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**President's Report**

It's fast approaching the end of 2010, and winter has arrived. There's a smattering of snow, and every true blooded American is shopping for gifts for those they love. Economists are a bit cheerier just because we're spending more readily than in the past two years and the jobless rate has steadied. The veterinary world has been weathering the storm better than most – folks are taking care of their pets, even though they are more cautious about extras. But we still have some corrections to make – the housing market has to finish its foreclosures and fill empty homes and buildings, we have to wind up our military presences in foreign lands. Those corrections will take time and lots of work.

It takes planning to get moving in the right direction, and planning takes some time and dedication. The CVMA Board is planning, strategizing, taking time to consider what it is we do, where we want to go, how we want to get there, who we are really serving. Phase II of our Strategic Plan is well under way, and the culmination of that phase will be a year long program for 2011, as well as setting the stage for years to come. It's actually a pretty simple process, but we're proud and happy to have it in place. Best of all, that Strategic Plan should serve our members – that's you – and consequently, it should also serve our clients and patients.

Tonight is our last CVMA Board meeting for 2010. It's been a good year for the CVMA, and we have been proud to serve all of you. It will be a night for reflection and passing the torch to new officers and Board members. Everyone should get their chance to contribute - that philosophy keeps an organization fresh and open to new ideas. We want your input and participation. So, give it to us in any way you can. And don't forget to renew your memberships for the new year.

In the spirit of the season, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Bo Williamson, DVM  
President, CVMA

**Recording Secretary's report, by Dr. Karen Kowalski**

The November Board meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM. In attendance were Drs. Bo Williamson Jack, Walkenhorst, Vanessa Kuonen, Tami Goforth, Bill Bean, Gretchen Goode, Susanna Schwartz, Jane Goecke, Karen Kowalski, Paul Brinker, Dave Merry, Gwen Steffan, Cassie Duggan, and Bo Williamson. Program Committee Chair Dr. Vanessa Kuonen reported that the committee has met and drafted a workplan for 2011, which will be shared with the Board for approval in January. All 2011 CE programs are booked and this year's slate of programs also includes plans for a 1/2 day short course in the Spring as well as the traditional Fall Short Course. Finally, Dr. Kuonen thanked the sponsorship subcommittee, Paul Brinker and Dave Merry, for their superb job this year of finding support for programs. Dr. Susanna Schwartz reported that the Communications Committee has also met and will have its annual workplan ready for board approval in January as well. She also stated that the annual Canine Corps is booked and ready for Dec. 12 this year. Dr. Goecke noted that the Vet Tech program is now on break and she had no further news. Holly Molony reviewed the 2011 officers and directors, as approved at the Nov. 23, 2010 CE meeting. New officers include Drs. Gretchen Goode as Chairman, Bo Williamson as Past-President; Bill Bean as Corresponding Secretary and President-Elect; Jack Walkenhorst, Treasurer; Vanessa Kuonen, Program Committee Chair; Susanna Schwartz as Public Relations Chair; Gwen Steffen as Recording Secretary; Diana Cron as Animal Welfare/SPCA Liaison; Dan Baum and Tami Goforth as 3 Year Trustees; Paul Brinker, Debra Kemper as 2 Year Trustees; Kathy Mohlman, Jessica Strong as 1 Year Trustees.; Jane Goecke as Vet Tech Liaison. Dr. Tami Goforth then presented Dr. Bo Williamson with a plaque in recognition of his service as President. In new business, the Board reviewed and renewed its contract with the Executive Director for another year. The final 2010 Board meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

## Program Report, by Dr. Vanessa Kuonen

The Program Committee met in November to discuss and develop its 2011 workplan. The Committee is reviewing new options including a 1/2 short course for the Spring, a practice management seminar for Summer. The Fall Short Course date is TBD, but Dr. Todd Tams will be the speaker.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**Tuesday, January 25, 2011**-Dr. Elizabeth Rozanski DVM, DACVECC, DACVIM from Tufts University will be speaking on a respiratory topic.

**Tuesday, March 22, 2011**-Dr. Gary Lantz DVM, DACVS, DAVDC. Professor, Small Animal Surgery Section Chief, Small Animal Surgery from Purdue University will be speaking on topics in veterinary dentistry.

