



## Congratulations, Dr. Myers!

**John Myers, DVM, DACT**, ('71) recently received the 2016 Dr. John Steiner Award for Excellence in Practice from the American College of Theriogenologists. Owner of Pecan Drive Veterinary Services in Vinita, Okla., Myers specializes in bovine reproduction. He has also authored two chapters in *Bovine Reproduction*.

## More Fall Conference News

Congratulations to the following alumni, who won a door prize at the CVHS Booth during Fall Conference:

- **Stacey Hubler**, Class of 2002
- **Mark Kopit**, Class of 1981
- **Shannon Lynch**, Class of 2014
- **Derek Pridey**, Class of 2006
- **Laura Shimanek**, Class of 1988

## Smithee Presents at OLLI

**Cameron Smithee** ('17) recently discussed pet first aid and environmental risks that might cause pet poisoning during an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) gathering. His talk was part of a series, "It's a Dog's Life," presented by faculty, staff and students from the veterinary center on Thursdays from Oct. 6 to Nov. 10.



Pictured above is fourth year veterinary student **Cameron Smithee** speaking at OLLI. Cameron's grandfather, **Ron Smithee**, is a former OLLI instructor.

Throughout the course, attendees will learn the history of how dogs came to be domesticated, considerations of the various breeds, the adopt or purchase choice and more. OLLI is offered each semester to retirees and other adults in the community who want to enrich

## Veterinary Biomedical Sciences Seminar

**Kirstin Poindexter** will present "Kinetic Characterization of Copolymer-Complexed Butyrylcholinesterase" on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 4 p.m. in Room 259 McElroy Hall. Poindexter is a PhD student and graduate research associate in the Department of Physiological Sciences mentored by **Dr. Carey Pope**.

## Homecoming Parade

Join us for the OSU Sea of Orange Parade celebrating Homecoming 2016: A Cowboy Dream on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016. We will be led by our Museum on Wheels truck driven by **Dr. Billy Clay** ('70) followed by the **Scottie Brigade** led by **Sharon Worrell**, alumni affairs, and **Pete's Pet Posse**. All are welcome to ride their horses or walk with their pets on a leash. All animals must be current on all vaccinations.

Meet at 12<sup>th</sup> and Chester Streets by 7:15 a.m. Horses may off load at Couch Park. Enter the staging area at 10<sup>th</sup> and Lowry and look for entry # 100, CVHS Museum on Wheels and Pete's Pet Posse. Attire is orange top and dark bottom. Pictures will be taken at daylight. The parade starts at 8 a.m. sharp. For more information, please contact **Sharon Worrell** at 405-612-5359.

## Dean Search

**Dr. Thomas Coon**, vice president for OSU agriculture programs, is chairing the search committee for the next Dean of the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences. He will host several listening sessions across the state of Oklahoma to gain insights from the members of the veterinary profession. This is your chance to voice your opinion on what is important to the mission of the veterinary center, the challenges facing the veterinary profession in Oklahoma, suggestions on how the CVHS can help address those challenges, and what attributes (skills, background and experience) we should seek in recruiting a new Dean.

their lives through new learning experiences. For more information on OLLI, visit <https://education.okstate.edu/olli>.

## Behind the Scenes with Bullet

As we celebrate Homecoming, many of you may not know what happens behind the scenes with **Bullet**, OSU's famous horse mascot. The equine team at the veterinary center looks after Bullet on and off the field. And **Dr. Lyndi Gilliam** takes that care one step further ([full story](#)).

## Student Activities

**SCAVMA** will host an open panel discussion on mental health today, Oct. 24, at 6 p.m. in McElroy Hall Auditorium.

**SVSA** will hold a wet lab on Tuesday, Oct. 25, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## Chili Cook-Off to Benefit United Way

That's right folks - bring your appetites to the Annual Chili Cook-Off Competition to benefit the CVHS United Way campaign. For \$5/person you can enjoy some great chili on Wednesday, Oct. 26, between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Veterinary Medical Hospital Faculty Conference Room located in the hospital basement. If you want to enter your own prize-winning chili, contact **Kristy Burch** today, Oct. 24, at 744-8751 or [kristy.burch@okstate.edu](mailto:kristy.burch@okstate.edu).

Please plan to attend one or more sessions or join online via Adobe Connect web conferencing services:

- Oct. 31 - District 1, Tulsa, 7 p.m. in Room 110, North Classroom Building, OSU-Tulsa, 551 East John Hope Franklin Blvd, Tulsa, OK 74106
- Nov. 1 - District 5, Oklahoma City, 7 p.m. in the Oklahoma County Extension Office, 2500 NE 63rd S, Oklahoma City, OK 73111
- Nov. 7 - District 2, McAlester, 7 p.m. in the Pittsburg County Extension Office, 707 West Electric Avenue, McAlester, OK 74501
- Nov. 21 - District 4, Ardmore, 7 p.m. in the OSU Institute for Agricultural Biosciences, 3210 Sam Noble Parkway, Ardmore, OK 73401
- Nov. 22, District 3, Elk City, 7 p.m. at the Hampton Inn, 102 Regional Drive, Elk City, OK 73644

OSU representatives at each session will include **Dr. Coon**, Oklahoma A&M Regent **Joe Hall**, and OSU Senior Vice President for Administration **Joe Weaver**. More information will be available through the OVMA, Oklahoma Cooperative Extension offices and the website at <http://www.oces.okstate.edu/>.



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