

# ***Rolling Bone***

News for faculty, students, and staff

College of Veterinary Medicine

Cornell University

March 1999

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## **Events**

### **Healthy Pet Clinic at Southside Community Center**

The clinic has been operating smoothly under the leadership of a new core team consisting of Chantal Acosta, Kim Agnello, Sarah Cazabon, Joanne Crane, Diane Herbert, Dennis Leon, and Karen Wallace.

They have many new ideas to make the clinic more efficient, to improve the level of patient care, and to make the whole Southside experience more meaningful for the students and volunteer DVMs. With the help and guidance of Drs. Bowman and Hornbuckle, the Healthy Pet Clinic continues to grow and improve.

The SCCHPC team has also reestablished its ties with SCAVMA, a relationship that will help strengthen the connections between the veterinary student body, the Companion Animal Hospital and the Ithaca community.

Anyone interested in volunteering their time and/or services to the clinic should contact Dennis Leon at [DL26@cornell.edu](mailto:DL26@cornell.edu).

### **Open House 1999**

Open House is scheduled for April 10 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Each spring, veterinary students in Cornell's Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program invite families to visit the campus and see what veterinarians and veterinary students do. This year's event will be the 33rd annual open house at the college.

The community is invited to visit during Open House and speak with future animal doctors and other participants in this family-education event. Veterinary students will be on hand to provide assistance and answer questions during the self-guided tours.

Alexa Cox, DVM Class of 2001, and Thea Wallace, DVM Class of 2001, are the two co-chairs for the event.

Exhibits popular with children are Teddy Bear ER - where children can bring injured stuffed animals for repair by Cornell's own veterinary students; and Surgeon Dress-Up, where children gown-up in surgical scrubs and have their photographs taken as they pretend to be veterinary surgeons. Other exhibits include milking cows, veterinary dentistry, poisonous plants, a petting zoo, a parrot exhibit, a bird-of-prey exhibit, an anatomically

Painted horse and cow, examples of modern technology in veterinary medicine, and much much more. For those interested in applying to Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine, there also will be admissions information sessions throughout the day.

Admission to Open House is free. Families and children are encouraged to attend. Parking is available, free-of-charge, in the large "O" parking lot near the intersection of Route 366 and Tower Road. Entrance is through the Veterinary Medical Center doors, under the red and white banner.

## **College Offers Workshop in Pet Loss and Bereavement Counseling**

The second in a series of workshops about pet loss and bereavement counseling, entitled The Human-Animal Bond and Grief, will be held on Saturday, April 3 from 8:45 am to 3:30 pm at Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine.

Featured speaker is Carolyn Butler, MS, director of the Changes program at Colorado State University's Veterinary Teaching Hospital, and a specialist in bond-centered veterinary practice, an approach that helps veterinarians respond simultaneously to the medical needs of animals and the emotional needs of clients. Butler is co-author of the textbook, *The Human-Animal Bond and Grief* (Lagoni, Butler, and Hetts, W.B. Saunders Publishing Co., 1994).

"The nature of this material crosses the disciplines of veterinary medicine, human psychology, animal behavior, and professional counseling," explains Jane Shaw, DVM, instructor in the college's department of molecular medicine and faculty supervisor for the Pet Loss Support Hotline program, a sponsor of the workshop. "It is the aim of the workshop to unite these topics in a way that makes them accessible to members of several diverse professions, so that we can all better serve our clients and ourselves."

The workshop will address several topics: the bond-centered veterinary practice, manifestations of normal and complicated grief, euthanasia with the client present, facilitation of decisions regarding euthanasia and treatment options, after-death issues, intervention in special situations, and self-care for the practitioner.

For more information about the April workshop, or to register, please contact Jane Shaw, DVM, Pet Loss Support Hotline faculty advisor, via email at [jrs31@cornell.edu](mailto:jrs31@cornell.edu) or by phone at (607) 253-3763.

The first workshop in the series, a presentation by Judith Stutts, PhD, adjunct assistant professor in the department of companion animal and special species medicine at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine and a licensed professional counselor who specializes in pet bereavement counseling, was held in January of this year.

*Workshop sponsors include the Ithaca Mental Health Association, the Ralston Purina Company, and Waltham Brand Partnerships.*

# **News from Departments**

## **Administration**

### **Accolades**

**Pat Janhonen**, administrative assistant to the dean, took her first, real vacation in 15 years and cruised the Bahamas.

### **Welcomes**

**Wendy Schwirck Roberts**, administrative assistant

## **Baker Institute**

### **Acolades**

**Vicki Baldwin Rininger**, technician, was promoted to a research support specialist I

**Duska Sidjanin**, research associate II, was promoted to a research associate III

**Qi Zhang**, postdoctoral associate, was promoted to a research associate II

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Caroline Borden**, technician, and her husband Gabe, on the birth of their son, Vincent, born February 21.

Congratulations to **Gloria Matthews**, graduate student, and her husband Loren, on the birth of their son, Jared, born November 29, 1998.

