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**President's Report**

With the beginning of November, it seems like the year is winding down. But it's really the time to be gearing up, the time to evaluate how your practice and life have fared during some less than stellar and somewhat uncertain economic times. Proper evaluation and reflection should set the tone for the beginning of 2011.

Your CVMA has just completed our Fall Short Course on Halloween Day - an absolutely beautiful day to be outside enjoying the fall weather and rooting for the Bengals (and hoping like heck that they would figure out how to win a few) or playing catch with your kids or neighbors. Fortunately, it was also a glorious day to be inside at the Kingsgate Marriott. Dr. Lesley King was outstanding and informative. If you couldn't attend, her notes should be available on the website. If you did attend, you know the turnout was great, the food was exceptional, and we had overwhelming sponsor support. Please make sure you take every opportunity to thank our sponsors - we could not present such excellent continuing education without them.

As professionals, our clients and staff look to us for leadership. That comes in many forms. Constantly educating and re-educating ourselves is one of those. It's the way that we improve our knowledge, our skills, our service, and provide a better value. Our own education also serves as the source for educating our staffs. So, don't forget to share what you've learned. One of the greatest forms of compensation for anyone who works with us is knowledge.

Leadership must also come in the form of assuring fairness and proper compensation for all those around us - our clients, patients, employees, partners, families, associated businesses. Fairness is a fundamental tenet in virtually every veterinary practice I know. It's American as apple pie. The world, and certainly your neighbors and friends, expect that of us. When we fail to be fair, when we fail to hold up our end of the bargain, when we fail to look out for the little guy, those around us lose trust in our integrity, and we are no longer leaders.

Leadership also comes from setting an example. So, get out and vote. Ask your employees to vote. We can change almost anything, but we have to get up off our derrieres to do it. We look forward to seeing all of you at our November 23, 2010 continuing education meeting on Wellness Testing.

Bo Williamson, DVM, President, CVMA

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

*(Submitted by Bo Williamson for Karen Kowalski)*

The November Board meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM. In attendance were Drs. Jessica Strong, Tami Goforth, Bill Bean, Gretchen Goode, Susanna Schwartz, Jane Goecke, Paul Brinker, Dave Merry, Cassie Duggan, and Bo Williamson. Cassie Duggan reported that the Fall Short Course on 10/31/10 with Drs. Lesley King and Julien Gillaumin was successful. Paul Brinker reported that sponsorships for CVMA educational programs had been outstanding for 2010-2011. Bo Williamson discussed Phase II of the Strategic Plan for the CVMA, and a motion was made and approved to continue with action plans for the Governance, Communications, and Program Committees. A motion to provide sponsorship for the Association of Veterinary Technician Educators Conference in Cincinnati from July 26-29, 2011, was made and approved. The Nominating Committee submitted its slate of candidates for CVMA Board positions for 2011. These offices will be voted on at the November 23, 2010 continuing education meeting.

Bo Williamson reported on the Lifetime Membership of the CVMA, and several nominations were made to become lifetime members. These veterinarians will be nominated to the general membership at the November 23, 2010 continuing education meeting. The CVMA Board has set up a schedule of recurring contacts with local affiliated veterinary medical associations to swap continuing education information on a routine basis. These affiliated VMAs include the Northern Kentucky VMA, the Miami Valley VMA, the Springfield Area VMA, and the Warren-Butler Counties VMA. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

## Program Report, by Dr. Vanessa Kuonen

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**Tuesday, November 23, 2010**-Dr. Jeff Hara 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.

**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 [vkouonen@medvetohio.com](mailto:vkouonen@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

Planning for the annual Police and Search and Rescue Dog Clinic (Canine Corps) is underway. The Cincinnati Medical Association will again be hosting its annual clinic on December 12, 2010 from 8-1 pm. The location has CHANGED and will be held at the Raymond Waters College - Blue Ash Campus.

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. The CVMA feels this is a valuable service to our local community.

Any questions or potential clients should be directed to Dr. Susanna Hinkle Schwartz 633-6150 or [schwartz.susanna@gmail.com](mailto:schwartz.susanna@gmail.com).



