**Proclamation by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin**

Whereas, the American Veterinary Medical Association was founded in 1863 as the U.S. Veterinary Medical Association in New York City, New York; and

Whereas, the year 2013 will mark the 150th anniversary of organized veterinary medicine in the United States; and

Whereas, veterinarians have played an integral role in discovering the causes of numerous diseases that affect our State’s citizens such as salmonellosis, West Nile virus, yellow fever and malaria; and

Whereas, veterinarians provide a valuable public health service through preventive medicine, control of zoonotic diseases and scientific research; and

Whereas, veterinarians have advanced human and animal health by inventing and refining techniques and instruments such as artificial hips, bone plates, splints and arthroscopy; and

Whereas, veterinarians play an integral role in protecting the quality and security of our Nation’s national herd and food supply; and

Whereas, military veterinarians provide crucial support to our Nation’s military and provide assistance to the agricultural independence of developing nations around the world; and

Whereas, disaster relief veterinarians provide public health services and veterinary medical support to animals and humans displaced and ravaged by disasters; and

Whereas, veterinarians are dedicated to preserving the human-animal bond and promoting the highest standards of science-based, ethical animal welfare.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Earl Ray Tomblin, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim the year 2013 as

The Year of the Veterinarian

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Nineteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Thirteen, and in the One Hundred Fiftieth year of the state.

Earl Ray Tomblin
Governor

By the Governor:
Earl Ray Tomblin
Governor

To help celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the AVMA, Governor Earl Ray Tomblin announced 2013 as the “Year of the Veterinarian” in West Virginia.
A Summer Message from the President

I am in list making mode as I prepare to depart for the World Feline Veterinary Conference in Barcelona in just a few days. During the 2013 VMRCVM graduation, I was encouraged when Maryland’s VMA President, Dr. Kris Evans, told us to “follow our passion”. Feline medicine and world travel fit under that category for me. I will be proudly wearing my new WVVMF lapel pin (pictured below) on my trip.

Did you travel to the Greenbrier in April for our 2013 Annual Spring Meeting? We now have veterinary student members, as our Bylaws were amended and the WVVMF had their First Annual Silent Auction to provide scholarships for veterinary students. Our CE programs and social events; crafted by Dr. Shawn Sette, were outstanding, enjoyed by all, and profited the association monetarily. A meeting behind the scenes with faculty from WVU, MSU, and VMRCVM played a role in retaining our student seats for the class of 2017.

Last week, we held our third board meeting conference call to allow our board members to address issues in a more timely fashion. We have much to accomplish and happily welcome Miss Kitty Ball, the new WVVMF Executive Assistant. Listed below are events I hope you will consider travelling to and participating in as a member of our organization.

Schedule of Events

**AVMA Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, July 19-23, 2013**
**Heartland Conference, Lexington, KY, Aug. 23-25, 2013**
**VMRCVM Mentor Picnic/Mentor Day, Martinsburg, WV, Sept. 27, 2013**
**VMRCVM Mentor Picnic/Mentor Day, Oct. 17-18, 2013, Blacksburg, VA**
**Third Annual Potomac Regional Veterinary Conference, The Greenbrier, Nov. 8-10, 2013**

**Continuing Education Report:** Presented by Dr. Shawn Sette. Jordan has done a wonderful job helping with organizing all the CE this year. The replacement for Jordan will be a position of 30 hours with health insurance. The Greenbrier meeting has 56 veterinarians, 20 technicians and 3 students registered. The vendor numbers and sponsorship fees have increased. Due to budget constraints, vendors need justification for exhibiting, therefore; purchases at the meeting help. There was a decrease in speaker honorariums due to sponsorship. The VMRCVM has been very supportive. Dr. Archer, from MSU, is a speaker this year. The large animal meeting this fall was fully booked. At the meeting this year, there will be a raffle for vendors’ supplies. This year’s meeting will be in the black. Dr. Sette wished to discuss how to reimburse for a registration that is cancelled. The President Elect will determine a policy for each meeting based on costs for cancellation and this will be listed in future CE registration material. Next year’s winter meeting will be at a different location. The Waterfront Place Hotel has been proposed. The Davis Michael fund may be able to help