### **Transitions**

**Carlene Furch**, human resource assistant, joined the college's human resource office.

**Weikuan Gu**, research associate, joined the staff of the Loma Linda University in California.

**Matt Stewart**, PhD candidate, successfully defended his PhD in October. He has joined the faculty at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

### **Welcomes**

**Susan Carpenter**, visiting scientist from Iowa State University, working with Douglas Antczak and Colin Parrish.

**Jim Cooper**, technician in Gustavo Aguirre's laboratory

**Talia Goldberg**, technician in Robin Bell's laboratory

**Jennifer Johnson**, technician in Gustavo Aguirre's laboratory

**Laura Moore**, temporary administrative assistant

**Josef Muller**, who has an internship with Global Outreach working in Douglas Antczak's laboratory

**Maija Vihinen-Ranta**, postdoctoral associate in Colin Parrish's laboratory

**Fernanda Romaris**, postdoctoral associate in Judy Appleton's laboratory

**Sarah Temaner**, research assistant in Douglas Antczak's laboratory. She is on a scholarly leave of absence as an assistant professor from Mount Holyoke College.

**Fei Xue**, technician in Gustavo Aguirre's laboratory

**Yunfang Zhang**, technician in George Lust's and Nancy Wurster's laboratory

## **Biomedical Sciences**

### **Accolades**

**Reina Fuji**, resident, received the Charles Louis Davis DVM Foundation award at the annual meeting in St. Louis, MO.

**Christina Smith**, a research support specialist in Robert Lewis' laboratory, was awarded the Journal Scholarship Award from the C.L. Davis Foundation for an article published in the 1997 issue of *Veterinary Pathology* titled "Morphologic, Immunohistochemical, and Ultrastructural Characterization of a Distinctive Renal Lesion in Dogs Putatively Associated with *Borrelia burgdorferi* Infection" (vol. 34, ppg. 85-96), Drs. D.M. Dambach, C.A. Smith, R.M. Lewis and T.J. Van Winkle. This is the third time that Lewis' laboratory has won this award. They were previously presented with this award in 1980 and 1987.

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Toshi Yoshizato**, visiting fellow, and his wife Miyuki, on the birth of their son, Norihiro Karel, born February 20.

### **Transitions**

**Karen Madison**, account representative, has moved from T8 004 to T4 018 VRT.

**Kate O'Hara**, technician in Cornelia Farnum's laboratory, who received her BS in mechanical engineering from Cornell in January.

**Jane Papegaay**, administrative assistant, has left the department to join the college Research Office. Congratulations to her...she will be missed by the department.

**Norio Shinozuka**, visiting fellow, and his family will be returning to Japan at the end of March.

### **Welcomes**

**Jennie Dandrea**, visiting fellow from the United Kingdom

**Marc Engelmann**, visiting fellow from the Netherlands

**Roy Pool**, senior lecturer

**Kentaro Takae**, visiting fellow University of Tokyo

**Mika Tanabe**, visiting fellow from Japan

## **Clinical Sciences**

### **Acolades**

Congratulations to **Susan Williams**, administrative assistant, on her marriage to William Petrillose, December 29, 1998.

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Paula Moon**, assistant professor, on the birth of her son, Ethan Renaud, born January 16.

### **Transitions**

**Peter Daels** resigned his faculty position as associate professor and has accepted a research position in France.

**Arleigh Reynolds** resigned his faculty position as assistant professor and has accepted a position with Ralston Purina in Alaska.

## **Educational Development**

### **Welcomes**

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## **Human Resources**

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Donna Monroe**, human resource assistant, and her husband Jason, on the birth of their son, Dylan Stewart, born December 28, 1998.

### **Welcomes**

**Carlene Furch**, human resource assistant formerly with the college's Baker Institute

**Sandra Hutchings**, administrative assistant for human resources and the finance office

## **Microbiology and Immunology**

### **Accolades**

For the first time in five years the **Avian Disease Program** (\$15,000) was included in the NYS budget, thanks to calls and petitions from the poultry industry, small producers, and owners of backyard flocks and pet chickens.

**Stephen Bloom**, professor and program director for toxicology training, was invited to participate in a programmatic review of training grants funded by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS). A panel of program directors considered criteria for evaluation of the impact of toxicology training programs (PhD and postdoctorals) and the future needs and prospects for such programs were discussed.

**Jarra Jagne**, extension associate, visited and gave a lecture on Poultry Disease Diagnosis at the Addis Ababa University Veterinary College located in Debre Zeit, Ethiopia. She was also in Debre Zeit as an advisor to the Animal Care and Management Project that is run jointly by the municipality of Debre Zeit, and the International Veterinary Scholarship Society based in Boulder, CO.

## **Molecular Medicine**

### **Accolades**

**Leslie Carey**, graduate student, in Jun-Lin Guan's laboratory, completed her requirements for the PhD degree in November 1998.

**Judy Glaven**, graduate student in Richard Cerione's laboratory, completed her requirements for the PhD degree in May 1998.

**John Kutchey**, graduate student in Clare Fewtrell's laboratory, completed his requirements for the PhD degree in August 1998.

**Linming Shen**, graduate student in Geoffrey Sharp's laboratory, completed his requirements for the PhD degree in August 1998.

**Stephanie J. Walker**, a graduate student with Alex Brown, received a Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America Foundation 1999 Advanced Predoctoral Training Award for two years.

**Gregory Weiland** is the new director for the Field of Pharmacology.

### **The following staff received service awards:**

**Gregory Mitchell**, 5 years

Postdoctoral fellow **Elizabeth Hong-Geller** and professor **Robert E. Oswald**, along with their families, participated in the "First Annual Tompkins County Relay for Life" that raised funds for cancer research. Hong-Geller and Oswald are two of the four current American Cancer Society research fund recipients. Also participating in the event from Dr. Oswald's laboratory, were Guillermo Calero, Susan Crown, Bruce Kornreich, Robert McFeeters, and Galen Wo.

