

# The Alumni News

Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine

Spring 1997

## Dean's Message

I must say, my outlook on life has improved now that my wife, Janene, and our two cocker spaniels, Buffy and Daisy, joined me in late March!

We are living in temporary digs in Worcester while we plan our new home. And I thought my plate was already full!

A couple of changes are occurring at the School. You've probably heard about some administrative reorganization. This mainly boils down to a realignment of our faculty to create one basic science department of 29 Clinical Science and a third department of 18 Environmental and Population Health. This consolidation will enhance internal synergies and position the School well for the opportunities and challenges ahead.

We are also enhancing commencement ceremonies in Grafton as this event is so important to our graduating students and all of us who take pride in their success. We are thrilled to have Dr. Peter Doherty, the first veterinarian to win the Nobel Prize in Medicine (1996) as our speaker.

Have a wonderful summer and I hope to see you at the Comeback!

Sincerely,

Philip Kosch, D.V.M., Ph.D.  
Dean

## President's Message

It has been an exciting year and a half serving as president of your Alumni Association as it continues to grow and mature. We have prospered through the School's transition and face an exciting future.

We have established an open line of communication with Dean Kosch to discuss our ideas and interests. At the hospitals, Dr. Linda Ross, Associate Dean for Clinical Programs, has been receptive and responsive to many of our concerns as alumni who are referring veterinarians.

Additionally, this year we are initiating an annual award to recognize the accomplishments of our alumni, we have welcomed fourth and third year student representatives as full members of the association's Executive Committee and we have improved the *Preparation for Real Life Seminar Series* with a discussion on debt management, which had over 40 students in the audience.

But wait, there's more! Many exciting programs are being developed! Come to Comeback '97 for an update on the status of programs currently in the pipeline, honor a fellow alum by attending the presentation of the first distinguished alumnus award and learn what's new and hot in veterinary medicine from our most sought after TUSVM faculty. At the Comeback you can also find out how the school has changed since you graduated and, more importantly, share the joy in renewed friendships with your classmates.

We are on the right track to becoming a vibrant, strong organization but now, more than ever, we need your

help. At Comeback '97, the alumni association will vote on new slate of officers. You can shape who will lead the Alumni Association into the next century by submitting names to the nominating committee for the 1997-1999 slate of officers, to be voted in at the annual meeting in September.

It is an honor to serve on the alumni association and, to ensure its continued success, we have created a nominating committee. This committee is responsible for actively recruiting new members and a slate of officers.

If you, or a Tufts alum you know, would like to be considered, please contact the Alumni Office by completing and returning the *Alumni News* tear-off on page 7. We pride ourselves on being representatives of all alumni; however, the classes of V86, V90, V91, V92, V94, V95 and V96 are in need of representation so send in your nominations.

See you in September!

Sincerely,

Fredric Cantor, D.V.M., V84  
President  
Veterinary Alumni Association

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## Tufts University Veterinary Alumni Association

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# News from the Hospitals

by Dr. Linda Ross

The addition to the Foster Hospital for Small Animals, which houses the Harrington Oncology Program, has recently been completed!

We now have 4 additional exam rooms, as well as a new ward and treatment area for oncology patients. The linear accelerator is being

installed, and we hope to have it available for radiation therapy soon. We reopened the entrance to the

Hospital for Large Animals, which had to be moved during construction. I hope you will stop by and see our new

facility - at the Comeback '97 and the Open House, if not before.

For those of you who are surfing the internet, come visit the school's website at <http://www.vec.tufts.edu>.

We'll be posting the quarterly newsletters from each hospital here, as well as other information regarding

hospital services and referrals. You can also find out more information about the school's newsletters

for pet owners - *Catnip* and *Your Dog*.

Please feel free to contact me by e-mail at [LRoss@Infonet.Tufts.edu](mailto:LRoss@Infonet.Tufts.edu) if you have any questions or are looking for information. I read my e-mail daily - and, as many people will tell you, it's probably the best way to reach me. ☐

# Admissions Reports Record- Breaking Year

by Rebecca Russo

The Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine received a record-breaking number of applications for the Class of 2001. The Admissions Office staff processed upwards of 20,000 pieces of paper!