2013 Spring Meeting, Executive Board Meeting: April 19

**Roll Call:** Dr. Holly Kossuth, Dr. Shawn Sette, Dr. Dan Montgomery, Dr. Scott Moore, Dr. Jim Taylor, Dr. Jim Radcliffe, Dr. Kourtney Morris, Dr. Tom Isaac, Dr. Alan Mcneel, Dr. April Munique, Dr. Leslie Elliot, Dr. George Seiler, Dr. Kent Hoblet, Dr. Rich Meiring, Dr. Jennifer, Dr. Mark Finkler, and Jordan Roeder

Dr. Kossuth called the meeting to order.

Minutes were read by Dr. Scott Moore and were approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Dr. Dan Montgomery: This has been a good year for the association. The contract for our executive director has been paid for. The association is $53,000 ahead of last year. We have $250,000 in assets. Direct Connect has paid us $1600. Last year we had no losses on the conferences. Treasurer’s report is accepted.

**Delegate Report:** Dr. Shawn Sette delivered the AVMA delegate report: The work force study report has been completed and is under review. The annual AVMA meeting will be in July. A drug compounding ruling has been delayed to allow more discussion. Drug compounding will be a major concern in the coming year. The Governance Task Force will make formal proposals in July. There will be an amended logo. Partners for Healthy Pets is expanding and has 75 partners. Governor Tomblin has proclaimed 2013 as Year of the Veterinarian. Plaques are available from the governor’s office. When Dr. Brown becomes the District V rep the AVMA Delegate position will be vacated and needs to be filled.

**Committee Report:***

- **Legislative Report:** The legislative report was given by Dr. Tom Isaac. This year was not a busy year for the legislature. Senate Bill 61 is still in committee as well as SB 104. The budget bill has moved forward. SB 202 is a spay neuter fund which was approved and is on the Governor’s desk. SB 204 to allow licensure of veterinarians with an endorsement is not moving. HB2112 prohibiting use of feed with prophylactic antibiotics is in committee. HB 2385 for the scope of the veterinary technician and practice is in committee. Dr. Kossuth discussed the promotion of technicians to be elevated to allow technicians to be paid appropriately. There was discussion centered on helping techs and properly utilizing them.

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support a Morgantown meeting if pre-vet students are involved. The Sunday breakfast will be with the Diamond and Platinum sponsors. Moderators are needed for the rooms. 

**Public Education:** Presented by Dr. James Radcliffe. Dr. Radcliffe recommends utilizing Facebook to connect with clients. There are no coloring poster contests for National Pet Week. Promote pet week through banners and an open house. School visits are very good for public education. Seminars for clients have been discussed. Ipads can be good for client education. Also contact local news organizations for free publicity. 

**Foundation Report:** Presented by Dr. Allan McNeel. The foundation will move forward with giving one scholarship to a student at each veterinary school in the sum of $500. Fundraising needs to continue. This is the 10 year anniversary of the foundation. There has been an addition of $12,000 in assets this past year and currently the foundation has $78,000 in total assets. 

**Veterinary Awareness:** Presented by Dr. George Seiler. September 21st will be the 4th Annual Veterinary Career Day. Any veterinarian interested is welcome to show up to assist in meeting with students. The annual veterinary school trip occurred and was well attended. Dr. Sette and Dr. Henderson traveled with the veterinary students to visit our contract schools. The trip takes place every year and costs $100 per WVU student and $150 for non-university students. The contract situation is shaping up but work is still being done. A meeting with the HEPC will occur tomorrow. 50% of contract students return to the state. Most other programs have a 15% return rate. When a resolution is reached the membership will be notified. 

**Leadership Development:** There will be positions for treasurer, secretary, president elect and AVMA delegate. An AVMA delegate will be needed by January. Any person interested should contact Dr. Kossuth, Dr. Brown, or Dr. Isaac. Dr. Kossuth does have an interest in the delegate position. This position is an appointed position. 

