

### Tufts Events

\*denotes more details inside

events are held on Grafton campus unless otherwise noted

*March 14-15*

**PBL Facilitator Training\***

*April 3*

**Connecticut alumni reception to meet President Bacow**

*April 7*

**Cape Cod alumni reception to meet President Bacow**

*April 11*

**Rhode Island alumni reception to meet President Bacow**

*April 13*

**SCAVMA Auction**

Grafton Inn\*

*April 19*

**Inauguration of Lawrence S. Bacow, 12th President of Tufts\***

Medford Campus

*April 20*

**Center for Animals and Public Policy, Master's Program Graduation Ceremony**

*April 20*

**Center for Animals and Public Policy, M.S. Students "Career Day"**

*April 29*

**New Hampshire alumni reception to meet President Bacow**

*May 19*

**School of Veterinary Medicine Commencement\***

*July 14*

**Alumni Reception at AVMA**

Opryland Hotel, Nashville TN

Details forthcoming

*Sept. 21*

**School of Veterinary Medicine Annual Open House**

*Sept. 12-15*

**3rd Annual Tufts Animal Expo**  
Hynes Convention Center, Boston

For more information on these and other upcoming events, contact the Development & Alumni Relations Office at (508) 839-7909 or [vetalumni@tufts.edu](mailto:vetalumni@tufts.edu).

### President's Message

This past December, I participated in a Career Day that was sponsored by SCAVMA at Tufts. The goal of the activities was to allow students to interact with veterinarians from many "walks of life"—private small and large animal practice, academics, industry, etc. Although the turnout was light due to major exams the next day, the students who attended had interesting questions and legitimate concerns regarding life after veterinary school. From the questions I addressed and the informal conversations that occurred, it became clear to me that the students were seeking whatever insight they could gather from people who had been there before them. This is an area that the Alumni Association can address and we are doing just that.

The Alumni Association has been working with the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA) to improve the mentoring program that has been spearheaded by Dr. Susan Rabaut. Through Dr. Rabaut's efforts, each year volunteer mentors are matched with Tufts students who request to participate in the program. Most mentor-mentee relationships begin via e-mail and telephone conversations and some develop into face-to-face meetings for lunch or dinner. For some students, one year of mentoring meets their needs while others desire to continue the relationship. This is not an "externship" program but rather a means of communication that allows students to discuss the important issues that face



Scott Handler, V88  
President, Tufts  
Veterinary Alumni  
Association

them as they pursue their goals. After the first year of the program, it became clear that students were not only looking for guidance on professional but also personal issues. (i.e., How can a veterinarian continue to practice while trying to raise a family?)

What can you do as an alumnus? Our needs analysis of 2000 indicated a large number of alumni want to serve as a mentor to students or

recent graduates so I know that the desire to assist is there. Because you have walked in the students' shoes, you have a vast resource of knowledge and experiences that can benefit current and future students as they trudge through their time at Tufts. So, get involved and become a mentor. Distance is not an issue since e-mail and telephone calls will often serve the purpose. Just a few hours of your time over the period of an academic year will provide valuable insight and a sounding board for an anxious student. Contact the Alumni Relations Office and we will pass on your information to the MVMA.

Remember your years at Tufts and how you would have appreciated being able to talk with someone who had already faced the same issues you were facing. Now you can help alleviate that feeling by donating just a little bit of your time and experience to a future colleague. ▲

### Alumni Reception at North American Veterinary Conference



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## Tufts University Veterinary Alumni Association

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## Free Training Program to become a Problem-Based Learning (PBL) Facilitator

*Dr. Anthony Schwartz, Office of Academic and Outreach Programs*

*"I have been facilitating in PBL since its inception. I find that PBL helps the students relate the coursework to what they will be doing in clinics with animals later on in their veterinary education. It is truly rewarding and fun to see the students learning to apply concepts as they learn to research problems, present information and interact professionally with their peers. I often see recognition on faces that say "so that's what this is all about!" It is also an opportunity for me to get to know some of our really wonderful students. It has set the stage for some long-term professional relationships and friendships." Steve Rowell V83*

Problem-based learning (PBL) is a relatively new paper clinical case-based method for enhancing veterinary student learning of basic science facts and concepts, clinical problem solving skills and critical thinking skills. Further, students get started in exploring online and other information sources practitioners routinely use to investigate clinical problems they are faced with, and they become better communicators. The many practitioners already involved in this program at TUSVM have proven to be excellent facilitators, and, in fact, a practitioner (Dr. Henry Childers) directs the first year-course.

PBL is a small-group, student-centered collaborative learning program. The facilitator does not act as an expert, but helps students to identify learning issues and work through the clinical problems. Students research the issues and report back to the group the next week, essentially acting as the instructors. The facilitator helps the students to address the learning objectives explored during study of the clinical problem, using a facilitator's guide for the case. Facilitators rou-

tinely learn at least as much as they teach. Based on this, facilitators will be granted one hour of CE credit for each contact hour of facilitation.

To get involved as a facilitator, it is necessary to receive training. TUSVM provides free training programs in PBL. The next such program occurs on the Grafton, MA campus, on Thursday afternoon March 14th, and all day Friday, March 15th. Trainees learn the theory behind PBL, participate as a student in a PBL group, research an identified learning issue, and then practice as a facilitator. Trainees can become facilitators for first year and/or second year TUSVM students as early as September 2002. All teaching is on the Grafton, MA Campus.