The Admissions Committee carefully reviewed 707 applications to select those most qualified to fill the 79 spaces of the entering class who will graduate in the year 2001.

In February, 240 candidates were interviewed and final decisions were made in early March. We are looking forward to greeting another outstanding group of students this fall!

We also received 120 applications for our BS/DVM programs - designed to admit highly qualified high school seniors to TUSVM. If accepted, these students are guaranteed admission to TUSVM after three years of undergraduate college, providing they maintain a 3.25 GPA.

This program is available in conjunction with the University of Massachusetts/Amherst, the University of Vermont, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Ten of the 120 applicants were admitted to this program. ☐

Re-un-ion (re-yoon'yen) *n.* 1. The act of reuniting. 2. The state of being reunited. 3. A gathering of the members of a group who have been separated.

*Veterinary 2's & 7's - Join us September 6!*

See page 6 for more information.

# What's Happening...

**V83 Brooks Bloomfield**, his wife, Jennifer, Benjamin, age 7, and Katherine, age 6 months, are happily living at 6,000' in Truckee, Calif.

**Craig J. Mabray** is serving as the "player agent" for Eastdale Little League in Albuquerque, New Mexico, having recently retired from coaching his sons for the past four years. His sons, Marc, age 13, and Scott, age 11, have "had enough of their dad as a coach." Both boys plan to play for the Red Sox organization in 2006 and 2008, respectively.

**V84 Gail Hartman** spent a fantastic week in the Italian Alps skiing with her husband and friends. "Yes Virginia, there is a Santa Clause." Thirteen years post-graduation you too can afford a decent vacation."

The big news for **Michael Leverone** and his wife, Sue, was the arrival of a new baby, Patrick Michael, born April 3, 1996. He is doing well, as is his big sister, Julia, who is now ten. Sue is still with Tufts and Michael is enjoying the fruits of last year's expansion and renovation of his clinic in Reading, Mass.

**Margaret Shively** says she is too busy to write but sends everyone her best from Kennebunk, Maine.

**V85 John de Jong** married Carole Lee Hoch. Their wedding took place on May 3 1997. John has moved to Chestnut Hill, Mass. but still runs Boston Mobile Veterinary Clinic.

**Dyan Fortes-Muller** is pleased to announce the birth of her second daughter, Taylor Katie, on July 22, 1996. She says all is well in Woodcliffe Lake, New Jersey. "Life is hectic, but I have no complaints!"

**William MacLachlan** and **Kristine Smith** are firmly rooted in Poultney, Vermont. Heather (2+) alternates between "helping" mom with the birds and horses and dad with the clinic, garden, etc. "She is a study in kinetic energy, curiosity and, of course, love."

**Ray Powell** has been elected vice president of the 23rd State, Western States Land Commissioner's Association. He drafted legislation for the New

Mexico Legislative Session, 1997, regarding animal cruelty. Conviction under this law would result in a 4th degree felony judgement against the perpetrator.

**Mary Kahan** gave an equine acupuncture demonstration at Tufts on March 4 of this year. Mary lives and practices in Ipswich, Mass.

**Steven Sahl** attended the World Veterinary Congress in Jerusalem, Israel in October, 1996. This was followed by a ten day tour of Israel with his family and the American Veterinarians for Israel group before returning home to Shrewsbury, Mass.

**V86 Lee Hinerfeld** reported that not much was "cooking," save an adventure in Glacier National Park in August, 1996. Lee lives and works in Southern Connecticut.

This past year, **Karen Krueger** was promoted to Director of Animal Resources at Children's Hospital in Mass. In September, **Arthur Nadder V96** also joined their staff as Surgical Care Director.

**Terry Norton** is a veterinarian at the North Carolina Zoological Park and a consulting vet for St. Catherine's Island Wildlife Survival Center. He recently purchased a house in Asheboro, North Carolina. He has a fiancée, two dogs, a cat, and two leopard geckos.

