Alumni/Æ NEWS
Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine

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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

I was delighted to see so many of you at our very first "Alumni/ae Reunion" in Worcester. As you know, the program and organization are determined by your Alumni/ae Association, with staff support from the University Alumni Office by Lois Shir.

The Class of 1990 began its classes in September and seems as bright and enthusiastic as previous classes. Overall, 80% of all of our students are from New England, 70% from Massachusetts. I am now preparing, for Trustee approval in February, the budget which will take effect July 1, 1987, for the 1987-1988 academic year. Since the Trustees officially approved the establishment of the School in 1978, our tenth anniversary is already at hand. The first class (V'83) entered in the fall of 1979.

The Grafton campus continues to grow: a new dining facility is scheduled to be open in January and we are in the late stages of planning the renovation of one of the old brick "Elms" buildings (near the Peabody Pavilion) to house research laboratories and an auditorium. We hope this will not only help our regular educational programs but also provide a venue for your meetings and other Continuing Education programs.

The faculty and staff remain the heart of the School. They are the busiest, most talented group of professionals I have ever worked with. They join me in wishing you the very best for the coming holiday season and for 1987. Write me with your views on anything - I promise to reply!

Finally, I am pleased to announce some staff changes which you will be interested in:

Dr. Irwin Leav, formerly Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, has assumed a different set of responsibilities and a different title, Associate Dean, Research. Thus, he will no longer be directly involved in student academic affairs or curricular matters, except occasionally in his specific role as chief of veterinary pathology in the Department of Pathology, and as course director for the Reproductive System course given in the second year.

Dr. Andrew Rowan, Assistant Dean for New Programs and during 1985-86, for Student Affairs, will retain his New Programs responsibilities and has assumed primary responsibilities for

interacting on my behalf with the Department Chairs responsible for all courses offered in the first and second years. Dr. Rowan will work with Department Chairs and the Curriculum Committee to see that our Boston curriculum is well organized and of high quality. Dr. Rowan's primary office will remain at 203 Harrison Avenue, with regular trips to Grafton.

Martha Pokras is now Associate Dean for Academic Support and Planning and has, among other assignments, primary responsibility for student affairs. Both Barbara Berman, Director of Student Services and Financial Aid, and our new Director of Admissions (Rebecca Russo), report to Ms. Pokras, whose primary office will remain in Grafton, with regular trips to 203 Harrison Avenue.

With regard to admissions, I encourage you to direct promising candidates to Rebecca Russo's attention. She can be reached at 839-5302, X4720, and will be happy to talk to prospective applicants. Because we have been able to hold tuition flat (it's the same this year as it was in 1982-83), it is now less expensive for residents of some states to attend Tufts than Penn or Cornell. Send us the best and the brightest!

Franklin M. Loew
Dean

FIRST ANNUAL TUSVM ALUMNI/AE REUNION

Alumni/ae, spouses, guests, faculty, and staff attended the first annual TUSVM Alumni/ae Reunion on Saturday, September 20, 1986, at the Worcester Sheraton and on the Grafton Campus. In his greetings, Dean Franklin Loew reported that the Veterinary School is doing well and that the Foster Hospital for Small Animals was "a thing waiting to happen".

Kathy Reiner, V'84, presided over the first TUSVM annual meeting. Elected to office for 1986-88 were Wendy Emerson, V'85, Chairperson, John deJong, V'85, Vice Chairperson, Beth Essington, V'83, Secretary, and Dana MacNamee, V'84, Treasurer. Elected as class secretaries were: Jonathan Sonneborn-Turetsky, V'83, Kathy Reiner, V'84, Leslie Taylor, V'85, and Ronna Kabler, V'86. Congratulations to the first alumni/ae officers in TUSVM history.

The continuing education program followed with presentations by Dr. Charles Sedgwick, Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Studies at TUSVM, Dr. Philip Fox, Director of Clinics at the Animal Medical Center in New York, and Dr. Richard Sheehan, President-elect of the American Association of Equine Practitioners. Jennifer Bloomfield from the Assonet Animal Hospital and Pamela Johansen from the Somerville Animal Clinic led an interesting discussion on "working together with your spouse in your own veterinary practice" for the spouses and guests of alumni/ae and students. Jennifer is the spouse of Brooks Bloomfield, Class of V'83.

A lively reception in the Administration Building and time to look around the Foster Hospital for Small Animals concluded this historic day's events.

At the alumni/ae brunch at the Worcester Sheraton are from left: Mark Pokras, Anita Trom, and Margaret Shively, all V'84.

At the reception in Grafton are from left: Anne Baker-Keesler, V'85, Dr. Gregory Beroza, Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgery at TUSVM, and Leslie Taylor, V'85.

