



## News from the AVMA Convention

Congratulations to **Dr. Candace Jacobs** ('78) on receiving the AVMA Public Service Award! This award recognizes her "long-term, outstanding public service or unusual contributions to the practice or science of public health and regulatory veterinary medicine." Jacobs is a food safety consultant with Kulshan Services. Prior to that, she spent 15 years with the Washington State Department of Agriculture.

Thank you to approximately 60 alumni and friends who attended a reception hosted by **Dean Carlos Risco** and the **Advancement Team**. Congratulations to the following door prize recipients: **Drs. Jordan Cassidy** ('13), **Candace Jacobs** ('78), **Emily Johnston** ('13), **Larry McGill** ('68), **Brittany Propst** ('17) and **Sandie Wood** ('16).

## OSU Foundation Update



We are happy to share that **Ms. Chris Sitz**, senior director of development at the OSU Foundation, has been promoted to CVHS team lead. Sitz joined the Foundation in 2017 and served the CVHS with **Heidi Griswold**, who was the team lead. Griswold will continue as the team lead for DASNR. Our partners at the OSU Foundation are an important

## Summer Research Scholars Program

Join us Monday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Old Phys area of McElroy Hall to recognize the amazing work of this year's summer research scholars! The 12-week program involves first or second year veterinary students, who are mentored by leading researchers. Find out what the following students have discovered:

- **Alexa Hunter** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Jerry Ritchey**, Veterinary Pathobiology
- **Morgan Johnson** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Brenda Smith**, Nutritional Sciences
- **Shannon Remerowski** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Rheal Towner**, Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation
- **Katie Schwartz** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Sue Fairbanks**, Natural Resource Ecology & Management
- **Layna Tarpelechee** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Kelly Allen**, Veterinary Pathobiology
- **Lyndsi Vaughn** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Tim Snider**, Veterinary Pathobiology
- **Michael Wallis** ('20) mentored by **Dr. Joao Brandao**, Veterinary Clinical Sciences
- **Billy Womble** ('21) mentored by **Dr. Jenn Grindstaff**, Integrative Biology

## Vote Now for Alumna Dr. Hartfield

**Dr. Rebekah Hartfield** ('16) has been nominated for the Hero Veterinarian Award! People can vote every day until August 2. Hartfield is one of five finalists for this national honor. Please support one of our own with your vote at [Hero Vet Awards](#).

## Getting To Know You

aspect of moving the veterinary center forward and we appreciate all their efforts on our behalf.

## Confer Presents in Texas

**Dr. Anthony Confer** recently presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory Amarillo Bovine Respiratory Disease Symposium. Confer, a well-known researcher in bovine respiratory disease, presented "Immunity to *Mannheimia haemolytica*: Are we there yet?"

## Dr. Lehman Receives Fellowship

**Dr. Fred Lehman** ('80) is one of two veterinarians selected to serve in the 2018-2019 AVMA Fellowship Program! During his tenure, Lehman will advise policymakers on a wide range of issues, such as food safety, public health, animal welfare, research, and small business policies. Read more at [Lehman Named Congressional Fellow](#).

## Getting to Know You



**Julie Gaches** is a senior financial assistant in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. Originally from Oklahoma City, she graduated from Putnam City West High School.

Julie enjoys reading, gardening, fishing, and traveling. She is also involved in her daughter's activities as a Future Farmers of America Booster Club member.

*Favorite Quote: "Do it with passion or not at all."*



**Kelsey Bailey, DVM**, is a small animal rotating intern. Originally from Shreveport, La., she earned her DVM degree from Louisiana State University. Bailey's research interests include the integration and efficacy of traditional Chinese veterinary medicine in common diseases and anything ophthalmology related.

Kelsey knows how to sew and in her spare time enjoys yoga, painting or drawing, reading, crafts, travel, adventures, and anything outside.

*Favorite Quote: "You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face." - Eleanor Roosevelt*

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**Adam Naff** is a senior administrative support specialist in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences. Originally from Stillwater, Okla., he enjoys traveling, reading, and OSU sports.

*Favorite Quote: "I can imagine no more rewarding a career. And any man who may be asked in this century what he did to make his life worthwhile, I think can respond with a good deal of pride and satisfaction: I served in the United States Navy." - John F. Kennedy*



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