UF College of Veterinary Medicine
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Dean's Report to the Alumni Council
April 13, 2013

Dean's Circle of Excellence

- The Dean's Circle of Excellence is a premier society designed specifically to support the ongoing efforts of the college toward unparalleled educational and institutional excellence.
- To date, 51 members have joined, including 30 alumni.
- The Dean's Circle held a luncheon on January 21 at the NAVC meeting, Orlando, FL.

Administration

- Dean Hoffsis announced his retirement, effective July 1, 2013. A reception will be held June 1, 6:00 p.m., in the Small Animal Hospital. The search for a new dean continues and updates can be found here: www.deansearch.vetmed.ufl.edu
- The dean has appointed Dr. Ammon Peck as the Associate Dean for Research & Graduate Studies, effective September 1, upon the retirement of Charlie Courtney.
- The dean has appointed Dr. Carlos Risco as Chair for the Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences, effective September 1.

Faculty Searches

- Administration
  - Dean & Professor
- SACS
  - Assistant/Associate Professor – Cardiology
  - Clinical Associate Professor – Dermatology (offer pending)
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Veterinary Primary Care
  - Clinical Lecturer - Integrative Medicine
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Medical Oncology (offer accepted)
- Physiological Sciences
  - Assistant Professor - Toxicology (offer pending)
- ID&P
  - Clinical Instructor – Anatomic Pathology
  - Research Professor - Virology
- LACS
  - Lecturer - Aquatic Animal Medicine
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Large Animal Medicine

Faculty Hires

- Administration
  - Associate Dean & Professor - Dr. Ammon B. Peck

- SACS
  - Clinical Associate Professor – Dr. Sarah Boston
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Bobbi Jo Conner

  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Christine Iacovetta
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Lyndsay N. Kubicek
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Travis M. Lanaux
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Justin W. Shmalberg
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Daniel J. VanderHart
  - Clinical Lecturer – Dr. Carlos H. Souza
  - Clinical Lecturer – Dr. Caleb C. Hudson
  - Clinical Lecturer – Dr. Natalie H. Hall
- LACS
  - Assistant Professor – Dr. Fernando L. Pereira Garcia
  - Clinical Assistant Professor – Dr. Andrea S. Graham
  - Chair & Professor – Dr. Carlos Risco
- ID&P
  - Research Assistant Professor – Dr. Beata Clapp
  - Research Assistant Professor – Dr. Massimo Maddaloni
  - Research Assistant Professor – Dr. Xinghong Yang
  - Research Assistant Professor – Dr. Jennifer L. Owen
  - Professor - Dr. David W. Pascual
  - Clinical Instructor – Dr. Julia S. Lankton
  - Assistant Professor – Dr. Thomas Waltzek

Florida Tomorrow Campaign

- The University of Florida's capital campaign has concluded. The CVM has far surpassed its $40,000,000 goal, raising $53,771,321 total.

Department of Infectious Diseases and Pathology
Report to the Alumni Council
Spring 2013

Awards and honors…….

Dr. Paul Nicoletti, Professor Emeritus in Infectious Diseases and Pathology, was inducted into the Florida Agricultural Hall of Fame, in Tampa, on February 12, for his lasting contribution to Florida agriculture by improving the procedures used to control bovine brucellosis. Dr. Nicoletti, an internationally recognized authority on bovine brucellosis who worked with both the USDA and the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization, joined the department in 1978. He became Professor Emeritus in 2003, and still remains active in both the UF and veterinary communities, recently endowing his third scholarship for veterinary students, with at $1 million gift to the CVM branch of the Florida Opportunity Scholars Program.

Two of our Anatomic Pathology Residents received awards at the 2012 meeting of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists held in Seattle, Washington, December 1-5. Dr. Angelique Leone received a Young Investigator Award in the section of natural disease for her poster *"Giant Cell Meningoencephalomyelitis in a Pregnant Andalusian Mare"* and Dr. Sophie Wickins received a 2012 Student Scholarship Award from the CL Davis Foundation, recognizing her achievement as an anatomic pathology resident at the University of Florida.

Dr. Mansour Mohamadzadeh, a Professor of Immunology in Infectious Diseases and Pathology, received one of the UF College of Veterinary Medicine's 2013 Division 5 Superior Accomplishment Awards, in the Faculty Category, at the March 15, Superior Accomplishment Award Luncheon held at the Paramount Hotel.

Department faculty and staff news …..

New members of the department include Dr. Xinghong Yang, Research Assistant Professor, and Dr. Eduardo Huarte, Postdoctoral Associate, in Dr. David Pascual's immunology research group; Dr. Chethan Sampath, Postdoctoral Associate, in Dr. Cuong Nguyen's laboratory; Dr. Denise Petty, Coordinator of Research Programs and Services, Dr. Natalie Steckler, Postdoctoral Associate, and Dr. Andor Doszpoly, Short-Term Scholar joining Dr. Tom Waltzek; and Ms. Melanie Dacheux, Short-Term Scholar, working with Dr. John Dame.

From our graduate program…..

