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Dean Visits Tulsa Fair



Dr. Carlos Risco, dean, spent some time at this year's Tulsa Fair. He's pictured above with veterinary students **Brooke Bennett** ('20) (left) and **Jessica Dobbs** ('22) (right). Alumni affairs and event specialist **Sharon Worrell** also spent several days at our booth, which featured the **Class of 1970 Museum on Wheels** truck pictured here.

Meet our Distinguished Alumni

Congratulations, again, to the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients!

R. Reynolds Cowles, DVM, of Free Union, Virginia, earned his DVM degree in 1967. He founded Blue Ridge Equine Clinic and has been heavily involved in the horse industry and organized veterinary medicine throughout his career. Read more at [Cowles Named Distinguished Alumnus](#).

Bill J. Johnson, DVM, DACVP, of Stillwater, Oklahoma, earned his DVM degree in 1973 and became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in 1982. His career focused on pathology and leading the Oklahoma Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory. Read more at [Johnson 2018 Distinguished Alumnus](#).

Charles W. Qualls, Jr., DVM, PhD, DACVP, of Thousand Oaks, California, also earned his DVM degree in 1973. He earned his PhD in 1980 and in 1982, he became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. Qualls spent the majority of his career in academia branching into industry in the last decade. Read more at [Qualls Named Distinguished Alumnus](#).

Annual Fall Conference

Our Annual Fall Conference is Thursday and Friday, Oct. 11 and 12, at the Wes Watkins Center in Stillwater. Watch your inbox for a Special Edition of *Net Vet Weekly* devoted to the conference and alumni activities happening this week.

It's a Gathering, Texas Style

Join **Dr. Carlos Risco**, dean, and CVHS alumni and friends in Texas on Tuesday, Oct. 16, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Hosted by **Dr. Craig** ('89) and **Stephanie Jones** in Godley, Texas, it promises to be a fun evening with a chuckwagon supper and live music.

For specific directions and to RSVP, contact **Ashley Hesser** by Tuesday, Oct. 9. Hesser is with the OSU Foundation and can be reached at ahesser@osugiving.com or 405-385-0715.

Getting to Know You



Nicola Di Girolamo, DMV, MSc (EBHC), GP Cert (ExAP), PhD, DECZM (Herp), is an associate professor in the Veterinary Medical Hospital's Avian, Exotics and Zoo Medicine ward in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. Originally from Rome, Italy, he

Who's Leading the House Cup?

The House Cup is a friendly, civil competition running from April 2018 to April 2019. Currently, it's a close race with **Camuti** and **Krull Houses** tied for 1st place! **Ewing House** is in 3rd with **Iben House** coming in 4th place.

Standings are based on points accumulated since April 2018. To learn how you can earn individual and group house points, visit [House System Rules](#).

earned his DMV (DVM equivalent) and a PhD in Veterinary Sciences from the University of Bologna, Italy. Di Girolamo is also a diplomate of the European College of Zoological Medicine (Herpetology). His research interests range from diagnostic techniques in exotics to the application of evidence-based practice and meta-research in veterinary medicine.

When he was a veterinary student, Nicola collected snakes in the dorm much to the dismay of some students. In his spare time, he enjoys Brazilian jujitsu and surfing.

Favorite Quote: "The more you know, the less you need."



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