**Executive Assistant’s Report:** Presented by Jordan Roeder. Jordan will be moving on but has been a great asset to the association. Total membership is at 227. In January 2012 membership was 178. Total sponsorship is up $5000. Advertising for the newsletter has provided $1500 in revenue. Registration and the number of exhibitors increased for this meeting. Speakers are fully sponsored. We are gaining more out of state attendees due to online registration. Upcoming projects include a directory, policy and procedures book and student membership. There are approximately 550 licensed vets in the state. The AVMA has 80% membership and Virginia’s percentage is lower than WV. 

**Guest Speakers**

**Dr. Kent Hoblet, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University:** This year will mark the first graduating class of West Virginia students. These students are a good representation of the state. He encourages continued support for the students and the contracts. Support for the school has been good from the governing bodies. The necropsy facility is currently being renovated. The Jackson area clinic continues to provide a great experience to students. A rotation in Jackson provides a biosecurity experience, followed by emergency medicine for the remainder of the time. The shelter medicine rotation allows for increased surgical experience. The caseload at the school is up. Dr. Dave Smith is currently leading the beef program and is an extraordinary instructor. The economic support from the state continues to be great and the school was awarded an increase of 7% in the budget this year. The college president is a past agriculture secretary and his emphasis has been on broadening the scope of the college. The school relies on high quality students and the WV residents are high quality. 

**Dr. Richard Meiring, Assistant Dean of Admissions, Mississippi State College of Veterinary Medicine:** Dr. Richard Meiring reported there will be six WV residents in the incoming class. The WV students have an annual cookout at the Meiring home. 

**Dr. Mark Finkler, theVVMA President:** Dr. Finkler reported on the activity of the association. Virginia has 1400 members. Since Jordan will be leaving, the WVMA is active in finding her replacement. Virginia has a continuing mentoring program. The summer picnic will be August 24th. At the White Coat Ceremony students receive a stethoscope. The WVMA is looking to add a student association. The legislative day at the capitol is important for work with the governing body. A public relations firm has been hired to improve the public relations of the association. The board moved to join the marketplace fairness association. The goal is to allow states to charge sales tax for internet sales. Strategic planning has helped plan for the future. A Virginia student is petitioning the Virginia State Board to allow management hours to count for CE. The PRVC will be held at the Greenbrier this fall. 

Dr. Jennifer Hodgson, Associate Dean of Professional Programs, VA-MD Reg. College of Veterinary Medicine: Dr. Hodgson reported from the VMRCVM. Dean Schurig is stepping down when a new dean is appointed. Final interviews will take place in June for this position. VMRCVM is currently experiencing the first group of WV students. The class of 2017 has been seated. Only 4 of 6 WV students accepted seats at VMRCVM. 275 students were interviewed for this class. There were alternates offered but were not seated because they did not accept by the deadline. The students were uncertain on the future of the contract. Dr. George Seiler reported that Mark Stotler has been working for the HEPC and after the HEPC took control of the contract he was not able to assist in working on the problem. Since then Mark has been given charge of the contract and the issue appears to be resolving. Timetables for students this year did affect the enrollment. The SREB lowered fees allowing funding for all 13 seats per year. There has been extensive renovation to the college and an expansion of the small animal hospital in the future. Curriculum is being evaluated for “Day 1” competencies. Caseload continues to increase, including increased referrals from WV. There will be a satellite practice opening in Roanoke starting with a surgeon. There is a strong caseload with the food animal group and the cow calf institute has helped this area thrive. Custom tailored hands on experiences are being targeted by the college. Students that decline admittance to VMRCVM are contacted to determine what the reasons are. 

**Old Business:**

- The Heartland conference is August 23-24 in Kentucky. Dr. Kossuth would like to attend this meeting. Motion made to send one person to the conference. Motion

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seconded by Dr. McNeel. The association would pay for registration, travel and a meal per diem. Motion passed.

- MDVMA Ski program will be in Jackson Hole, WY. WV does not receive any money or bear any cost. More information is available on the website.

- Memorial cards will be sent to families and a card will be designed and created. Cards will be issued for loss of parents, children and “significant others”.

