



Welcome to the April 2008 edition of the LSU SVM's e-mail newsletter. In this issue, we'll talk about the [Hill's LSU SVM Great Rover Road Run](#), the [International Exhibition on Animals in Art](#), [new faculty](#), [LSU SVM salutes its faculty](#), [internships and residencies](#), [continuing education opportunities](#), [supporting the School of Veterinary Medicine](#), [upcoming events](#), and [classified ads](#).



OVER 260 PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN HILL'S LSU SVM GREAT ROVER ROAD RUN

Two hundred and sixty-one people participated in the **Hill's 15th Annual Great Rover Road Run** on March 29 at the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine. One hundred and ninety people participated in the one mile fun run/walk, and one hundred and six people ran in the 5K (some people participated in both!). Once again, this year's major sponsor was Hill's Pet Nutrition. **For more information on the Great Rover Road Run, click [here](#).** A list of the participants' times is available on-line at <http://www.vetmed.lsu.edu/grrr.htm>.

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21ST INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION ON ANIMALS IN ART OPENS WITH RECEPTION

The LSU School of Veterinary Medicine opened its **21st International Exhibition on Animals in Art** on March 29. Dr. Peter F. Haynes, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, and members of the SVM Art Show Committee welcomed more than 200 guests into the Veterinary Medicine Library for a first look at the exhibition. Two hundred and two artists from 40 states, Canada, and Sweden submitted 446 entries for the show. Seventy-five pieces are featured in the exhibition, which continues through April 27 in the Veterinary Medicine Library. Judge and juror for this year's exhibition is Thomas Livesay, executive director of the LSU Museum of Art. **For more information on the International Exhibition on Animals in Art, click [here](#).**

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Dayle Malen, instructor

LSU SVM WELCOMES NEW FACULTY

Drs. Tracy Gieger and Julia Buchholz have joined the Oncology Service faculty in the [Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences](#). **Dr. Gieger** obtained her DVM in the LSU SVM Class of 1996. Dr. Gieger, assistant professor of radiation and medical oncology, will begin in the Cancer Treatment Unit on April 9. After graduating from LSU, Dr. Gieger did an internship in Small Animal Internal Medicine and Surgery at The Animal Medical Center in New York, returned to LSU for a Residency in Small Animal Internal Medicine, and then completed a residency in Medical Oncology at the University of California. She then served as an

assistant professor in the Department of Small Animal Medicine and Surgery at the University of Georgia, did a Residency in Radiation Oncology at Cornell University and then was staff oncologist in both radiation and medical oncology at California Veterinary Specialists in Carlsbad, Calif. Dr. Gieger is board certified by the American College of Veterinary Radiology (Radiation Oncology), the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (Oncology), and the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (Small Animal Internal Medicine).

Dr. Julia Buchholz is a visiting assistant professor of veterinary radiation oncology effective March 28. Dr. Buchholz, a citizen of Germany, assisted the LSU SVM in the Cancer Treatment Unit in January for a brief period and has now returned for approximately one year. Dr. Buchholz obtained her Dr.med.vet. degree from the University of Zurich and has completed residencies in Radiation Oncology at the University of Zurich and Colorado State University. She is board certified by the American College of Veterinary Radiology (Radiation Oncology).

Dayle Malen, LCSW, M.Ed, LMFT, has recently joined the [Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences](#) as an instructor. The position is sponsored through a grant received by co-principal investigators, Drs. Susan Eddlestone and Joseph Taboada, for the Southeast Louisiana Spay/Neuter/Animal & Community Wellness Focus, and funded by the Humane Society of the United States. Ms. Malen will be participating in phase 1 didactic instruction to veterinary students and service learning rotations with phase 2 students. She will also be the primary liaison with community based organizations in the development of community wellness aspects of the grant.

The [Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences](#) welcomes **Dr. Francisco Teixeira**, a visiting assistant professor of veterinary anesthesiology, who will be here for a period of four months from February to May 2008 assisting in the clinical anesthesiology service in the Veterinary Teaching Hospital & Clinics. Dr. Teixeira is on faculty at the Universidade Estadual Paulista, Botucatu, SP, Brazil. He completed his M.V., Anesthesiology Residency, and M.Sc. all at Sao Paulo State University and his PhD in Physiology and Pharmacology at the University of Guelph.

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Dr. Lorrie Gaschen, associate professor of veterinary radiology

LSU SVM SALUTES ITS FACULTY

Dr. Rhett Stout, assistant professor of veterinary pathology in the [Department of Pathobiological Sciences](#), was awarded \$6,346 for his project entitled, "An alternative approach for HBMT hydrogel sealants" by Hyperbranch Medical Technology, Inc. for the project period 3/1/08-2/28/09.

Dr. George M. Strain, professor of veterinary physiology, pharmacology and toxicology in the [Department of Comparative Biomedical Sciences](#), recently gave two invited presentations at the Ecole Nationale Veterinaire Toulouse in Toulouse, France. A talk "Deafness In Dogs and the Genetics of Pigmentation" was presented to faculty, residents, veterinarians, and students of the veterinary school, and "Deafness in Dalmatians: Mechanisms and Current Research" was presented to local Dalmatian breeders.