At a recent alumni/ae committee meeting are seated from left: Beth Essington, V'83, Alumni/ae Association Secretary, and Cathy Levy, V'84, committee member. Standing from left are: Dana MacNamee, V'84, Alumni/ae Association Treasurer, Wendy Emerson, V'85, Chairperson, and John deJong, V'85, Vice Chair-person.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

I think we all agree that our Alumni/ae Association is a vehicle for maintaining continuity between classes and for keeping in touch with classmates. Now that we have graduated our fourth class and our numbers are rapidly growing, we'd like to start thinking about goals for our future as an association.

Please take a minute to select from among the proposed goals listed below, those you feel our association should pursue now and/or in the future and return the form to the Alumni Office, Tufts University, 136 Harrison Avenue, Boston, MA 02111.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Wendy Emerson, V'85
Chairperson

TUSVM ALUMNI/AE ASSOCIATION PROPOSED GOALS
Please put a check beside your choice(s):

_____ Assisting with job placement for 4th-year students

_____ Alumni/ae involvement in externships for 4th-year students

_____ Fundraising for student scholarship and/or a school gift

_____ Coordination to involve alumni/ae in school sponsored events such as the STAT Auction and Open House

Name_____Class_____

TUSVM ALUMNI/AE COMMITTEE 1986-87

All interested alumni/ae are encouraged to participate as members of the Alumni/ae Committee which is responsible for planning the Veterinary School's alumni/ae programs and events. Meetings are held periodically throughout the year in the President's Office Building, 193 Harrison Avenue, Boston, at 7:30 p.m., and include a light supper. The time commitment is minimal.

If you would like to attend meetings, please call the Alumni Office at 956-6773 or fill out and return the form at the end of this newsletter. For more information, please call one of the TUSVM Alumni/ae Association officers listed below:

Wendy Emerson, V'85, Chairperson: 887-2321
John deJong, V'85, Vice Chairperson: 424-8488
Beth Essington, V'83, Secretary: 358-4858
Dana MacNamee, V'84, Treasurer: 665-5150

NEW ADMISSIONS DIRECTOR

The School of Veterinary Medicine is pleased to announce that Ms. Rebecca Russo joined the staff on October 20, 1986, as Director of Admissions. Ms. Russo earned her B.A. at Clark University and her M.A. at Columbia University Teachers College. Most recently Associate Director of Admissions at Fitchburg State College, she spent 5 years in progressively responsible positions at Baruch College in New York City before that. Experienced in both graduate and undergraduate admissions, Rebecca has been successfully involved in all areas of admissions, including marketing, recruitment, and enrollment planning. As most of you know, Peter Storandt resigned earlier this year to take a position at Harvard.

Alumni/ae are encouraged to direct potential applicants to Rebecca at 839-5302 X4720.

ALUMNI/AE GEOGRAPHICAL REFERRALS

Clinicians in the Large and Small Animal Hospitals would like to create a listing of alumni/ae by town of practice to be used to refer clients when a clinician is asked to recommend a local veterinarian in a specific community.

If you are interested in receiving an occasional referral based on geography, please fill out and return in the enclosed envelope the form below:

_____ YES, I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE REFERRALS BASED ON GEOGRAPHY.

Name_____Class_____

Professional Address:_____

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Business Telephone Number:_____
(Please include area code)

DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

While most veterinary schools solicit their alumni for contributions to the school, we have attempted to be very sensitive about this. If our alumni are willing to be financially supportive of the school, we are very appreciative. However, we recognize the amount of loan debt which faces most of our graduates and have chosen not to solicit you directly for support until you have been graduates for 5 years or more.

There are ways in which you can be very helpful to the school without making financial contributions:

1. Provide us with names and addresses of clients who might like to receive our newsletter and/or learn more about our programs.

2. Provide us with names of clients or other individuals who are particularly fond of animals and who clearly have the ability to contribute to an institution which serves animals. Encourage their support.

3. Begin a pet memorial program by making a small contribution to the school in memory of any client's deceased pet. The school will, in turn, notify the client of the gift made by you in honor of their pet, and you will receive a copy of the acknowledgement for your records. (We are developing forms for this program now.)

4. Offer to display school newsletters and other informational materials in the waiting room of your practice.

If you can think of other ways to help, we'd love to hear about them! Please call Lee-Ann Day at 617-839-5302 X4728 with suggestions or questions.

ANNOUNCING THE TUSVM FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR LARGE ANIMAL PRACTITIONERS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1987

The Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine cordially invites you to attend its Fourth Annual Conference for Large Animal Practitioners to be held at Grafton Tuesday, January 6, 1987 (snow date January 13). Presentations will be held in the new lecture hall in the Administration Building, followed by demonstrations and a reception at the hospitals.

Attendees are eligible for continuing education credits.