Dr. Claudio Verdugo, Graduate Research Assistant with Dr. Maureen Long completed his PhD degree in Veterinary Medical Sciences, and graduated in December, after successfully defending his dissertation on "Genetic Variation of the American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*) and the Emergence of West Nile Virus". Following graduation, Dr. Verdugo accepted a position on the Faculty of Veterinary Science at the Universidad Austral de Chile in Valdivia. Also graduating in December was Dr. Missa Patrick Sanou, who under the guidance of Dr. Janet Yamamoto, completed his research on "Evolutionarily Conserved CTL Epitopes on HIV-1 and FIV for an HIV Vaccine" and received his PhD in the Department of Microbiology and Cell Science.

Entering our graduate program this Spring, is Tao Yang, who will conduct his PhD research with Dr. Mansour Mohamadzadeh.

Research news …..

Dr. Beata Clapp, Research Assistant Professor in Infectious Diseases and Pathology, was recently named one of the 14 recipients of a Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) Pilot Project Award. These awards support the growth of interdisciplinary and investigator-initiated research. This round of pilot grants focused on collaborations with the CTSI Biorepository and the CTSI Human Imaging Core. The 14 awards were made to investigators in six UF Colleges, with Dr. Clapp the only recipient from the CVM.

Several ID&P graduate students and residents received awards at the recent CVM Phi Zeta Research Emphasis Day in March. Dr. Shannon Roff (mentored by Dr. Janet Yamamotot) and Dr. Nanny Wenzlow (mentored by Dr. Maureen Long) received honors in the Graduate Student Presentations group, while Dr. Hirotaka Kondo (mentored by Dr. Jeff Abbott) was one of the two award winners in the Resident/Intern Poster category.

New research awards in the department include a two-year, $512,000 grant to Dr. David Pascual, from the National Institutes of Health to investigate Mucosal Therapy for Autoimmunity. Dr. Pascual has also received an NIH award for $277,000 to work on Subunit Vaccines for Brucella Pathogens, and a $100,000 subcontract from Duke University to study Mucosal Vaccination to Protect Against HIV-1 Infectious at Mucosal Sites. Pfizer, Inc has awarded Dr. Janet Yamamoto a grant in the amount of $127,000 to continue her work on FIV Vaccines. Dr. Tom Waltzek has received a $25,000 subcontract from Florida Atlantic University to investigate Metagenomic Detection of Emerging Viral Pathogens Among Bottlenose Dolphins.

Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences and Large Animal Hospital
Carlos Risco, Chair
Dana Zimmel, Chief of Staff, Veterinary Hospitals
Spring 2013

Service and Faculty Updates

Aquatic Animal Health

Sarah Carey recently wrote an article called "Tangled!" which appeared in the Fall 2012 edition of Explore Magazine. The article discussed the many challenges the Aquatic Animal Health group face when helping marine mammals snarled in fishing line. Dr. Mike Walsh discussed the new technique being used to rescue entangled whales. This new technique requires chemically sedating a free-swimming whale. The challenge is to administer the right amount of drug to sufficiently sedate the animal to allow the veterinarian to safely approach, but not so much as to endanger the animal. For the entire article: http://vetmed.sites.medinfo.ufl.edu/files/2013/01/Tangled.pdf

The Aquatic Animal Health group is currently performing a search for a Lecturer.

Anesthesia

Dr. Andre Shih was invited to speak at the Brazilian Congress of Veterinary Surgery and Anesthesiology in November. This is South America's largest meeting in the field of veterinary surgery and anesthesiology. Dr. Shih presented topics on hypothermia and coagulations in anesthesia and cardiopulmonary arrest.

Extension

Drs. Amanda House, Rob MacKay, and Martha Mallicote recently spoke at a free information seminar held in Ocala in response to the recent Herpes virus outbreak. Approximately 55- 60 people were in attendance.

FARMS

The Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences is pleased to welcome Dr. Fiona Maunsell, Clinical Assistant Professor in the Food Animal and Reproductive Medicine Service, effective December 15, 2012. Dr. Maunsell earned her DVM at the University of Melbourne. She received her Master's degree in Veterinary Medicine from the University of Minnesota and completed her Residency in Food Animal Medicine and Surgery at the University of Illinois. She completed her PhD at the University of Florida in Infectious Diseases and is a diplomate in the American College of Internal Medicine (Large Animal). The service continues to be active in research related to metabolic and infectious diseases, Johnes disease and reproduction.

Medicine

The Large Animal Medicine Service along with colleagues in the Clinical Pathology and Microbiology Department published the first case of Autochthonus Equine Leishmaniasis in Emerging Disease in September 2012. We are looking for more cases of the Equine Cutaneous Leishmanisasis for various research projects. Please contact Dr. Sarah Reuss at sreuss@ufl.edu if you are presented with a horse with cutaneous lesions around the head and neck.

Currently a group of faculty within the department are collaborating with faculty at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine who have discovered a new virus that they believe is responsible for Theiler's Disease, an often fatal form of liver disease associated with the use of equine origin biologics such as TAT (tetanus antitoxin). This is very important work because it has been found that there are horses that carry the virus but have no clinical signs. The faculty are asking for help in identifying other cases of Theiler's Disease. These are cases of severe liver disease, usually signs of depression and behavior change, icterus, and high liver enzymes. If you have a case that might fit the descriptions of Theiler's Disease, please contact Dr. Amanda House at housea@ufl.edu or Dr. Robert MacKay at mackayr@ufl.edu.