**V87** *The class of V87 will celebrate its 10th Reunion on Saturday, September 6, 1997 on the Grafton Campus with Comeback '97!*

**Peg Batchelder** finished her post-doctoral training and started a new job as Clinical Laboratory Animal Veterinarian at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, New York. She and her partner, May, enjoy living in an old house in Connecticut with 2 ferrets and 1 cat.

The Traveling Vet, **Jessica Baron's** housecall practice, is thriving after 1½ years of operation. Cleo, the wonder cat, is now diabetic but doing well after one year of treatment (she's almost 15!).

**Timothy Foster** is starting his fifth

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## Fun in the Sun at NAVC '97

by Kristin Burati



The annual North American Veterinary Conference was held January 11-15, 1997 at the Marriott Orlando World Center Hotel in Orlando, Florida.

Alumni from all schools gathered together for the "Alumni Party" with approximately 55 alumni, guests and friends from Tufts in attendance.

Dean Philip Kosch was on hand to chat with alumni and answer questions about the school. [*Yes, we did allow him to visit with University of Florida, Gainesville.*]

Attendance at the party included members from almost every class, faculty members Mike Pavletic, Karl Kraus and John Rush, and a special visit by Dr. and Mrs. Harold Hammerquist. Cris Merck of the Tufts Fund graciously greeted everyone and helped hand out the last of those notecubes.

It was great meeting all of you in Orlando and we look forward to seeing even more of you next year!

### To My Fellow Tufts Graduates:

I would like to issue a challenge to my fellow classmates. If as few as one-half of them would make a contribution of \$100.00 to TUSVM, I will increase mine to the next level, i.e. \$250.00. We all have bills and, if fortunate enough, mortgages and children. Without Tufts we might not be able to afford some of these.

Sincerely,  
Dean Gebroe V89

## Air Mail from Kenya



The following is taken from an August, 1996, newsletter sent by Thomas deMaar V86, A80 where he is employed by Ol Jogi, Ltd., Nanyuki, Kenya. He writes...

"One year ago I came to Ol Jogi with a simply worded but very complex mandate. 'Get Ol Jogi involved in conservation.' During the first meeting I stressed education and research programs. Also as a veterinarian I would be responsible for the health of both wild and domestic animals. Here is where we are today.

### Background:

Ol Jogi, Ltd. consists of a fenced 13,000 acre game reserve and a contiguous 50,000 acre ranch, located north of Mt. Kenya in Laikipia 26 miles north of the equator. The altitude varies from 5600' to 7200'. The land can best be described as semi-arid savanna.

A large number of wildlife inhabit Ol Jogi. On the reserve are black rhino, white rhino, cheetah, Grevy's zebra, gerenuk, warthog and a host of others. On the ranch are large numbers of free ranging animals including elephants and lions. Over 250 wild species of birds have been recorded. A captive wildlife collection of 120+ specimens is maintained as well as 1500 Boran cattle, 250 camels, horses, dogs, cats and poultry.

A portion of my time is spent on maintaining good animal health of all creatures on Ol Jogi. With a commercial cattle and camel ranch, fenced wildlife reserve, free-ranging wildlife, an animal orphanage, and a collection of horses, dogs and cats all under one roof it creates a very mixed practice with activities divided in to 3 areas: clinical medicine, preventive medicine and wildlife health monitoring." □

## What's Happening

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year running Shepard Veterinary Clinic in Boxboro, Mass. **Lisa Truchan V94** has joined his practice. Ryan, age 5, Sean, age 2½, and Marc, age 1½, keep Tim and his wife, Linda, very busy. "Best wishes to all!"

**Ilene Hope Segal** took the plunge and opened her own place, the Parkway Veterinary Hospital at 1202 VFW Parkway in West Roxbury, Mass. She invites people to stop in and say hello and see her new OR facility. She and Gary are very proud "parents."

