Welcome to VOLVet Connect!

If you attended the Florida game tailgate on September 24, we hope you had a good day. We certainly enjoyed the many activities on campus. It was Ag Day across the street where UTCVM had a table for all to visit, and the warm (hot!) fall day was capped off with a comeback victory by the Vols. The win ended an eleven year win drought against the Gators. We enjoyed having a few Florida friends at the tailgate, and we saw some long-time friends and others that were new friends. Thanks to everyone who stopped by to say hello. There's another FREE tailgate with the Missouri Tigers next month (come hungry) and plenty of activities to add to your calendar.

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:

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

October 28-29: Large Animal Symposium sponsored by Zoetis

November 19: Missouri game tailgate
(For more information, contact Dr. Dennis Geiser at DGeiser@utk.edu)
**Dr. Sarel van Amstel honored for influence on future of bovine veterinarians**

Bovine Veterinarian: Merck Animal and the American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP) recently recognized Dr. Sarel van Amstel, UT CVM, with the Mentor of the Year Award.

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**Kissing Chickens Is Bad For Your Health**

The Washington Post: These head-scratching findings are among the “high-risk practices” occurring as what once were production animals “are increasingly being considered household

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

**December 3:** [Iron Dog 5k](https://)...
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IronDog 5K

IronDog is an annual 5K run/walk organized by the Emergency and Critical Care service to help raise public awareness about the service which works with veterinarians throughout Knoxville and the surrounding area to help manage the needs of small and exotic animals. All proceeds from the race will be used to help critically ill patients on the service. Encourage family, friends and neighbors to join you on December 3rd. It is a nice and flat run on the Third Creek Greenway with refreshments at the finish line. We are also seeking volunteers to help make things go smoothly on race day.

[learn more and register]

Special thanks to CareCredit for sponsoring the race this year. Because of their generous support, registration is only $20 until November 1st 2016.

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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.
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[see more photos]

**FDA Approves Nocita, a New Animal Drug for Local Post-operative Pain in Dogs**

**FDA:** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today announced the approval of Nocita (bupivacaine liposome injectable suspension), a new animal drug that provides post-operative pain relief for knee surgery in dogs. Post-operative pain occurs with any surgical procedure. Managing pain after surgical procedures ensures the comfort of the dog as they heal from surgery.

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**In Memorium**

**Penny Iannacone, UTCM ’05**

Penny Iannacone, DVM, 57, of Knoxville, TN passed away on Thursday, September 15, 2016. Dr. Penny, as everyone knew her, brought joy to many lives by helping people keep their pets healthy and happy. She strongly believed that through sharing their lives with a pet, people would not only experience joy and companionship but also come to appreciate the natural world around us and the need to preserve it for the future.

Dr. Iannacone graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine in 2005 and was a member of the Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association and the American Veterinary Medical Association.

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GBI issues warning about elephant tranquilizer disguising as heroin

WTVC: The GBI says lab scientists have enhanced their safety protocols to protect them from the potential dangers of carfentanil. (Image: WKRC)

ATLANTA — Within the past week, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI)'s Crime Lab's drug identification unit says it's received three cases from separate seizures of the synthetic opioid carfentanil. Carfentanil is a fentanyl analog used as a tranquilizer on large animals such as elephants. The GBI says It is purported to be 100 times stronger than fentanyl and suspected of playing a role in hundreds of overdoses in the Midwest part of the country this past month. It can be inhaled or absorbed through the skin and very toxic in small quantities. The GBI says the cases that came in the lab were from the metro Atlanta area and were all suspected to be heroin.

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