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President's Message

Dr. George Norris

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Welcome back! I hope everyone has had a good summer. Many of you are now looking at sending your children off to college. It can be an exciting (but nerve wracking) time of year for both you and your family. Please take the time to savor all the blessings you've received from your children. This all important time of their lives only comes once; enjoy it to the fullest!

Congratulations go out to two of our members, Dr. Deanna Balazs and Dr. Nikki (Kelly) Eaton, on the birth of their daughters. Congratulations also to Milt and Marilyn Wyman on their 50th wedding anniversary on August 10th.

We are working hard on getting our Continuing Education Programs lined up for the fall and winter months. Our first program will take place on Thursday, September 7, 2006. **Dr. Randy Carsch**, our guest lecturer, will make you think about the following questions:

1. Have you ever heard your staff apologize to a client for their invoice?
2. Has a team member ever "forgotten" to charge for things performed on a patient?
3. Do you know how to "correct" your fees to cover an increase in health care costs so it does not come out of the owner's pocket?
4. Do you know how to charge for diagnostic procedures so that the equipment pays for itself and maintenance costs are covered?

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2006 OSU Veterinary Continuing Education Courses

OSU has scheduled a great line-up of courses. The following is a short synopsis of the offerings:

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| Sept. 9 | Basic Veterinary Ultrasound |
| Sept. 10 | Advanced Vet Ultrasound |
| Sept. 19 | Small Animal CE Series:
Multimodal Environmental
Modification for Cats with
Idiopathic Cystitis |
| Sep. 30-Oct. 1 | – Royal Canin/OSU
Symposium on Endocrinology |
| Oct. 7-8 | Basic/Advanced Laser Surgery |
| Oct. 17 | Small Animal CE Series:
Cardiology |
| Oct. 29 | Veterinary Dietetics |
| Nov. 4-5 | Annual Food Animal
Conference |

For more details and to register, please go to the website www.vet.ohio-state.edu/ce.htm or call the Veterinary Continuing Education office at (614) 292-8727.

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If you want answers to these questions you must attend. **Butler Animal Health Supply** and **Merial** will be the sponsors for this meeting. So **Mark Your Calendars** (notices will be sent out by e-mail) for **Thursday, September 7, 2006**, at **Monaco's Palace**, 4555 Cleveland Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. The social hour will start at 6 PM, followed by dinner at 6:45 PM and the lecture at 8 PM.

We are also working on the Forums for your technicians, hospital staff and hospital managers. This year we are planning four Forums. Jennifer Brandt from The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine will be the guest lecturer for all four Forums. More information on the topics and dates will be forthcoming in the very near future.

I hope you will consider "giving back". We need leadership in our Academy. It doesn't take a lot of time and the benefits are very rewarding. Please volunteer!

See you on September 7, 2006.



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***COLUMBUS ACADEMY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
PRESENTS***

**On Thursday, September 7, 2006
Monaco's Palace
4555 Cleveland Avenue
Columbus, OH**

SPONSORED BY BUTLER ANIMAL HEALTH SUPPLY AND MERIAL

SPEAKER – RANDY CARSCH, D.V.M.

***IF YOU ANSWER YES TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS OR WANT TO LEARN HOW TO
CREATE A TEAM AND INCREASE EFFICIENCY THROUGH A FEE SCHEDULE THAT IS FAIR TO THE
CLIENT, FAIR TO THE STAFF, AND FAIR TO THE OWNER YOU MUST ATTEND!***

- 1. Have you ever heard your staff apologize to a client for their invoice?**
- 2. Has a team member ever “forgotten” to charge for things performed on a patient?**
- 3. Do you know how to “correct” your fees to cover an increase in health care costs so it does not come out of the owner’s pocket?**
- 4. Do you know how to charge for diagnostic procedures so that the equipment pays for itself and maintenance costs are covered?**

About the Speaker – Randy Carsch, D.V.M. Dr. Carsch received his DVM degree from Texas A&M University in 1980. He relocated to Redmond, Washington, and in 1985 purchased three clinics. As a practice owner, he has used numerous consultants from both within and outside the veterinary field to assist him in his growth as an owner. Dr. Carsch sold his practice in 1998 and has consulted with many practices. He has worked with corporate clients to develop pilot programs for Veterinary Practices. Dr. Carsch is a Veterinary Advisory Board Member to PetCare Television Network where he assists in design and subject matter and reviews topics for client education.