If you are interested in signing up for training, or learning more about the program before making this decision, please call Ms. Jane Wasiuk or me at 508-887-4600. You may also e-mail Ms. Wasiuk at [jane.wasiuk@tufts.edu](mailto:jane.wasiuk@tufts.edu).



Those of you who couldn't attend Reunion 2001 missed Mary Labato V83 receiving the Veterinary Alumni Association Outstanding Alumnus Award from her good friend, classmate, and colleague, Steve Rowell V83.

It's time again to start thinking about which of your classmates deserve this top honor from the Veterinary Alumni Association. Nomination forms for this prestigious award will be mailed to all alumni in May. The award, again, will be a highlight of Reunion. *Reminder—current executive board members are not eligible for this award.*

The Alumni Office is delighted to report that our alumni are being recognized for their contributions to animal (and human) health and well-being in local, regional, and national news media outlets.

We are notified of many of these through a new feature at Tufts called "E-News." Start your week with the top news and headlines from across the University. Sign up for the free news digest, and the top Tufts news stories will be sent right to your email account every Monday! To sign up, visit <http://www.tufts.edu/communications/signup.html>.

If you have recently been featured in the media, don't be shy, send us your "clippings"! And, if you have old clippings, send us a copy—we'll keep those in our alumni files.

**Mary Kahan V89** was featured in the *Boston Globe* on 1/6/02 for her travelling acupuncture practice in Concord. According to the *Globe*, Kahan is one of 13 Massachusetts doctors and 569 worldwide trained in approved post-graduate programs and certified by the association to perform chiropractic care on animals. Dr. Kahan has been performing acupuncture for 13 years and is part of a holistic health team at the Sport Horse Health Center.

**Claudia Harper V99** was featured in the 7/1/01 issue of *Macleans* in an article titled "A Group of Very Smart Young People Wrestle with How to Keep Talent Like Theirs in Canada." The article highlights Claudia's reason for leaving her native Canada to study in the U.S. "...after she graduated with a science degree from Concordia University in Montreal, she sought to be a marine veterinarian. She called the University of Guelph repeatedly, looking for advisers. They never called back so she picked up the other offer on the table and earned her veterinary degree from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine." Claudia was quoted as saying "I'm French but I'm tired of the old language battles in Quebec and my heart is in Boston right now...I can walk to MIT, I'm always feeling challenged professionally, culturally, socially."

On 1/23/02 *Tufts E-News* reported on the battle for Governor of New Mexico, saying "As the campaign season heats up in New Mexico, two Tufts graduates, **Ray Powell V85** and **Bill Richardson**, are preparing to go head-to-head in a battle to become the state's next governor. Dr. Powell is currently the state's Land Commissioner. Though their backgrounds and experiences are quite different—one has a diploma from Tufts

Veterinary School and the other holds both an undergraduate and a Fletcher degree—their political showdown leading up to New Mexico's Democratic Primary promises to be a "good Tufts fight." For many it will likely come down to a "Tufts" decision.

On 12/3/01 the web site *Town Online* featured **Liesl Rothbacher Hawley V95**—a "veterinarian who limits her practice to house calls, which is good news for ailing pets and their busy masters." The *Town Online* reports that Dr. Hawley was looking for a way to keep her veterinary skills sharp while meeting the demands of parenting three young children, ages 10 months, 3 and 5 years....the former Animal Rescue League vet saw the solution in the flexible schedule of a house-call business. Dr. Hawley treats animals in the greater Ipswich and Newburyport areas of Massachusetts.

The Newington, CT *Town Crier* reported on 1/12/02 that **Lynn Fortin V93** is the new owner of the Newington Veterinary Clinic. Dr. Fortin told the *Crier* that "it is a wonderful feeling not only to be practicing veterinary medicine and to be an owner of a clinic but to have the experience of working back in my hometown." Although Dr. Fortin has experience working with large animals, she plans to focus her practice on the treatment of dogs, cats, and small mammals. 🐾

*A new, regular feature of your Alumni Newsletter*

## Commencement Speaker

This year's commencement speaker is Roy Blount, Jr.—self-proclaimed humorist-journalist-sportswriter-poet-novelist-performer-editor-lyricist-lecturer-screenwriter-dramatist of sorts. Blount has authored twelve books (including two recent books about dogs and their human companions) and is currently a contributing editor of *The Atlantic*. His freelancing has brought the opportunity to write for TV and movies, appear in a one-man show at the American Palace Theatre, sing with Bruce Springsteen, and appear on Comedy Central. His essays, articles, verses and even drawings have appeared in 115 different periodicals. Blount appears frequently on NPR's "A Prairie Home Companion," the "CBS Morning Show," "The Tonight Show," and "Politically Incorrect."

Blount holds an M.A. degree from Harvard and lives in western Massachusetts and New York City.

Commencement will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 19, 2002 under a tent behind the Franklin M. Loew Veterinary Medical Education Center. All alumni (and friends!) are welcome. 🐾

## Veterinary Alumni Fund Update

Hard to believe...but the fundraising year for your alma mater officially closes in less than 4 months on June 30. To those of you who have made your gift already, thank you.