- Policy and procedures manual volunteers and a committee is necessary to move this project forward. Dr. Leslie Elliott will chair the committee along with Dr. Morrisette. Any volunteers can join the committee.

- There will be a directory for 2013.

- The PRVC will take place this fall at the Greenbrier November 8-10th. There will be 3 tracks; equine, small animal and public practice. The lectures will be very highly regarded. The brochures will be mailed out in one month.

New Business

- A memorandum of understanding was provided by the VVMA concerning coordinating the meeting. Due to growth of the meeting the VVMA is requesting compensation for the office staff needed to plan the meeting. The fee of $7550 will be split between the member associations. There is concern over weight of the fee if there is a loss. Currently there is discussion on the shared responsibility for keeping the event functioning. The event has made money every year but if a loss occurs a plan for paying that shortfall must be addressed.

- The contract for the executive director is currently up for approval. By raising the hours worked to 30 the VVMA hopes to offer health insurance. Motion made to continue relationship, if contract changes it will be evaluated. Motion seconded and passed.

- There are three candidates for the WVVMA executive assistant and interviews will be this week.

- Kristen Myers from Butler Schein had a stroke and is being released. Encouragement is requested as well as prayers. Contact Information for Kristin Meyers:
  CRCH Rehabilitation, 101 Elm Ave, Room 712
  Roanoke, VA 24013

The meeting was adjourned.
Meet Your Regional Rep: Region 4

Dr. Allan McNeel, a West Virginia native, was raised on a farm in Pocahontas County. He attended West Virginia University and graduated with a BS in Animal Science. Dr. McNeel received his DVM from the University of Georgia in 1985. After graduation he worked for two years in Greer, South Carolina.

In 1987, he moved back to West Virginia and eventually settled down in Putnam County. He became a partner at Cross Lanes Veterinary Hospital in 1998. Dr. McNeel enjoys practicing veterinary medicine. He has served as a regional representative to the WVVMA for 2 terms.

Along with his duties with the WVVMF, his hobbies include woodworking, gardening, and farming. He currently serves as the president of The Valley Woodworkers in Kanawha County. He also enjoys listening to classical music and traveling when time permits.

Sabrina, his wife, and his three sons are his joy. Sabrina is an oncology nurse in Kanawha County. Brian, his oldest son is a High School Biology teacher in Cabell County, West Virginia. Jason, his middle son is a Classical musician who recently graduated from Carnegie Melon University with his Masters in Music. Kevin, Dr. McNeel’s youngest son enjoys watching baseball and lives at home.

2012-2013 Regional Reps

Positions for Regions 1, 3, 5, and 7 will be voted on at the 2014 Annual Spring Meeting at the Greenbrier Resort. If interested, please contact your Regional Representative for consideration.

Region 1: James Radcliffe, DVM tcahinc@aol.com
Region 2: Leslie Elliot, DVM mineralwellsvet@gmail.com
Region 3: Kourtney Morrisette, DVM catdoctor@gmail.com
Region 4: Allan McNeel, DVM dlvh6@hotmail.com
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Veterinary Accreditation Renewal: USDA REPORT

Veterinary Accreditation allows veterinarians to perform many duties, such as writing certificates of veterinary inspection (CVI) to move animals across state lines or internationally. It is also needed to participate in disease surveillance and eradication programs such as brucellosis or tuberculosis. Veterinarians who have elected to participate in the National Veterinary Accreditation Program (NVAP) have been assigned initial renewal dates ranging from 2013 to 2015. If you are uncertain of your renewal date or have forgotten your National Accreditation Number (NAN), you may call the OH/WV USDA APHIS Veterinary Services Area Office (614-856-4735) and ask for Marc Vincent or Michelle Visintine.

Accredited veterinarians must complete APHIS Approved Supplemental Training (AAST) to renew their accreditation. Training requirements vary depending on which category you elected to participate in. If you are unsure as to which category you fall under, you can find answers at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/vet_accreditation/faq.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/vet_accreditation/faq.shtml). Category I accredited veterinarians must complete three (3) units of (AAST), and Category II accredited veterinarians must complete six (6) units. AAST for renewal of accreditation is available in three formats as follows:

1. AAST is available on the NVAP Website as web based modules. At the completion of each module, you should print and complete a Certificate of Completion. Your six digit national accreditation number is needed to document completion of the Web based training. The Web based modules are free of charge. There are currently twenty modules available online.

