A Message from the President of ACLAM

Dear colleagues:

For my fourth and final Newsletter column, I want to veer from strategic objectives to the workplace. I often think about problems or inefficiencies common to lab animal care programs today, and how new technology could provide real savings in costs and animals. Here's a sampling of my wish list:

► Many mouse cages are devoted to breeding genetically engineered animals, with usually only one genotype of scientific interest; the other genotypes (i.e., the other newborns) aren’t needed but euthanized after genotyping. Performing euthanasia is never a pleasant task, and for a large institution the number of unwanted mice so disposed can total hundreds per week. Wouldn’t it be nice if there was some molecular biology strategy to terminate or prevent undesired mouse genotypes in utero to avoid birth and euthanasia later, without jeopardizing the health of the dam and the viability of embryos with desired genotypes? That could spare untold numbers of unwanted mice being born, and perhaps bestow better health and survival on those that remain because there’s less competition for mom’s milk. Of course, one has to beware of using such technology to similarly select for or against specific genotypes in us (if it works on a mouse fetus, why not a human?). But laws that ban human germ line cloning and other molecular eugenic temptations could be amended to avoid such Huxleyian abuses.

► Today’s zebrafish tank systems recirculate most of their water, relying on so-called biofilters to convert toxic nitrogenous wastes into harmless byproducts in a continuous flow process. By contrast, housing smaller terrestrial species involves discarding soiled cage bedding in batches, requiring much labor and generating lots of waste (pun intended) going to landfills or incinerators. Why can’t we have self-cleaning bedding? What natural or genetically engineered microbes, stable enzymes or nanodevices could be added to clean bedding (sterile, if you wish) to break down excreta into harmless stuff, lasting for months or longer without having to be replaced? Certainly, any bedding additives or self-cleaning properties must be just as harmless to animals (human and otherwise) and the environment as their breakdown products. And water may not be a permitted byproduct if cage humidity levels would rise too high. The cage itself could still require frequent washing and sterilization, but self-cleaning bedding could be transferred to a new clean cage, along with the inhabitants and their familiar pheromones. Better yet, could the cage surface itself be self-cleaning, too, so even repeated sanitation is unnecessary?

► Dr. Doolittle aside, the rest of us have to rely on clinical signs rather than symptoms to detect pain or distress in animals. But many lab animal species instinctively hide pain or distress to avoid signaling any hint of impairment
The last thing I feel like doing after a long flight is go searching for my rental car; I just want to hit the road and drive to my hotel. So I really appreciate seeing my name on the customer display panel telling me exactly where my car is waiting. Wouldn’t it be great if a similar display greeted one at the vivarium entrance with the location of each rodent cage posted by protocol number, room number, and rack address? Then, researchers wouldn’t have to search for where the animal care staff had to put their newly arrived or weaned mice because adjacent cage slots weren’t available. Better yet, display the cage locations on a secure smart phone app for even more convenience. Digital communication of current cage locations also means digital databases of prior cage locations. That, in turn, would make it possible to trace cage migrations prior to an outbreak, thereby providing a useful epidemiological tool that’s not available for colony health management today. If you’re thinking that bar-code or RFID cage census systems could do all of this, my reply is “I’m still waiting.”

A Holy Grail of sorts in bioengineering is to link a biological molecule, such as a cell surface receptor, to a non-biological substrate so a detectable signal is immediately transmitted when the molecule is stimulated, i.e., a biosensor, in a package that is sensitive, specific, practical, and affordable. Contrast that to systems that could do all of this, my reply is “I’m still waiting.”

What’s on your list? Come to the ACLAM general business meeting at AALAS and let’s compare notes.

Steve Niemi
President, ACLAM

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New ACLAM Diplomates

Fifty eight applicants passed the ACLAM certifying exam this year. Please welcome the following new Diplomates:

JOSE AGUIRRE
CHRISTINE ALVARADO
PUNYA ANDARWEWA
JILL ASCHER
JESSICA AYERS
ENOKA BANDULARATNE
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JENNIFER WOOD

Summary of 2013 Updates to the ACLAM Role Delineation Document (RDD)

The Certification Oversight Committee (COC) is charged with reviewing the RDD on an annual basis to recommend minor changes in the document. Every five years, the committee is to survey representatives of the membership about the relevance of the RDD to the tasks currently being performed by ACLAM Diplomates. In early 2013, the COC recruited a Focus Group of ~ 35 Diplomates with varied employment experiences and time worked since ACLAM certification. These Diplomates were asked to review the RDD and give their opinion about the relevance of the current RDD and any suggestions for changes. Surveys (n=22) were returned and comments were compiled by Dr. Kari Koszdin, COC Chair.