The Medicine service is currently performing a search for a Clinical Assistant Professor.

Reproduction

The faculty from Large Animal Reproduction have been busy with teaching and lecturing for the past 6 months. Fall is a busy time for our faculty as we teach elective courses in equine and small animal reproduction, as well as our sophomore course in general Theriogenology.

Drs. Pozor and Macpherson spoke at the West Coast Equine Reproduction Symposium in Buellton, CA, Immediately after the WCERS meeting, both presented scientific papers at the annual convention for the American Association of Equine Practitioners in Anaheim, CA. Dr. Macpherson was invited to speak to a group of Italian veterinarians in the Dolomite Mountains this past December on topics ranging from managing subfertility in mares to problems in late pregnancy. Dr. Pozor was a featured speaker to the largest group of Italian Equine practitioners in Europe this past January where she shared her expertise about ultrasonographic examination of mares and stallions including Doppler ultrasonography. Our international travels continued with Dr. Kelleman speaking to a group of Mexican equine veterinarians about a variety of topics on mare reproduction. Dr. Macpherson also traveled to England to participate in an Equine Perinatology workshop at Rossdale's in Newmarket and the American Association of Equine Practitioners Resort Symposium in Aruba. With the traveling behind us, the LAR service is home to stay and manage breeding of mares, delivering foals, evaluation of stallions and semen collection as well as reproductive cases in small animals, small ruminants and the occasional pig!

Surgery

Combined efforts by both LA Surgery and Medicine a 15-month old Gypsy Vanner colt survived a tragic accident. Multiple surgeries were performed to repair wounds inflicted on the colt whose chest was impaled by a metal T-post. Drs. Andrew Smith, David Freeman, Chris Sanchez, and Rob MacKay collectively monitored the colt during his 3 month stay in the Large Animal Hospital.

Upcoming Events

The 6th Annual Healthy Horses Conference will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2013. Save the date for this educational day with a focus on successful equine health care. We will have lectures, lunch and live equine demonstrations. This year's topics will include: new therapies for non-sweaters, lameness, fly control, nutrition, infectious diseases, and many more! Registration information can be found at http://conferences.dce.ufl.edu/equine/. Registration is limited.

Referring Veterinarian Appreciation Day will be June 22, 2012 at the UF College of Veterinary Medicine. The program will include small and large animal seminars, 3- hour Florida Pharmacy/ Veterinary Medicine Laws CE credit, and tours of the Small and Large Animal Hospitals. Registration information can be found at http://conferences.dce.ufl.edu/RDVM/.

Photos of renovated equine auditorium

Office for Students and Instruction
Dr. Pamela E. Ginn, Associate Dean

- **Graduation Update:**
  The University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine (UFCVM) Class of 2013, with 87 seniors, is expected to graduate May 25, 2013. Several graduates will be receiving official certificates in the following areas:

Certificate Program	2013 Recipients
Aquatic Animal Health	6
Food Animal Medicine	7
International Veterinary Medicine	2
Shelter Medicine	12

Debt load for the Class of 2013 is as follows:

$137,545			Average debt full class	
$147,610			Average Debt of those with more than 0 debt	
$17,000			Minimum with debt above 0	
$198,969			Maximum	
$164,015			Median Debt	
6			# with 0 debt	
87			Total	

- **Admissions Update:**

  The UFCVM had 813 applicants for the Class of 2017. 230 applicants interviewed for 112 positions over the Fall 2012 and Spring 2013. 138 applicants received an offer on February 14, 2013. As of April 3, 2013, 97 students have accepted a seat, 81 from Florida and 16 non-sponsored students from 13 different states. The average GPA for the seated class is 3.65 and the average GRE scores are in the 77th percentile for verbal and 73rd percentile for quantitative respectively. 19 of the seated applicants have self-reported as underrepresented veterinary minorities, with 12 Hispanics, 4 Asians, 2 African Americans, and 1 Native American.

- **Recruitment Update:**

The UFCVM has been working hard to increase the visibility of the college both within and outside the state of Florida. From 2007-2012 the number of applicants to the college had either decreased or remained stagnant every single year from a high of 897 to 748 in 2012 (for the Class of 2015). Terri Weldon was hired as the full-time college Pre-vet Advisor/Recruiter in

August 2011, and after a full year of recruiting, the Class of 2017 had the highest number of applicants in the past 3 years (813). With the work that has been put in, we expect even more applicants for the Class of 2018.

- **UF Summer Veterinary Academy:**

The first ever Veterinary High School Summer Program at the UFCVM was held from July 21 to July 28, 2012. Twelve high school students from around the state of Florida were selected to attend the week long residential program in Gainesville. The participants were immersed in some of the many diverse fields available to students wishing to pursue a career in veterinary medicine. Activities included field trips, training, shadowing UF veterinarians at the UFCVM Small and Large Animal Hospitals, and lectures from UFCVM faculty. The field trips included visits to the St. Augustine Alligator Farm, Marineland, IFAS Horse Teaching Unit, and Lubee Bat Conservancy. What most viewed as the most exciting and educational activity, however, was the opportunity to shadow UFCVM clinicians as they worked in various clerkships in the Small and Large Animal Hospitals, including Out Patient Care and Dentistry, Equine Medicine, Acupuncture and Rehabilitation, Internal Medicine, Cardiology, Oncology, and Radiology.