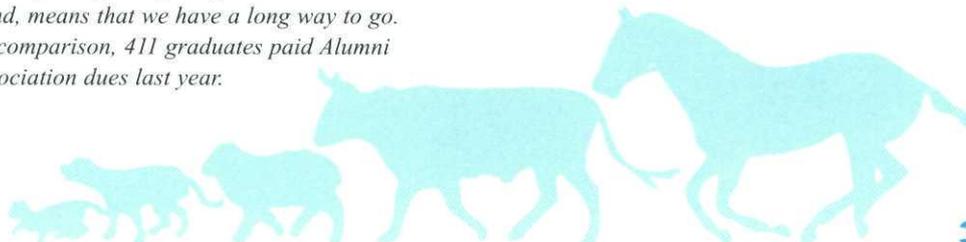
The recent Veterinary Alumni Fund appeal highlighted some thought-provoking statistics. A portion of John de Jong's V85 (current Chair of the Veterinary Alumni Fund) letter follows:

*Most, if not all, of us deal with facts and figures on a daily basis. I felt that if you knew how the Fund has done you might be more inclined to participate in supporting our alma mater. In FY01, the Fund raised approximately \$39,000 with all but \$5,000 coming from just two individuals. The 168 others that contributed averaged \$29 per gift. Considering that we have over 1,100 alumni, and only 170 participating in the Alumni Fund, means that we have a long way to go. By comparison, 411 graduates paid Alumni Association dues last year.*

*While these are two distinct and different entities, each needs our support.*

*If each of the 411 dues-paying members (last fiscal year) of the Alumni Association gave \$29 to the Alumni Fund that would raise over \$11,000—\$6,000 more than we raised from 168 graduates in 2001. If 1,100 alumni gave just \$10 each (a small token of gratitude for our education) that too would raise \$11,000. Either way, we should show pride in our Tufts degrees and help the School with that kind of support, or more!*

If you would like to make a gift to the Veterinary Alumni Fund, you can do so easily and securely online. Visit Tufts' web site, [www.tufts.edu](http://www.tufts.edu), click on alumni, and then click on making a gift. Or, go directly to the online giving page at <https://www.alumniconnections.com/donate/tufts/>. 🐾





## Tufts Annual Open House



Open House was a record breaker last year (including the hot weather). The intense September heat didn't keep away scores of families, prospective veterinary students, and young ones with sickly teddy bears. According to Campus Police, 5,000 visitors came to Tufts. The day held the first "alumni" reunion for our Adventures in Veterinary Medicine (AVM) Program, an intercollegiate cross-country competition led by Tufts' teams, and a visit from a group of 48 Japanese veterinary students and veterinary faculty and practitioners from Tokyo.

Tell your neighbors, friends, and clients about this special opportunity to have an inside look at your alma mater. For your information, the Open House date is published on the Tufts web site and made known to those who call the main hospital phone number. The Alumni Office will be glad to supply Open House fliers (when available in the summer) to your offices, just ask! 🐾

## Reunion 2001

*Hey, you missed out on some cool hats!*

There's no doubt the Classes of 1986, 1991, and 1996 had a memorable evening on October 12. TUSVM baseball hats made their appearance (and disappearance), quickly gaining popularity with alumni.

Alumni applauded loudly when Wendy Emerson V85 presented Dr. Kosch with the "big check," representing funds raised from *Alumni for the School*. The crowd was additionally, and quite pleasantly, surprised by a \$766 gift from the Class of 1996 (monies from their activity fund).

Many thanks to the Reunion Chairs Liz Bradt V86, Mark Reilly V91, and Marc Fine V96, whose efforts made Reunion 2001 a success.

## Calling All 2's and 7's—Classes of 1987, 1992, and 1997

*Time to start planning! Reunion 2002*

It is never too early to begin planning for this year's Reunion. Reunion will again be held in conjunction with Tufts Animal Expo, which is scheduled for September 12-15, 2002 at the



Hynes Convention Center in Boston. Those ever-important details such as location, time, and format of Reunion are forthcoming.

Mark Reilly V91, with help from classmates, gathered old photos to display at Reunion 2001 and had his class skits on video—a smashing success among fellow '91ers. We'd like to continue this new tradition of having "memorabilia" for viewing at Reunion. If you have any photographs or videos for this purpose, please get in touch with Susan Prentice in the Alumni Relations Office. It's not too early to organize! 🐾



*Follow Cindy and Jessica's lead.... become a Reunion Class Rep!*

This volunteer role doesn't require much of your time...just your willingness to get on the phone to call classmates and encourage their participation at Reunion. Call Susan Prentice, in the Alumni Relations Office, if you're interested in becoming a Reunion Class Representative. Help ensure a successful turnout at Reunion. 🐾

## Alumni Reception at North American Veterinary Conference



Dean Kosch welcomed over 45 alumni to the Sunday, January 13 Tufts Veterinary Alumni reception at the Marriott in Orlando, Florida. Drs. Schwartz and Hammerquist represented the faculty. Everyone enjoyed catching up with old friends and getting to know recent graduates. Many non-Tufts alumni stopped by to see where all the fun was being had and to help themselves to Tufts bumper stickers, pens, and magazines at the registration table. Thank you to those who took time out of their busy conference schedule to attend this Alumni Association and School sponsored reception! 🐾



## Center for Animals and Public Policy

*M.S. Student Career Day... and Graduation!*

Alumni from the Center for Animals and Public Policy (CFA) Master's of Science program will be holding their annual Career Day on Saturday, April 20 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The M.S. graduation will also be held on April 20 from 9:30 to 2:00 p.m. Both events will be held in the Jean Mayer Administration Building.