The current ACLAM Role Delineation document (RDD) describes the tasks that ACLAM Diplomates may be required to perform in their jobs and the knowledge deemed necessary to perform these tasks. The RDD is used to form the “Template” which serves as the basis for choosing questions for the ACLAM certification exam. Substantial changes to the RDD will subsequently affect the overall composition of the Certifying Examination, the reference list for study materials, and possibly the focus of future ACLAM publications.

The COC recommended the following: The Tasks and Knowledge parts of the RDD do not need major revision. They are written in a general way to allow for the addition of new material to the test; minor edits were made to the current RDD language. An electronic survey on three additional topics related to species categorization was sent to the full ACLAM membership in July 2013; 344 individuals provided responses, with approximately 40 open field comments contributed.

Questions and final decisions about the RDD included:
1. Should Zebrafish be reclassified as a primary, not a secondary species, given their increased use in the laboratory animal field? 48.5% responded Yes; 51.5% responded No.
   • DECISION: Zebrafish will not be reclassified at this time
2. Should the Rabbit be reclassified from primary to secondary, given a potential diminishment of use in the laboratory animal field? 42.2% responded Yes; 57.8% responded No.
   • DECISION: Rabbits will not be reclassified at this time
3. Should the African clawed frog (a secondary species) be replaced with the more general “Xenopus spp.”? 86.3% responded Yes; 13.7% responded No.
   • DECISION: African clawed frog will be replaced with “Xenopus laevis and Xenopus tropicalis” in the secondary species listing

The open field comments were returned to the COC for filing and future consideration.

Respectfully submitted by F. Claire Hankenson (Aug 2013)
The Governmental and Regulatory Affairs Committee (GRAC) continues to address significant regulatory issues impacting the laboratory animal medicine community.

Following the US Fish and Wildlife Service's June 12, 2013 proposal to reclassify all chimpanzees as endangered (https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/06/12/2013-14007/endangered-and-threatened-wildlife-and-plants-listing-all-chimpanzees-as-endangered), GRAC met and drafted a response letter to USFWS on behalf of ACLAM, providing data to underscore the importance of continued chimp availability for critical biomedical research. The letter was approved by the ACLAM BOD and sent to USFWS on August 9, 2013.

GRAC continues to monitor the primate air transportation situation. APV requested that ACLAM sign on to support letters for airlines that continue to transport nonhuman primates (China Southern and Air France). GRAC agreed to recommend support to the BOD.

Resolution 116, which recommended repeal of the Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act (AETA), was brought before the American Bar Association and scheduled for a vote at their national meeting. GRAC recommended an eblast to all ACLAM members, requesting that they encourage their institutional legal counsel to contact their ABA delegates and ask the delegates to vote “no” on the resolution. Other veterinary and scientific organizations did the same. Resolution 116 was withdrawn prior to the vote due to strong opposition.

USDA has issued a stay of its Contingency Plan regulation effective July 31, 2013, as a result of publicity surrounding the recent Washington Post article on Marty the Magician and the disaster plan required for the rabbit he pulls out of his hat (http://apps.washingtonpost.com/g/page/politics/usda-letter-to-marty-the-magician-requesting-a-disaster-plan/321/). GRAC recommended an eblast to all Diplomates, informing them of the USDA's decision.

The Laboratory Animal Uniform Application Program (UAP) has been replaced with The Veterinary Internship & Residency Matching Program (VIRMP) for the 2013-2014 Application Cycle

Effective immediately the UAP, originally created to facilitate application to participating Laboratory Animal/Comparative Medicine training programs, has been discontinued and has been replaced with the VIRMP (http://www.virmp.org/) overseen by the American Association of Veterinary Clinicians. The VIRMP is used by many other veterinary specialties to coordinate their resident application and selection process. Applicants must submit their applications and upload required materials to the VIRMP site between October 15, 2013 and November 3, 2013. (Note that the application deadline for laboratory animal/comparative medicine training programs is earlier than other internship and residency programs to ensure sufficient time for programs to schedule interview with prospective candidates.) Applicants must rank the programs in which they have interest no later than January 10, 2014. Match results will be posted on February 3rd, 2014. Details on the matching process are described in detail on the VIRMP site. Additional details regarding the VIRMP application process (from the applicant’s perspective and including the list of participating training programs) will be posted on the ASLAP Career information webpage (http://www.aslap.org/careers) by 7/16/13. Information specific to participating training programs will be sent directly to each program’s director by that same date.