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Tom Schermerhorn**, graduate student, and wife Jennifer, on the birth of their son, Jacob Thomas, born August 28, 1998.

### **Transitions**

**Ugra S. Singh**, research associate, has accepted a position as assistant professor at the Weis Centre for Research, Danville, PA.

### **Weddings**

Congratulations to **Mary Robison**, research support specialist, on her marriage to Ralph Thorpe in November 1998.

## **Welcomes**

**Jonathan Albeck**, undergraduate honor student in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Michele Armstrong**, research technician in Alex Brown's laboratory

**Andrea Barczak**, research technician in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Katrina Carter**, graduate student in Robert Oswald's laboratory

**Susan Cha**, undergraduate honor student in Alex Brown's laboratory  
New graduate students to the Field of Pharmacology: **Haiying Cheng**, **Amanda Dalton**, **Shine Tu**, currently doing rotations within the department, and **Amarilys Sanchez** is currently completing a rotation with Mark Saltzman.

**Thanat Chookajorn**, biochemistry graduate student, doing rotations in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Ruth N. Collins**, assistant professor

**Susan Crown**, undergraduate student in Robert Oswald's laboratory

**Shelby Dietz**, research technician in Robert Oswald's laboratory

**Tom Dispenza**, undergraduate honor student in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Sarah Duford**, a student technician in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Qiya Feng**, graduate student in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Nancy Fidyk**, biochemistry graduate student, doing rotations in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Bradley Ford**, research technician in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Michael Francis**, postdoctoral associate with Robert Oswald

**Illan Friedberg**, visiting faculty, is continuing work in Richard Cerione's laboratory. Dr. Friedberg is a professor at Tel Aviv University, Israel.

**Dawit Gizachew**, postdoctoral associate with Robert Oswald

**Sandra Holley**, graduate student, doing rotations in Linda Nowak's laboratory

**Pavlina Ivanova**, postdoctoral associate with Alex Brown

**Magnolia Joodi**, graduate student, doing rotations in Robert Oswald's laboratory

**Naveen Kumar**, undergraduate student in Linda Nowak's laboratory

**David Lee**, undergraduate honor student in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Peggy Lin**, undergraduate honor student in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Quianyong Liu**, graduate student in Linda Nowak's laboratory

**Janet Lowe**, undergraduate student in Linda Nowak's laboratory

**Thi Ly**, undergraduate student in Alex Brown's laboratory

**Carolyn Merrick**, administrative assistant

**Alex Ney**, a student technician in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**River Park**, undergraduate student in Alex Brown's laboratory

**Asiya Pasha**, research technician in Geoffrey Sharp's laboratory

**Cornelia Pouloupoulou**, a former graduate student of Linda Nowak who now lives in Greece, visited Linda Nowak for two weeks in November 1998.

**Sekar Ramachandran**, postdoctoral associate with Richard Cerione

**Ethan Settembre**, biochemistry graduate student, doing rotations in Richard Cerione's laboratory

**Megan Williams**, undergraduate student in Alex Brown's laboratory

## **Public Affairs**

### **Transitions**

**Nancy A. Gehres**, formerly an administrative assistant in the college's office of public affairs, has accepted a position as an administrative assistant in the corporate and foundation relations office of Cornell's College of Engineering.

**Margaret A. Hendricks**, the college's director of development since July 1998, has been appointed to the position of assistant dean for public affairs, effective February 4. She will be responsible for all college public relations and advancement activities, including development, alumni affairs, communications, and marketing. Hendricks has a substantial background in the administration of higher education, having served at The Ohio State University and, most recently, Cornell's College of Human Ecology. She will report to Donald Smith, dean of the college, and will serve as a member of the college's executive committee.

## **Research & Graduate Education**

### **Welcomes**

**Jane Papegaay**, administrative assistant, formerly with the college's department of biomedical sciences/anatomy.

## Student Services

### Welcomes

**Corine Farewell**, DVM '89, BS '83, director of career development. Farewell, who was most recently manager of training and development for Iams Pet Food International in the Netherlands, has a strong veterinary professional background and corporate and international educational experience.

In her new position at the college, she is responsible for developing, managing, and seeking funding for career development programs to better prepare veterinary students for job searches and interviews, salary negotiation, practice ownership and organization, financial planning, and lifetime career development. She will coordinate formal and informal placement activities with alumni and also will develop and maintain databases of career placement opportunities available to graduates of the college. She also will maintain information on internships, externships, and other educational opportunities.

**Jai Sweet**, PhD '96, director of student services and multicultural affairs. She formerly served as director of student support services at the State University of New York College at Potsdam. She holds a PhD from Cornell University and master of science and bachelor of science degrees from the University of Delhi, India.

In her new position, Sweet will provide leadership, advocacy, and initiative for academic and counseling support programs that support the intellectual growth and psychological health of veterinary students. Additionally, she is responsible for developing strategies for recruitment and retention of minority students and will develop special programs aimed at fostering diversity in the student body. She will manage and oversee student services programs within the college, oversee the development of placement and career planning programs, and provide guidance to student organizations. She also is responsible for advising senior administrative staff on issues related to minority affairs and student services, assist in policy decisions, obtain external funding for special programs, and supervise student services staff and other support staff.



