

# The Cincinnati Veterinary Medical Association

CVMA Newsletter

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## President's Report

The CVMA Board was invited to tour the new SPCA Simmonds Farm out near the western edge of Hamilton County with the SPCA Board and several Hamilton County Parks officials. It was a wonderful evening and the farm that has been donated to the Parks department and to the SPCA was in its full spring glory. Harold Dates, the SPCA Director, was proud as a newborn's papa to be showing off the barns and property and equipment. Best of all were the plans to provide additional overflow housing for pets from the existing SPCA facilities, and for abandoned horses and other farm animals. There will be educational areas and room to expand. It will, of course, take plenty of money and many years to bring all of these ideas to fruition, but hope was springing eternal from all the creative minds. Veterinarians and the CVMA have an opportunity to be an ongoing part of this project and the mission of the SPCA. It felt good to be out at the farm and to share in that vision. Don't hesitate to ask for a tour and to look over the plans and to offer your help.

Your CVMA has several projects on the horizon. Suzanna Schwartz, our Public Relations Director, and Vanessa Kuonen, will be hosting the annual Guide Dog Ophthalmic Examination Clinic on Sunday, May 16. Most of us won't be there, but this volunteering of veterinary services is one of the cornerstones of what our profession and the CVMA is all about. Look for news on your local TV channels and the newspaper.

We also have an all-star lineup of continuing education courses slated for the remainder of 2010, starting with Dr. Bob Stein on May 25. He'll be revisiting the topic of Anesthesiology and Pain Management. He's a great speaker and has some relevant ideas for every practice. Hope to see you there. Hope you're experiencing some of the economic recovery and enjoying a glorious spring!!

Sincerely,  
*Bo Williamson, DVM, President CVMA*

## Recording Secretary Report, by Dr. Karen Kowalski

The CVMA Board of Directors meeting was held on May 4, 2010, at the new SPCA Farm on State Route 128. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm. Those in attendance were Drs. Brinker, Cron, Goecke, Williamson, Merry, Goforth, Kowalski, LeBourveau, Schwartz and Kemper. Holly Molony, the CVMA Executive Director, was also in attendance. The April meeting minutes were approved and committee reports were given.

**Old Business:** Dr. Williamson, on behalf of the CVMA membership and per Board approval, has sent a letter to the pharmacy board and the OVMLB regarding their recent interpretation of regulations. Specifically, the letter objects to the requirement that a veterinarian be physically on the premises when a client is provided prescription medications.

**New Business:** The Chairman reviewed a request received from a CVMA member to share information on the Humane Farms ballot issue with the membership at the next CE meeting. Supporters of the issue are gathering signatures to get it placed on the Ohio Ballot in November. The Board discussed whether CVMA members who are involved in advocating for the issue should be permitted to speak at the May meeting and whether this is the appropriate forum for doing so. After lengthy discussion, a motion was made to decline the request to speak at the meeting. A second motion to print an article on the issue in the newsletter was tabled pending further discussion.

### CVMA Board Members:

Dr. Bo Williamson, President  
Dr. Gretchen Goode, President—Elect  
Dr. William Bean, Corresponding Secretary  
Dr. Karen Kowalski, Recording Secretary  
Dr. Jack Walkenhorst, Treasurer  
Dr. Vanessa Kuonen, Program Chair  
Dr. Jane Goecke, Vet. Tech Liaison  
Dr. Susanna Schwartz, Public Relations  
Dr. Diana Cron, Animal Welfare Organization Liaison  
Dr. Dave LeBourveau, SPCA Liaison  
Dr. Dave Merry, Trustee  
Dr. Paul Brinker, Trustee  
Dr. Debra Kemper, Trustee  
Dr. Tammy Smith, Trustee  
Dr. Tammy Goforth, Trustee  
Holly J. Molony, MPA, Exec. Director

## Program Report, by Dr. Vanessa Kuonen

### Upcoming meetings:

**Tuesday, May 25, 2010-** Dr. Bob Stein will return to our fair city. His topic will be on veterinary anesthesia and pain management. Partially sponsored by *Faithful Companion, Inc.*

**Tuesday, September 28, 2010-**Dr. Lynette Cole from the Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine will be speaking about otitis in dogs and cats.

**Tuesday, November 23, 2010-**Dr. Craig Tockman from Abaxis will speak on a practitioner's approach to wellness testing. This meeting is sponsored by Abaxis and is open to staff as well.