Drs. Lesley Colby (lacolby@uw.edu; 206-685-1020) and Neil Lipman (lipmann@MSKCC.ORG; 646-888-2400) can be reached for questions not addressed on the VIRMP website.

Posting ads on the ACLAM website and in the ACLAM Newsletter

Ads are posted on the ACLAM website for 90 days within a few days of submission. An approximately 150 excerpt of the ad will appear in the next ACLAM Newsletter referring the interested reader to the ACLAM website.

The Newsletter is published 4X per year:

- March: Pre Forum
- June: Pre AVMA
- Sep: Pre AALAS
- Dec: Post AALAS and Pre Pre Forum

The readers of the ACLAM Newsletter are veterinarians board certified in laboratory animal medicine. If the ad is for a veterinary position requiring board certification in this specialty, the Newsletter is an appropriate place to advertise. Ad content should be
submitted within the body of a plain text email or as a MS Word attachment to nanettekleinman@gmail.com and formatted into the following sections:

- Job Title (short position title)
- Applications (how applicants are to apply)
- Position
- Requirements (qualifications, etc.)
- Employer Information (additional information about the employer (EEO etc.))

The deadline for Newsletter submission is two weeks prior to the publication date.

There is no charge for posting ads for veterinary positions in laboratory animal medicine through ACLAM.

**Foundation News**

**New Development Officer Appointed**

Shannon Stutler will be replacing Jack Kinkler as the Foundation Development Officer effective January 1, 2014. I would like to thank Jack for his excellent service to the Foundation and in bringing us to over $2 million in funded research. His fund raising efforts have far surpassed any expectations and his dedication to the Foundation has been exemplary. Please welcome Shannon on board with generous donations.

**We need your help!!!**

The Foundation has several volunteer positions open for intelligent, creative, energetic individuals. We are seeking multiple individuals to engage at all different levels of participation. If you have an interest in volunteering for the Foundation we need you. Please contact Greg Boivin, Jack Kinkler, or Shannon Stutler to assist with the following activities: Fund raising activities at the Forum and/or assisting with grant review.

**LOI Announcement**

The ACLAM Foundation shall continue its tradition of funding excellent research projects. Now in our 17th year of funding, we have provided over $2 million towards research grants. LOI’s are due December 5th 2013. Please consider applying or having a colleague submit.

**Educational Opportunities**

**Training in Comparative Laboratory Animal Medicine**

**Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO**

The Colorado State University, Laboratory Animal Resources, in conjunction with the Department of Microbiology, Immunology and Pathology, in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, is offering a post-DVM graduate training position in comparative medicine. The core program includes residency training in laboratory animal medicine and graduate research, and is designed to culminate in both American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM) board certification eligibility, and an MS or PhD degree. Applicants must have a DVM or equivalent degree prior to initiation of the program. The CSU comparative medicine program participates in the Veterinary Internship and Residency Matching Program (www.virmp.org). Applicants must complete their applications with VIRMP on or before November 3, 2013. This deadline is distinct from other residency specialties participating in the VIRMP. Applications will be reviewed starting on November 3, 2013 for a program commencing on July 1, 2014. Three years of training are supported. For additional information and application instructions, please visit the program web site at:

http://www.cvmbs.colostate.edu/ns/departments/mip/residency/comparative.aspx

**Open Positions**

- For a complete description of the following positions and application information, please go to the Open Positions page of the ACLAM website at http://www.aclam.org/jobs. NOTE: Ads are listed chronologically by posting date, most recent first, and will appear for approximately 90 days.
- Contact Nanette Kleinman at 216-496-2903 or nanettekleinman@gmail.com for additional information about ACLAM Newsletter and website ad posting.
**Head, Laboratory Animal Medicine and Animal Resources**  
**Alcon, Fort Worth, TX**