# **Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital**

## **Welcomes**

**Amy Borowski**, veterinary technician in the intensive care unit of the Companion Animal Hospital

**Shelly Crampton**, administrative assistant in the discharge office of the Companion Animal Hospital

## **Transitions**

**Patty Blackman**, clinic aide has accepted the position of animal attendant in the Companion Animal Hospital

**Bonita S. Voiland** has assumed full-time responsibilities as assistant dean for hospital operations, effective February 4. She has held this position on an interim basis since July 1, 1998, during which time she also served the college as assistant dean for public affairs. Voiland, whose background includes 15 years of experience in human hospital administration, is especially skilled in customer service issues. As assistant dean for hospital operations, she will report to Robert Gilbert, associate dean for clinical programs and professional service; she also will continue to serve as a member of the college's executive committee.

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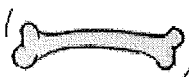
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## **Events**

### **1999 Commencement Activities**

Faculty, staff, and students of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University congratulate the 76 graduates in the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Class of 1999.

Events planned to honor our DVM graduates during commencement week include:

#### **DVM Class of 1999 Hooding Ceremony**

date: Saturday, May 29

time: 2:00 p.m.

place: Statler Hotel Auditorium

speakers: Dr. Donald F. Smith, dean; Dr. Susan Fubini, speaking for the late Dr. William Rebhun, 1999 Carl J. Norden Distinguished Teacher; Robert J. Sofarelli, president, New York State Veterinary Medical Society; Dr. Robert O. Gilbert, associate dean for clinical programs and professional service; Dr. Katherine M. Edmondson, assistant dean for learning and instruction

#### **Cornell University Commencement**

date: Sunday, May 30

time: 11:00 a.m.

place: Schoelkopf Field

#### **Commencement Reception for the DVM Class of 1999**

date: Sunday, May 30

time: immediately following university commencement ceremonies

place: College of Veterinary Medicine Atrium and Plaza

speaker: Donald F. Smith, dean

## **Memorial Service Planned for William C. Rebhun**

A memorial service for **Dr. William C. Rebhun, DVM '71**, professor of internal medicine and ophthalmology who died on March 24, is planned to be held at Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine on Saturday, June 19, at 1pm in the James Law Auditorium. The service will be followed by a reception in the college's Hagan Room. A second, informal reception also will be held that day at the college's James A. Baker Institute for Animal Health, from 3 to 6pm.

On May 19, faculty, students, colleagues, family, and friends dedicated a red oak tree in Dr. Rebhun's memory; it is planted on the college campus, adjacent to the entrance into the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital's large-animal isolation building. Donations for this tree are being accepted; please direct contributions to the college office of public indicate (in the lower left corner), "William C. Rebhun Memorial Tree."

# News from Departments

## Baker Institute

### Accolades

Graduate students **Weiquan Wang** and **Caroline Zeiss**, from Dr. Aggiree's laboratory, both successfully defended their PhD theses this spring. Zeiss has accepted an assistant professorship position in pathology at Yale University. Wang will start an internship in surgery in Providence, RI, later this summer after she gets married in June.

### Welcomes

**Jason Wilson**, research technician in Vicki Meyers-Wallen's laboratory. Jason is a 1998 graduate of Cornell's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

## **Biomedical Sciences**

### **Accolades**

Congratulations to **Traci Battle**, graduate student in Andrew Yen's laboratory. Battle received two awards at the American Association for Cancer Research meeting in Philadelphia, PA, for her poster entitled "Retinoic acid-induced blr1 expression promotes ERK2 activation and cell differentiation of HL-60 cells." The first award was the Brigid G. Leventhal Scholar award given by the Women in Cancer Research, the second award was a Young Investigator Award given by the AACR.

**Linda Mizer**, senior lecturer, has been awarded Outstanding Leader recognition from the Groton Service Unit of the Seven Lakes Girl Scout Council.

**Nadine Patterson** was "arrested" as part of the recent Muscular Dystrophy Association fund-raiser. She was escorted to the Station Restaurant by the Ithaca Fire and returned by the Cayuga Heights Police Department.

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Karin Weber**, resident, and her husband, Gregor Dernick, on the birth of their daughter, Pia, born April 13.

### **Transitions**

**Justine Lee**, instructor, will be leaving June 14 for the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. She will be doing emergency medicine and critical care for one year, overseeing interns during emergency.

**Christopher Plummer**, office systems specialist, has left the department to accept a position in the University's Office of Distance Learning down campus. Christopher will be in that position until this fall when he will begin studies in the graduate theater program at the University of Illinois.



## **Welcomes**

**Abraham Bezuidenhout**, senior lecturer

**Kevin Haussler**, lecturer in integrative medicine

**Michele Martin**, temporary office professional

## **Clinical Sciences**

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Debra Milliman**, administrative manager, on the arrival of her grandson, Benjamin David Ward, born April 1.

Congratulations to research associate, **Lisa Fortier**, and associate professor, **Alan Nixon**, on the arrival of their daughter, Bridget Nixon, born May 4 and weighing 6lbs 8oz.