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## Treasurer's Report, by Dr. Jack Walkenhorst

*As of October 2010*

### Checking Account – US Bank

Balance as of 9/30/10	\$7,996.72
<b>Deposits (10/1-10/31/10)</b>	
Dues	31.25
Short Course Registration	1970.00
<b>Total Deposits</b>	<b>\$2,001.25</b>
<b>Expenditures (10/1-10/31/10)</b>	
Executive Director (September)	1000.00
Printing/Postage/Mailing Materials	577.57
Dr. Lynette Cole (Sept. CE Speaker)	883.10
October Board Meeting	235.16
September CE (Marriott)	2545.52
United Way Print Shop	246.50
Dr. Lesley King (Short Course Speaker)	1728.00
Dr. Julien Guillaumin (Short Course Speaker)	600.00
Bank Fees	25.00
<b>Total Expenditures (10/1-10/31/10)</b>	<b>\$7,840.85</b>
<b>Balance on 10/31/10</b>	<b>\$2,157.12</b>
<b>Other Account Balances (as of 9/30/10)</b>	
General Fund (M/Lynch)	\$80,299.95
Elizabeth Jones (M/Lynch)	\$102,327.08
Madden fund (M/Lynch)	\$63,426.09
<b>® Total</b>	<b>\$246,053.12</b>

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

The RWC Vet Tech Program Advisory Committee Meeting was held October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at Parker's in Blue Ash. The Advisory committee is composed of veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and community members from private practice, research and commercial veterinary medicine. Discussion of the current program and plans for the future were discussed. If anyone is interested in joining our advisory board please contact Jane Goecke at 513-936-1506 or [goeckejc@hotmail.com](mailto:goeckejc@hotmail.com) for further information.

We celebrated National Veterinary Technician Week October 11-16<sup>th</sup>, by hosting an Open House for faculty and students and introduced the newest member of our instructional team, Ramone' Walters.

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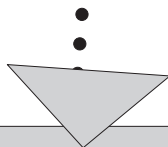
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## SPCA Update, By Dr. Diana Cron

Recently, the Simmonds Farm Committee, consisting of SPCA Board members, donors, SPCA President/CEO Harold Dates, Drs. Goforth, Frederick, and Lebourveau met at Dr. Frederick's home and toured his barn and arena. The group enjoyed the wonderful hospitality of Dr. Frederick and his wife, Anne, and brainstormed about ideas for the future of the facility.



### Upcoming SPCA Events:

**Annual CVMA / SPCA Joint Board Meeting -**  
Tuesday, December 7, Sharonville location.

**Pet ID Days** - Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Sunday December 19<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Vet volunteers to administer rabies shots on Dec. 19 are still needed. Email Dave LeBourveau at [davelebourveau\\_679@hotmail.com](mailto:davelebourveau_679@hotmail.com) or Diana Cron at [ddornbuschcron@aol.com](mailto:ddornbuschcron@aol.com) if you can volunteer for a two hour shift on Dec. 19.

**Reindog Parade** - December 11<sup>th</sup> in Mt. Adams.  
Registration starts at noon. Look for more information on SPCA's website.

## Spotlight Animal Welfare Group:

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Labrador Retriever Rescue Of Cincinnati

Roncy Roehm is the Founder and President of Labrador Retriever Rescue of Cincinnati (LRRoC). Since its beginning in 2001, an estimated 1600 Labs, Goldens, Goldendoodles, Labradoodles and even Newfoundlands have been placed by LRRoC. The rescue's main focus is placing adult dogs, although they have assisted in placing dogs with medical issues, as well as occasionally fostering and adopting out puppies. LRRoC has 20-25 full foster homes and some dogs are temporarily housed in the kennels at Eastgate Animal Hospital. "They (Eastgate) help us more than we could ever repay," says Roncy Roehm, who is also Eastgate's Office Manager.

As a 501(c)3, non-profit organization, LRRoC is funded by donations and adoption fees. LRRoC provides comprehensive care to the animals in their care. Dogs are altered and receive rabies, distemper-parvo, and Bordetella shots, dentistry if needed, a microchip, heartworm and flea prevention. They regularly receive dogs from the Clermont County and Animal Friends Shelters in addition to others in the region.

Applications for adoptions require a veterinarian reference. LRRoC does many public awareness events throughout the year as well as some fundraising activities. They will sponsor Pictures with Santa Dec. 11-12 @ Complete Petmart on Five Mile Rd. in Anderson Twp. On March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011, they will host their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner/Silent Auction at the Ivy Hills Country Club in Newtown.

