessions.

Special Thanks!!

A special thank you to TUSVM alumni who served as PBL facilitators this past year:

- Andrea Moolenbeek-Sullivan, V98
- Lisa Freeman, J86, V91, N96
- Patricia Caisse, V99
- Joan Lane, V93
- Steve Rowell, V83
- Susan Kelly, V88
- Elizabeth Hendricks, V94
- Maria Glowaski, V95
- Michael Stone, V98R
- Marie Wininger, V92
- Martha Smith, V97
- John Pollock, V97
- Valerie Johnson, V97

CTATE APPROPRIATION

TUSVM is delighted to announce that Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney has signed the state's 2004 budget, which includes a \$3,004,000 appropriation for Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine. TUSVM is grateful to the Governor for acknowledging the necessity of state funding in order to operate the Commonwealth's and New England's only veterinary school and for recognizing the importance of Tufts Veterinary School to the Commonwealth.

TROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

Elizabeth Alton, V84, is currently living in Georgia, VT and works in South Burlington, VT. She is a partner with two other veterinarians serving the Green Mountain Animal Hospital. She is still married to Ray and has 1 large dog and 4 birds at home. She still knits, gardens, downhill & cross-country skies, snowshoes, hikes, cooks & bakes. She lives in a beautiful area and would welcome any visitors!

Dana MacNamee, **V84**, reports that Emma (13), Ben (12), and Genaro (10) are all soccer stars; Lily (6) and Johna (5) are reading and counting stars; and Mary remains his guiding star.

Peter McArdle, V84, is now the Director of Regulatory Affairs at Novartis Pharmaceuticals in East Hanover, NJ. He is not working with the animal products but working with the FDA which is all new. Previous to that, he was in Massachusetts as the Executive Director of North American Operations for Immutran, a company owned by Novartis but based in the UK. The family moved to NJ last summer, which was a big change as they had lived in Massachusetts for over twenty years! They are now living on 5 acres along a river in Long Valley, NJ. Brittany is in the fifth grade and Tristan is in the first grade.

Kenneth Odrzywolski, V84,

reports that he has a new significant other, Alethea Cariddi, and also has a new offspring, Lukas Elliot, who turned 2 in June. He writes that he has another on the way, "what am I nuts?"

David Rosene, V84, continues to own and operate the Shorewood Animal Hospital which is now celebrating 15 years in operation. His daughter, Emily, is a freshman at Cornell University and his other daughter, Erin, is a sophomore in high school. Julie is a professor of communications at Carroll College.

Robin Chapman, V85, reports that not much is new. She is enjoying the puzzle of the teenage mind. Casey is 15 and Mah is 12. Overall, all is well is Rutland, MA!

John de Jong, V85, became president of the Massachusetts VMA in May this year and is also serving on the AVMA leadership and on the NEVMA board. He is happily married, has two sons and loves veterinary medicine.

Linda Frank, V85, is in her 12th year at the University of Tennessee, the second longest she had ever lived anywhere! Her eldest son, Nicholas, will be a senior in high school and they are starting to do the college thing. Linda writes, "My animal managerie keeps growing. 1 now have three sheep, an alpaca, and a horse in addition to dogs, cats, reptiles, a bird and a fish! My husband, Stephen, became a pilot last year and enjoys flying around!"

Cecelia Helenski, V85, is still living outside of Philadelphia and business has been very busy. She says hello to everyone in Grafton!

W. Scott MacLachlan, V85, writes: "Melting out of a cold snowy winter into mud season and spring at last. Heather is now 8 and very busy. Kris helps at the clinic, raises pet parrots and is lately training Hanoverians. She's also studying to judge dressage. Scott is still active in wildlife rehab and Vermont Institute of Natural Science as well as outside activities.

Ray Bennett Powell, V85, has been elected as chairman of the New Mexico Veterinary Board.