A registration fee of $75 will include morning coffee, lectures, printed materials, lunch and the reception at the conclusion of the course.

For further information, please call Carol Hayes at: (617)839-5413 X4610.

DEAN'S HOUR ALUMNI/AE PANEL PRESENTATION

On May 14, 1986, a panel of alumni/ae spoke to students about "Life After Tufts". Many thanks to the members of the panel who are pictured at right. From left to right are: David Garlick, V'85, Kathy Reiner, V'84, Dean Franklin Loew, Beth Essington, V'83, and Jonathan Sonneborn-Turetsky, V'83.

CLASS NOTES

V'83

SARAH ANNIS-LENTINI is working in an Emergency Clinic in Walpole, MA, and also with Dr. Ann Williams in Medfield in an equine practice. She is enjoying her work and husband, Ed, is well and happy.

MATT HORGAN and Pat proudly announce the birth of their son, John Thomas Riley Horgan, on November 10, 1986, weighing 7 pounds 9 ounces.

DAVE KERR is a radiology resident at Tufts.

KATHY MICHEL is working in a small animal practice in Rhode Island.

JOHN RAE has joined the Nantucket Animal Hospital as staff veterinarian, bringing to two the number of veterinarians serving the facility, which is owned and operated by the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. John has served for the past year as a staff veterinarian at the Brookline Animal Hospital, where he maintained full medical and surgical responsibilities including orthopedics.

STEVE ROWELL is working in the Diagnostic Lab at Tufts.

JONATHAN SONNEBORN-TURETSKY and Wendy proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Laura Blossom, on June 21, 1986, weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces.

JOAN TAYLOR AND BILLY WILMOT proudly announce the birth of their son, Brendan Burke Wilmot, on September 24, 1986, weighing 7 pounds, 10 3/4 ounces.

MARY LABATO, DAVID LEE-PARRITZ, and TOM ROSSI are medical residents at Tufts.

V'84

CONNIE BREESE was featured in a March edition of The Martha's Vineyard Times for her unique "housecalls only" veterinary practice. She has been offering this service for approximately one year, and so far has been reasonably successful.

MIKE LEVERONE and Sue proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Julia Eva, on October 1, 1986, weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces, 19" long.

DANA MACNAMEE is working in Danvers, MA at the Bay State Animal Clinic (for Paul Piche, with PHOEBE HOYT, V'84). He thoroughly enjoyed his internship at Angell Memorial, garnering both wicked awesome experience and many new friends. Foremost among the new friends has been Mary Hinchey MacNamee, staff psychologist and co-coordinator of Services for Deaf Clients at Coastal Community Counseling Center. She tempted fate by placing her sick kittens in Dana's care, then threw caution to the wind and married him. They are pretty happy.

JOANNE PARENT THACHER and Tom Thacher proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Adrienne, on May 11, 1986.

SANDY PRATT has started her own equine practice in Wayland, MA, and is enjoying it.

KATHY REINER is working in New Hampshire and has just bought a new car - a 1983 Suburu GL and is enjoying it very much.

V'85

GUILLERMO CARRERA took a six week grand tour of Europe this summer and visited with Wendy Emerson and Bill Baker in September.

LAURIE CAMPBELL was married in July to Bob Douquette. Lisa Wojan, Morgan Long, and John deJong were in attendance. Laurie is the Track Veterinarian at Foxboro Raceway.

JOHN DEJONG has decided to put medical school on hold and probably not return at all. He's at the Animal Rescue League in town doing lots of surgery.

LINDA FRANK and husband Stephen proudly announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Emmett Kania, on May 24, 1986. After a 3 week maternity leave, Linda went back to work in the same mixed animal practice in Northern Idaho. She is really enjoying motherhood.

CECILIA HELENSKI writes in to say "Don't believe the license plates - Oklahoma isn't OK!" She misses Boston, the ocean, real Italian food, culture, good veterinary medicine, hockey, liberal minds, Godiva chocolates, etc. She is anxiously looking forward to leaving the land of the cowboys and going to the University of Florida for a cardiology residency. (At least Florida has beaches!) She has acquired only one additional feline so far (Bubba), the only good thing to come out of Oklahoma. She looks forward to bigger and better things in the future.

BRAD HEPBURN, Staff Veterinarian for Charles River Labs Swine Program, was featured recently in Details, a quarterly publication of Charles River Laboratories, Inc.

ANN BAKER KEESLER and Dee have returned to Boston and are living on Beacon Hill at 18 Chestnut St.

BARBARA KORRY writes that she and her husband, Ed, are both very busy and find their work challenging. They have recently bought a two-family home in Providence, RI and spend most of their free time working on it and are thrilled with the results so far. They spent a week in Cancun enjoying the Carribean sea, snorkeling, and exploring Mayan ruins. It was a fantastic vacation. Barbara really enjoys the three (soon to be four) person practice she is in and plans on remaining with it next year and probably far into the future. She and her associates look forward to having a fourth associate (hopefully a Tufts grad!) and looks forward to hearing from more of her classmates in the next newsletter.