**Yvonne Shulman** and her husband, Tom Lipscomb, now have three children, Julie Ann, 3 years old, Mary Christine, 1 year old, and Charles Phillips, 5 mos. old. Besides the children, she has two half-time jobs to keep her busy; staff pathologist at the AFIP and consulting pathologist for Marshfield Labs, WI. Yvonne and family live in Ashton, MD.

**Ellen Singer** has settled in the Northwest region of England. "The weather isn't as bad as they say." She is gearing up for another try at the ACVS exam. Ellen invites anyone visiting England to look her up.

**Pamela Low** says her son Thomas, 18 months old, makes her life a total, "non-stop," joy. After almost ten years in New York City she hopes to return to Massachusetts soon.

**V88 Lori Bergel Kreidberg** and her husband are moving to Memphis, Tenn. late summer 1997. Anyone with suggestion of good places to practice or good restaurants should give her a call. Lori is also proud to announce a new member of her family, Kurzon, a 14 week old Lab cross.

**Julie Wallace Bennett** is married and has two sons, Drew, 8 mos., and Jake, 2 years. She passed surgery boards two years ago and has been at VCA South Shore Animal Hospital, Weymouth, Mass. for four + years.

**V89 Katharine Goldthwait** is living in Morrison, Colorado, and working at the Alpine Animal Hospital in Littleton, Colorado.

**Steve Harris** started a solo, mixed practice on Maryland's Eastern Shore in 1994. He says he is busy, but never too busy to talk to fellow alums and invites

classmates and colleagues to call him at 410-820-9229.

**Brenda Stowe (Smith)** and her husband, **David Stowe V88** announce the birth of Hannah in February, 1997. She joins her for 3½ year old brother, Alexander in the Stowe family. They are also celebrating the 5th anniversary of their practice, the Lakes Region Veterinary Hospital in Laconia, New Hampshire. Last year, **Rob MacDonald V95** joined their small animal practice. "Between the practice, our apple orchard, kids and all our creatures we are keeping very busy but really enjoying life!"

**Lisa Teixeira** finally took the plunge on September 14, 1996. She married Jay Wickham upon the yacht *Victory* in Boston Harbor. Lisa practices in Hanson, Mass.

**V90 Jill Hopfenbeck** was awarded an MVMA Merit Award at their winter conference, February 8-9, 1996, in Cambridge, Mass. Jill is a strong advocate for greyhounds in the New England area and has dedicated much of her free time to this effort. She was formerly head of the board of directors of Greyhound Friends.

**Laura Stadtmere** and her sister **Donna V86** opened Colony Veterinary Clinic in March 1995. They are located in San Diego, Calif. and their practice has been growing steadily.

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## Address Book...



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**V91** Kevin Cowan and Beth (Mary Elizabeth Nowack Cowan J87) announce the birth of their twin girls, Madeline and Anne. The happy family lives in Brunswick, Maine. "Sorry we missed reunion. Send me e-mail at KTCVet@juno.com."

**Allen Reich** has a message for **Larry Engelking**, "I will write soon!!" Allen is living and working on St. Kitts in the West Indies.

**Rich Williams** and his wife, Meg, are doing well in their new place and report their three cats, Tigger, Roo, and Winnie, have adjusted well to their new home.

**V92** *The class of V92 will celebrate its 5th Reunion on Saturday, September 6, 1997 on the Grafton Campus with Comeback '97!*

**Sharon Grayzel** married Jeff Dodson, a computer engineer, on July 28, 1996 in Boston, Mass. They are living in Portland, Ore. and Sharon is in a small animal practice in the Portland area. She can be e-mailed at JSDukeDog@simutech.com.

**Scott Hamberg** married Sandy Nagler, M.D., Ob/Gyn (who did her residency at T-NEMC) on November 10, 1996. They are living in Melrose, Mass. and Scott is practicing at Central Animal Hospital in Stoneham, Mass.

