News from SAVMA Symposium 2018

A total of 13 students recently attended the 2018 Student American Veterinary Medical Association Symposium hosted by the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, Pa. Students attended lectures and wet labs and toured the "City of Brotherly Love."

Pictured (left to right, back row) are: Kyre Larrabee ('20), Kim Kern ('21), Brooke Bennett ('20), Kellie Hale ('20), Kirsten Grammer ('20), Carley Cunningham ('20), and Shannon Remerowski ('20). Pictured (left to right, front row) are: Danielle Owens ('21), Laura Michelotti ('20), Katie Schwartz ('20) and Layna Tarpalechee ('20). Also attending but not pictured were Jeff Olivarez ('18) and Seth Hiddink ('21).

Everyone’s trip was funded thanks to national grants, OSU SAVMA and fundraising. Next year, the SAVMA Symposium will be hosted by the University of Georgia located in Athens, Ga.

Exotic Companion Mammal Symposium A Success

Thank you to Oxbow Animal Health for co-hosting the Exotic Companion Mammal Symposium at the veterinary center last weekend. Speakers included our own Dr. Joao Brandao, assistant professor of Zoological Medicine, as well as Dr. Jorg Mayer, associate professor of Zoological Medicine at the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine, and Dr. Micah Kohles of the University of Nebraska Lincoln Oxbow Animal Health and Flatwater Veterinary Group.

OCRID Retreat Continued

Other retreat activities include OCRID investigator presentations, OCRID core reports and a poster competition with cash prizes. Participants come from Oklahoma State University, University of Oklahoma, and Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

The event is sponsored by NIH CoBRE P20GM103648, OSU Vice President for Research, and the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences and hosted by Dr. Lin Liu, OCRID director, Regents Professor and Lundberg-Kienlen Endowed Chair in Biomedical Research.

Phi Zeta Research Day

Mark your calendar to attend Phi Zeta Research Day on Thursday, April 5. Hear veterinary students, graduate students, residents, interns and post-doctoral scientists present their amazing work throughout the day.

Dean Carlos Risco kicks off the program at 8:30 a.m. in Room 104 at the Veterinary Medical Hospital. Presentations will continue throughout the day in Room 104 and in the Faculty Conference Room located in the Hospital basement.

An awards banquet will be held that evening beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Karston Creek, just west of Stillwater, to recognize outstanding presentations and induct new members into the Society of Phi Zeta.

Annual Vet Med Open House
Attendees included Dr. Carlos Risco, dean of the veterinary center, a house full of veterinarians, veterinary students and veterinary technicians.

Larrabee Chosen to Lead

Once again, an Oklahoma State veterinary student will soon lead the Student American Veterinary Medical Association.

Congratulations Kyre Larrabee (‘20) on being elected SAVMA National-President Elect! She will serve on the National SAVMA Executive Board for the next two years.

Larrabee's term comes on the heels of Jeff Olivarez (‘18) ending his term as president of National SAVMA. Jeff and Kyre, way to shine and set an example for other veterinary programs to follow!

House Officer Seminar

Leslie Wagner, DVM, will present "Pregnancy Toxemia: A Review of Current Literature" on Tuesday, April 3, at 8 a.m. in Room 104 at the Veterinary Medical Hospital. Wagner is a food animal medicine and surgery resident mentored by Dr. Melanie Boileau.

OCRID 5th Annual Research Retreat

Join us for our Annual Center for Veterinary Health Sciences Open House on Saturday, April 7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Live animal demonstrations, Veterinary Medical Hospital tours, information sessions and more will delight young and old alike. We hope you can attend.

Congratulations, Dr. Fidler!

Isaiah (Josh) Fidler, DVM, PhD, FACCR (’63), will be honored by the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) on Sunday, April 15, during the AACR Annual Meeting in Chicago. Fidler, a Fellow of the AACR Academy, is a professor Emeritus in the Departments of Cancer Biology and Neurosurgery at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas.

Fidler is receiving the 12th Margaret Foti Award for Leadership and Extraordinary Achievements in Cancer Research. This award recognizes a true champion of cancer research whose leadership and extraordinary achievements in cancer research have had a major impact on the field. Such achievements may include scientific contributions to the acceleration of progress against cancer, significant accomplishments in the national or international awareness of the importance of cancer research, or other ways of demonstrating a sustained extraordinary commitment to cancer research.

Congratulations, Dr. Fidler, on this prestigious award that recognizes
The Oklahoma Center for Respiratory and Infectious Diseases will host its 5th Annual Research Retreat on Tuesday, April 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Meditations located just west of Stillwater.

Keynote speakers are G.R. Scott Budinger, MD, and Elaine Tuomannen, PhD. Budinger is chief and professor of pulmonary and critical care at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine in Chicago, Ill. Tuomannen is chair of the Infectious Disease Department and director of the Children’s Infectious Defense Center at St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital located in Memphis, Tenn.