Welcome to VOLVet Connect!

The Class of 2020 has arrived. Eighty-eight first-year veterinary students and their families were "Tennessee Welcomed" on August 12. The day ended with the White Coat Ceremony and reception. Members of the Alumni Council and Advisory Board were a part of the day and the students' mentors were on hand to place the white coats on the new UTCVM students.

With the new academic year beginning and hope springing for a new football season, you will not want to miss an opportunity to be back on campus.

Stay in touch!
UTCVM Alumni Association

CLASS NOTES:

Share news & updates from your Alumni Class with the new Class Notes! Send your submissions to ktodd6@utk.edu

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 20-21: CARES Sports Medicine Conference

September 24: Ag Day and Florida game tailgate

October 23: Howl-O-Ween Pooch Parade and Pet Expo

October 29: Emergency and Critical Care
Arrington, UTIA chancellor since 2011, will retire and leave office effective Sept. 1. DiPietro has selected UT Extension Dean Tim Cross to serve as interim chancellor until Arrington’s successor is found. A search is to begin immediately.

For Veterinarians, Caring For Sick Pets And Grieving Owners Takes A Toll

NPR: "One of the hallmark signs of [compassion fatigue] is that you cannot undo what you've been exposed to, and your worldview is forever changed," says Elizabeth Strand, founding director of the University of Tennessee's veterinary social work program. Strand noticed a huge need in the veterinary environment for social work, and Tennessee was the first school in the country to create a specialty in veterinary social work.

Keeping your dog safe in the heat

November 19: Missouri game tailgate

November 29 - December 2: Henton Veterinary Conference and Alumni Reception (29th)

January 20-22, 2017: UTCVM Annual Conference and Class Reunions

July 15, 2017: Veterinary Partners Appreciation Conference

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Dr. Adesola Odunayo, Emergency and Critical Care Doctor at the UT College of Veterinary Medicine, discusses dogs and the heat with excellent information and advice for pet owners. [read more]

**Zika and Pets**

Dr. Melissa Kennedy, an associate professor and director of the Virology Laboratory at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine, talked with Beth Haynes at WBIR about the Zika virus and pets. [Read More]

**Eastern Equine Encephalitis**

REUNIONS

It’s not too soon to start thinking about getting together with your classmates. The classes of 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, and 2012 will be the featured classes during the annual conference January 20-22 and reunion dinners on the evening of Saturday, January 21, 2017. If you are communicating with your classmates regularly, please email Kippy Todd at ktodd@utfi.org so that we can provide you with timely information for your class. Mailed invitations to all classes will go out in November.

**Join us for our 3rd Annual Iron Dog 5K Race!**

December 3 at 9:00 a.m.
$20 Registration Fee
$25 after October 31
Registration is open until November 29

The out and back race will be held on the Third Creek Greenway, starting beside...
A horse in West Tennessee has tested positive for Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). Also known as Sleeping Sickness, EEE is a viral disease of horses that involves transmission between birds or rodents and mosquitoes. Dr. Carla Sommardahl, an equine internal medicine specialist at UT College of Veterinary Medicine, spoke with WBIR about the disease. [Read More]

Dermatology Professor Receives Oxford Laboratories Award

Dr. Linda Frank, DACVD, received an award from the Society for Comparative Endocrinology at the 2016 American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine meeting in Denver, CO. Each

The finish line will be back in front of the Veterinary medical Center where water, sports drinks and snacks will be available! We’ll even have cake from Magpies Bakery! Top prizes will be awarded for the top three male and female finishers. Walkers are also welcome to join the race!

[read more]

Dr. David Anderson comments on Faculty Publications

I ran a quick census through PubMed today and was tremendously impressed with the increasing scholarly productivity coming out of UTCVM. I thought I would share this with you!

Disclaimer – this is a snapshot limited by using PubMed only as the database.

Total Publications per
year the society names an Oxford Laboratories Award for Excellence in the advancement of knowledge concerning small animal endocrinology for best paper in basic science and best paper in clinical studies. Dr. Frank is a Professor of Dermatology at the UT College of Veterinary Medicine. [Read More]

Meet Dr. K

Dr. Kelleher, of Nat Geo's "Dr. K's Exotic Animal ER," is originally from Buffalo, NY. She received her Bachelor's degree with a dual major in Chemistry and Biology from Alfred University in 1990 and went on to veterinary school at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine. [Read More]

Tennessee Welcome and White Coat Ceremony

If you look at average publications per year for each 10 year history of the college (1975-84; 1985-94; 1995-2004; 2005-214; 2015-16), the trend is more obvious:

Absolutely terrific job, past and present, faculty and staff. I cannot imagine a more healthy picture of what we are doing and where we are going with scholarly development.
The Class of 2020 arrived with friends and family on August 12 to begin their veterinary medicine journey. [See Welcome Pictures] [See White Coat Pictures]

San Antonio Alumni reception

Nearly forty UTCVM alumni and friends came by the Hard Rock Cafe to reconnect with Dean Jim Thompson and other alumni. [See More Pictures]

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FOR OUR REFERRING VETS

VolVet Communique

The VolVet Communique (formerly known as rDVM Communique) e-newsletter is open to any veterinarian and is published every two weeks. It includes news and updates from UTCVM and other news from the industry and beyond. CLICK HERE to Subscribe!

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vetmed.tennessee.edu/vmc. Select VOLVet Portal from the Veterinarians menu in the orange navigation bar.