For the last four years, M.S. alumni have organized Career Day as an opportunity for informal dialogue between M.S. students and alumni regarding career opportunities. As this is also the day of the M.S. graduation, there will be additional opportunities for alumni to meet with CFA faculty, attend Dr. Andrew Rowan's lecture, and to socialize with the graduates.

You may recall that Dr. Rowan was a faculty member at Tufts in 1983 and was responsible for the development of the School's programs on animals in society. He was the Director of the Tufts Center for Animals and Public Policy from 1983-1997 and a professor and Chair (1995-1997) of the Department of Environmental Studies. He is currently a Senior Vice President at the Humane Society of the United States and adjunct faculty member at Tufts.

**Congratulations to this year's Center for Animals and Public Policy graduates!** 🐾

## 2nd Annual TUSVM Golf Tournament

Dr. Eric Overström is again organizing this wonderful opportunity to help raise money for veterinary student scholarships. Last year's tournament raised \$5,900!

The Tournament is tentatively scheduled for a Saturday in May—details are forthcoming via a separate mailing. Consider participating in a way that is convenient for you—by golfing, making a raffle donation, or becoming a sponsor. Many alumni participated last year and helped make the event a success.

Details about the golf tournament will be mailed as soon as a date is confirmed. In the meantime, if you have any questions about how you can participate, please call Dr. Eric Overström at 508-839-7940. 🐾

## "Now Begins and Extraordinary Journey"

*Lawrence S. Bacow*



President & Mrs. Bacow

Alumni receptions to meet President Bacow are planned for Florida in March and for New England in April. Details of these events can be found on the Tufts website.

*April 3:* Connecticut

*April 7:* Cape Cod

*April 11:* Rhode Island

*April 29:* New Hampshire

If you live in the above areas, you should receive an invitation through the mail. 🐾

## Inauguration of Lawrence S. Bacow

The entire Tufts community is invited to attend the inauguration of Lawrence S. Bacow as 12th President of Tufts University. The following free events will be held on the Medford campus:

### *Inauguration Concert*

Thursday, April 18, 2002 8:00 p.m.

Cohen Auditorium, Aidekman Arts Center

### *Inauguration Ceremony*

Friday, April 19, 2002, 11:00 a.m.

Ellis Oval

### *Inauguration and Tufts 150th Anniversary Celebration*

Saturday, April 20, 2002, 8:30 p.m. to midnight!

Gantcher Family Sports and Convocation Center

For more information, please contact a Tufts representative via: inauguration hotline at 617-627-4920 or e-mail: [inauguration@tufts.edu](mailto:inauguration@tufts.edu)

## Get Connected—Get on the Web

Spread the word! There are great resources available for you, for prospective applicants you meet, and for others on the University [www.tufts.edu](http://www.tufts.edu) and the School of Veterinary Medicine web sites [www.tufts.edu/vet](http://www.tufts.edu/vet).

A sample of what's available:

- Employment opportunities at the University
- University-wide event listing (and ability to r.s.v.p.)
- School of Veterinary Medicine Continuing Education course listings
- Walking tour of the Grafton campus
- Ability to make a donation to the School on-line
- For sale: Tufts merchandise! 🐾



*Fantastic turnout  
for the class of  
1986!*

*L-R Judy Aronson Webb  
V87, Katie Wolfgang V87,  
Cindy Fiore-Brooks V87,  
Jessica Baron V87, Dr.  
Sawkat Anwer*



*Class of 1992 planning their  
reunion. Marie Winger &  
husband Peter, Liz Maloney,  
CJ. Churchill.*

# BACK TO BOSTON

## 16th Annual Veterinary School Reunion and Comeback



*Wendy Emerson V85 presenting Marc Fine V96 with gift for chairing 1996's reunion committee.*



*Mark Reilly V91, Kevin Cowan V91, Dean Kosch, Charlie Hutchinson V91, Barbara Hutchinson*



*Great participation for Class of 1991!*

## From the Horse's Mouth

Reminder: since there won't be another dues mailing for this fiscal year, please send us your news at your convenience using one of these methods:

E-mail: [vetalumni@tufts.edu](mailto:vetalumni@tufts.edu)

Call us: 508-839-7909

Fax us: 508-839-7232

Snail mail: Alumni Relations Office, Tufts  
200 Westboro Road  
N. Grafton MA 01536

### 1983

**Betsey Borg** says, "I'm still working about 100 hours/week at the Colchester (CT) Veterinary Hospital. We could use a few more veterinarians. Please contact me if you need a job!"

### 1984

**Constance E. Breese** tells us, "My husband John and I had a new baby boy in April 2001. His name is Nolan. We're all doing great!"

**Sarah Cochran** reports, "Great V84 Reunion at the AAEP meeting in San Diego, November 2001, the group: Lolly Cochran, **Jon Davis V84**, **Thor Hyppa V84**, **Joanne Thacher V84**, Jack Sarkisian, and 2 sons Sam and Ben."

**Pamela Shaeffer** shares that, "Everything is well in Santa Fe. Eilise is 10 years old now, my mobile practice is 12+ and continues to grow, hubby Mike and animals, 2 dogs, 3 cats and 1 bird are great."