2. You also have the option of ordering CD or paper versions of the modules for the cost of production and mailing. Order forms are available through the OH/WV Area Office (614-856-4735).

3. AAST is available as lectures at veterinary meetings and conventions. Six modules will be presented at the 2013 Potomac Regional Veterinary Conference, November 8-10, 2013, at The Greenbrier, White Sulfur Springs, WV. Three modules will be presented on Friday, November 8.

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Save the Date: Fourth Annual Veterinary Career Day at WVU

The fourth annual Veterinary Career Day is scheduled for September 21, 2013 from 9am-3:30pm. The West Virginia University Davis- Michael Pre-Veterinary Scholars Program and the West Virginia Veterinary Medical Association/Foundation sponsors the event. Veterinarians can let students and parents interested in a career in veterinary medicine know about this event. The event will be held at the West Virginia University Erickson Alumni Center from 9am-3pm. This program introduces high school and college students to the process of veterinary school applications. The numerous different career paths individuals may take once they become a veterinarian are also introduced. Representatives from the WV contract veterinary schools present information about their colleges and are able to answer questions about the admission process. We need all the help we can get—any WVVMA member that wants to help is more than welcome to participate. Please contact me if interested in participating. Students and parents interested in attending the event can find registration information on the web at: davismichael.wvu.edu or by contacting Davis-Michael Scholars Academic Program Associate Tammy S. Blake at 304-293-1951.

Contributed by:
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Chairman, Veterinary Awareness Committee
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Thank You
Dr. George Seiler,
We appreciate your relentless effort in saving the West Virginia Student Contract Program. We couldn’t have done it without you.

—The West Virginia Veterinary Medical Association and the WV Veterinary Students

W V V M A  F A C T L I N E
Greetings from the WVVMAs!

This past legislative session has provided numerous bills for the WVVMAs consideration. As we are all very aware, the most pressing matter with regards to the WVVMAs and its members is the Veterinary Student Contract Program. In an effort spearheaded by George Seiler and many others, we were able to maintain all contracted seats.

Regarding the future seats the legislature introduced HCR 145. This house resolution begins a one year study to determine how West Virginia can work with the Higher Education Policy Commission and the Southern Regional Education Board to create an ongoing budget to fund all the contracted seats. The study will focus on the ever increasing tuition costs for veterinary students and budget cuts that the state of West Virginia is experiencing. Our neighboring state, Kentucky, has a similar program that will allow specific aspects to be studied. This and other related budget cuts may be explored in HB 2014.

Of all other bills relating to veterinary medicine or business operation introduced in the house or senate only Senate Bills 202 and 437 were passed and signed into law by the governor. Senate Bill 202 establishes the West Virginia Spay Neuter Assistance Program and Fund. The fund will provide grants to nonprofit spay neuter programs throughout the state and will be managed by the Department of Agriculture. Senate Bill 437 establishes regulations, exceptions, penalties and fees for commercial dog breeders.

A complete list of bills introduced in the senate and house is available by contacting Kitty Ball at the WVVMAs offices.

I would like to extend the thanks of the WVVMAs to all those who took the time to contact their local senators and delegates. The voice of the veterinary community was crucial this year and made an enormous difference.

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Dr. Tom Isaac
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A Veterinary Students’ Perspective on WVVMA’s Student Membership

Given the uncertainty over the budget for higher education in the state of West Virginia, assuming the ‘unofficial’ student liaison position between the WVVMA and WV veterinary contract students has turned out to been a more meaningful role than I could have anticipated. With that being said, I have experienced nothing but positive interactions with the WVVMA, especially Dr. Kossuth. Her passion for the profession is contagious, and she remains to be a true advocate for veterinary students.