The scope of this position is to lead and direct all activities of laboratory animal medicine and facilities operation in the Animal Resources Unit of Alcon Laboratories. Key responsibilities include management of 200,000 square feet of a state-of-the-art vivarium, including the most advanced technologies for animal care and product development. The incumbent will have a key role in ensuring compliance to all regulatory requirements, oversight of the veterinary medical care program, review of IACUC protocols, and ensuring a superior animal enrichment program. The Head will also participate on a multi-disciplinary scientific team to ensure support of the development of products to address unmet medical needs in eye care by collaborating with world class experts on model development and study conduct. Management responsibilities will include communicating project status, and support allocation of resources in consideration of department need and R&D plans. Additional responsibilities include performance management and talent development. (4-7 Direct Reports; 40 indirect).


- **Job ID:** 120095BR  
- **Posting:** TitleHead Animal Resources  
- **Division:** Alcon

**Laboratory Animal Veterinarian**  
**Systems Neuroscience Institute (SNI)**  
**University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA**

The Systems Neuroscience Institute (SNI) at the University of Pittsburgh is seeking a highly motivated laboratory animal veterinarian to support its growing neuroscience research program. The Systems Neuroscience Institute functions as an interdisciplinary center that both focuses and enhances systems neuroscience research at the University of Pittsburgh.

Responsibilities will include but not be limited to: 1) management of the primate colony including clinical care, surgery, colony management, and health monitoring for new and old world primates, 2) contributing to core program planning and budget, 3) completing special administrative projects as assigned by the Director, 4) supervising and training of husbandry technicians, 5) supplemental lectures and training for the SNI research community, and 6) participating in protocol development. The opportunity for collaborative research is available and encouraged.

**Clinical Veterinarian-12000000LR**  
**AbbVie, Chicago, IL**

**Primary Job Function:** Provide clinical oversight including diagnosis and treatment for disease processes in research animals under area of responsibility. A function of the incumbent may be to assess vendors to ensure the adequacy of the health of all animals received within the facilities of the department and train personnel involved in animal research to use the proper methodology for humane care and valid research to assure compliance with pertinent regulations and laws governing the activities of the department. They will be expected to incorporate the 3 R’s (Replacement, Refinement and Reduction) in their daily decision-making, conduct of research oriented activities and provide guidance to research staff.

**Core Job Responsibilities.** Responsible for providing clinical care to all research animals, surgical services through both procedures and investigation of current and new models for research refinement, serving as a functional resource to the IACUC, collaborates with researchers in development of the appropriate animal model usage and providing training to the research investigators and department personnel in regards to laboratory animal care and use.

To apply, go to: http://ars2.equest.com/?response_id=cb00a946876c89e03fbac19e5c08e82a

**Laboratory Animal Veterinarian and Facility Director**  
**Henry Ford Health System, Detroit, MI**

Henry Ford Health System (HFHS), Detroit, Michigan, is accepting applications for a laboratory animal veterinarian who will also serve as director of the animal facilities located at Henry Ford Hospital (HFH). HFH, founded in 1915, is the academic campus of HFHS with a large research enterprise consisting of over $60 million in external and internal research funding. The AAALAC-accredited vivarium
(Bioresources) consists of two locations totaling 23,000 square feet and houses a number of large and small species. The director is supported by a manager and a staff of 14.

This position will have primary responsibility for the medical care of all laboratory animals and preventive medicine and quarantine programs, as well as oversight of facilities and staff. Other primary responsibilities include assisting researchers with protocol development, serving on the IACUC, helping to establish animal care and use standards in conjunction with IACUC.

**Colonel Director/ Asst. or Assoc. Research Professor**
*The Yerkes National Primate Research Center Emory University, Lawrenceville, GA*

The Yerkes National Primate Research Center of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, has an immediate opening for a faculty position of Colonel Director/ Asst. or Assoc. Research Professor with a background and interest in biomedical research, or social behavioral management in one or more relevant nonhuman primate species, and managerial experience. This is a senior level management and research position (50% management/50% research). The candidate will be expected to develop and implement a productive research program and provide mentorship to junior associates and colleagues.