**Elissa Harvey** is enjoying her position at the FDA reviewing industry applications for new Ob/Gyn Medical Devices in Rockville, Maryland. She is still doing a little relief veterinary work at her old practice and likes that too. Her children Duncan, 4½ years, and Alex, 2 years, are doing wonderfully. Elissa's husband, Brian, is also at the FDA and enjoys his work in GI/Renal Devices Division. Abby, their Bernese "monster" dog is now one year old and not slowing down a bit.

**Wendy (Ludwig) Rodrigues** married Mark Rodrigues on September 8, 1996 and she is working at a small animal hospital, Livingston Animal Hospital, in Livingston, New Jersey.

**Scott Newman** is currently working on a post-release radiotelemetry project on Brown Pelicans oiled in the San Francisco Bay spill in November. This project hopes to identify possible long-term problems associated with oil exposure and rehabilitation. Scott lives

and works in Davis, Calif.

**Beth Shurland** welcomed her son, David Abraham, 8 lbs. 12 oz. on June 25, 1996. She practices small animal medicine in Pennsylvania and is living in Philadelphia, Penn. Her husband is currently in medical school.

**Alycia Butler** became Alycia Smith. She has practiced small animal medicine in Leominster, Mass. for four years.

**Linda Speizer** lives and works in Southwestern Ontario as a small animal practitioner. She is active on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association. Linda can be e-mailed at LSpeizer@kanservu.ca.

**V93** **Kelly Bentz** continues to practice small animal medicine in Salem, Mass. She is planning to take a 4 week Veterinary Acupuncture course in the fall of 1997.

**Kim Buchanan** married Jerry Scheck on July 7, 1996 but has decided to keep her name Buchanan. They may be buying their practice and "hope to be having rugrats soon. Would love to hear from ya'all!" Kim heard that **Mary-Liz Ward** was moving to New York.

**Cathy Coffman** was photographed with her Dalmatians in the December 8, edition of the Boston Globe, following an upsurge in interest in Dalmatians after the release of "101 Dalmatians." Cathy and her husband **Howard Coffman** own the Marlborough Animal Hospital in Marlborough, Mass.

**Steve Ellis** bought a house in Hadley, Mass. in May, 1996. He is currently doing relief work and part-time work at Boston Road Animal Hospital in Springfield, Mass. He and his wife, Deb, had a baby boy on April, 7 1997, Philip Nathan Ellis.

**Catherine Findlen Gajewski** and her husband, Gerry, are moving to Cordoba, Argentina in early spring 1997. "Gerry is being transferred by his company and I will be looking for employment." They welcome visitors and will send their new address as soon as they have it.

**Ashton Kane's** son Devin celebrated his first birthday and is starting to walk. They saw **Stuart Bleck's (V93)** son, "little Stu" and "thankfully he takes after his mom!!" The Kane's live in

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## Alumni Panel Reveals Some Answers to Tough Questions

by Maria Gove

**\$** The numbers are staggering. According to Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, Barbara Berman, the average debt for the class of V96 was \$81,000. In this year's class there are at least 12 students who will graduate with over \$100,000 of debt. And, believe it or not, Tufts grads do not have the highest debt load of all veterinary schools due to the substantial amount of financial aid available to students.

Debt Management was the topic of the *Preparation for Real Life Seminar* held on Thursday, February 13, 1997 on the Grafton Campus. When surveyed about potential topics for this year's program, it was found that debt management is on the mind of many students. Forty students attended the session and asked great questions of their alumni panel which included Ohad Barnea V92, Scott Handler V88 and Jennifer Johnson V95.

Johnson V95, the most recent grad on the panel, took an internship for a modest salary. She was fortunate to be able to take a job she loved and live at home while repaying her loans and gaining solid work experience.

Barnea V92 told students, "you can do whatever you want to." During his elective he visited many practices in New Jersey with a travelling ultra-sound practice. Barnea took advantage of this opportunity and surveyed the area. He was able to survey practices and see some well run and some not so well run hospitals. Barnea left Tufts \$65,000 in debt and upon graduation joined a group practice with nine hospitals. Based on his elective experience, Barnea knew that there were good salaries available in New Jersey. He also realized that emergencies offered good pay and in his situation, that was 50% of all emergencies in addition to his salary. Barnea told the students he had to do his homework and then negotiate for his package but "it is out there and available." After four years, Barnea consolidated his loan, and today he owns two hospitals.