If anyone has some suggestions for speakers or topics please contact Vanessa Kuonen at [vkouonen@medvetohio.com](mailto:vkouonen@medvetohio.com) or 513-683-7703. The goal is to provide continuing education hours that fulfill the state requirements with high 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.

### **2010 SHORT COURSE: SAVE THE DATE!**

Sunday, October 31, 2010-Dr. Todd Tams, VCA Chief Medical Officer, will speak on a variety of topics in internal medicine.

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## Veterinary Technology Liaison Report, By Dr. Jane Goecke

We are proud to announce that at its April 16-18, 2010 meeting, the AVMA Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA) granted continued full accreditation to the University of Cincinnati Raymond Walters College Veterinary Technology Program. Our next accreditation visit will be in 2015.

Raymond Walters College Vet Tech students and instructors manned a booth at the Everything Pets Expo April 9-11 at the Duke Energy Center. This was a great opportunity to showcase our profession.

Lois Abbott, RVT, VT, Program Lab Manager, participated in the Clermont County Humane Society Open House Saturday, May 8, in Batavia. Many of the feline residents in the cat adoption room had been spayed and neutered through the vet tech program. A few of the dogs have also "graduated" from our program.

Kelly Vearil RVT, VT, Lab Associate, attended the SPCA Furball, helping to showcase adoptable animals. Several of these pets were altered with the help of our students at the SPCA Conrey facility. Dr. David Bauman (RWC Professor Emeritus) was presented the P.B. Johnston Humane Care Award for dedication to animal welfare at this event. Dr. Bauman continues to volunteer at the shelter and work with our vet tech students.

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

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).

### **CLASSIFIEDS:**

Tom Miller DVM, MS available for relief/part time work – Cincinnati, Ph: 513-858-2074.

## Treasurer's Report, by Dr. Jack Walkenhorst As of April 2010

Checking Account – US Bank	
Balance as of 3/31/10	\$11,517.54
Deposits (4/1-4/30/10)	
Dues	550.00
Posters	144.00
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>\$694.00</b>
Expenditures (4/1-4/30/10)	
Executive Director	\$1000.00
Printing/Postage	286.92
April Board Meeting	267.56
United Way Printing (three months)	289.25
March CE (Marriott)	1834.31
Bank Fees	25.00
<b>Total Expenditures (4/1-4/30/10)</b>	<b>\$ 3,703.04</b>
<b>Balance on 4/30/10</b>	<b>\$8,508.50</b>
Other Account Balances (as of 3/31/10)	
General Fund (M/Lynch)	\$81,420.45
Elizabeth Jones (M/Lynch)	\$100,582.01
Madden fund (M/Lynch)	\$64,792.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$246,795.06</b>

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

### Legislation/Regulations Affecting Veterinary Practices:

#### Ohio House Bill 267

Ohio HB 267 affects all health professionals licensed to prescribe drugs, requires them to enroll in this new program, and to use the newly created official prescription form. As currently proposed, HB 267 *includes* veterinarians. You would be required to pay a \$250 annual fee to enroll in the program and obtain the new secure prescription pads. OVMA opposes the bill. Currently, the bill has been assigned to the House Health Committee. Full bill text is available online. To view it, go to [www.legislature.state.oh.us](http://www.legislature.state.oh.us). Under "Current Legislation," click on "House" and enter "267." You can also find contact information for your legislators by visiting the Legislative Action Center page of the OVMA Web site at [www.ohiovma.org](http://www.ohiovma.org).

#### Revised USDA Accreditation Requirements

The USDA is changing their accreditation policies. Veterinarians previously accredited will NOT be accredited after August 2, 2010, unless he or she reapplies. For more information, please visit, <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/nvap> - click on the 3rd link, in all caps that says INSTRUCTIONS FOR CURRENTLY ACCREDITED VETERINARIANS. Questions and concerns should be directed to: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, The United States Department of Agriculture, Telephone: 301-734-NVAP (6827) or Fax: 301-734-3641 or Email: [NVAP@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:NVAP@aphis.usda.gov).

## Spotlight : OVMA Leadership & Advocacy By Dr. Diana Cron

**Veterinary Leadership Institute** - I am now officially a Class of 2010 graduate of this program, having completed the "course" with my participation in OVMA Legislative Day.