Program will begin with 6:00 PM – Socializing
 6:45 PM – Dinner
 7:45 PM – Welcome and Announcements, Presentations by
 Butler Animal Health Supply and Merial
 8:00 PM – Presentation by Dr. Randy Carsch

Menu choices – Half Italian Herb-Roasted Chicken or Monaco’s Classic Lasagna

RSVP by September 5, 2006, and the dinner is free. If you don’t show, the Academy will bill you for not showing and if you come and have not made reservations you are welcome to eat if there is enough food.

Directions to Monaco’s – Corner of Cleveland and Morse Road. North on Cleveland Avenue (1000 ft) on the west side of the street.

RSVP to Barbara Madison, phone 614/798-9762 or e-mail bmadison@columbus.rr.com by **September 5, 2006**.

Tentative Schedule for Medvet 2006 Breakfast Meetings

Sep. 21	Surgery	Drs. Barnhart & Schertel	MedVet
Oct. 19	Cardiology	Dr. Linda Lehmkuhl	First Watch-Upper Arlington
Nov. 17	???		
Dec. 14	Internal Medicine	Dr. Bob Starkey	MedVet

Veterinary Dietetics

October 29, 2006
OSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital
601 Vernon L. Tharp Street
Columbus, OH 43210

Description

At the end of this workshop, veterinarians and technicians will be able to help their clients:

1. Coach clients through the diet change process in-person and on the phone.
2. Trouble-shoot/Problem-solve challenging dietary issues.
3. Increase confidence in making dietary recommendations.

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Lost & Found Dog E Bulletin Board

The Franklin County Auditor's Office has an E bulletin board to help people locate lost dogs and dogs find lost owners. Please check out the following web site:

www.franklincountyohio.gov/auditor//Consumer/dogs/Lost_Dogs/bulletin_board.shtml

Job Offers

Veterinarian needed for Shelter Medicine Program The Franklin County Dog Shelter (Columbus, Ohio) www.FranklinCountyDogs.com assists more than 13,500 dogs annually through compassionate care and veterinary services for dogs at the shelter, as well as low-cost spay/neuter surgeries and lost dog services to the public. We are seeking a part-time (minimum of 30 hours per week) contract shelter veterinarian (or group) interested in reducing the overpopulation in our community and finding homes for abandoned dogs at the shelter. Our goal is to increase the health and adoptability of the dogs in our care and to decrease euthanasia. Specific tasks include both initial and follow-up physical assessments of dogs currently for adoption, sick or injured dogs, and foster dogs. If interested, contact Lisa Wahoff at: lawahoff@franklincountyohio.gov or 614 462-5606.

VETERINARIAN WANTED

Veterinarian needed to provide anesthesia support for dogs and cats undergoing MRI procedures. Employment is through The OSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Patients will be from the OSUVTH, referral hospitals, and private practices. We will train the individual in anesthetic and monitoring techniques. Needed two afternoons per week with the possibility of an additional afternoon depending on demand. Candidate must have DVM degree or equivalent and be licensed or eligible for licensure in the State of Ohio. Resumes should be directed to Kristi Pyke, Director of Human Resources, College of Veterinary Medicine, 1900 Coffey Rd., Columbus, OH 43210 or via email at pyke.2@osu.edu.

REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN WANTED

Registered Veterinary Technician needed to provide anesthesia support for dogs and cats undergoing MRI procedures. Employment is through The OSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Duties will be performed under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian. We will train the individual in anesthetic and monitoring techniques. Needed two afternoons per week with the possibility of an additional afternoon depending on demand. Candidate must be a registered veterinary technician within the State of Ohio (or eligible for registration). Visit <http://jobs.osu.edu> and apply for the Animal Health Technician title. For more information, contact Ms. Kristi Pyke at pyke.2@osu.edu or 614-292-3638.

Future Events

Topics for upcoming continuing education at the meetings can be e-mailed or called in to Dr. George Norris (614) 888-1976.

Sept. 7, 2006 – Dr. Randy Carsch,
“Structuring Appropriate Fees” (see
page 3 for details).

Oct. 29, 2006 – Veterinary Dietetics (see page
4 for details)

See page 2 for information on the OSU
Veterinary Continuing Education Series.

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