If anyone has some suggestions for speakers or topics please contact Vanessa Kuonen Cavens at [tkuonen@medvetohio.com](mailto:tkuonen@medvetohio.com) or 513-561-0069. The goal is to provide enough continuing education hours to fulfill the state requirements but also to have quality topics and speakers. **Location of meetings:** Kingsgate Marriott Hotel and Conference Center at the University of Cincinnati : 151 Goodman Drive, Cincinnati Ohio 45219, 513-487-3800.



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## Public Relations Report, By Dr. Susanna Hinkle Schwartz

The Communications Committee, which includes the work of the Public Relations subcommittee, met in December to discuss their program of work for 2011. The workplan will be presented to the full Board for review and approval at its January meeting.

The Cincinnati Medical Association will again be hosting its annual Canine Clinic for police and search/rescue dogs on December 12, 2010 from 8:00 am-1 pm. Raymond Walters College - Blue Ash Campus is providing the facility this year.

Police and Search and Rescue Canines and their handlers from the surrounding communities are invited to participate in this event. Local veterinarians specializing in surgery, internal medicine, dermatology, ophthalmology, and dentistry will be present to perform exams in their respective disciplines. These exams and tests are free of charge to all working police dogs, the results of which will be forwarded to their family veterinarians.

This year's clinic will be held at Raymond Walters College Veterinary Technician building at 9555 Plainfield Road, Blue Ash, OH 45236, from 8am-1pm by appointment. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Susanna Hinkle Schwartz 633-6150 or [schwartz.susanna@gmail.com](mailto:schwartz.susanna@gmail.com).



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Sponsorships	500.00
Short Course Registration	2,650.00
Transfer from General Fund	5,000.00

**Total Deposits \$8,150.00**

### Expenditures (11/1-11/30/10)

Executive Director (October)	1000.00
Printing/Postage/Mailing Materials	264.00
November Board Meeting	170.38
Marriott – Short Course	4,021.71
United Way Print Shop	272.20
Dr. Lesley King (Speaker Expenses)	85.77
Executive Committee Meeting	32.64
Bank Fees	25.00

**Total Expenditures (11/1-11/30/10) \$5,871.70**

**Balance on 11/30/10 \$4,435.42**

### Other Account Balances (as of 10/31/10)

General Fund (M/Lynch) **\$83,012.75**

Elizabeth Jones (M/Lynch) **\$99,403.85**

Madden fund (M/Lynch) **\$65,479.31**

**Total \$247,895.91**

## Spotlight Animal Welfare Group, By Diana Cron

Damien Oxier started **Arrowhead Reptile Rescue (ARR)** in 1991. To date, the organization has adopted out 4,000 reptiles. ARR functions with 20-25 volunteers, 6 shelter volunteers, 8 foster homes, and 5 licensed wildlife rehabilitators. Several of their volunteers are RVT's and can triage and care for rescue cases. Because they work with wildlife, ARR works closely with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. ARR volunteers are members of the County Animal Rescue Team and are disaster trained for animal emergencies. When complex medical cases arrive, Dr. Bob Dahlhausen offers his expertise. "Dr. Dahlhausen is a lifesaver," says Oxier. "He is our rescue veterinarian, assisting us with many tough and extensive cases."

Many species rehabbed by ARR are wild turtles that are HBC or HBL (Hit by Lawnmower), including painted, box and snapping turtles. A few pet turtles are taken in and adopted to new homes. ARR takes in quite a few alligators, that in turn are rehabilitated in Florida on an 1800 acre sanctuary. Although ARR gets 10-12 requests per week to take iguanas, they do not accept this species, due to their limited space and help available.

*Cincinnati Magazine* featured ARR in October 2006 and the organization was rated #2 Best Reptile Rescue in the US in August 2001. In addition to providing information for the media, ARR was recently featured on Animal Planet's *Fatal Attractions*, which aired October 29, 2010. Their work also extends into the realm of court cases, humane societies, shelters, local vets, etc. Adoptions are done in person and by appointment only. Find adoptable reptiles on [www.Petfinder.com](http://www.Petfinder.com) and visit ARR at [www.arrowheadreptilerescue.org](http://www.arrowheadreptilerescue.org).