Tom de Maar, V86, has informed us that the de Maar family is moving! He has been offered a position at the Binder Park Zoo in Battle Creek, Michigan as the Director of Animal Health and Research. Binder Park Zoo is an innovative zoo whose mission is to nurture empathy, understanding and conservation of nature. Among its beauties are an extremely active educational program, a vibrant staff, a new veterinary clinic, excellent animal handling facilities, and Wild Africa, a 17-acre Africa experience with numerous animal exhibits, an elevated board walk viewing area, safari camp, and one of the largest giraffe herds in the USA. Tom's responsibilities include increasing animal health programs including animal enrichment and public health issues, assisting the education programs, finding and promoting research projects, and seeking involvement in conservation programs. Tom writes, "We move from saying 'I had a farm in Africa' to 'Fields of shining wheat (or corn), Where the deer and antelope (and giraffe) roam.'

Deborah Ackles, V87, is about to undergo an addition and renovation of her practice. She is eagerly looking forward to it while at the same time dreading the chaos that she will sure be a part of it.

Cynthia Fiore-Brooks, V87, would like to thank Dean Kosch and Dr. Tony Schwartz for sponsoring their Peace River Wildlife Center in Florida. The wild pro multimedia has been a great help for the rehabilitators and volunteers at the center.

Douglas Novick, V87, continues to operate iknowledgenow.com, a veterinary website containing over 1400 full-text articles from the Journal of the American Animal Hospital Association and other sources which has grown dramatically in *continued on page 10*

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the last 12 months. His equine practice is going strong. On the home front, Doug just purchased a 14-acre horse property with his girlfriend, Anne, and her sons Connor and Collin, ages 8 and 4. They also have 4 horses, 3 goats, 3 cats, a dog and 6 bunnies.

Yvonne Schulman, V87, reports: "My family and I have relocated to Bow, NH. Both my husband and I are working out of our home for the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology and for Marshfield Laboratories. Now that I'm close again, I hope to get to Grafton for reunions, etc."

Michael Podell, V88, recently became medical director and staff neurologist/ neurosurgeon for a large specialty referral and emergency service hospital in the Chicago area. All is going well, please stop by and visit if anyone is in the area.

David Malarkey, V89, started at a new position at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. His wife, Kathy, and his children, Christine, 9, Matthew, 6, and Caroline, 3, are all doing great. Please drop them a line!

Brenda Smith-Stowe, V89, and **David Stowe, V88,** are doing very well and keeping as busy as ever. Brenda writes, "We have 5 associates for our 2 hospitals and are in the process of an addition to the surgery area of our main hospital. As our 3 kids grow up and get more involved with soccer, dance, baseball, riding lessons, etc. I feel like I have a 2nd job as a chauffeur! In fact, I hardly have time to be a veterinarian. It's always fun to see or hear from classmates – give us a call if you're in our 'neck of the woods.'"

Allison Branson, V90, bought the Telluride Veterinary Clinic and moved to Telluride in October 2002 after 8 years in emergency and critical care medicine at the Veterinary Referral Center of Denver, Colorado.

Richard Crowell, V90, writes that he has opened up a new veterinary clinic, The Medfield Veterinary Clinic, on Route 27 in Medfield, MA. His clinic opened in December 2002.

Wende Davis, V90, life has changed with the addition of twins to her family last year! Camden Alexander Shultz and Ashley Sterling Shultz were born on April 4, 2002.

Robert Monaco, V90, has a very busy small animal and exotic animal practice. He is the only full time Avian Diplomate on Long Island. His wife Patty and two sons, Matt, 8, and Mike, 5, are doing well He also ran in the Long Island Marathon this past May!

James Tanner, V90, & Carolyn Clegg-Tanner, V90, would like to announce the birth of their second child, Jacqueline who was born in October 2002.

Theresa Albers, V91, has a new baby

girl, Sydney Breen who was born in May 2002.

Jeffrey Barrow, V91, recently purchased the Marshfield Animal Hospital which is the first time he has owned a practice. His wife, Dinna, and Jeffrey are expecting their first child in September.

Richard Williams, V91, writes, "Meg and I celebrated our 8th wedding anniversary in March – how time flies. Oldest daughter Emily just turned 5 and will start kindergarten in the fall. Olivia, 2 years old in December, is in love with her older sister and emulates her in all respects. She will start preschool in the fall. Practice is great, added surgical suite to the satellite clinic to make it more full service. All is better than well. Miss you all!"