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Comparative Gastroenterology Society award for the 2008 Summer Scholars Program for \$5,000 to **Dr. Lorrie Gaschen**, associate professor of veterinary radiology in the [Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences](#), for the project entitled, 'Doppler analysis of gastrointestinal blood flow in dogs- investigations in food allergic patients and role of glucagon-like peptide 2 (GLP-2) in postprandial splanchnic vasodilation'.

LASPCA award for \$10,000 to **Dr. Susan Eddlestone**, assistant professor of veterinary medicine in the [Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences](#), for the project entitled, "Feral cat sterilization training course for veterinary students."

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LSU STUDENTS AND GRADUATES OBTAIN INTERNSHIPS AND RESIDENCIES

Congratulations to the following class of 2008 students who were successful in obtaining an internship or residency through the Veterinary Internship and Residency Matching Program sponsored by the [American Association of Veterinary Clinicians](#) or through private practices:

Jennifer Ayoub (Baton Rouge, La.), Greenbrier Veterinary Referral Center, Internship in Small Animal Internal and Emergency Medicine;

Kaikhushroo Banajee (Baton Rouge, La.), [University of Illinois](#), Small Animal Medicine/Surgery Rotating Internship;

Glen Bonin (Greenwell Springs, La.), [University of Tennessee](#), Small Animal Rotating Internship;

Lindsey Boudreaux (Baton Rouge, La.), [Advanced Veterinary Care Center](#), Rotating Internship;

Jason Brewer (Baton Rouge, La.), [Carolina Veterinary Specialists](#), Internship in Small Animal Medicine & Surgery;

Claudia Channing (Baton Rouge, La.), [VCA Alameda East Veterinary Hospital](#), Rotating Small Animal Internship in Surgery, Medicine, Radiology & ER;

Jamie Charlie (Ville Platte, La.), [Southeast Veterinary Specialists](#), Internship;

Jennifer Crescioni (Baton Rouge, La.), [Advanced Veterinary Care Center](#), Rotating Internship;

Jana Doege (Baton Rouge, La.), [University of Georgia](#), Large Animal Rotating Internship;

Jessica Carey Duncan (Mandeville, La.), [Arizona Equine Medical and Surgical Centre](#), Private Practice Internship;

Karelma Frontera-Acevedo (San Juan, Puerto Rico), [University of Georgia](#), Combined Residency/PhD Program in Anatomic Pathology;

Bridget Kelly (Baker, La.), [Peterson & Smith Equine Hospital](#), Internship;

Derek Kopecky (Mire, La.), [Georgia Veterinary Specialists](#), Internship;

Wesley Lee (Baton Rouge, La.), [North Carolina State University](#), Equine Medicine and Surgery Internship;

Betsy Merz (Maywood, N.J.), [Georgia Veterinary Specialists](#), Small Animal Medicine Internship;

Jennifer Mosley (Fort Smith, Ark.), [VCA Aurora/Berwyn Animal Hospital](#), Small Animal Internship;

Erin Roof (Flower Mound, Texas), [Veterinary Specialists of South Florida](#), Small Animal Rotating Internship;

Rimme Singh (Northbrook, Ill.), [University of Illinois](#), Clinical Pathology Residency;

Evan Sones (Baton Rouge, La.), [Georgia Veterinary Specialists](#), Small Animal Rotating Internship;

Katrine Voie (Baton Rouge, La.), [Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine](#), Rotating Internship in Small Animal Medicine; and

Shawn Zimmerman (Clinton, Ark.), [University of Georgia](#), Clinical Pathology Residency.

Former LSU graduates who matched this year to residency programs are as follows:

Dionne Ferguson (LSU 2007), [Louisiana State University](#), Small Animal Internal Medicine Residency;

Crystal Hariu (LSU 2007), [Texas A&M University](#), Three-Year Residency in Cardiology;

Ashok Padmabhan (LSU 2006), [New York Veterinary Specialty Center](#), Small Animal Surgical Internship; and

Jennifer Sonis (LSU 2007), [Colorado State University](#), Residency - Equine Internal Medicine.

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LSU SVM HOSTS FARM ANIMAL AND SMALL ANIMAL CONTINUING EDUCATION SESSIONS



A **farm animal session** will be offered at the SVM in cooperation with the LSU AgCenter on April 12-13, 2008. **Goat Health Management: Current Concepts** will take place at the SVM. This program for veterinarians and goat producers includes topics on nutrition, diseases, parasite control, reproduction and management. Ten (10) hours of CE will be provided. There will also be a concurrent program for juniors. For more information, please contact Dr. Christine Navarre, LSU AgCenter, 225/578-2414 or cnavarre@agcenter.lsu.edu or Dr. Jim Miller, SVM, at jmille1@lsu.edu. For information about the junior program, please contact Dr. Terry Dumas, LSU AgCenter, at 225/578-2219 or tdumas@agcenter.lsu.edu.