## SPCA Update, By Dr. Diana Cron

The first Pet ID Day took place Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Thanks to SPCA staff and volunteers, volunteer veterinarians Stan Szostek, Emily Eilers, Tami Goforth, Dave Bauman, Jane Goecke, Dave Lebourveau and Diana Cron, RVT volunteers, Michele Mescher, Erin Crisp, Kim Myers, and Raymond Walters tech students Leah Miller, Angie Kohler, Katlin Lynch, Abby Mink, Kelly Whitesel, and Mel Gross for coming after the first snow of the season to sell 153 Dog Licenses, implant 29 microchips and administer 123 rabies vaccinations.



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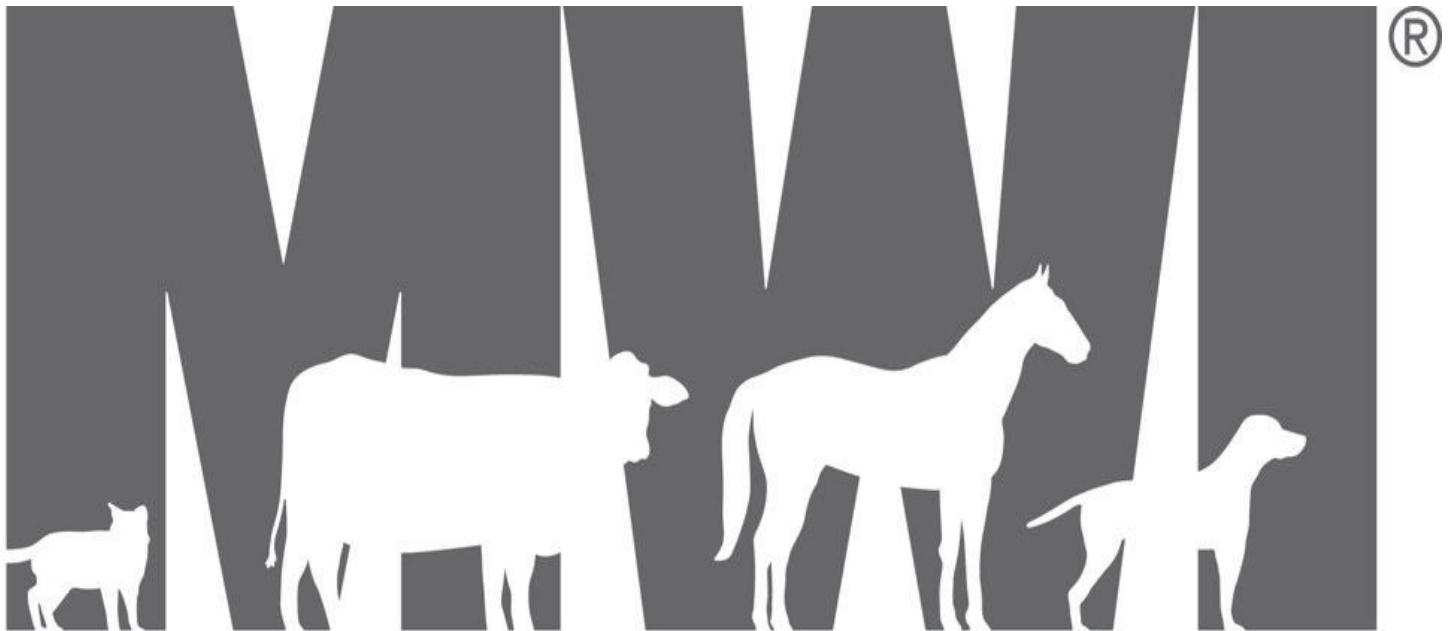
## **Corresponding Secretary's Report, Dr. William Bean**

## **New Members Report:**

Dr. Bean requests that any members who have ideas and suggestions for the website send him an email at [beandvm@aol.com](mailto:beandvm@aol.com).

*Please welcome the following new CVMA member:*

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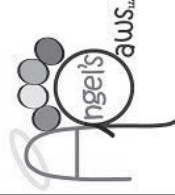
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