Maria Moalli, V91, and Craig McIlquham, V92, welcomed a new daughter on April 27, 2002, Allyssa McIlquham, and are expecting a third baby in August who will join Allyssa and older sister Danielle (3). Maria and Craig moved to Groton, CT from Michigan in June. Maria left a private equine practice and academic research for a position with Pfizer and is now the head of the Laboratory Animal Medicine and Surgery group. Craig sold his practice, Whittaler Road Animal Clinic, which he had owned for five years.

Susan Chun-Martin, V92, is currently working as a small animal emergency veterinarian in White Plains, New York. She got married last year to a chef, Michael. They bought a 250-year-old farm house a few months ago. She still has Sienna whom she acquired her junior year of veterinary school. She has also added two horses and two cats to her menagerie.

Nancy Crowley, V92, writes that her practice is now five years old and Mia, her daughter, is one. Mia loves all the animals in their home as well as when she visits the clinic. Nancy and her husband, Eric, share the house with four cats and one dog, and Mia of course! There's been a few times one of the cats has been caught in the crib. Life is truly better with animals.

Karen Fine, **V92**, is engaged and will be getting married in September of 2003. After taking the acupuncture course at Tufts, she has added acupuncture services to her house call practice.

Amy Jo Cobbs Watkins, V92, will have her third child in December who will join Emma, 4, and Cole, who will be 3 in July!

Johnna Corin, V93, reports that she and Jared have learned to snowboard this past year.

Tammy Tate Eichmann, V93, is moving to Oregon with her family. She will continue to work as a relief veterinarian, as she has done for the past eight years. **Steve Ellis, V93,** has a new practice which is growing well. He was recently elected to the serve as the president of the Board of Dakin Animal Shelter.

Ashton Sisson Kane, V93, is sad to hear that the Tufts Animal Expo is no longer happening. Dr. Kane writes, "Saw Julie Pybas Wheeler, V93, there – it was great to get caught up! Can't believe it is our 10th Reunion this time!!"

Jordan Mencher, **V93**, has just finished a masters in wildlife sciences and will be researching the effects of West Nile Virus on the crow and songbird populations in Washington state.

Nan Swane Rosenberry, V93, and her husband, Steve, had a baby boy on December 11, 2002. His name is Connor and he is thriving with Steve as his primary caretaker. Nan went back to work when he was 5 weeks old. She never thought she would be a mother but it is absolutely amazing. She also still loves her job in a 3doctor small animal practice.

Suzzi Manco Strunk, V93, and her husband, Kyle, just had their 4th child this past December. Halle Marie joins her brothers Trent, age 5, Ethan, age 4, and sister Elly, age 3.

Carrie C. VandeStadt, V93, reports: "Grant and I are still happily settled in Bristol, Connecticut with our two girls, Nicole and Erica, our dog, two cats, guinea pig and fish. All these animals just seem to follow me home from the clinic, much to my girls delight and Grant's moans of 'not another one.'"

Lisa Corti, V94, is still a surgeon at Garden State Vet Specialists and was promoted to interim director. Mark Troxel, her husband, has one more year of his veterinary neurology residency at UPenn.

Diana Davis, V94, says hello to everyone! She is currently in Texas teaching and that is going very well. She recently received a summer research grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) for her research on the environmental history of North Africa...and yes, veterinary history is part of the story!

Scott Hirschberger, V94, got married to Diana Matthews, who is also a veterinarian (University of Florida, 1994.) Scott and Diana got married in August, 2002, in Key West, Florida. Scott is currently doing relief work in New Jersey.

Elizabeth Jane Chittick, V95, is working at Sea World and enjoying it!

Dan Massoff, V95, reports that he is still living in Brookline and doing house calls. Cindy, his wife, and Dan are expecting twins in October!! He will be purchasing a clinic in Braintree and all are welcome to drop by to say hello. It is a Banfield Pet Hospital located inside the South Shore Plaza PetsMart.