The School of Veterinary Medicine will also offer its annual **Small Animal Internal Medicine Symposium** on April 27. This year's symposium will focus on infectious diseases of dogs and cats. This event is made possible by a generous grant from Pfizer Animal Health and will feature Dr. Edward Breitschwerdt, professor of internal medicine at the North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine as a guest speaker. Dr. Breitschwerdt will discuss the molecular diagnosis of infectious diseases, persistent blood-borne infection, vector-borne infections and canine bartonellosis. Eight hours of continuing education credit or 0.8 CEU credits (one hour equals 0.1 CE unit) will be earned for this course. Certification forms will be provided for participants to complete credit hours earned. **Thanks to an educational grant**

from Pfizer Animal Health, sole sponsor of the 2008 Small Animal Internal Medicine Symposium, registrations received by April 23, 2008, will be complimentary. An administrative fee of \$25 will be charged for registrations received after April 23 and for on-site registrations. Lunch, coffee breaks and proceedings are included. Cancellations should be made to the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine in a timely manner as space is limited. **For a downloadable brochure for the small animal medicine seminar, click [here](#).**

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SCAAEP HOSTS WETLAB WITH DONATIONS FROM FORT DODGE

Fort Dodge Animal Health donated Quest dewormer and vaccine for the research herds (Equine Health Studies Program and Embryo Biotechnology Laboratory [part of the Reproductive Biology Center]). There was a wet lab with students (SCAAEP and SCSFT) on Saturday, March 8. The students vaccinated, dewormed, and pulled blood for Coggin's tests. Fort Dodge

provided lunch for everyone involved.

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SUPPORT THE SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

ANNUAL ADVANCE VETERINARY MEDICINE FUND VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE SVM

The annual Advance Veterinary Medicine Fund is the cornerstone of advancement for the School of Veterinary Medicine. The School's long-term strategic plan sets progressive goals and objectives that will advance veterinary medicine locally, regionally and internationally. These high standards can only be met through private sector donations to enhance our resources beyond appropriations. The future of the School is dependent upon the Annual Fund.



Dr. Daniel J. Hillmann Club (\$100-\$499)

Donors who make an annual gift between \$100-\$499 are recognized as members of the Dr. Daniel J. Hillmann Club. In 1973, Dr. Hillmann was one of the first faculty members appointed to the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine, and he continues to teach anatomy to our veterinary students today.



Dr. John D. Rhoades Club (\$500-\$999)

Donors who make an annual gift between \$500-\$999 are recognized as members of the Dr. John D. Rhoades Club. Dr. Rhoades was on the faculty of the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine from 1980-2005, and as Associate Dean of Student Affairs he touched the lives of every veterinary student during that time.



Dr. William L. Jenkins Society (\$1,000-\$2,499)

Donors who make an annual gift between \$1,000-\$2,499 are recognized as members of the Dr. William L. Jenkins Society. In 1988, Dr. Jenkins was appointed the second Dean of the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine. He has had an extraordinary career at LSU, moving into the positions of Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost, then Chancellor of the LSU and A&M College, and finally President of the LSU System.



Dr. Everett D. Besch Society (\$2,500-\$4,999)

Donors who make an annual gift between \$2,500-\$4,999 are recognized as members of the Dr. Everett D. Besch Society. In 1988, Dr. Besch retired as the first Dean of the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine. He worked tirelessly for the veterinary school and in 1968 saw the Louisiana Legislature approve the establishment of the School.



Dr. William H. Dalrymple Society (\$5,000-\$10,000)

Donors who make an annual gift between \$5,000-\$10,000 are recognized as members of the Dr. William H. Dalrymple Society. Considered the “Father of Veterinary Medicine” in the south central region of the United States, Dr. Dalrymple came to LSU in 1889 as professor of comparative medicine and veterinarian of the experiment stations. Throughout his professional career, he was a member and officer in numerous veterinary and agricultural organizations, and in 1905 was one of the charter members of the Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association.

To learn about other ways that you can help the SVM, please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at 225-578-9826 or visit our website at www.vetmed.lsu.edu and select “Support the LSU SVM.”



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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7-19	Spring NAVLE Window
April 27	SVM Small Animal Medicine Conference
May 1	Spring Reception and Staff Awards
May 2	Awards and Honors Banquet
May 2-8	American Board of Veterinary Practitioners Symposium. Savannah, Ga.
May 3	LSU classes end
May 9	Semester ends

For information on these and other events, please go to the School's website at www.vetmed.lsu.edu.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

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State: Nevada

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Practice for Sale: Located in the historical city of Natchitoches, La., in NW Louisiana. Will include a 7 yr. old building, and ~1ac. property on a busy highway. The building includes small animal (2413sq.ft.), and large animal (1337sq.ft.) areas all enclosed. Some contents included are computer, blood analyzers, X-Ray, and boarding kennels. Some owner financing possible. For further info e-mail bluejames@suddenlink.net.

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