For more information, visit [www.rescuealab.com](http://www.rescuealab.com),  
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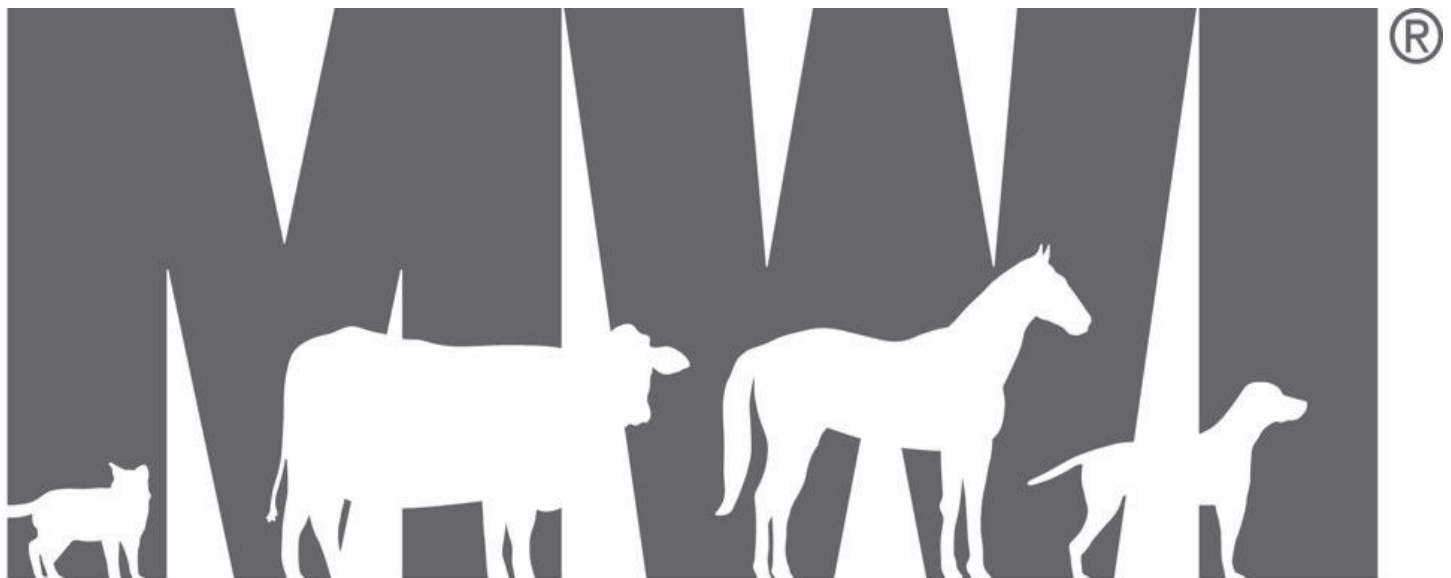
**Corresponding Secretary's Report,  
Dr. William Bean**

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).

**New Members Report:**

*Please welcome the following new CVMA members:*

Christina Canis, Madeira Veterinary Hospital  
Susan Castner Hodge, VCA Tennessee Ave Hospital  
James Noel Eucher, Grady Veterinary Hospital  
Karl Maritato, MedVet Cincinnati  
Kara Ringenbach, Animal Hospital of West Chester



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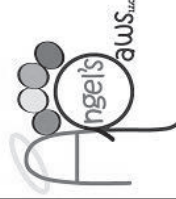
**OTHER LOCAL CE OPPORTUNITIES**

**November 18, 2010 - NKYYVMA - Intervertebral Disc Disease:** 7:00pm at Buffalo's Bobs at exit 78 off of I-75 at Mount Zion Road. The first hour will be business meeting then at 8:00pm, Drs. Susan Hodge and Brian Martin, new associates of the VCA Tennessee Avenue Animal Hospital, will be giving a presentation on the medical and surgical aspects of IVDD. One hour of CE is being applied for.

**CLASSIFIEDS:**

Relief Veterinarian available in Cincinnati and NKY on Wednesdays only. Hours can vary, but no later than 6pm. Licensed in KY and OH. Please contact Dr. Jennifer Bowen at 859.816.6012 if interested.

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