### 1985

**Margaret Alberts** tells us, "Just a quick update on my life. I have been doing relief work the last few years, which allows me to take a lot of time off to do other things. I get bored easily so believe it or not but last summer I worked at Disney World in the parade at Magic Kingdom. I kept in the animal motif though by playing a gazelle in the parade."

**John de Jong** was elected in July to the House Advisory Committee of the AVMA's House of Delegates. Any graduates concerned with national veterinary issues please contact him at [drjdejong@aol.com](mailto:drjdejong@aol.com).

**Gail D. Mason** sends greetings "from our Bath-Brunswick Veterinary Hospital, which has grown to 10 DVM's and Portland Veterinary Specialists is up to 5 specialists and a radioactive iodine treatment center. Yeah, we're tired but it's fun! Come visit!"

**Ray Powell** has announced his candidacy for Governor of New Mexico. The election is 2002.

### 1986

**Tom Crosson** tells us cryptically, "SSDD."

**Lee Hinerfield** escaped corporate takeover...took some time to think and relax exploring small animal house call practice while developing complementary medicine skills (AP, herbal medicine). Despite the events of September 11 and the sagging economy, he has been busy traveling...to China, the Northwest and Southwest. Sadly saw all too few Tufts compadres at 2nd annual Tufts Expo (e.g. **Liz Bradt** and **Cindy Fiore V87**).

**Jeffrey Kaplan** says that he is, "Still thwarted in my efforts to get a dog, I bury myself in my work (Metro Cat Hospital of Brookline) and amuse myself with 3 sons, 1 daughter, 2 bearded dragons, 2 guinea pigs, 1 hamster, 1 wife and several fish."

### 1987

**Cynthia Fiore-Brooks** reports "I practice in a 3-doctor small animal practice. I am the Medical Director of Peace River Wildlife Center in Punta Gorda FL. I enjoy raising my 2 girls who have inherited my personality."

**Daniel Grayson** is no longer at Brooklyn Vet Emergency, and is now doing relief work (again!) "We still do a lot of traveling and love being in NYC."

**Ellen Singer** remarks, "It's hard to believe I'm still here in England, six years later. Quietly working away at my job treating referral cases, teaching students and doing some research. Oh, and not to mention going racing, eventing and generally enjoying myself."

**Judith Aronson Webb** says she's "Still working for IDEXX Veterinary Services and part-time at the California Animal Hospital...loving married life and Los Angeles too!!!"

**Janet Wojciechowski** says, "Specialty in Vet. Dermatology and allergy—all species—accepting referrals! I'm at Dover Vet. Hospital, 96 Durham Rd., Dover NH 03820"

### 1988

**Grace Simonson** tells us that she quit private practice and is now running a spay/neuter clinic in Ellsworth, ME. This gives her a less hectic work life and more time with her kids—Elizabeth, 7 and Thomas, 4 and retired husband. She'd love to hear from any other spay/neuter vets; she'd love to talk. Her email is [coxsimon@mid-coast.com](mailto:coxsimon@mid-coast.com).

**David and Brenda Stowe V89** give us their news, "Dave and I went out to Jackson Hole, Wyoming for **Kathrin Luderer's V89** wedding and saw fellow alums including **Beth Gatti V89**, **Tracy D'Allesandro V88**, and **Dan Forman V88**. We're putting an addition on our hospital—never a quiet moment but it keeps life interesting!"

**Joseph Van Tiem** says, "Hello, I'm still working for USDA as a Veterinary Epidemiologist studying Tuberculosis in livestock and wildlife. I'm currently working on the evaluation of a disease eradication model that can predict the effectiveness of intervention strategies and trying to assist Mexico with their TB eradication activities. I still reside in Maryland and have my 2 daughters to keep me occupied."

### 1989

**Gayle Block** reports, "We have hired another doctor and added another 200 square feet to our practice. What a difference!"

**Peter Cournoyer** has been married to Susan for 11 years and they 3 beautiful daughters, Lauren, 10, Charlotte, 7, and Faith, 13 months. He owns and operates three veterinary hospitals in Rhode Island/Southeastern MA area. He says he's having difficulty finding associate veterinarians. All Tufts graduates are welcome to apply!

### 1990

**Elizabeth Colleran V96G** tells us, "Our hospital will be featured in the January 2002 Veterinary Economics magazine architecture design feature article."

### 1991

**Elizabeth Nowak** and her husband Scott have a son Eric who will be 1 years old on 1/5/02. Liz is working part-time at a local emergency clinic.

### 1992

Congratulations to **Timothy J. Becker** who was inducted into the Morris Animal Foundation's Veterinary Honor Roll. The Roll's inductees are chosen by Foundation donors of \$500 or more on behalf of the veterinarian as a "way for clients to express gratitude while advancing veterinary medicine through their donation." Dr. Becker works for the Veterinary Referral and Emergency Center in Norwalk, CT.

**Cheryl Chappa** reports that, "We finally got married in September. Mark and I went to Alaska for our honeymoon. I am definitely enjoying practice ownership."

**Ellen German** tells us that she is raising 3 beautiful little girls. She is taking Dr. Pitcairn's homeopathic course and is planning on training a

bloodhound for search and rescue.

**Elisa Harvey** has this to say, "I am Chief of the Peripheral Vascular Devices Branch at FDA, supervising regulation of these devices for use in people. I also practice at several area practices."

