Grandparent University

The Veterinary Center recently welcomed 13 adults and 17 grandchildren for Grandparent University. See how attendees spent their time in Vet Med and what they learned at [Grandparent University 2017](#).

OCAST Awards

Congratulations to Drs. Ashish Ranjan and Shitao Li on receiving funding from the Oklahoma Center for the Advancement of Science and Technology (OCAST).

OCAST recently approved $5.4 million for 41 research and development projects that include innovations in energy, aerospace, agriculture, weather, health and other critical industries.

Drs. Ranjan and Li are with the Department of Physiological Sciences. Both of their projects fall under the 25 approved projects in the Health Research Program category.

Getting to Know You

Vanessa Snyder, DVM, is a small animal medicine and surgery intern. Originally from Philadelphia, Pa., she earned her DVM degree from Michigan State University. Her research interests focus on nuclear medicine and diagnostic imaging.

A former senior scientist and medical writer, Vanessa enjoys writing, traveling, and team sports such as softball in her spare time.

House Officer Seminar

Rebecca Tims, DVM, will present "Blood Pressure: Measurement, Management and White Coat Effect in Dogs" on Thursday, July 13, at 8 a.m. in Room 104 at the Veterinary Medical Hospital. Tims is a small animal internal medicine resident mentored by Dr. Ryan Baumwart.

Reichard Presents at OKAALAS

Mason Reichard, PhD, will present "Tick Research and Rearing" on Thursday, July 13, during the Oklahoma American Association for Laboratory Animal Science 2017 State Meeting in Oklahoma City. Reichard is a professor in veterinary pathobiology and co-director of the National Center for Veterinary Parasitology.

Advanced Canine Athletic Program

The Veterinary Center will host the Advanced Canine Athletic Program on Aug. 1-3, 2017. If you know any law enforcement or military K9 handlers or dog owners with canine athletes, please share this information with them. Subject matter experts will cover nutrition, thermoregulation, supplements, conditioning programs, equipment and more. For full details and to register, visit [Advanced Canine Athletic Program](#).

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Favorite Quote: “Fall down seven times, get up eight.”

Olivarez Leads SAVMA

Jeff Olivarez of Edmond, Okla., class of 2018, is serving as president of the Student American Veterinary Medical Association.

In case you missed it, JAVMA featured Olivarez in a recent issue (full story).

Sally Venable, DVM, is a food animal medicine and surgery intern. Originally from Ventura, Calif., she earned her DVM degree from Ross University.

In her spare time, Sally enjoys endurance running, barbeque and tacos.

Favorite Quote: “Cats are like potato chips - you can't just have one.”