The successful candidate will be responsible for resource management related to nonhuman primates. Will be designated as PI of the Yerkes SPF grant. Work with the Yerkes geneticist to develop and implement genetic based management strategies. Meet with principal investigators to coordinate research needs and serve as a primary contact for study planning and implementation. Responsible for departmental budget. Provide recommendations to management regarding breeding colony policies and activities such as SOP development or modification. In consultation with the Colony Resources Manager, will be responsible for hiring, evaluation, training and promotions for all direct and indirect reports. For more information go to http://www.hremory.edu/eu/careers/index.html and search for SAR job vacancy # 37934BR.

**Associate Director of Veterinary Sciences**
*Taconic, Albany, NY*

We are seeking an Associate Director of Veterinary Sciences to provide direction/oversight to operations and provide corporate interpretation and oversight on animal care and guidance/regulatory issues.

**Responsibilities include:**
- Oversees veterinary aspects of Production and/or Service sites.
- Serves on Taconic IACUCs.
- Serves as Primary Veterinary contact for assigned geographic site.
- Provides backup veterinary duty for other sites as required.
- Responds to customer inquiries.
- Advises Site Operations on procedures.
- Reviews health reports and assures their accuracy.
- Writes peer reviewed and non-peer reviewed technical papers.
- Presents at professional meetings and customer visits.
- Assists with training.
- Assures site compliance with guidance documents, regulations and laws.

Please cut/paste the following link into your browser to apply:

**Director, Comparative Medicine**
*Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED), Rootstown, OH*

The Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) invites applications and nominations for the position of Director, Comparative Medicine. The Comparative Medicine Unit (CMU) is a centralized 24,000 sq ft multispecies facility that supports NEOMED's research mission for the Colleges of Medicine, Pharmacy, and Graduate Studies.

The Director will have a tremendous opportunity to direct a growing animal-based research program that supports not only NEOMED's research activities, but
also those arising from University partners and others within the northeast Ohio region. The Director will serve as the Attending Veterinarian for a wide range of traditional small and large animal research species as well as wild animals and advise research investigators in animal model selection, study design, and the proper the use of research animals. The Director will work collaboratively with all members of the research community to maintain an outstanding program of animal care that emphasizes regulatory compliance. Service on relevant University committees and pursuit of funding opportunities for CMU enhancements as needed are important aspects of the Director’s responsibilities. Interested candidates can apply online at https://neomed.peopleadmin.com/postings/search.

**Director, Animal Welfare Assurance Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA**

The Director, Animal Welfare Assurance is the senior administrator at the hospital responsible for regulatory compliance processes and practices involving the care and use of laboratory animals at MGH or its research facilities.

The Director will be expected to establish leadership in the following key areas:

- Supervise the office staff and administrative support of the IACUC;
- Prepare and submit semi-annual inspection and program evaluation reports, annual reports and assurance letters to regulatory and accreditation agencies;
- Ensure IACUC policies and protocols are easily understood and followed;
- Monitor laboratory animal care and use practices and procedures for compliance;
- Coordinate internal regulatory management of laboratory animal care and use;
- Investigate and document reports of non-compliance;
- Coordinate an institutional response to regulatory inquiries and investigations involving laboratory animal care and use with the IO, IACUC, AV, and Office of General Counsel (OGC);
- Coordinate an institutional strategy and responses to animal activists.

To apply directly to the position please go to www.mghcareers.org and search for req #2243961

**Clinical Veterinarian**  
**University of Kansas, Lawrence KS**

The University of Kansas Animal Care Unit is seeking an energetic, motivated, and customer service oriented individual to join our team as a clinical laboratory animal veterinarian. Duties will include clinical care of University of Kansas animal resources, oversight of colony health surveillance, investigator consultation and support, personnel training, and IACUC participation. Candidates should be ACLAM board eligible. Practitioners desiring to transition into laboratory animal medicine will also be considered. Support and mentorship toward ACLAM board certification will be provided. A Kansas veterinary medical license and USDA accreditation for issuance of health certificates will be required within one year of employment. For more information go to http://employment.ku.edu/jobs/3320. EOE M/F/D/V.