### **Transitions**

**Paul Robets**, research support specialist with Bud Tennant resigned March 15 to accept a teaching job in China.

**Carol Smith**, research support specialist with Bud Tennant retired March 15.

### **Welcomes**

**Charles Foerster**, visting fellow with George Kollias

**Alexander Gerold**, visting fellow with Kenneth Simpson

**Rodolpho Gialetti**, visting fellow with Richard Hackett

**Bruno Popendoop**, visting fellow with Anesthesia

**John Verstegen**, visting fellow in theriogenolgy

## **Microbiology and Immunology**

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Congratulations to professor **Steve Bloom** on the arrival of his first grandchild, Alicia Anne, on February 16. She was born to Dr. Bloom's daughter, Lisa, and her husband, Stan Biskup. Lisa is employed in the department of design and environmental analysis at Cornell.

### **Transitions**

**Wendy Hoose**, research support sepcialist, will be leaving the department effective May 31 after 12 years at Cornell University.

### **Weddings**

Congratulations to **Sandra Szerszen**, technician in Roger Avery's laboratory, who was married to Michael Corsi on December 21, 1998.

### **Welcome**

**Ilma Araujo**, postdoctoral associate in Edward Pearce's laboratory

**Beverly Bauman**, research technician in Edward Pearce's laboratory

**Cristina Gavrilescu**, PhD candidate who has joined Eric Denkers' laboratory

**Andrew MacDonald**, postdoctoral associate in Edward Pearce's laboratory

**Shankar Mondal**, temporary technician in Syed Naqi's laboratory

**Wendelien Oswald**, temporary technician in Ton Schat's laboratory

**Elizabeth Wills**, research support specialist in Gary Whittaker's laboratory

## **Population Medicine and Diagnostic Science**

### **Welcomes**

**Ynte H. Schukken**, associate professor of herd health and epidemiology with an appointment in the Department of population medicine and diagnostic science. On March 1 he began his role as director of Quality Milk Promotion Services/New York State Herd Health Program. Dr. Schukken, his wife, Heidi, and four children come to us from the Netherlands.

## **Public Affairs**

### **Welcomes**

**Jeanne Griffith** (formerly Truelsen), long a member of the college family, has relocated to S3-005 Schurman Hall. Jeanne's position is communications manager for the James A. Baker Institute for Animal Health. Given the very busy times ahead for the Baker Institute, Jeanne will work from the college's central office of public affairs so that communications collaborations and processes can be maximized.

**Sherri J. Jones** has joined our public affairs staff as manager of special projects for the next 14 months. Sherri brings with her a wealth of Cornell leadership and management experiences, most recently having served as assistant director of human resources for the university alumni affairs and development office..

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On Thursday, October 28 at 12:30 p.m the department of Clinical Sciences will sponsor a symposium, "The Principles and Practice of Pain Management in Animals." This symposium celebrates the career of Professor Charles E. Short and his contributions to the alleviation of animal pain. The speakers will include Alexander Livingston, FRCVS, BVetMed, PhD, BSc, Dean, University of Saskatchewan, Western College of Veterinary Medicine; Robert D. Keegan, DVM, Washington State University, College of Veterinary Medicine; Robert D. Paddleford, DVM, University of Tennessee, College of Veterinary Medicine; and Charles E. Short, DVM, PhD, Cornell University, College of Veterinary Medicine. Continuing education credit will be awarded. Registration for the symposium is free to practicing veterinarians.

Following the symposium is a dinner to honor Dr. Short. The cost of the dinner is \$25 per plate. Registration for the dinner should be made prior to October 1 by contacting Susan Branch, [shb3@cornell.edu](mailto:shb3@cornell.edu), 3-3029.

### **Gibco & Qiagen Supply Center**

Life Technologies (Gibco) & Qiagen Supply Centers have been relocated to the Diagnostic Laboratory shipping area in room S1 125 Schurman Hall and renamed the

"Diagnostic Supply Center". The supply center will continue to be managed by Karen Jerkes at 253-3600.

Biomedical Electronics will continue to operate from T7 008 VRT. Job requests should be e-mailed to: [biomedserv@cornell.edu](mailto:biomedserv@cornell.edu) or called in to: Ray Coolbaugh/answering machine 253-3634, Walter Iddings, 253-3631, or to Karen Jerkes, 253-3600.

Billing concerns should be directed to Karen Jerkes. Equipment may also be dropped off in room S1 125 Schurman Hall and a work request filed.

For EMERGENCY requests (life threatening, safety issues) such as critical care equipment, bare wires, or gas leaks, e-mail your requests to: [pager\\_iddings@fcs.mail.cornell.edu](mailto:pager_iddings@fcs.mail.cornell.edu) or [pager\\_coolbaugh@fcs.mail.cornell.edu](mailto:pager_coolbaugh@fcs.mail.cornell.edu), and a technician will be paged immediately.

## News from Departments

### Biomedical Sciences

#### Accolades

**Traci Battle**, graduate student, successfully defended her PhD in July. She has accepted a postdoctoral position at Harvard University.

**Klaus Beyenbach**, professor, has been awarded the "Bundesverdienstkreuz" ("Order of Merit") by the President of Germany, Roman Herzog. The award is in recognition of Professor Beyenbach's service in founding and serving as President of the Alexander von Humboldt Association of America from 1997 to 1999. The award will be presented by the German Ambassador to the United States, Juergen Chrobog, on Friday, October 29 at the Germany Embassy in a dinner ceremony. Approximately 60 guests are expected from Germany and the US.