Lisa Colarusso McCarthy, V95, is living in Old Lyme, CT with her husband Justin, and sons, Matthew and Thomas, ages 4 and 1 respectively. She is currently doing relief work and she is still riding and still attempting to ride solo. She keeps in close contact with Lisa Sweeny Beagan, **V95**, who lives in Maryland with her husband Dave and their daughter Devon and son Matthew (ages 3 and 1). Lisa also keeps in touch with Lisa Truchan Sabbadini, V94, who lives in nearby Mystic with her husband Fernando and their two daughters Emma, 2, and Rachel, one month. Both are also doing relief work as well and Lisa Sabbadini is also still full time at Pfizer.

Kathryn Gorski, V96, has a new addition, son Owen who was born on July 9, 2002. Owen joins older brother Cameron, 3.

Jeff Margolis, V96, recently became the owner of the practice where he works. Jody, his wife, and his two children, Zoe and Jake, ages 5 and 3 respectively, and his dog Wrigley and cat Camden, are all doing wonderful.

Leeann Oliver, V96, reports that she has a new addition to her family, a son, Christopher McFayden.

Katherine Polk Osborne, V96, will be relocating to Albany, NY over the summer. She has two sons, Patrick and Reilly, ages 3 and 1.

Robin Hopwood-Courvile, V97, and her husband Jeff had a beautiful wedding in August, 2002. There were eleven veterinarians in attendance; Sharon Chang, V97, Rachel Easterly, V97, Chris Heinritz, V97, and Nicole Rickard, V98, were among those in attendance. Chris Whittier, V97, and Michael Krawshuk, V97, were in the wedding party. They followed the wedding with a fabulous honeymoon to New Zealand and Australia. Anyone interested in visiting them in North Carolina is welcome.

Rachel Parady Keyser, V97, just finished renovations at her hospital including new computers and software. Kevin and Rachel also had 5 Paint horse foals this spring, bringing their total number of horses to 16. They will be heading to the World Paint Horse Show in Fort Worth, Texas in July. Wish them luck!

Neil Storey, V97, was recently joined by classmate, **Mike Krawshuk**, V97, at the Weston Veterinary Clinic. Also, **Kelly Blackman Bentley**, V00, currently works there as well.

Chris Whittier, V97, & Felicia Nutter, V93, writes: "I'm temporarily home from Rwanda where I served as Interim Field Vet for the Mountain Gorilla Vet Project until Felicia (my wife) started in that position full time in December. 2002 was a rough year for the mountain gorillas as we saw the return of gorilla poaching to capture live babies -and the resultant death of at least eight gorillas. I'm hoping to finish my lab work by the summer and complete my PhD here at NC State by December.

Lilan Basse, V98, and her husband Marc are very happy to announce the arrival of their new daughter, Sophia Julia Hauser, who was adopted from Russia in February. At just 2 years of age, Sofia has got the hang of using a stethoscope.

Christine Fiorello, V98, is finishing her PhD at Columbia University in NYC, and is involved in the jaguar SSP (species survival plan) trying to get zoo jaguars in Bolivia moved into breeding programs in US zoos. She is starting a residency in zoo and wildlife medicine at the University of Florida this July!!

Tamara Gull, V98, became a Diplomate of the ACVIM in 2002 (Large Animal Internal Medicine). She is now immersed in a PhD program in microbiology at Texas A&M University with a focus on the host response in bovine salmonellosis. She traveled to El Salvador in January to do livestock work with the Army veterinary corps. She would be very happy to host any Tufts vet student looking at Texas A&M for internships or residency.

Janet Kovak, V98, is still in New York City at the AMC as an associate staff surgeon.

Rebecca Mattson, V98, is enjoying working at a busy multi-doctor, 24-hour facility in beautiful Salt Lake City. Finding rare moments of free time to enjoy the outdoors and just had her first non-furry, non-fourlegged child on April 18, 2003, Col Henry McDermott.

Hilary Wheeler, V98, married Martin Donohoe in 2001 (non-vet in the "hightech" industry with all other "Silicon Valley groupies"). They are expecting their first child, a boy, in June 2003! Hilary is in the process of "buying in" to the hospital where she has been working since graduation.

Jane Belak Hamer, V99, and her husband Jeff Hamer, V99, moved to Pennsylvania in October, 2002. She is working in a two-doctor, small animal practice. Jeff is working in Trenton, NJ as a senior state veterinarian working on the West Nile Virus. They are expecting their first child in September!

