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ALUMNI E-NEWS

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Ambassador of Cuteness

Companion, stress reliever, teacher. In the Winter 2016-17 issue of On Call, the UW School of Veterinary Medicine paid tribute to Barley, the lovable yellow Labrador that served as a teaching assistant in the school's first-year anatomy and neurology courses for 13 years.

Did Barley lend you a helping paw during your time at the SVM? How did he assist you in class? What did he do to make you laugh? [Share your Barley story](#) . We'll gather your tales and share them in a future edition of the Alumni E-news.

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School News

The latest updates on research, faculty and staff, and other happenings at the school.

UW Identifies Flu Strain Affecting NYC Shelter Cats as H7N2 Influenza

The Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory recently identified the influenza A strain involved in an **outbreak among New York City shelter cats** as a rare avian influenza subtype that has not been found previously in domestic felines. The Shelter Medicine Program at the SVM continues to working closely with New York City's Manhattan Animal Care Center, the New York City Health Department, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and other organizations to manage the situation, which includes establishing a quarantine facility while the center is disinfected.



New, More Effective Strategy for Producing Flu Vaccines

A team of researchers led by Yoshihiro Kawaoka, professor of pathobiological sciences at the SVM, has developed technology that could **improve the production of vaccines** that protect people from influenza B.

New Equipment Provides Advanced Care for Equine Patients

A flexible needle arthroscope unit and a portable electrocardiogram machine, purchased with the help of generous donations, are **improving the equine patient experience** at UW Veterinary Care.

Continuing Education

Upcoming courses to help advance your career.

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Alumni Updates

The latest news about your classmates and items of special interest to alumni.

- **Sandra Newbury DVM'03** and the UW Shelter Medicine Program are helping manage medical care for 500 New York City shelter cats exposed to H7N2 avian influenza.
- Outside magazine profiled "Detective of Northern Oddities" **Kathy Burek DVM'88**, one of two board-certified anatomic pathologists in the entire state of Alaska.
- **Scott Spaulding DVM'91** is now president of Mixed Animal Veterinary Associates North America, Inc. (MAVANA), which includes 21 veterinary practices spanning 10 states across the U.S.

- [Barry Hartup DVM'93](#) and the International Crane Foundation collaborated with the SVM to diagnose a health issue in a Hooded Crane.
- [Elaine \(Ilanit\) Binor DVM'05](#) highlighted the use of acupuncture in getting Chloe, an 8-year-old Corgi mix, back on four paws again.

Ongoing Clinical Trials

Canine Sulfa Drug Allergy Study

This study is looking for blood and genetic markers that may indicate that a dog is more likely to develop a reaction to sulfa antibiotics. Study findings could help to better prevent and treat reactions in future patients.

Dogs of any age treated for at least one week with Tribissen®, Primor® or human generic sulfa drugs are eligible. Both patients who have had uneventful treatment, as well as those with suspected adverse reactions are encouraged to enroll. To participate, blood samples from eligible dogs can be collected by primary care veterinarians and sent to UW Veterinary Care, or the patient can have the sample drawn at UWVC. There is no cost to enroll. [More](#)

Learn about other clinical trials:

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Upcoming Events

Feb. 7, 2017

Alumni Reception at the North American Veterinary Community Conference
Hilton Orlando - Lake Louise B
7:00-9:00 p.m.

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Feb. 11-12, 2017

Wisconsin Exotic Animal Veterinary Conference
Veterinary Medicine Building

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March 6, 2017

Alumni Reception at WVC
Mandalay Bay - Border Grill
7:30-9:30 p.m.

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April 2, 2017

SVM Open House

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