## **Transitions**

**Barry Cooper**, professor, is on sabbatical until January 15, 2000

**Pat Curran**, technician, is retiring this month with over 20 years of service at Cornell.

**Cornelia Farnum**, professor, is on sabbatical until July 31, 2000

**Sheila Forbes**, technician, has left the department to accept a full-time position in the Veterinary Library.

**Reina Fuji**, has completed her residency training and will begin her graduate research.

**Kate Huber**, administrator, has accepted a position at Cornell Information Technologies.

**Carl LaShomb**, technician, has left the histology laboratory.

**Toni Nichols**, administrative assistant, has left the department to accept a position closer to her home in Cortland.

**Evelyne Polack**, has completed her residency training and will be returning to Brazil.

**Fred Quimby**, professor, is on sabbatical until January 31, 2000.

**David Robertshaw**, professor, is on sabbatical until March 12, 2000.

**Minoru Sasaki**, visiting resident, has left the department.

**Yvonne van Gessel**, resident, has left the department to continue her training in the Army at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington, DC.

## **Welcomes**

**Clive Huxtable**, professor of pathology

**George Ignotz**, research associate in Susan Saurez's laboratory

**Michael Kotlikoff**, chair (effective July 1, 2000)

**Joseph Prisco**,. office systems specialist

**Katharine Whitney**, instructor of pathology

## **Building Care**

### **Transitions**

**David (Jake) Jacoby**, custodian, will be retiring this month. Come to the Hagan Room to wish Jake a happy retirement from 9:00 – 11:00 on September 21.

## **Human Resources**

### **Weddings**

Congratulations to **Betsy Wilcox**, human resource assistant, on her marriage to Tony DeGregorio in August 1999.

## **Laboratory Animal Services**

### **Accolades**

**David Collins**, animal technician, received his second Certificate of Achievement for perfect attendance from the department.

## **Welcomes**

**Kriya Dunlap**, temporary animal technician

**Jennifer Humphrey**, temporary animal technician

## **Microbiology and Immunology**

### **Accolades**

**Roger Avery**, professor and chair, has left Cornell to assume a position as Senior Associate Dean of the Graduate School at Virginia Tech. in Blacksburg, VA. Claudia Sutton, research associate, Sandra Corsi, research technician, and Anthony Cruz, undergraduate technician, will continue working on the FIV research project which will be headed by Dr. James Casey.

**Stephen Bloom**, professor, and **Ed Pearce**, associate professor, have been appointed as interim co-chairs of the department.

**Syed Naqi**, professor, received the Pharmacia-Upjohn Achievement Award. The award is given to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the field of avian medical research within the last seven years. The award was presented at the AVMA meeting in New Orleans.

**Karel Schat**, professor, was selected by the American Veterinary Medical Foundation as the recipient of the Pfizer Excellence in Poultry Research Award. The award is presented to a member of the AVMA, holding a DVM degree, for sustained excellence in research in poultry disease and health research over a period of 20 years or more.

**Tsyugoshi Yamaguchi**, visiting fellow, won a poster award at the AVMA meeting for his poster entitled "Presence of Marek's disease virus in quail fibroblast cell lines" with co-author K.A. Schat.

**James Gillespie**, professor emeritus, was featured in the *Polish Veterinary Life Magazine* (equivalent to the AVMA) in honor of his 80th birthday and in recognition of his scientific work and accomplishments over the years.

**Maria Tort**, research assistant, presented a talk at the Society of Toxicology Meeting in New Orleans. She was awarded the "Outstanding Student Paper of 1999" for her paper entitled "Modification of Tolerance of Sensitive Fish Species to Bath Treatment with Hydrogen Peroxide." P. R. Bowser co-authored the paper.

## **Births**

Congratulations to **Sandra Corsi**, technician, and husband Michael on the birth of their son, Angelo Tyler, born June 3.

**Daisy Wallace**, administrative assistant, and husband Bob became grandparents for the seventh time when Nicholas James was born July 13th in Corry, PA to their daughter, Heidi, and her husband, Dan Cornell.

## **Transitions**

**Carol Cardona**, postdoctoral associate, has accepted a position as assistant professor in the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California, Davis.

**Suping Chen**, graduate student, has finished her PhD with Rodney Dietert and has joined her husband in Chicago.

**Amy Glaser**, postdoctoral associate, has accepted a position as research associate in the department of Population Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences.

**Jarra Jagne**, extension associate, has accepted a position with ISA Breeders, Inc. in Ithaca.

**Mary Linton**, accounts representative, has been appointed as department administrator.

**Naomi Taus**, graduate student, finished her PhD and has accepted a postdoctoral position at the University of Missouri School of Veterinary Medicine, Columbia, MO.

**Pat Underwood**, administrator, is retiring in October after serving Cornell for over 45 years.

**Zheng Xing**, graduate student, finished his PhD and has accepted a postdoctoral position at the Institute for Human Gene Therapy, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA.

**Lola Winter**, senior lecturer, has retired after over 20 years with the department.

## **Weddings**

**Gary Whittaker**, assistant professor, and **Ruth Collins**, assistant professor in Molecular Medicine were married in August, 1999 in Harrogate, England.