Stacey Hattan-Pazienza, V99, and her husband Gary are expecting a baby in September. Congratulations!

Brooke Yules James, V99, writes, "I delivered (personally) the first baby of 2003 in Denver, 1/1/03, 12:08 a.m., Rebecca Star James. She is a beautiful healthy little girl who already loves her doggie." **M. Duffy Jones, V99,** is about to start his own practice if everything goes well.

Sara Tobias Savage, V99, had a baby girl, Nora, on August 16, 2002. "The most wonderful kid there ever was!!"

Jennifer Collins Scata, V99, and her husband moved back to her hometown in Maryland. She is currently working as a relief vet in Montgomery County which is keeping her very busy, but allows her to have great flexibility.

Kelly Blackman Bentley, V00, and her husband Neil welcomed their son, Colin Adams Bentley, on October 29, 2002.

Siubhan Bongiovanni, V00, completed the purchase of the Chittenango Animal Hospital in February 2003.

Sue Goebbart Casale, V00, is finishing her 2nd year as a small animal surgery resident at Tufts.

Kate Vance Wirth, V00, reports that Samuel Mahoney arrived on January 16, 2003. They are all doing very well and look forward to the Reunion in September!

Tracy Locke Zulick, V00, is still enjoying mixed practice. Her family is doing well – two are off to college and her youngest is entering high school. She received an excellent education from Tufts and is very glad she pursued a veterinary career.

Dawn Friedman, V01, was married last October to Aaron Schmier and they have moved into a new house in Wrentham last November.

Jennifer Stickney, V01, is now practicing in Mansfield Center, CT. She has just bought a house and will be getting married on August 2nd!

Sarah Jane Owens, V02, is doing very well. She is working at an equine practice in south England and is currently finishing a publication from a recent Africa project on rural pharmaceutical distribution. She would welcome students!

Vickie Schad, V02, writes that she have been in practice for nine months and she thinks now she is beginning to get a clue! She will be an associate in the same practice for next year as well.

Sip Siperstein, V02, will complete her internship in June in small animal medicine and surgery at The Angell Memorial Animal Hospital. In the fall, she plans to start work at a practice in the Boston area working with small animals and exotics.

Laura Snyder, V02, reports that not much at all is new!

We have also heard that **Melissa Bailey**, **VG03**, received a promotion to work at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy managing their International Environment and Resource Policy Program. + Tufts University Veterinary Alumni Association Tufts School of Veterinary Medicine 200 Westboro Road North Grafton, MA 01536-1895 Nonprofit Org. U.S. Postage PAID N. Grafton, MA Permit No. 9

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Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine honored Dr. Annelisa M. Kilbourn, V96, with a memorial lecture at the annual Student Spring Conservation Medicine Symposium on Sunday, March 30. Presenters at the symposium included: Dr. Jeremy Goodman, V96, Potawatomi Zoo; Dr. Cheryl Rosa, V97, Arctic Institute of Biology; Dr. Rose Borkowski, V94I, Lion Country Safari; Dr. Suzan Murray, V91, Smithsonian Institute National Zoo; Dr. Terry Norten, V86, Wildlife Conservation Society; and Dr. William B. Karesh, Wildlife Conservation. Dr. Kilbourn had been a promising young veterinarian pursuing research in Gabon, Africa, when her small plane crashed onto the landing strip there. The first scientist to link the deadly human Ebola virus to endangered gorillas in the region, Dr. Kilbourn also made great strides in helping protect endangered Sumatran rhinos, orangutans, elephants, wild dogs, lemurs, and other high-profile and highly threatened species in Africa and Asia.

Contributions are being accepted to support the annual memorial lecture. Contributions are tax deductible and may be sent to: Development, Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine, 200 Westboro Rd., North Grafton, MA 01536. Checks should be made out to Trustees of Tufts and include a note directing the donation to the Annelisa M. Kilbourn Conservation Medicine Fund.

On June 5, Dr. Annelisa Kilbourn, V96, was posthumously awarded the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Global 500 award for her contributions to environmental conservation.

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