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# White Coats and Senior Honors

## Annual events transition third- and fourth-year students toward future challenges



Dr. Dan Aja, DVM, director of professional affairs at Hill's Pet Nutrition, congratulates the third-year class on entering the clinical phase of the veterinary program at this year's White Coat Ceremony.



Upper: Visitors help themselves to bagels at the annual Bagel Bonanza.



Lower: Fourth-year student Kyle Renaldo receives the Dr. Bishan Das and Ram Bai Minocha Memorial Award from professor emeritus Dr. Harish Minocha and his wife Ved.



Dr. Roger Fingland, executive associate dean and director of the Veterinary Health Center, gives closing remarks to the third-year students after receiving their white coats.

## Outstanding in her field: Dr. Bonnie Rush wins department head award



**Dr. Bonnie Rush receives the 2013 Presidential Award for Outstanding Department Head from President Kirk Schulz and Chris Curtin, whose company sponsors the award.**

The CVM can now boast a new “Triple Crown” winner. As an equine specialist, Dr. Bonnie Rush, head of Clinical Sciences, has been truly outstanding in her field, having been recognized previously for both her teaching and research accomplishments. That list now includes excellence as

an administrative leader as she has been selected for the 2013 Presidential Award for Outstanding Department Head at K-State. President Kirk Schulz recognized Dr. Rush in a special award ceremony May 6.

“It is a privilege to serve the faculty in the Department of Clinical Sciences,” Dr. Rush said. “I am proud of their dedication to training future veterinarians and accomplishments in advancement of clinical medicine. It is easy to advocate for this faculty and support their goals for the future.”

This is not Dr. Rush’s first “outstanding” award. In 2004, the National Association of Women Veterinarians honored Dr. Rush as its Outstanding Woman Veterinarian of the Year. Dr. Rush was a two-time recipient of the Norden Distinguished Teaching Award. She has also been honored with the CVM’s top research award: the Pfizer Award for Research Excellence.

Before starting her career at K-State in 1993, Dr. Rush completed her undergraduate training in 1985 at Ohio State University. She received her DVM in 1989 from Ohio State, completed an internship at North Carolina State University in 1990 and finished a residency in equine medicine at Ohio State in 1993 where she also received a master’s degree in clinical sciences. In 2009, she received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Ohio State.

Dr. Rush has served on the boards of directors of the American Association of Equine Practitioners and the Grayson Jockey Club. She is also a member of the Association for Women Veterinarians, American Veterinary Medical Association, Kansas Veterinary Medical Association the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine and the American Association of Equine Practitioners.

## CVM presents teaching and service awards to faculty members



**Drs. Derek Mosier, David Poole and Ken Harkin are recognized with 2012 Excellence in Teaching Awards for the second-, first- and third-year classes, respectively. Students vote on professors based on courses from the previous year. These awards are sponsored by Bayer Health Care, Merial and Novartis.**



**Dean Ralph Richardson presents Dr. Jerome Nietfeld with the Dr. William and Deanna Pritchard Veterinary Service and Outreach Award during the awards banquet. This award highlights Dr. Nietfeld’s consistent commitment and dedication to service and outreach efforts. The award was established to emphasize the importance of service and outreach in the veterinary profession.**

## Physiological Society names Dr. Timothy Musch educator of the year

Dr. Timothy Musch has been named 2013 Arthur C. Guyton Physiology Educator of the Year by the American Physiological Society.

The national honor recognizes Dr. Musch for making a significant impact on the students he teaches, on his institution, and an enduring and significant impact on physiology education on the national and international stage.

Dr. Musch, who holds a dual appointment with the College of Human Ecology and the CVM, teaches graduate and undergraduate exercise physiology and co-directs the Cardiorespiratory Exercise Laboratory. His fields of research include coronary heart disease and chronic heart failure.

“More than half of students who graduate with a kinesiology major are admitted each year to physical therapy,

medical and other health professional and graduate schools. While much of the success of these students can be attributed to Dr. Musch’s lectures in their required course work, his influence also extends to the development of an undergraduate exercise physiology curriculum that is unmatched nationally and an active lab that has successfully involved numerous undergraduates in research experiences,” said Dr. David Dzewaltowski, professor and head of the department of kinesiology.