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Keene, New Hampshire.

**David Merrill** reports that his wife, **Lisa Merrill**, is a member of the class of V2000 at TUSVM. Lisa commutes from their home in Somerville, Mass.

In February, **Lina de Montigny** left Fort Dodge Animal Health in New Jersey to join Pfizer (Biologicals Discovery) in Groton, Conn. They are living in Providence, Rhode Island. Her husband, Chris, transferred to Boston for his job. "We're thrilled to be returning to New England!"

**Felicia Nutter** is still in Raleigh, North Carolina at NC State University, where she is in the midst of a residency in Wildlife Medicine and a Ph.D. in Epidemiology. Felicia sees **Lauren Powers V94** often and reports that she is finishing her Avian Medicine Residency.

**Nan Swane** is living and working in beautiful Idaho. She reports that they have room for visitors if anyone wants to play in the unspoiled outdoors, anytime of the year.

**Carrie VandeStadt** practices at Bristol Veterinary Associates, Bristol, Conn. They are enjoying their new home and their daughter, Nicole, who is almost one year old already.

**V94 Diana Davis** is working away on her Ph.D. and hopes to be back in Morocco to finish her research there this fall and next spring. She will be at the AVMA in Reno, Nev. this year giving a paper in the international session. "Hope to see a lot of you in Reno!"

**Jerilyn Jacobs** is at the same mixed practice in southern Vermont. They had a busy year but she says her schedule allows plenty of time to pursue her hobbies. Her horse won a championship at an "A" rated hunter show in August and her dog completed a novice certificate in dog agility this past summer.

**Stefanie Kreiger (Jacobson)** was married in October 1994. She gave birth to her first child, Carly Grace, on March 27, 1997. The happy family is living in Southern Connecticut.

**Edward Nobrega** married a veterinarian, Carrie Wood, who is now the clinical oncologist at the University of Minnesota Veterinary Teaching Hospital. They were married October 12, 1996 and have been living in St. Paul,

Minn. since November 1, 1996. Edward has decided to go into industry, after mixed large, small animal and small animal relief jobs in Massachusetts. He is developing pacemakers and implantable cardioverter-defibrillator technology at Guidant/Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc. Edward will also be teaching physicians how to implant these medical devices into humans. Additionally, he works at New Hope Animal Hospital to stay in touch with clinical practice.

**V95 Beth Chittick** was hired as staff veterinarian at the New England Aquarium, in an expansion of their veterinary department. She previously finished an internship in aquatic medicine with the Aquarium.

**Donna Fortin Davidson** is a small animal practitioner in Lincoln, Rhode Island. She married John Davidson on October 12, 1996 and honeymooned over Christmas in St. Lucia.

**Helen Januszewski** has taken a job at Buck Hill Veterinary Services in Spencer,

Mass. Buck Hill Veterinary Service is a large animal, ambulatory practice. This comes after working for one year at a mixed animal practice in Vermont.

**Jill Pasternak** is an associate veterinarian in a five doctor, small animal-exotic practice in Warren, Mich. She is engaged to be married on October 4, 1997 to Stanley Singer, III.

**V96 Daphne Flessas** opened an equine ambulatory practice serving central and metrowest areas of Massachusetts. Daphne lives in Southborough, Mass.

**Kathryn Gorski** is happily employed at the Brookline Animal Hospital, Brookline, Mass. and busy planning a wedding.

**Rand Scott** is halfway through an internship at VCA South Shore, Mass. "I find I actually know some things!" Rand is living in Quincy, Mass. and happily no longer commuting.