The program, now called the **UF Summer Veterinary Academy**, will be held again this July 2013 with twice the number of participants as the year before. The feedback regarding the program last year was universally positive and we expect as the program expands to attract strong candidates to the program both from Florida and out-of-state. The amount of interest that the program has generated amongst parents is unprecedented and we have had many requests to offer the program to multiple age groups, and even undergraduate students (currently the program is only available to rising high school sophomores).

- **American Pre-Veterinary Medical Association (APVMA) Symposium:**

The UFCVM held the annual American Pre-Veterinary Medical Association (APVMA) Symposium on March 2, 2013. Over 600 pre-veterinary students from around the United States converged on our campus to participate in lectures and labs that were set up by the UF pre-vet club in conjunction with CVM administration, and which were conducted by UF faculty. The event was a huge undertaking and was heralded as a great success by all involved. Based on reports from other colleges that have successfully held the symposium, we are hoping to see an increase in out-of-state applications to the college.

- **Doctor of Veterinary Medicine/Master's of Public Health (DVM/MPH) Program:**

The DVM/MPH joint degree program entered its 7th year. On May 25, 2013, 6 members of the Class of 2013 will graduate with a Master's degree in Public Health as well as a DVM. The Current Enrollment numbers in the 4 classes are listed below.

Class of 2013 – 6 graduates
Class of 2014 – 3 students
Class of 2015 – 5 students
Class of 2016- 5 students
Class of 2017- 5 projected

Student Affairs:

- A Career Development Seminar was held on November 7, hosted by the VBMA with the FVMA's participation.
- The Veterinary Business Management Association (student group) organized a continuing education, one-day symposium on March 30, 2013, open to private practitioners and students. The meeting earned students continuing education credits (5 contact hours) as required by the DBPR. The meeting was advertised in the FVMA *Advocate.* The presentations were:

    - "How to Build a Million Dollar Practice" - Dr. Mark Russak
    - "Common Sense Entrepreneurship" - Dr. Dani McVety
    - "Wow, Why Didn't I Think of That? 10 Simple Solutions for Success" - Dr. Ken Simmons

Clinical Skills Teaching Lab:

- Newly Remodeled Teaching Space Organized by Dr. Julia Wuerz
- Purpose: Continuously Available and evolving teaching space equipped to allow students to learn essential clinical skills under the supervision of faculty and technicians.

Animal Models or Training Stations for:

- Canine and Feline simulated tooth extractions, nerve blocks and assessment of stages of periodontal disease
- Canine and Feline cephalic, femoral and jugular vein venipuncture and catheterization
- Demonstration and practice materials for administration of biologics using Vet Jet technology
- Blood pressure assessment monitoring equipment for small animal
- Otoscopic and ophthalmoscopic examination
- Canine restraint and bandaging
- Canine cardiopulmonary auscultation with variable breathing sounds
- Canine intubation and CPR including compression and airway movement sensors
- Suture patches and hand tie boards
- Microscope for parasitology studies, blood smear or tissue prep or histologic slide evaluation
- Cardiac Ultrasound

Online Learning:

- The Dog, The Horse(under construction) and Shelter Medicine courses
- Veterinary Forensic Science

- The Office of Students and Instruction is developing on line training modules to make orientation of new students and students entering the clinics more efficient and to serve as a source of reviewable information for students.

- **<u>Miscellaneous Items</u>:**

- Orientation for the freshman class will be held from August 16-20th. The program is supported by the FVMA and industry sponsors. The current plan is to hold FLE activities on the 16th-17th and routine orientation on the 19th and 20th as needed.
- The UF CVM, through the Office for Students and Instruction, will be awarding over a $100,000 in scholarships during the fall 2012 semester to eligible UF veterinary students.

- Andy Kellenberger, the Education Coordinator continues to help faculty develop distance/online learning courses and online instruction. In his time here: 1) faculty have begun to create supplemental instructional materials that students can use as study aides outside of the classroom, 2) the college can now demonstrate live ultrasound equipment operation in a lecture hall and record the process for later review, 3) students in radiology courses have the option to attend review sessions from any point with an internet connection, and 4) Andy has facilitated the recording of over 180 lectures and presentations and more lecture material continues to be available online. Developing on line orientation modules is a priority for Mr. Kellenberger.

- The faculty has begun to use Turning Point technology and response devices during lectures to enhance student learning and increase engagement.

- The OSI continues to implement more features of the E-value educational software to include optimization of the clerkship schedules.

- The Associate Dean is completing documentation of the current curriculum by entering information in a customized data base that will serve as a quick reference for tracking objectives and subject matter taught within the curriculum, an essential first step in curriculum review.

- The College will move to a unified platform (E-Learning, Sakai) for making teaching materials available to students and promoting online discussions and for grade reporting.

Department of Physiological Sciences Report to the Alumni Council
Spring, 2013

Department faculty and staff news.....