MORGAN LONG writes in the following update of his situation in the real world after graduation: "Morgan Long is in a four man practice in southern Maine and currently wading through the flood of heartworm tests and distemper vaccinations (ah spring!). I'm doing a fair amount of varied surgery as well as the usual front room stuff.

Knight Rider's little sister, the pumpkin-pie colored Datsun still runs (at 240,000 miles) although she has need for the twin air horns to scoot the Maine moose migrating across the pavement. NASA has expressed interest in her fifth-generation computer electronics onboard as a model for the shuttle-replacement orbiter.

There is just enough free time in a month to: 1. not go totally crazy, 2. see both Belinda and Margaret Von Ehr at the seacoast AVMA meetings, 3. down a cold beer.

Glad to hear Quintas is well, and that Spaceman Bill still has short hair. Stay tuned to see if 'Uncle Ronnie' uses 'pumpkin-pie' as the first laser-armed outpost in the STAR WARS program..."

MARK MASON is working in Andover, MA. He and Gail live in Boxford. GAIL D'AMICO MASON is a resident at Tufts.

SCOTT MOFFAT is working in the Portsmouth, NH, area and has a nice new pickup truck.

KEN MORRIS is still working in Waltham. Katie has become a beautiful young lady with nearly impeccable manners (ask Wendy E.!) Michelle is back to teaching school part-time.

LESLIE TAYLOR and Rick have moved to Frederick, Maryland and have bought a beautiful house in a national park.

LEE ANN WESSELHOEFT, GAIL MASON, and ANN KRAUS are all in Grafton doing residencies respectively in SA Surgery, SA Medicine, and LA Surgery.

V'86

DWIGHT BAGHDOYAN and SUSAN ZUROFF married in September. They are practicing in Connecticut.

CADY BARNS is in Stow, MA, and is working in Shrewsbury.

MATTHEW BOND is working at the Brookline Animal Hospital.

LIZ BRADT is working in the North Shore.

KEVIN CLARKE is working in Provincetown.

TOM CROSSON is working at Spruce Hill in Springfield.

TOM DEMAAR is working in a mixed animal practice in New Hampshire.

CHERYL DIGANGI and ERIC EISEN, two of the original trio, are working together with Cady Barns in Shrewsbury.

ORLY HARARI is working at the Nassau Veterinary Clinic in Nassau, New York.

LAUREN HILL is in West Haven, CT, doing an internship.

RONNA KABLER is in a busy small animal practice in Worcester, closeby to Tufts!

JEFF KAPLAN is working at the Boston Cat Hospital.

ROBIN KARLIN participated recently with Dr. Robert Allen of Hampshire Veterinary Services in Easthampton, MA, when Dr. Allen met with the 1986 Massachusetts 4-H Hippology Team candidates to discuss internal parasites of horses, their control and treatment. Robin, an associate of Dr. Allen's, shared her knowledge of the anatomy and function of the equine lower leg.

GRETCHEN KAUFMAN is working in a small animal practice in the North Shore.

GEORGE KRAMER is doing an internship at the Animal Medical Center in New York.

KAREN KRUEGER is doing a fellowship at MIT in Laboratory Animal Medicine.

MICHELE KUDISCH and AMY PERILLE are interns at Angell and are busy and enjoying their work.

NANCY NATHAN moved back to New Orleans.

TERRY NORTON is doing an internship at Friendship Hospital for Animals in Washington, D.C., near the Zoo!

MIKE REILLY is working in Connecticut.

JOHN ROSSEEL is working in a busy small animal practice in Springfield.

MARY-ALICE SALISBURY is doing an internship at Georgia State.

JESSIE SHAYEVITZ is working in a mixed animal practice in Westford and is enjoying it very much.

JANET TAST is working at the Brookline Animal Hospital.

DIANE THOMAS is practicing in Maine.

JOAN YOUNG is working in New York.

Many, many thanks to class secretaries Jonathan Sonneborn-Turetsky, V'83, Kathy Reiner, V'84, Wendy Emerson and John deJong for Leslie Taylor, V'85, who is in the process of relocating to Maryland, and Ronna Kabler, V'86, for contributing to this issue's Class Notes.

PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU!

Whether or not you have responded to previous issues, please let us hear from you! You need not send news of a major event, just write in!

Name_____Class_____

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_____ YES, I WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND ALUMNI/AE COMMITTEE MEETINGS. PLEASE NOTIFY ME ABOUT THE MEETINGS.

MY DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER IS: _____

I HAVE A NEW ADDRESS:

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