Over the last 8 months, our class, consisting of 10 veterinarians from all parts of Ohio and representing private practice, research, pharmaceutical companies, and public health organizations, met monthly to participate in seminars geared to make us better leaders in the organized veterinary community. From practice management, effective media relations, human resources, team building and personal wellness, each seminar focused on building skills needed to excel in personal and professional life. I strongly recommend this program to anyone interested in becoming involved in organized veterinary medicine.

**OVMA Legislative Day** - This annual event is open to any OVMA member in good standing. This year was the 4<sup>th</sup> year for this program and there were 48 OVMA members in attendance.

First, attendees were briefed on issues and pending legislation that affect veterinarians and animal welfare. Each participant had the opportunity to meet with their Ohio House and Senate members and their staff to discuss issues of concern.

This year, participants advocated for the enactment of "puppy mill" legislation, the modification of HB 267, specifically removing veterinarians from coverage by the legislation, and getting the Livestock Care Standards Board up and running were the prominent issues.

Also discussed was HB 96, which would require a bittering agent to be added to engine coolants, and HB 108 which would make cockfighting a fifth degree felony. Overall, it was a very interesting and informative day, both in the opportunity to learn about issues that affect our profession and seeing first hand how our state veterinary group makes sure our voices are heard. Finally, we were treated to lunch and a discussion of the current state of agriculture with the Director of Ohio Department of Agriculture, Robert Boggs. Director Boggs also serves as the Chairman of the Ohio Livestock Standards Board.



## Upcoming Events!

### 8th Annual Doggie Dash, May 29, 2010, 10:00 am, Rain or Shine

This is great family event for your children, grandchildren AND DOGS! Bring your family (including your dogs) for a fun morning walk at Sawyer Point and help SPCA Cincinnati's animals. Each registrant gets a free t-shirt! Browse our vendors and demonstrators in this beautiful park. The weather has ALWAYS been wonderful and it's a fun way to do some good while socializing with other dog owners. Even if you don't own a dog, your participation will still help ALL our animals: dogs, cats, birds, rabbits and more. Please visit the SPCA website for registration information: [www.spcacincinnati.org](http://www.spcacincinnati.org).

### P&G Offers Tri-State Veterinary Mini-Symposium

The first Tri-State Veterinary Mini-Symposium sponsored by P&G Pet Care, maker of Iams and Eukanuba pet food, is open to veterinarians and veterinary technicians. This scientific program will feature Dr. Vicki Wilke, DVM, PhD, DACVS who will present "Obesity: How Losing Weight Improves Patient Outcome" and Dr. Sherry Sanderson, BS, DVM, PhD, DACVIM, DACVN who will present "Why "Biotics" – Using Prebiotics and Probiotics in Your Practice."

This dinner/CE event is from 6-9 pm on June 30th, 2010 and will be held at P&G Pet Care, 8700 Mason-Montgomery Rd, Mason, OH 45040. Register for CE credits and reserve seats for the complimentary dinner at [www.seeuthere.com/pgpetwellness0630](http://www.seeuthere.com/pgpetwellness0630) or 800-424-0288.

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!  
NEXT CVMA TRAINING OPPORTUNITY:**

**Tuesday, May 25, 2010- DR. BOB STEIN--VETERINARY ANESTHESIA AND PAIN MANAGEMENT.**

**CONTINUING EDUCATION ARCHIVE**

**2010**

- JANUARY 26, 2010- DR. ALICE WOLF—GINGIVITIS, STOMATITIS, AND ORAL LESIONS IN CATS-2 CE CREDITS
- MARCH 23, 2010- DR. TOM KLEIN—REGIONAL ANESTHESIA AND DENTAL EXTRACTIONS—2 CE CREDITS

**2009**

- JANUARY 27, 2009 DR. BOB STEIN PAIN MANAGEMENT-2 CE CREDITS
- MARCH 24, 2009 DR. GUILLERMO COUTO- ONCOLOGY-2 CE CREDITS
- MAY 26, 2009 -DR. KENT STAUFFER- TOPICS IN ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY- 2 CE CREDITS
- SEPTEMBER 22, 2009- DR. JOANNE MESSICK- HEMOTROPIC MYOPLASMA-2 CE CREDIT
- OCTOBER 4, 2009- DR. WENDY WARE- CARDIOLOGY-7 CE CREDITS
- NOVEMBER 24, 2009 DR. LYNN BUZHARDT- FELINE HEARTWORM DISEASE- 2 CE CREDITS

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