### 1993

**Tammy Eichmann** is still living in sunny Southern California as a relief veterinarian. Allison, 10, Ryan, 6 and Don are all doing well.

**Julie Kopser** and husband Matt are proud to announce the adoption of their 13-month-old daughter Naomi Yong Ning Kopser from China on 11/26/01. Bob the greyhound and Sam the cat seem to enjoy their new little sister too!

**Jordan Mencher** is continuing his work on a Master's in Wildlife Science at the University of Washington and the USGS-National Wildlife Health Center.

**Jeffrey Proulx** is having a great time in San Francisco. Doing lots of traveling and biking. Still at SFSPCA and building a multi-specialty hospital.

**Carrie VandeStadt** is still working part-time at Bristol Veterinary Associates in CT. She says that she sees Patty Burke V frequently and that she's practicing in Naugatuck, CT.

**Julie Wheeler** is still doing relief work. She has a new baby born on Valentine's Day, 2-14-01, Jacqueline Rose Wheeler.

### 1994

**Laurie Hess** tells us, "I am about to have my second child in a few weeks and I have recently begun working at Westchester County's largest 24-hour emergency referral hospital where I practice avian and exotic pet medicine."

**Hisham Ibrahim** reports that he is married and has 2 kids, Mary and David. He works in a 24-hour small animal hospital.

**Stefanie Krieger** is an associate at a practice in Wallingford CT, and has 2 little girls; Carly, 4 and Daphne, 2.

**John Makuc** would like to say "Hi!" to all his classmates and hopes that all are doing well. Cynthia is due with number two in February. Jacob, number one is a handful; knows his animals pretty well.

### 1995

**Maria Glowaski** did a residency in anesthesia at Cornell and passed her boards in 2000 and is currently working as a consultant and is a PBL facilitator at Tufts!

**Susan Pincus** is now doing relief work in downtown Chicago. If any V95's ever visit Chicago, look her up!

**Catherine Reese** passed surgery boards in February 2001 and is a staff surgeon and director of surgery residents at Angell Memorial Hospital in Boston.

**Bridget Malboeuf-Stewart** is living in Canada working at a small animal practice. She writes "Keith and I now have three children, Sarah age 5, Bobby age 3 and William 15 months. Hi Ashley, I still have your wedding gift where are you? Email me [Bridgetstew@cojeco.ca](mailto:Bridgetstew@cojeco.ca)."

**Lisa Beagan** is expecting her second child in January 2002. She is also working part-time as a small animal practitioner in Annapolis, MD at Hoffman Animal Hospital. She is taking courses in veterinary acupuncture to become certified.

**Kim Boynaowski** reports, "I am finally tying the knot! Mitchell and I got married on January 19, 2002 in Chicago. We are still living in California."

**Elizabeth Chittick** writes "Last spring I had the incredible experience of participating in a crab-eater seal ecology project in Antarctica. I anesthetized the seals so satellite transmitters could be glued to their fur. Also finished the Zoo Boards and started a new job at Sea World in Orlando. Come visit!"

**Donna Fortin** is working part-time in Cumberland RI and also pursuing acupuncture after completing the Tufts Veterinary Acupuncture Course offered this past summer. Her son Patrick is now 1 year old and causing lots of trouble.

**Lori Feldman** tells us that she is still working and living in NYC with her husband Henry (who is a resident at NYU) and children Rachel born 12/87 and Joshua born 10/00.

**Jack Heller** says, "It has been an incredible year. I was married in June to Stacy Fellman. She came with an extremely energetic 4 year old boy named Matthew and a multitude of unpronounceable kitchen equipment, 3 cats, 2 dogs and an old house....daddy?! I've hit a 10 plus on the life scale."

**Jennifer Johnson** reports that her son Justin Thomas O'Leary was born 7/22/01.

## 1996

Seen on campus.....**Siri Dayton**, through an invitation from VGS, just recently spoke to students about her role as a VMAT team member and her experience at the World Trade Center. Thanks Siri!

**Marc Fine** reports that Heather McDermott V99 has joined his practice as an associate at Acadia Veterinary Hospital in Bar Harbor, Maine.

**Jeremy Goodman** says, "Marina, David, and Jack are doing well. Construction is near completion on the zoo's new hospital facility. Stop by if you're in the Midwest."

**Kathy Polk Osborne** gave birth to her second son July 29, Reilly John Osborne. Kathy is currently an at-home mom and will be volunteering at a wildlife rehab center in 2002.

**James McKeirnan** tells us that he opened the Great Bay Small Animal Hospital in Durham, NH.

## 1997

**Liesel Bigge** and her husband, Mike Slawinski, D.V.M., DACVS, have a new child August.

**Armelle de Laforcade V02R** completed her residency in emergency and critical care medicine at Tufts.

**Jennifer Johnson** is currently working as an associate at Roberts Animal Hospital in Hanover, MA. Jenn and David are enjoying their new home in Boston. They are expecting a baby in late March.

**Michael Krawshuk** and his wife **Kimberly (Heald) Krawshuk V96** are thrilled to announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Thayer. They hope all of their classmates are doing well.

**Emily Lebiedz** is "Doing great at a mixed animal practice in New Hampshire. We've just about finished a beautiful barn in our backyard so we can bring the horses home!"

**Ethan Morris** finished surgical residency at University of Minnesota in Spring of 2001 and is sitting for boards in February 2002. He is currently working at a veterinary surgical referral practice in Manassas, VA.