Liz Kish, who was the departmental Administrative Assistant for many years, retired in February of this year. Marty Rhoden, who comes to us from the College of Pharmacy here at UF, has joined the department as the new Administrative Assistant.

Christel Moore who originally joined the office staff as an OPS employee has moved into a full-time role. Doris Burley, who served as a departmental Office Assistant for the past 5 years, has moved to another position in the Health Science Center.

Mabelin Castellanos, who worked in Linda Hayward's lab for 17 years, has resigned to take another position at the University of Miami.

Karen Hegland, who was a Research Assistant Professor in the department, has moved to a tenure-track position in another department in the Health Science Center.

The department continues to search for a Toxicologist, and we anticipate having this person on board by the start of 2014.

Department faculty, student and staff awards.....

At the Phi Zeta Research Emphasis Day awards ceremony in March, 2013, Dr. Rick Alleman received the FVMA Clinical Investigator Award.

Dr. Sergei Tevosian received the Pfizer Animal Health Award for Research Excellence.

Katherine Sayler, a grad student with Dr. Alleman, received the Charles F. Simpson Memorial Scholarship Award.

Poonam Jaiswal a graduate student in Dr. Davenport's lab received the Excellence in Basic Science Research Award and Irene Tsai, also from Dr. Davenport's lab, was the recipient of the Excellence in Doctoral Studies Award.

Manju Nanjappa, a postdoctoral fellow in the laboratory of Paul Cooke, and Katherine Sayler were the recipients of the two awards for best poster presentations by postdoctoral/graduate students at the Phi Zeta symposium.

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Report to Alumni Council April 13, 2013

Small Animal Clinical Sciences Department

Rowan J. Milner, B.V.Sc., M.Med.Vet. Associate Professor and Chair

Welcome to all attending the Spring Alumni Council meeting of 2013. Since my last report to you in November 2012, our department's faculty met for a fourth and final session of a departmental retreat. I want to share with you our vision statement as a result of this retreat.

> ***"The Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences aims to be one of the top clinical programs both nationally and internationally. The department leverages clinical efficiency and expertise to solve problems in innovative ways through clinical trials and collaborative partnerships in research. The department's clinical strength and innovative orientation also helps create a cutting-edge curriculum that develops veterinarians as well-rounded clinical problem solvers."***

Our focus in this new year has been on teaching, both didactic and clinical, with a major curricular review occurring college wide. Our 62 faculty (including adjunct and emeritus) coordinate almost half of the college's courses and we intend to provide the very best of educational opportunities to our students.

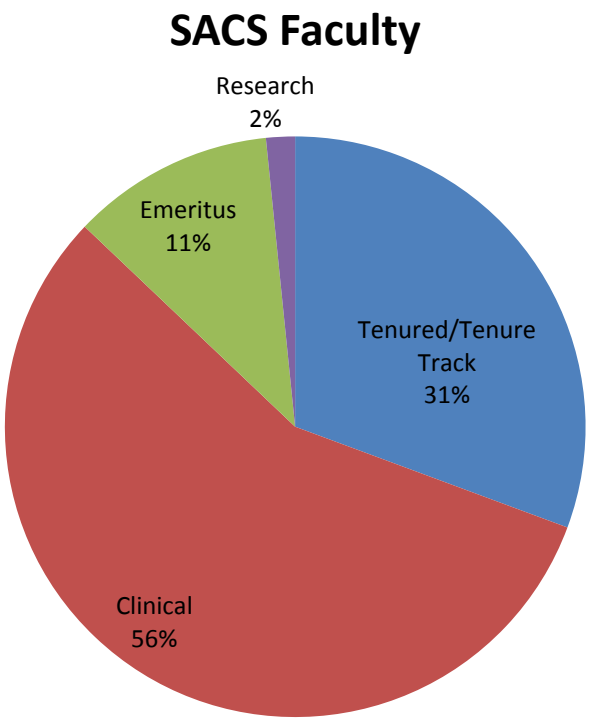
Our faculty participates with the entire college's faculty in a strong curriculum of professional study that is designed to prepare the next generation of veterinarians for broad career paths. The objectives of the current curricular review will continue the current goals of the college including:

- Imparting key concepts and skills as well as critical and analytical thinking skills essential for lifelong learning, success and professional growth
- Providing students with knowledge and experiences that foster consideration of the full spectrum of career opportunities and prepare interested students for post-graduate education
- Providing classroom and clinic environments wherein high moral ethics, professional values, leadership qualities and sensitivity to societal needs are emphasized and
- Emphasizing important and central roles of veterinarians in the advancement of animal and human health and preservation of humane animal care.

As introduced in our Fall 2012 Alumni Council report, below is an updated departmental metrics page. I hope to expand the metrics to include the many research articles published and the many committees and service assignments of our faculty. We continue to believe these metrics may lead to a new way of thinking about and recognizing the work of our department's faculty.