**Sara Winikoff** is living and working in Vermont and planning to move back to New York soon.

**Save the Date!**

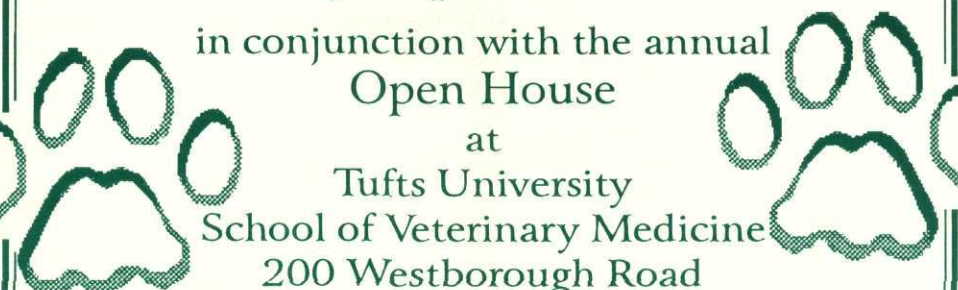
The 12th Annual  
**Veterinary Comeback**  
with V87 and V92 Reunions

Saturday, September 6, 1997

in conjunction with the annual  
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**DON'T MISS OUT!**



# Send Us Your News!

Do you know a classmate or fellow alum who is not receiving mail from Tufts? Have you joined a practice, had a baby, sailed a sea? Whatever it is, let us know! Fill out the following section and return to the Office of Alumni Relations. (See page 2 for address, e-mail, or fax #.).

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## Nominations for 1997-1999 Alumni Association Executive Board

Please consider \_\_\_\_\_

(name and class year of candidate) - **This nominee can be you!**

for the position of:

Class Representative, Class of \_\_\_\_\_.

Alumni Association Executive Board Committee Member.

- *What committees would this candidate be interested in working on:*

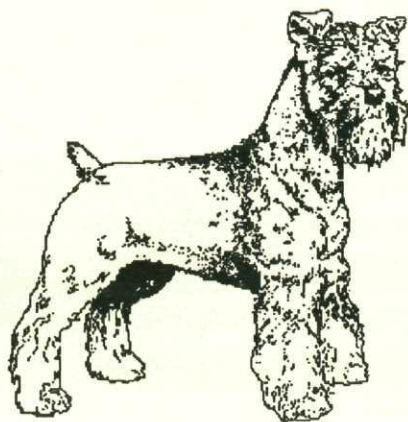
Outstanding Alumnus/a Award Selection Committee

Membership Committee

Comeback Planning Committee

The person nominated for the above position, yourself or a colleague, should, if possible, be present at the Annual Meeting held during the Veterinary Comeback on Saturday, September 6, 1997, on the Grafton Campus.

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Handler V88 offered a different perspective with his experience and career track. Handler was in a small animal practice for four years and jumped into industry at Hills Pet Nutrition where he currently works in addition to being an MBA candidate at Clark University. Handler spoke about the options of loan restructuring and consolidation. He also mentioned that benefits often make all the difference when it comes to compensation.

Advice from the panelists included: Do your homework and visit as many practices as you can; practice negotiating; investigate what is being offered and make a budget to figure out what is required to live on. Also, find out what loan re-payment options exist and use them to your own benefit.

For more information on Financial Aid and your options, check out <http://www.finaid.org> on the internet. □

**Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine  
Calendar of Alumni Events  
Save the Date!**

**Thursday, July 24, 1997**

*Alumni in the Los Angeles area should mark their calendars for an evening gathering with Dean Philip Kosch. Details will follow. Judy Aronson V87, and Dean Gebroe V89, are coordinating this event with Cristin Merck at the Tufts Veterinary Fund Office, (508) 839-7902.*

**Saturday, September 6, 1997**

*Veterinary Comeback with V87 and V92 reunions! See page 6 for more details or call the Office of Alumni Relations at (617)636-6773*

**Saturday, September 6, 1997**

*Open House: The School of Veterinary Medicine's Annual Open House on the Grafton Campus.*

**Sunday, September 7, 1997**

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