**Martha Smith** was recently hired by the Animal Rescue League of Boston to be the veterinarian at their new (slated to open 3/02) Pembroke Animal Care and Adoption Center. Martha is proud to be a founding member of the Association of Shelter Veterinarians. She is in the process of buying a house in South Boston, MA and is also working emergency shifts at VESCON and at Wonderland Dog Track to meet mortgage payments! She would love to hear from classmates: mmsmith@arlboston.org.

**Deborah Ward** just moved back to New York after completing her residency in small animal internal medicine and is working at a multi-specialty referral practice—Ultravet Diagnostics in Mineola, NY with fellow alumnus **George Kramer V86**—and enjoying getting back in touch with old friends and family.

**Christopher Whittier** just returned from his Ph.D. fieldwork in Rwanda where he was working with Mountain Gorillas.

## 1998

**Erin Bauer** had a daughter named Anna Elizabeth on February 26, 2001.

**Christine Butkiewicz** and her husband Dr. Paul Blowers are sad to report the loss of their beloved cat, Joey, in December. Years ago, Joey was destined to be a blood donor at Tufts, but he became very sick while living in the hospital. Christine adopted Joey while she was a student and tells us that Joey "was an important part of my life at Tufts." Joey was well known among Christine's classmates.

**Charles Eastin** reported to the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship newsletter (10/01) that he is "...in Leeds, England, working on clearing the foot and mouth disease outbreak. We are still getting six or more positive cases (farms) per week. As the outbreak continues, farmers and others tend to become more lax on biosecurity. The British have devised some excellent systems for dealing with on the most infectious diseases known."

**Rebecca Mattson** moved from Millbury, MA to Salt Lake City and is working at Salt Lake City's Cottonwood Animal Hospital (6360 S. Highland Avenue, 801-583-1361). She would love visitors; she is psyched about ski weather!

**Cindy McGinn** tell us "I've been working as an associate veterinarian at Wignall Animal Hospital in Dracut, MA for the last year.... what a great job!"

**Katherine Bergen Pierce** and her husband, J. Michael Pierce, welcome the birth of their daughter, Ella Bergen Pierce, born October 16, 2001.

**Hollie Stillwell** and **Enda Currid V98R** are living in North Smithfield, RI and are working hard, having recently purchased a horse care center from Dr. Ernie Finocchio.

**Andrea Sullivan** had a baby, Cole Thomas, on 12/21/00. She says she is doing great!

## 1999

**Terra Baldarelli Dufresne** tell us she is "Working full-time at Twin City Animal Hospital in Fitchburg, MA and taking care of a 10-month old son, Luke (which is also a full-time job)."

**Lisa Feinstein** is getting married in February and is living and working in Broward County, Florida as a small animal practitioner.

**Raymond Cahill-Morasco** tells us that he "Is working at the Animal Emergency Center in W. Bridgewater, MA since completing his internship at Angell Memorial. I am now in an emergency and critical care residency program. **Sue Rosenblatt** and I had the privilege of helping with the search and rescue dogs at the WTC in September. Work has kept me in touch with Sue, **Maria Mutty** and **Jane Linden**."

**Carol Macomber** is now working at the Salem Animal Hospital in Salem, NH.

**Heather McDermott** bid a fond farewell to Ann Arbor, MI at the end of May 2001 and moved to beautiful Bar Harbor, ME, where she is now an Associate Veterinarian at Acadia Animal Hospital, owned by **Marc Fine V96**. Acadia Vet. Hospital borders spectacular Acadia National Park and Heather and her various critters are having a wonderful time participating in the recreational activities that the Park offers. She is hoping to close on her new house overlooking the Atlantic Ocean in the early spring!

**Sara Savage** is in a postdoctoral fellowship in the physiology program at Harvard School of Public Health working on cardiovascular/respiratory effects on air pollution.

**Laurence Sawyer** and her husband Joe welcomed their first child, Sheila Ann, who was born on 11/14/01.

**Husna Ulla** is working at a small animal hospital in San Jose, CA and is getting married in June 2002.

**Stephanie Wong** is currently working under an NRC Associateship with the U.S. Navy Marine

Mammal Program in Point Loma, San Diego serving as an infectious disease epidemiologist. She wishes to offer hearty congratulations to **Cynthia Smith V99** who recently accepted a permanent Civil-Servant position with the U.S. Navy Marine Mammal Program in Point Loma as well.

## 2000

**Madeleine T. Ballas** says that she has just completed her master's degree in Animals and Public Policy at TUSVM in 12/01.

**Kelly Blackman** reports that she is presently working with **Neil Storey V97** at the Weston Veterinary Clinic.

**Tom Chatkupt** tells us that the past year has been very busy for him. He got married in June 2000, and began working at Danvers Veterinary Hospital where he works with **Scott Hamberg V92**. On August 8, 2001, his son Gabriel Walker Lee Chatkupt was born.

**Amy Eggleston** gives us the news that after graduation she took off for England and Paris! And then started and completed (7/00-6/01) an equine internship at a referral medicine/surgery and ambulatory practice outside of Charlottesville, VA. After taking a well-deserved vacation, she began her present job as an equine practitioner with Dr. Harry Werner, V.M.D. in CT.