**Assistant Veterinarian (Clinical Primate Veterinarian)**  
**Oregon National Primate Research Center, Beaverton, OR**

Provide clinical veterinary care of a large (5000) non-human primate colony housed at the Oregon National Primate Research Center. Duties are primarily focused around the provision of clinical care for all NHP on campus, in conjunction with the rest of the Clinical Medicine Unit, at the direction of the supervisor. Additional duties include, but are not limited to, the management of health surveillance and preventative medicine programs, medical protocol development, post-approval monitoring, and review, ensuring facility compliance with NIH and OLAW guidelines, USDA and Animal Welfare regulations, and providing medical or technical assistance and training to research scientists and technicians. Participation in an on-call rotation, and occasional weekend or offsite duties, is required. Participation in ongoing educational opportunities for peers, technical staff, primate consortium personnel, and the laboratory animal community as a whole is required. The unit manages a daily caseload including inpatient and outpatient cases, and contributes to other preventive care and research support programs. The unit provides occasional coverage for the Small Lab Animal Unit.

Interested individuals should apply via our website: www.ohsujobs.com IRC 40273.
Board Certified Lab Animal 
Veterinarian 
Covance, Madison, WI

We currently have an opening for a Board Certified Lab Animal Veterinarian at our site in Madison, WI.

In this role you will:
• Provide laboratory animal medical care.
• Assist program director to ensure compliance with relevant regulations.
• Assist program director in developing cost estimates.
• Assist in training of staff
• Serve on the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, as needed.
• Insure health status of lab animals prior to placement on test.
• Evaluate electrocardiograms, perform physical, neurological and ophthalmic examinations of laboratory animals.
• Provide scientific and expertise on animal health, biology, physiology, and research methodology.
• Attend scientific meetings and provide leadership in scientific organizations.
• Report all animal care concerns and become involved in the resolution, when necessary.
• Participate in and learn to manage/lead client visits related to animal welfare/veterinary.

To apply on-line please visit our website at www.careers.covance.com & apply to req # 41863

Animal Facilities Director and 
Attending Veterinarian 
NIOSH, Morgantown, West Virginia

Formal vacancy announcement will be made in the near future at https://www.usajobs.gov/, and the open period for application will be limited to about 14 days. All applicants must apply through the upcoming USAJOBS vacancy announcement. To be notified of the job opening and vacancy announcement number, please contact Ms. Barbara Elbon, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Health Effects Laboratory Division, at Phone Number (304) 285-6121 or E-mail: BElbon@CDC.GOV.

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), an institute of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), will be seeking applications to fill an opening for a Veterinary Medical Officer, GS-0701-14, who will serve as Animal Facilities Director and Attending Veterinarian.

The Animal Facilities Director is responsible for support to the research program, technical oversight and direction of animal facilities operation, effective veterinary care to ensure health and quality of the animals, administration of the program budget, oversight of contract services, procurement of animals and supplies, and contract administration.

The NIOSH Health Effects Laboratory Division (HELD) conducts focused, basic, applied, and preventive laboratory research for controlling and preventing workplace safety and health problems.
Thomas Lee Wolfle, D.V.M., Ph.D., 77, quietly passed away in the loving arms of his family at Black Dog Farm in Cambridge, Maryland on June 28th, 2013. He was born in Eugene, Oregon on April 24th, 1936, to the late Elvid Emanuel and Alice Elizabeth (Oakley) Wolfle. During his formative years, he and his older brother Robert attended school in Oklahoma, Nevada, Washington, D.C. and Texas. After high school, he briefly attended the University of Mississippi on a track scholarship. He then obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in 1957 followed by his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1961 from Texas A&M University. Shortly thereafter, he entered the United States Air Force and was assigned to the Aerospace Medicine Program in San Antonio and conducted primate research on behalf of NASA involving the potential health and behavioral issues occurring during space flight. In 1966, at the behest of NASA, he entered graduate school at UCLA, where he studied comparative animal behavior and the brain mechanisms of pain. In 1970, Tom received his Doctorate in Philosophy, with distinction, and continued work in animal behavior. In 1976, he transferred his Air Force commission to the Public Health Service and moved to the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. He eventually served as Director of the Interagency Research Animal Committee. In 1988, he joined the National Academy of Sciences as Director of the Institute of Laboratory Animal Resources where he improved the lives of animals in research and helped train and educate those who used them. Upon leaving the National Academy of Science, Tom continued to hold memberships in numerous national and international professional organizations. He considered two of his professional highlights to be working with the early NASA primates (including HAM the first chimpanzee launched to outer space) and attaining diplomat status in both the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine and the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists, of which he was a founding member.