## **Welcomes**

**Karen Adelman**, postdoctoral associate in Joel Baines's laboratory

**Barbara Butcher**, research associate in Eric Denkers's laboratory

**Dorothy Debbie**, lecturer

**YuYou Duan**, postdoctoral associate in Karel Schat's laboratory

**Feng Feng**, PhD student in Rodney Dietert's laboratory

**JoAnn Huddle**, account representative

**Keith Jarosinski**, postdoctoral associate in Karel Schat's laboratory

**Rebecca Murcek**, PhD student on rotation in the department



**Li Liang**, PhD student in Joel Baines's laboratory

**Xin Hui Li**, PhD student on rotation

**Ari Schoen**, PhD student in Stephen Bloom's laboratory

**Alex Schwartz**, computer specialist

**Sara Sieczkarski**, PhD student on rotation in the department

**Patricia Wakenell**, visiting fellow, joins Karel Schat's laboratory for 6 months from the School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California, Davis

## **Public Affairs**

### **Transitions**

**Alison R. Smith**, formerly the college's associate director of alumni affairs and annual giving, has assumed the role of associate director of alumni affairs and development. In her new development role, Alison will manage special fundraising programs such as scholarships and planned giving; coordinate development volunteer training and leadership groups; oversee donor recognition, gift reporting, special publications, and special events for the college's alumni affairs and development efforts; and serve as the college's liaison to the university's alumni affairs and development offices. In addition, Alison will continue to provide leadership for overall operations in alumni affairs and special projects.

**Jeanne Griffith** (formerly Truelsen), communications manager for the James A. Baker Institute, has relocated to S3-005 Schurman Hall.

### **Welcomes**

**Tracey Brant '84**, assistant director of alumni affairs and development. Formerly a reunion campaign officer in Alumni Affairs and Development, Tracey will provide

leadership and management for the college's alumni affairs and annual giving efforts; manage all reunion activities and volunteer coordination; oversee daily gift processing and data management systems; and coordinate special programs such as Young Alumni, Alumni Grants, Alumni Forum, Student Ambassadors, and Student Philanthropy.

**Theresa Cornwell**, administrative assistant. Tess was formerly an administrative assistant in the college's Office of Student Records, Schedules, and Financial Planning.

**Sherri Jones**, manager of special projects. Sherri was formerly the assistant director of human resources at Alumni Affairs and Development on Brown Road.

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## **Events**

### **1999 Employee Holiday Party**

This year's celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, December 21st from 11am until 2pm in the Gallery. Craft fair, "Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus" (with donations going to the Pet Loss Support Group), finger foods, entertainment, and prize drawings.

The committee for this year's Employee Celebration is focusing on the reason for this party: to thank the dedicated employees of the College of Veterinary Medicine for their hard work during the last year, and to provide the opportunity for people who ordinarily don't get a chance to see each other on a daily basis to chat.

We are holding the craft fair again this year in the Atrium. Any employee wishing to set up a table at the craft fair must obtain **PRIOR** approval from their supervisor for the time off, and personal or vacation time needs to be taken. Contact Cherrill Wallen, email-jcw1, to reserve a table.

### **Looking for a special gift idea?**

Are you looking for a new idea for a holiday, birthday, or other special occasion? Consider a gift to the College of Veterinary Medicine or the College's Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital! Gifts can be made in honor or memory of someone, and with a gift of \$25 or more, the college will provide you with a lovely gift card and matching envelope for you to share with the person, or family of the person/pet you have honored.

Contact Tracey Brant in the Office of Public Affairs for more information.  
tlb10@cornell.edu or 253-4230.

## News from Departments

### Baker Institute

#### Transitions

**Elizabeth Berliner**, a former animal technician, is now a first-year student in the DVM program at Cornell.

**Jill Czarnecki**, technician, working in Gus Aguirre's laboratory, left to start graduate work in human evolution at Temple University.

**Anne Dunford**, associate director of public affairs, has resigned to pursue opportunities outside the university.

**Kaya Ghosh**, technician in Judy Appleton's laboratory, is taking courses at Rutgers University and plans to apply to graduate school.

**Art Howser**, maintenance supervisor, retired this fall after 22 years with Baker Institute.

**Laurie Lantagne**, technician working in Doug Antczak's laboratory, accepted a Cooperative Extension position at the University of Vermont in early October.

**Sharon Morrow**, accounts representative, retired after 15 years with Baker Institute.

**Vanessa Reed**, animal technician, transferred to the psychology department at Cornell.

**Becky Tallmadge** entered the masters degree program in the Field of Immunology this fall and continues to work in Doug Antczak's laboratory.

**Yunfang Zhang**, a technician in the Lust/Wurster laboratory, accepted a position at Cornell's Boyce Thompson Institute in September.

## **Welcomes**

**Daniel Beiting**, technician in Judy Appleton's laboratory.

**Kimberlie Davis**, animal technician. Kim has previously worked on a temporary basis for the college's Equine Research Park.

**Karsten Hueffer**, graduate student, in Colin Parrish's laboratory. Karsten received his veterinary degree from the School of Veterinary Medicine Hannover in 1999 and participated in Cornell's 1998 Leadership Program for veterinary students.

**Sara Niles-Mitkowski**, technician working in Jharna Ray's laboratory. Sara received her BS in animal science from the University of Massachusetts in 1999.