**Elizabeth Hammond** is an Associate Veterinarian at the Fossil Rim Wildlife Center.

**Carolyn Morse Balin** tells us that she married Chris Naun in July of 2000, worked in Worcester for a year and now has joined the staff at Sterling Veterinary Clinic. And she has a new kitten!

**William Powell** thanks all of us at TUSVM Alumni Relations for our hard work. Thank you, William!!

**Judith Wotton** has a brand new beautiful, chubby baby girl, Serena Hogan born 9/4/01.

**Karen Zaks** has begun a residency/Ph.D. program in Clinical Pathology at Colorado State University.

## 2001

**Kari Pettit** announces the birth of her son, born August 23, 2001. He weighed about 8.1 lbs. and to quote his mother, "is the most absolutely amazing thing in the entire world." His name is Theron, which is Scottish for island, and Christopher for Kari's dad. Kari and family live in Botswana.

**Gail Renehan** says that she moved to California 1 1/2 years ago, and is working in a small animal/exotics practice in Costa Mesa, CA.

**Mina Connor** is enjoying quiet, friendly New Hampshire and working at busy Merrimack Veterinary Hospital in Merrimack, NH.

**Dawn Friedman** reports that she is living in South Easton, MA and working in Wrentham. She is also busy planning an October 2002 wedding.

**Michelle Michenzie** is in the middle of her small animal internship at VCA South Shore Animal Hospital in Weymouth, MA.

**Jennifer Stickney** tells us that she is living in West Hartford, CT and is working for **Andrea Autorino V85** at Double A Veterinary Hospital in Wethersfield, CT.

**Michelle Walsh** is working at a mixed animal practice in Rockport, ME...she reports that she is thoroughly enjoying the proximity to mountains, sea and wild things.

## 2002

Congratulations to **Lillian Cornejo V02R** who recently finished her residency at Tufts and has accepted a position as a clinical assistant professor in internal medicine. Dr. Cornejo received her D.V.M. from The Ohio State University in 1997. 🌟

Have you paid your dues yet? This fiscal year, the Alumni Office will be sending one (two reminders have been sent in the past) dues reminder mailing—which you already received. This is a friendly reminder to pay your dues if you haven't done so yet. Dues are \$10 for V01-V97 and \$15 for everyone else. You don't have to use the envelope we sent you.... simply send us your check with a note (please let us know that the money is for dues).

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# SCAVMA Auction

*Save the Date*

**April 13, 2002**

What better way to spend a Saturday evening than with classmates, former professors, staff, and students vying for that spa package, wildlife art, or weekend getaway at the annual SCAVMA auction on April 13.

The students are working very hard to make this auction better than ever. Bring a friend, a co-worker, or client and pass on the word. No matter where you live, you too can participate in this worthwhile student-run event by donating an auction item.

If you would like to make an auction donation please contact Josh Portner V04 or Jennifer York V04 (see below). For any other inquiries, call Susan Prentice in the Alumni Relations Office at 508-839-7976 or via e-mail [susan.prentice@tufts.edu](mailto:susan.prentice@tufts.edu).

All proceeds from the auction benefit Tufts' SCAVMA, the Dr. Stanley O. Travis Fund, and student activities.

*Location:*     **The Grafton Inn** (center of Grafton)  
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508-839-5931

*Auctioneer:*   **Dean Kosch**

*Time:*           6:30 p.m. silent auction; 8:00 p.m. live auction

*Cost:*           **\$10** (includes hors d'oeuvres and a fun time!)

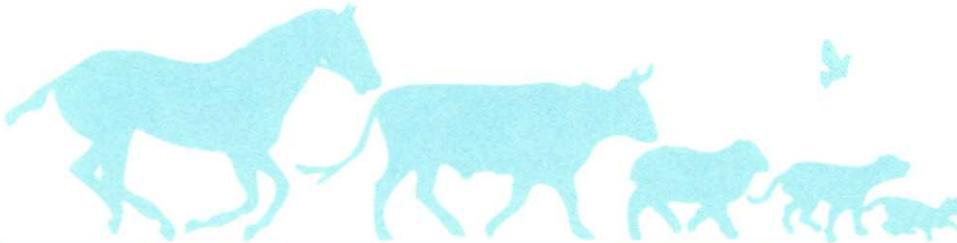
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**Show your support of SCAVMA and the student body and make it a priority to attend April 13.**

*SCAVMA thanks the Veterinary Alumni Association for donating a spa package to last year's auction. This was a very popular item!*

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### Foundation Course in Veterinary Acupuncture - IVAS Recognized

*Offered in four, 4-day modules*

Location: **TUSVM**

Session I: **May 29-June 1, 2002**

Session II: **June 26-June 29, 2002**

Session III: **July 24-July 27, 2002**

Session IV: **Aug 14-Aug 17, 2002**

Cost: **\$3,950**

Faculty/speakers: Dr. Mary Rose Paradis, Dr. Jay McDonnell V97R, Dr. Patricia Provost, Dr. Randy Caviness V93, Dr. Andrea Looney, Dr. Allen Schoen, Dr. Steve Marsden, Dr. Naomi Bierman

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### Western Herbal Medicine—Marrying Tradition and Science

Location: **TUSVM**

Date: **June 5-June 9, 2002**

Cost: **\$795**

Faculty: Susan G. Wynn, DVM, CVA, Steve Marsden, DVM, ND, MSOM, Lac, Dipl CH, Allen Schoen, DVM, MS

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