In 1999, Tom entered a new chapter of his life when he and his wife Jackie moved to Black Dog Farm on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. They spent as much time as possible on JuliAnna, their cruising and “gunkholing” boat, travelling the world and working on the ever-increasing gardens. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and teaching them the ways of a gentleman farmer and waterman. He was also very active in the community which included working on the Board of the Dorchester Center for the Arts, as Flotilla Commander for U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, and as a volunteer at the National Blackwater Wildlife Preserve. In what little free time remained, he was more than happy to volunteer as a “bartender” for friends and family.

To most he was just known as an accomplished professional, sailor and raconteur, fisherman, patron of the arts and a wise and trusted friend.

He is survived by his adoring wife of 27 years, Jackie; his sons Tom, Bill, Jim, Jeff and Jon; his grandchildren Kyle, Chase, Alex, Jack, Rick, Jeff, Rob, Kimmy, Anna, Julia and Jonathan; his brother Bob; cousins Lee, Janet and John. And his beloved dog Hunter.

Donations can be made in his honor to the Dorchester Center for the Arts, 321 High Street, Cambridge, Maryland 21613.
Sadly, we report the sudden passing of Dr Harry Rozmiarek, DVM, PhD on June 15, 2013. For those of us who knew Harry, this was shocking and very sad news. Harry had just attended the FELASA meeting in Barcelona Spain, representing ICLAS, and fell ill on the return home to the US as he was preparing to attend a PRIM&R Board meeting.

Harry was highly active throughout his entire career in many professional circles. Directly and indirectly, Harry’s influence and leadership has benefitted many professionals and the professional organizations which relate to animal care and use and laboratory animal science across the globe. He was a mentor to many of us in the field and helped establish guiding principles and performance standards through organizations he was active in such as AAALAC International, AALAS, ICLAS, ACLAM, ASLAP. He was active and was a major contributor to local and state organizations such as DVB AALAS, NCAB AALAS, PSBR, and PVMA. He has served as an officer or president of most of these organizations.

Harry grew up on a dairy farm in Wisconsin and attended the University of Wisconsin and then the University of Minnesota where he received his DVM. He was awarded a (also a MS) PHD from Ohio State University and was a diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine. It was during this period that Harry forged his strong principles on improving the conditions and standards we often use in our jobs regarding the ethical and animal welfare standards employed in the care and use of lab animals.

Harry had a successful career in the US Army, achieving the rank of Colonel. He then was on the faculty as Director of the program at Ohio State, later at University of Pennsylvania, where he was Professor Emeritus. He most recently was the Director at Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia. He was on numerous Boards and Advisory panels for many scientific, government, nonprofit, and community organizations. He was a mentor to many students and oversaw the training of over 25 residents and post docs while in the Army or in academia. For his many contributions over all phases of his career, Harry was the recipient of many awards. Recently, he was awarded the Cohen Award from AAALAC International and the Nathan R Brewer Award from ACLAM.

Harry was a particularly successful leader because he always found a way to build consensus and persuade and influence others through a common sense approach to complex issues or problems. His quiet demeanor did not belie his underlying knowledge and depth of understanding of the matter at hand. Many of us in the field learned this intuitively through our interactions with Harry. He has directly or indirectly touched many of us in our careers as a mentor and a friend, and his influences will last for many years in the future.

Please feel free to express your condolences to Jane, Harry’s wife of over 50 years and their immediate family members at aroz@aol.com. Harry is survived by his wife Jane and their four children and grandchildren – Ed, Michele and Cordelia; Daniel, Sarah, Anna and Joshua; Carol; and Andy, Lael and son Kai.

