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Message from the Dean | July 2019

Welcome to Summer

The beginning of summer has been an exciting one for the UW School of Veterinary Medicine, with two important advances for our building project.

First, Wisconsin's Joint Finance Committee [voted to approve \\$1.9 billion](#) for state building projects, with approximately half earmarked for upgrades and renovations at UW System buildings. Included in the budget was funding for approximately two-thirds of our \$128 million dollar expansion and renovation project, with the remainder of the project's funding supported by gifts from friends and supporters of the school.



Then last week, the Wisconsin legislature [passed the state budget](#), which includes our expansion project. The budget is now on Governor Tony Evers' desk for his final signature and vetoes. We remain extremely hopeful that our project will be in the final 2019-21 capital budget. We have begun the design and engineering of our new building with our hope to begin construction in the winter of 2021.

For those who were able to attend, fun was had by all at the School of Veterinary Medicine [Alumni Reunion](#) on June 22. The day included brats, burgers, Babcock ice cream and tours of the school, including our new and remodeled learning spaces.

I hope each of you has a fantastic remainder of your summer .

UW Veterinary Care Updates from the Director

Over the next few weeks in the hospital you will see nine local high school students here for a six-week internship as part of the Madison Metropolitan School District's Personalized Pathways program. We are [proud to participate in this effort](#), aimed at introducing students to the UW-Madison campus and careers in science and medicine.



Farewell to pharmacy manager **Jim Budde**, who departed in May following 12 years of strong leadership. Goodbye also (in many cases) and thank you to our finishing interns, who are on to a variety of destinations, in parenthesis: **Miranda Braithwaite** (general practice, Madison), **Hillary Hammond** (cardiology residency, Colorado State University), **Eric Howlett** (general practice, Dodgeville), **Kara Magee** (medical oncology residency, UW School of Veterinary Medicine), **Kaitlyn McNamara** (surgery residency, University of Florida), **Marjorie Owen** (surgical internship, Boise, Idaho), **Alec Repasy** (medical oncology residency, The Ohio State University), **Danielle Roberts** (teleradiology training program), **Kenneth Siu** (small animal internal medicine residency, Colorado State University), **Sri Veluvolu** (medical oncology residency, University of California, Davis), **Molly Viner** (diagnostic imaging residency, UW School of Veterinary Medicine) and **Sarah White** (large animal surgery residency, UW School of Veterinary Medicine).

As these interns depart, we welcome our 2019 class of interns: **Kristina Anderson**, **Brittney Byer**, **Hannah Clark**, **Crystal Matt**, **Alyssa Palmer**, **Natalia Pfaff**, **Carli Smith** and **Margot Stuchin**, serving as rotating small animal medicine and surgery interns, and **Christina Barrett** and **Emily Pellat** in Shelter Medicine.

Welcome also to pharmacy technician **Lindsey Ambler**; **Janean Boss Anderson**, a certified veterinary technician joining the large animal hospital; and **Laurel Kinoshian**, who will assist part-time in the pharmacy for several months. And congratulations to **Maggie Liceaga**, who in June transitioned from her role in pharmacy to work as a veterinary technician in the small animal surgery ward.

To all in the hospital, your kindness, poise and expertise with our patients and their people is appreciated daily, as this feedback from a recent new client shows:

" This was my first time visiting UW Vet and it was amazing. The people are all so kind and attentive. I really feel like they listened to every little detail. And even though they are incredibly busy I never felt rushed. I also felt like everybody there truly is passionate about the health and wellness and happiness of animals."

- *Andrea, Neenah, Wisconsin*

Ruthanne Chun DVM'91
Director, [UW Veterinary Care](#)
Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs

School News

Following preference balloting by departmental members, **Nigel Cook** (Medical Sciences), **Jon McAnulty** (Surgical Sciences), **Ted Golos** (Comparative Biosciences) and **Chuck Czuprynski** (Pathobiological Sciences) will continue to serve as chairs of their respective departments.

Faculty and Staff News

Congratulations to **Ruthanne Chun DVM'91** on beginning a three-year term as president of the specialty of Medical Oncology within the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and to **Tim Yoshino**, recipient of the 2019 Distinguished Service Award from the American Society of Parasitologists.

Welcome to **Anne Howaniec** in the Office of Academic Affairs, serving in the program assistant role previously held by JoAnn Disch, and to two new faculty members in the Department of Pathobiological Sciences: **Wilmara Salgado-Pabon**, assistant professor of bacteriology, and **Nina Zitzer DVM'13**, clinical assistant professor of clinical pathology.

Farewell to Small Animal Internal Medicine clinical instructor **Hattie Bortnowski**, whose career at UW spanned four decades of unwavering and enthusiastic dedication to teaching and clinical service, and to clinical professor **Howard Steinberg** (granted emeritus status), who for 29 years served the Anatomic Pathology clinical service, instructed veterinary medical students in pathology and postmortem and biopsy techniques, and trained post-graduate instructors in veterinary and zoologic pathology.

SVM faculty **LaTasha Crawford**, **Sathish Kumar**, **Joao Paulo Martins** and **Jayshree Samanta** participated in the [2019 Wisconsin Idea Seminar](#) in May. The five-day statewide bus tour covered 600 miles, with stops at some of Wisconsin's famous waterways. The seminar serves to introduce new UW-Madison faculty and staff to the Wisconsin Idea, highlight collaborations between the university and communities across the state, and offer opportunities to experience the places and spaces many UW-Madison students call home.



Jenny Dahlberg, grants administrator for the SVM, has been elected to a three-year term on the UW-Madison Academic Staff Executive Committee (ASEC) and will serve as ASEC chair from July 1 to Dec. 31.

Lyric Bartholomay was a panelist for a recent SciLine Media Briefing for journalists [about ticks, mosquitoes, and environmental change](#). Bartholomay, **Jorge Osorio** and **Barry Hartup** also [received 2019 seed grants and travel awards](#) from the UW-Madison Global Health Institute.

Student News

Welcome to two St. George's University students, **Lara Baxter** and **Stephen Maddox**, who began in the clinic in June and joined the Class of 2020.

Research News

Research by Professor **Lisa Arendt DVM'02** exploring the link between obesity and breast cancer was featured in a [UW Carbone Cancer Center news story](#).

The UW-Madison Global Health Institute has been [named a Center of Excellence in the Global Virus Network](#). SVM professors **Tony Goldberg** and **Yoshi Kawaoka** will co-direct the center.

Upcoming Events

Dean's Get Together & Ice Cream Social

July 19

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Hanson Biomedical Sciences Building

[More](#)

Conference of the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology

July 7-11

Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center

[More](#)

Alumni Reception at AVMA Convention

August 2

7-9 p.m.

City Tap House, 901 9th St. NW, Washington, D.C.

RSVP to [Kristi Thorson](#)

For more SVM-related events, visit the school's [online calendar](#) .

SVM in the News

[Pet Care: Summer Is Flea Season](#)
Veterinary Practice News

[Call the Vet! Rural Veterinary Medicine Is Struggling](#)
Successful Farming

[Encountering Backyard Bloodsuckers? The Tick App](#)
Tracks That
WisContext

[Ventilation Should Focus on Cow Needs, Not Cost](#)
Hoard's Dairyman



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