



Congratulations, Dr. Confer!

Anthony Confer, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVP, ('72) was recently inducted into the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame. On faculty at the CVHS since 1981, he has made prominent contributions in research and in teaching throughout his career. Confer's research specialty is bovine respiratory diseases, especially related to pneumonia, the greatest cause of production loss and death in cattle ([full story](#)).

Veterinary Parasitologists in the News

Congratulations to **Anne Barrett, PhD**, and **Alice Lee, DVM**, on being recognized at the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists meeting held earlier this year.

Barrett received the AAVP-Merck Outstanding Graduate Student Award for her work on novel spotted fever group *Rickettsia* species in ticks and dogs. Barrett is a parasitologist in the Department of Veterinary Pathobiology.

Lee earned the AAVP-Companion Animal Parasite Council Graduate Student Award in Zoonotic Disease for her work on larval trapping in mice infected with *Toxocara canis* and the results of concomitant pre-existing infections with *Toxoplasma gondii*. Lee is the Novartis Resident in Veterinary Parasitology at the National Center for Veterinary Parasitology housed here at OSU.

Publication

David C. Kersey, Copper Aitken-Palmer, Sam Rivera, Erin L. Willis, Yu Liang Liu, Rebecca J. Snyder. *The birth of a giant panda: tracking the biological factors that successfully contribute to conception through to post-natal development*. Theriogenology. Published Online: Oct. 14, 2015. DOI: [full article](#).

Dr. Mackey and Brittany's

Dr. Paige Mackey, small animal internal medicine resident, recently provided training to the Indian Nations Brittany Club. Brittany's love to run and hunt,

Canines in the Kitchen

Dr. Lara Sypniewski and OSU Registered Dietitian, **Elizabeth Lohrman** will host Cowboy Cooking School: Canines in the Kitchen on Wednesday, Oct. 28 from 12 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. at the Seretean Wellness Center Kitchen. Learn to make a variety of tasty treats for your pets using healthy ingredients.

Special Seminar on Integrative Medicine

Ron Koh, DVM, will present "Integrative Medicine: Acupuncture and Its Integration into Conventional Medicine" in a special seminar hosted by **Dr. Lara Sypniewski** on Thursday, Oct. 29, at 8 a.m. in Room 104 at the Veterinary Medical Hospital. Koh will talk about the science behind acupuncture and explore some of the mechanisms of acupuncture. He will also discuss what clinical conditions respond readily to acupuncture and how to implement it to enhance patients' outcomes. Koh is also presenting at the Holistic Club Meeting that same evening at 6 p.m. in Room 201 (Histology Lab) McElroy Hall. Koh is an assistant professor at Louisiana State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

Physiological Sciences/ITP Seminar

Charles Rice, PhD, will present "The Role of Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor (Ahr) in Adaptation to Stress, Contaminants and Disease" on Thursday, Oct. 29, at 4 p.m. in Room 259 McElroy Hall. Rice is a professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at Clemson University. His seminar is hosted by the Department of Physiological Sciences and the Interdisciplinary Toxicology Program.

Fall Conference

There is still time to register for the CVHS 2015 Fall Conference for Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians. Whether you plan to attend just the CE portion, alumni events or all activities, you can sign up online at [event registration](#). If you need any additional information, please contact **Emily**

which can sometimes lead to injuries. Mackey provided basic first aid tips for dogs and techniques for stabilizing a dog in the field for transport to a veterinary hospital.

Halloween is Coming

Watch the CVHS website and Facebook pages for the **Pete's Spooktacular Pet Costume Contest** running from Oct. 26 through Nov. 2.

Snow at emily.snow@okstate.edu or (405) 744-7672.

Veterinarians Needed

It has come to our attention that several veterinary practices have job openings. To find a complete listing (too long to include here), please visit <http://hireosugrads.com/>.



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