Memorial donations may be made to a scholarship established in Harry’s name. The scholarship is the Harry Rozmiarek Animal Science Scholarship to be presented to graduates of Pulaski High School, Pulaski, Wisconsin, Harry’s alma mater. Donations may be mailed to Salem Five Bank, 495 Cabot Street, Beverly, MA 01915."
George L. Anstadt, 81 of Tipp City, beloved and gentle husband, father and grandfather passed away in the early morning hours of August 1, 2013. He was born in Montoursville, PA on November 30, 1931. Dr. Anstadt was the owner of the Anstadt Animal Hospital in the Tipp City/New Carlisle area and until recently still a practicing veterinarian. He also helped establish the Upper Heights Veterinary Clinic in Huber Heights and the All Pets Animal Hospital in Oakwood. George received degrees from the Pennsylvania State University as well as the School of Veterinary Medicine and Graduate School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. He was a diplomat of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons and the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine. Dr. Anstadt was a Lt. Colonel in the Air Force, whose career included the Aerospace Program/Mercury Project, a tour in Vietnam and research in cardiovascular physiology. He is internationally recognized for developing the “Anstadt Heart Cup” which has saved a number of lives. He is survived by his loving wife Inge, two sons; Mark and Sven, 4 grandchildren; Tristan, Hunter, Madison and Olivia as well as his brother in-law; Peter Schiff and his family, sister in-law; Elizabeth Anstadt and many other family members. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at 8:00 PM at FRINGS AND BAYLIFF FUNERAL HOME, 327 W. Main St., Tipp City, Ohio 45371. Family will receive friends from 5:00 to 8:00 PM prior to the service on Tuesday at the funeral home. Burial will take place in Webster Cemetery, Huntersville, PA at a later date. Contributions may be made in loving memory of George to: George L. Anstadt Heart Cup Research Fund in care of the funeral home.
ORNL Research Scientist, Veterinarian, Farmer, James Cecil (Jim) Kile, Jr., age 91, of Clinton, Tenn., died at Methodist Medical Center on Monday morning, July 22, 2013.

Dr. Kile was born on February 9, 1922 in West Jefferson, Ohio. He was the son of Dr. James Cecil Kile and Martha Dorn Kile. He graduated from West Jefferson High School in 1940 and received his Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine in 1944 from Ohio State University, where he played football and basketball, and was a member of the Junior Veterinary Medical Association, Omega Tau Sigma, and Phi Zeta. He arrived in Oak Ridge in 1944 as a veterinarian in the US Army and began a private practice in Oak Ridge. In 1946, he began working in the Biology division of Oak Ridge National Laboratory as a research associate. His research at ORNL involved radiation genetics and radiation recovery, yielding valuable insights in these fields of study. He also pioneered new techniques in the breeding and husbandry of mice. He participated as a consultant in the organization of the UT-AEC Agricultural Research Farm, where research activities included the observation of a herd of cattle exposed to the first atomic bomb blast at Alamogordo, New Mexico. In later years, he returned to veterinary practice, as well as the establishing Cumberland View Farms, which included the breeding and raising of inbred mice and purebred Polled Hereford cattle. Dr. Kile’s “mouse house” produced and distributed some 500,000 inbred, hybrid, and random bred mice annually; they were shipped to laboratories, hospitals, and other research facilities in the United States, Japan, Germany, South America, Israel, Switzerland, France, and the British Isles. These specially bred mice were used in pharmaceutical, medical, cancer and leukemia research, as well as in various aspects of radiation research.

Throughout Dr. Kile’s career, he was active in many veterinary, research, and cattle organizations. During the 1960’s, he served on the executive board, including as president of the Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association; president of the Tennessee Polled Hereford Association; president and director of the Southeast Polled Hereford Association, president and director of the Laboratory Animal Breeders Association, and vice-president and member of the executive board of the American Veterinary Medical Association. In 1968, he was named Tennessee Veterinarian of the Year, due to his activity in community and civic affairs and participation in business and professional fields, both in Tennessee and nationally. He served on the board of governors of the Laboratory Animals Breeders Association, and was listed in American Men of Science. He was board-certified as a Diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine.
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Dr. Phillips (AUB ’56), 80, Birmingham, Ala., died May 4, 2013. A diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine, he led the laboratory animal medicine program at Auburn University prior to retirement.

During his military service, he earned his master’s in laboratory animal medicine from Texas A&M University and was involved with laboratory animal research, also taking care of animals used in research. For a time, Dr. Phillips was assigned to the Pan American Health Organization and was stationed in Brazil to assist with the foot-and-mouth disease program. He later transferred to the U.S. Public Health Service and worked as institute veterinarian at the National Institute of Mental Health. Dr. Phillips retired with the rank of naval captain after 26 years of service. He then joined Sema Corporation in Rockville, Md., as director of veterinary services, caring for primates used in research.

Dr. Phillips is survived by a son; a daughter; and two granddaughters. Memorials may be made to Thomaston Memorial Association, P.O. Box 192, Thomaston, AL 36783.