**Crystal Schnell**, temporary receptionist

## **Biomedical Sciences**

### **Accolades**

**Peter Nathanielsz**, professor, delivered the keynote address to the Mexican Government's Ministry of Health annual meeting on the 25th Anniversary of the Women's Reproductive Health Program. His invitation was to speak on the ideas contained in his recent book *Life in the Womb: The Origin of Health and Disease*

### **Welcomes**

**Elizabeth Brower**, administrative assistant

## **Clinical Sciences**

### **Welcomes**

**Cheryl Balkman**, small animal medicine resident

**Emily Butler**, instructor

**Bonnie Campbell**, instructor

**Peter Early**, intern, small animal medicine

**Amara Estrada**, resident, cardiology

**Oliver Garden**, resident, small animal medicine

**Andrea Greiter**, intern, small animal medicine

**Jonathan Hill**, associate professor, Theriogenology

**Sean Kennedy**, resident, small animal surgery

**Sonja Kos**, intern, small animal medicine

**Rodney Page**, professor and director of Cornell's Cancer Program for Animals

**Hooman Pooya**, intern, small animal medicine

**Lisa Posner**, resident, anesthesia

**David Senter**, resident, dermatology

**Jamie Textor**, resident, large animal surgery

**Deborah Trainor**, resident, small animal medicine

**Kristina Wilson**, resident, radiology

**Leisel Wion**, resident, large animal medicine

**Audrey Yu-Speight**, intern, small animal medicine

## **Computing Services**

### **Transitions**

**John Godfrey**, interim director

**John Lewkowicz**, director, retired in October after 35 years with the University.

## **Feline Health Center**

### **Transitions**

**Iva Heim**, administrator, will be retiring on December 31 with over 14 years of service with the university. Everyone is invited to attend a retirement party for Iva on December 3 in the Centennial Room from 1:00-3:00pm with a gift presentation at 2:00. If anyone is interested in making a contribution for a gift, please see Gwen Frost in S3 114 Schurman Hall.

## **Lab Animal Services**

## **Accolades**

Congratulations to **David Dietterich**, laboratory animal technician, and **James Ferguson**, laboratory animal technologist, for achieving certification through the American Association for Lab Animal Science (AALAS).

Perfect Attendance Awards were given to

**Louis Barkman**

**Daniel Buck**

**Linda Lamphere**

**Bob McGuire**

**Robert Relyea**

## **Welcomes**

**Kris Callahan**, technician

**Barbara Dukelow**, technician

## **Microbiology & Immunology**

### **Accolades**

**Carrrie Markowski**, graduate student in Ton Schat's laboratory, passed her A exam in October.

**Syed Naqi**, professor, received the 1999 Pharmacia-Upjohn Achievement award. The award is given to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the field of avian medicine research within the last seven years.

**Ashley Reynolds**, graduate student, received an National Research Service Award grant from the National Institutes of Health for her PhD research in Joel Baines' laboratory.



**Karel Schat**, professor, was the recipient of the 1999 Pfizer Excellence in Poultry Research award. The recipient is selected by the American Veterinary Medical Foundation and presented to a member of the AVMA holding the DVM degree for sustained excellence in research in poultry disease and health research over a period of 20 years.

**Tsuyoshi Yamaguchi**, visiting fellow, was one of the winners of the 1999 AAAP poster awards. Yamaguchi's poster was entitled "Presence of Marek's disease virus in quail fibroblast cell lines" with co-author K.A. Schat.

## **Births**

**Daisy Wallace**, administrative assistant, and husband, Bob, have a new granddaughter, Anna Daisy, born October 27 to their son and daughter-in-law, Shawn and Heather Wallace.

## **Transitions**

**Sandra Corsi**, technician in Jim Casey's laboratory, left to be a full-time mother.

## **Molecular Medicine**

### **Welcomes**

**Ruth Collins**, assistant professor

## **Population Medicine & Diagnostic Science**

### **Accolades**

**Donald Lein**, chair, was recently presented the E. P. Pope Memorial Award while attending the Annual US Animal Health Association/American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians meeting in San Diego, CA. This award is presented annually to a member of the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians who has made noteworthy contributions to the specialty of veterinary diagnostic medicine. It is the most prestigious award given by the AAVLD, an organization that consists of about 1000 members representing 50 states, 9 Canadian Provinces and 23 countries.

## **Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital**

### **Births**

Congratulations to **Renee McNeil**, technician, and her husband Chuck, on the birth of their daughter, Emily Jean, born October 17.

Congratulations to **Dawn Vail**, administrative assistant, and her husband Nicholas, on the birth of their daughter, Hannah Kimberly, born June 17.

### **Transitions**

**Timothy Newton**, pharmacy technician, is leaving to start his own contracting business.

### **Welcomes**

**Sue Carman**, animal attendant in the Companion Animal Hospital

**Joanne Cowulich**, technician, transferred from clinical sciences to community practice service

**Kathy Fowler**, administrative assistant in the discharge office of the Companion Animal Hospital

**Lisa Golanka**, veterinary technician in radiology

**Wendy Hicks**, veterinary technician in the equine and farm animal hospitals

**Renee Manchester**, veterinary technician in Companion Animal Hospital surgery

**Linda Muntean**, administrative assistant in the discharge office of the Companion Animal Hospital

**Jennifer Schneider**, veterinary technician in the intensive care unit of the Companion Animal Hospital

**Amy Valero**, veterinary technician in community practice service

**Julie Welfel**, animal attendant in the Companion Animal Hospital

**Becky Williams**, technician in Companion Animal Hospital

**Ariana Woodcock**, veterinary technician in the Equine and Farm Animal Hospital

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