SACS Departmental Metrics – Spring 2013

- **Demographics**



SACS Faculty - Spring 2013	
Tenure/Tenure Track	19
Clinical	35
Emeritus	7
Research	1

SACS Faculty - Spring 2013	
ADJ LECTURER	1
ADJ CLIN ASSOC LECTURER	1
ASSOC PROF	7
ASST PROF	5
CLIN ASSOC PROF	5
CLIN ASST PROF	20
CLIN INSTR	1
CIN LECTURER	5
CLIN PROF	1
CLINICAL BEHAVIORIST	1
EMERITUS PROF	7
PROFESSOR	7
RES ASST PROF	1
Total:	**62**

New Faculty Hires since Fall 2012 – 2

Biological Scientists/Technicians – 14

Administrative TEAMS Staff - 6

- **Grants Since Fall 2012**

Notice of Awards	IDC/others	Salary Savings	Total	Operating Expenses
Total	**$96,386.00**	**$111,500.00**	**$556,524.00**	**$348,638.00**

- **Current Awards (including Maddie's Shelter Medicine Fund)**

Awards	Expenses
$5,518,609.91	$3,253,059.66

As mentioned in previous reports, I am continuing to meet weekly with the hospital's chief of staff, Dr. Dana Zimmel. I sincerely believe these meetings help foster an atmosphere that promotes the continuation of high quality clinical service to the nearly 20,000 small animal patients that are treated annually at UF and their referring veterinarians.

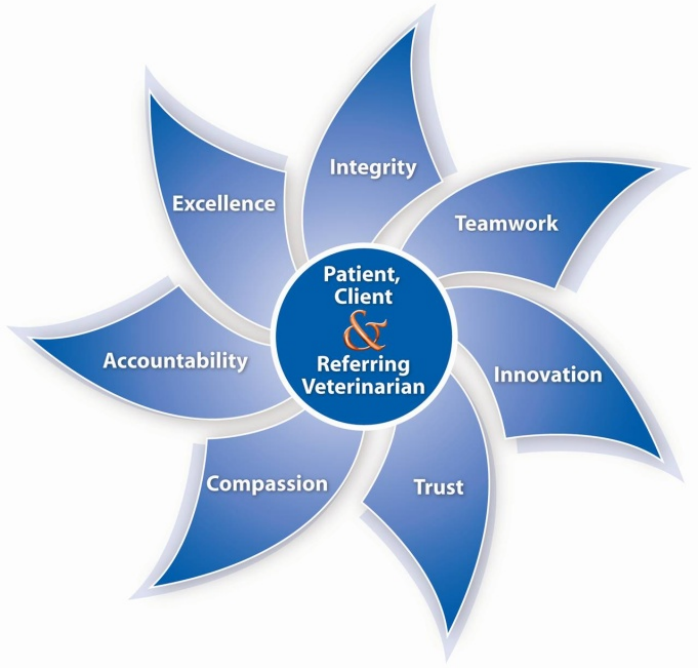
Finally, I want to share with you as an outcome of our faculty retreat during the past year a statement of our department's strategic purpose.

> ***"Advancement of the health and welfare of animals, humans, and the veterinary profession through clinically-related problem solving, innovative ideas and education."***

With the assistance of my associate chairs, **Dr. Amara Estrada**, Associate Professor and Associate Chair for Instruction and **Dr. Daniel Lewis**, Eminent Scholar, Program Director and Associate Chair for Research and Graduate Studies, we look forward to leading our department to fulfill both its vision of the future and its strategic purpose.

Happy Spring 2013 to all and I hope you all enjoy our annual Open House!

As always, our department looks forward to providing our referring veterinarians, clients, and patients with the highest standard of service as represented by the pin wheel below.



UF Veterinary Hospitals Alumni Report

Chief of Staff- Dr. Dana Zimmel

April 8, 2013

1. Small Animal Hospital & Ocala Emergency Hospital
    a. Case load and Gross Revenue are growing
    b. New Initiatives:
        i. Wellness program in alignment with the AVMA Partners for Healthy Pets - Launched Jan. 2013
    c. New hires in SAH:
        i. Diagnostic Imaging - Dr. Dan VanderHart
        ii. Diagnostic Imaging - Dr. Erin Gordon
        iii. Medical Oncology - Dr. Amadine Lejeune
        iv. Dermatology - Dr. Dunbar Graham

2. Large Animal Hospital
    a. New hires in LAH
        i. FARMS - Dr. Fiona Maunsell
    b. Drawings for Lameness Area are complete/ LBR submitted

3. Hospital Outreach
    a. RDVM day: **June 22, 2013, at the College Veterinary Medicine. **Note change of location!**

4. New Program: UF Veterinary Business Management Certificate Program

Program Director: Dr. Dana Zimmel

Course #	Course	Credit	Usually Offered
VEM 5892	Veterinary Practice Management Externship	2	Variable
VEM 5730	Practice Based Equine Clerkship	2	Variable
VEM 5991	Student Individualized Investigation	2	Variable
VEM 5030	Entrepreneurship for Veterinarians	2	Fall
VEM 5032	Veterinary Business and Professional Development	1	Spring
VEM 5035	Veterinary Business Management	1	Fall

TOTAL = 10 credits

a. Opportunity for Florida practitioners to have their practice evaluated as part of the Practice Management Externship - Contact Dr. Dana Zimmel for more information at zimmeld@ufl.edu . This externship program at UGA has been a win-win for both students and practitioners. See below for course description.