Knowing this, I am aware of how the State VMAs are an amazing resource. They provide an opportunity for networking and serve as an excellent source of colleagues post-graduation. Unfortunately, other students do not share the same enthusiasm. The overall disconnect between the organization and current students was my primary issue when speaking on behalf of student membership during the WVVMA’s Annual Spring Meeting at the Greenbrier Resort.

When addressing the members of the association on reasons why students are not active in their local VMAs, I explained that in this era of huge doubt regarding future jobs and impending educational loans, many students don’t feel as though they have a voice.

Amending the bylaws to accept students as members, would allow the association to demonstrate that they want to welcome the next generation of veterinarians. Also, if they want to grow as an association, then the best way to get started is through increased student involvement. Not only would student participation boost membership, but in the process, it would also allow WVVMA to become stronger through new ideas and innovation.

It was evident that the current members want to take a more proactive role when they voted to amend Section 7 of their bylaws to include student members. Veterinary student members will not be expected to pay annual dues. However, they will have the right to attend any meetings and will receive all publications by the WVVMA. These actions illustrate that there is a true concern regarding students in the profession.

Just in time for the 150th anniversary of the AVMA, the Association has taken a historic step. Following the formal amendment to the bylaws, student applications have been rolling into the corporate headquarters as students attempt to take advantage of their newly earned status. During this ambiguous period, most cannot predict what their future has in store for them, but at least they can take solace in knowing that they will have the support of the WVVMA as they figure it out.

Contributed by: WVMMA Student Liaison, Maria Romano

Congratulations WV Graduates and Award Winners at MSU!

Brianne Williams, Feline Medicine Award
Jacob Hemlick, Small Animal Surgery Award and Angie Clark, Dean’s Pegasus Award; Production Animal Award

(L-R): Dr. Rich Meiring CVM Associate Dean, Brianne Williams, Jacob Hemlick, Angie Clark, and Dr. Kent Hoblet, CVM Dean

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2013 Annual Spring Meeting Highlights:

WVVMF’s First Annual Silent Auction

The WVVMF has decided to institute one of its goals when it began ten years ago: to provide scholarships to veterinary students. A junior at each contract school will be selected, with the help of each individual schools selection committee, to receive $500. We plan to continue, and hopefully grow this program, over the next few years. Thanks to donors, Dr. Sette, and Jordan Roeder for making the fund raising efforts at the Greenbrier Spring Meeting a success. We all had a great time!

Dr. Allan McNeel, DVM WVVMF President

The WVVMF Silent Auction raised $1,500 towards scholarships for veterinary students.

2013 Annual Spring Meeting Gallery

Life Member Honorees:

- Dr. William Armstrong
- Dr. William Aspinall, II
- Dr. John Dearth
- Dr. Gordon Johnson
- Dr. Jerry Kendrick
- Dr. Kirklyn Kerr
- Dr. Bill Reynolds
- Dr. Clement Schmitt
- Dr. Ronald Smith
- Dr. John Tomlinson
- Dr. Charles Warner Jr.
- Dr. Arthur Wills
- Dr. William Wills Jr.

The WVVMA recognized WVAMA members at the Annual Spring Meeting, April 20, 2013 as Life-time Members. Lifetime membership signifies dedication to the progress of the veterinary profession as well as commitment to the local and national veterinary community.

Article III Sect. IV of the Bylaws state: “Life Members shall be selected from the active membership of the Association and shall be veterinarians who have been a member of good standing for at least forty (40) years or have reached the age of seventy (years)…”

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**Obituaries**

Dr. Joe B. Jolliffe (OKL ’58), 84
Kingwood, W.Va., died March 25, 2013. He practiced large animal medicine in West Virginia’s Preston County for 54 years and served as veterinarian for the Preston County Buckwheat Festival. For the past 25 years, Dr. Jolliffe also operated Jolliffe Nursery (plants) in Knob Fork, W.Va. He was a past member of the West Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine and a past president of the West Virginia VMA. Dr. Jolliffe’s wife, Ann, and three daughters survive him. Memorials may be made to the Oklahoma State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Stillwater, OK 74078; or Best Friends Animal Society, 5001 Angel Canyon Road, Kanab, UT 84741, www.bestfriends.org

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