Dr. Musch has degrees from the University of California, Berkeley, and a doctorate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He did a postdoctoral fellowship in cardiovascular physiology at the University of Texas Health Science Center, Dallas.



***Dr. Timothy Musch, professor of kinesiology and anatomy and physiology, accepts the 2013 Arthur C. Guyton Physiology Educator of the Year from Dr. Barbara E. Goodman, professor of physiology and director of the University of South Dakota's Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network. She is the American Physiological Society's section chair for the teaching of physiology.***

## Academy of Veterinary Consultants recognizes Dr. Mike Apley



***K-State professor Dr. Mike Apley receives the 2013 Outstanding Service Award from the Academy of Veterinary Consultants (AVC), presented by Dr. Eric Moore and joined by Dr. Dan Upson and Dr. David Sjeklocha. The award, sponsored by Merck Animal Health, honored Dr. Apley for dedicating his career to improving animal health and veterinary medicine by sharing his insights and expertise on antibiotic use in livestock.***

## Auburn University presents Bailey alumni award to CVM's Dr. David Biller



***Dr. David Biller is presented the Wilford Bailey Distinguished Alumni Award by the College of Veterinary Medicine at Auburn University in recognition of his outstanding contributions to veterinary medicine. Dr. Biller received his DVM from Auburn University in 1980. He provided a brief address at the Auburn University graduation ceremony on May 7.***

under the  
microscope



## Dr. Bob Larson

Professor and Coleman Chair of Food  
Animal Production Medicine

**Hometown:** Hiawatha, Kan.

**Family Information:** My wife Laura is a 1992 KSU CVM graduate. We have three daughters; Mariah (15), Karrin (12) and Annie (8).

**Pets:** We have a Labrador retriever named Cilantro who is in charge of home security and floor cleaning, and a cat named Shadrack in charge of rodent control.

**What about summer are you most looking forward to?** A chance for our family to go to Washington, D.C. to see the sites and visit my sister who lives there. I also look forward to more dedicated time with my graduate students working on their research projects.

**If you could only see black and white, with the addition of one other color, what color would you choose?** Purple of course! Three of my four grandparents attended K-State in the 1920s, my parents and all my aunts and uncles on both sides of the family attended in the 1950s and 60s, and all four of my sisters and I attended from the late 1970s through the early 1990s. I spent 11 years going to school at K-State—so I have purple blood.

## CVM NEWS TICKER

Congratulations to **Dr. Sanjeev Narayanan**, who has been elected to serve on the Board of Governors of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists (ACVM). This is a three-year term where Dr. Narayanan would have the opportunity to enhance the mission of the college.

Welcome to **Dr. Nora Schrag**, a new assistant professor within the clinical sciences department.

Congratulations to **Xiangdong Li**, who recently received an International Graduate Student Scholarship from the Konza and Manhattan Rotary clubs.



**Stacey Burdick** and **Kimberley Hoefert**, class of 2015, and **Allison Nelson**, class of 2014, attended the annual SAVMA Legislative Fly-In in Washington, D.C. Veterinary students from each of the AVMA accredited U.S. and international veterinary schools attended the two-

day conference. The students met with representatives of the AVMA Government Relations Division, as well as Congressmen to talk about co-sponsoring the Horse Protection Act Amendments and the Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program Enhancement Act (VMLRPEA). The local SCAVMA chapter and KVMA graciously helped to fund this opportunity in an effort to encourage student advocacy.

## A 'royal' reception in India



**Drs. T.G. Nagaraja and M.M. Chengappa** both receive "royal" treatment on their visit to the annual conference of the Indian Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Research held in Bangalore, India. Both presented research at this conference, and they were joined in India by **Drs. H. Morgan Scott and Raghavendra Amachawadi**, also from the CVM.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

May 17: Commencement for veterinary students in McCain Auditorium.  
June 1-4: 75th Annual Conference for Veterinarians.

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