UF Veterinary Practice Management Externship

Available Summer 2013 - 2 credits

Instructor: Jeff Sanford, Course Coordinator: Dr. Dana Zimmel

Course Description

The *Practice Management Externship* will be an intensive evaluation of successful business behaviors and successful business disciplines. This externship will offer students an exciting opportunity to build their observational and diagnostic skills by interviewing hospital owners and reviewing their business practices. Students will use business principles learned in the classroom and apply them to "real world" circumstances. Much like the SOAP process used in veterinary medicine, students will interview practice owners and apply one or more analytical tools to analyze problems and provide corrective recommendations and plans. At the end of the externship, students will give hospital owners a report of findings and recommendations.

Course Objectives:

Overall learning and curriculum objectives include:

1. Making known to DVM students why business knowledge is important.
2. Relating business topics and knowledge to real and current situations.
3. Helping DVM students overcome inhibitions, behaviors, and beliefs about gaining business acumen.
4. Providing students a motivating "entrepreneurial" educational experience that will give them in-depth exposure to the essential business skills in managing a profitable and successful business.
5. Providing students with an opportunity to understand the daily and strategic concerns in practice ownership with an emphasis in operations, finances, marketing, and human resources.

Schedule of Activities

- Collection Period (2-3 days): Students will conduct initial interview with practice owner to assess needs. During this time students will also learn how to use assigned assessment tools. Depending on the number of students in the externship and the complexity of the problem at the hospital, DVM students will be expected to complete and report on 2 or 3 assessments. Students will spend 2-3 days at the assigned practice collecting data, observing (ex. time analysis, communications, processes) and entering data into assessment tools.

- Analysis Period (3-5 days): Students enter and analyze data from the participating practice. Dialogue is important to review all findings and to make appropriate recommendations. Students will also conduct literature searches on related topics. Instructor will monitor progress and "check-in" with practice owner.
- Debriefing Period (1 day): Students will prepare their final report and present findings and recommendations to the practice owner.

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Alumni Affairs

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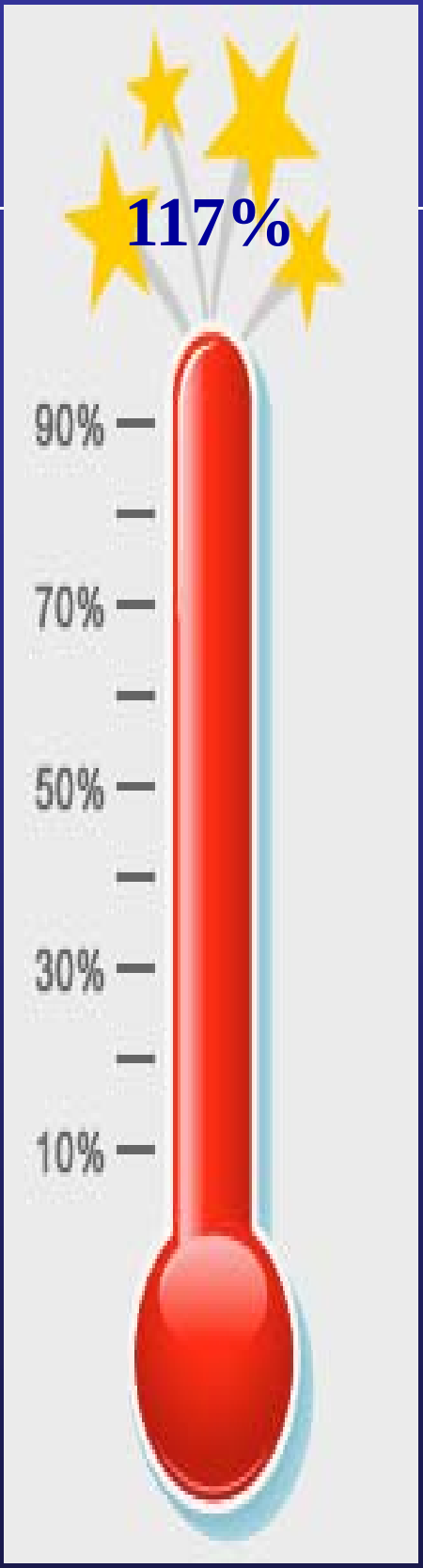
July 2012- June 2013 Annual Goal

Goal: $4,600,000
Reached February

New Goal: $6,000,000

NOW at $7,000,200!

Percent of Goal Reached 117%



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Highlighted Gifts for Year

- **$175,000 –** Alumna pledge - Equipment
- **$330,000** - Jewish Federation - Research
- **$500,000 –** Client estate gift - Scholarship
- **$900,000 –** Client estate gift - SA/LA Med
- $1 Million – Client of Alumnus -Scholarship
- $1 Million – Dr. Paul Nicoletti - Scholarship

Highlighted Gifts for Year

- $1 Million – Grateful Client of Alumnus

- $1 Million – Dr. Paul Nicoletti gift through estate and cash in honor of Chris & Bernie Machen. This gift establishes a graduate level Florida Opportunity Scholarship at CVM. This is Dr. Nicoletti's third scholarship endowment.

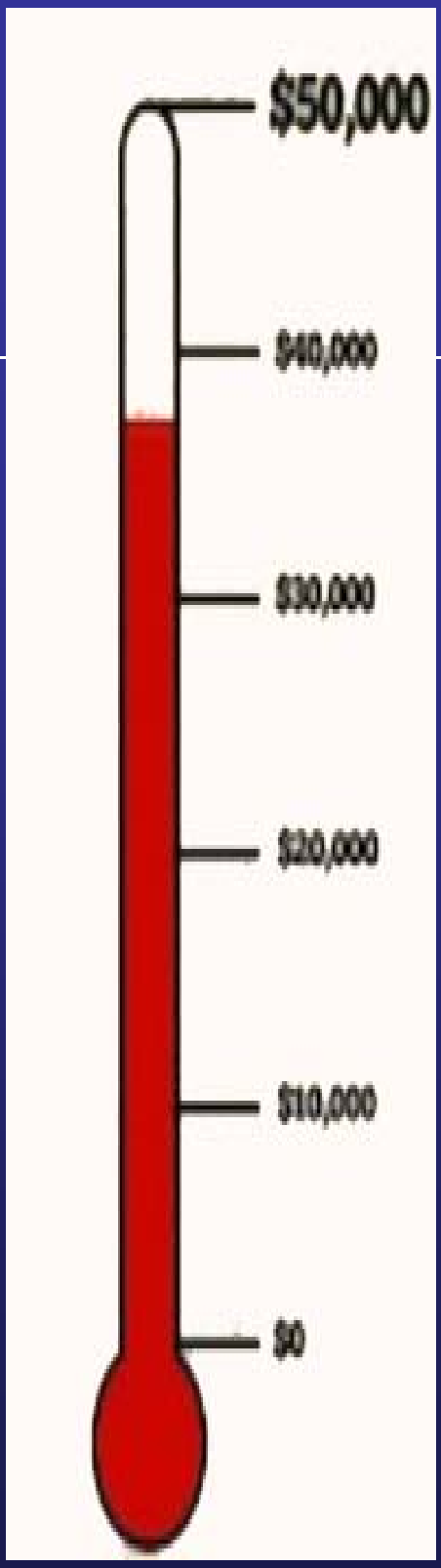
Dr. Schaer Scholarship

Goal Update
as of 04.04.13

Goal: $50,000

Current Total: $39,891

Percent of Goal: 73.45%



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Dean's Circle of Excellence

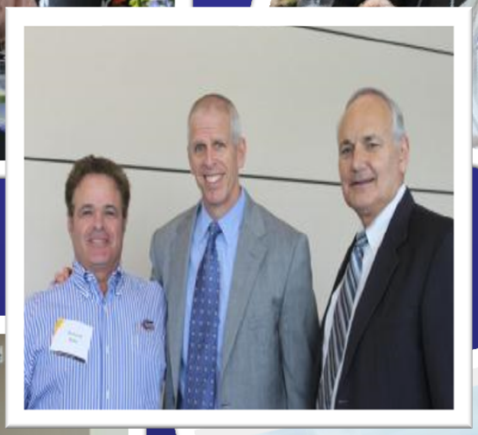
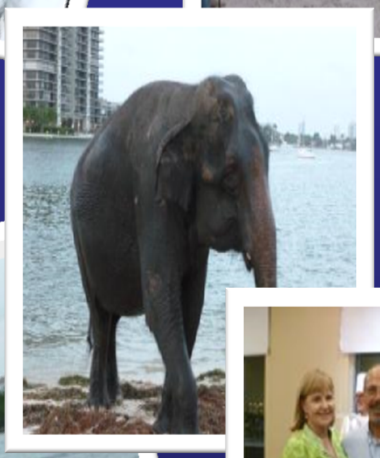
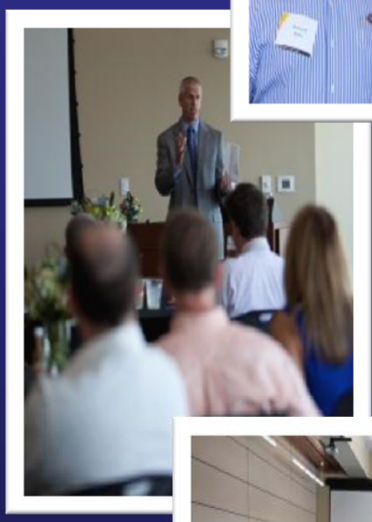
- Total Membership: 51

  Lifetime Members: 9
  Loyal Members: 42
  UF CVM Alumni: 30
  Non-UF DVMs: 13
  Friends: 8

- Total Giving: $860,000

  Cash: $177,500
  Pledges: $282,500
  Life Insurance: $100,000
  Bequest: $300,000

Dean's Circle of Excellence

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Pet Memorial Program

Fiscal Year	Donors	Gifts	Fund Total	Memorials Sent
2013	180	451	$49,940	3,540

Report as of April 5, 2013.

- Projected gift total by June 30, 2013: $66,587
  - Projected increase of 7.3% from 2012.
- New ONLINE form for Pet Memorial sympathy card requests!
- 7 New clinics joined since January 2013.
- Two rising Junior students to receive Pet Memorial Scholarship on May 10, 2013 at the Sophomore coating ceremony.

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