Foundation Recognizes Outstanding Achievements in Baltimore

On 1 November, the 2010 Awards reception of the C.L. Davis Foundation took place at the Marriott Harborfront Hotel, at the annual meeting of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. Each year, the Foundation recognizes the best in teaching, service, research, and student achievement in veterinary pathology, and this year was no exception. Foundation Vice-President Dr. Annette Gendron-Fitzpatrick presided over the awards reception, ably assisted by Dr. Wanda Haschek. Foundation President Dr. Bruce Williams was on hand to begin the evening with a quick recap of the Foundation’s year, (and a plea for more corporate support in 2010) before yielding the floor for the awarding of the student achievement awards. Residents from twenty-five universities in the U.S. and Canada as well as the U.S. Army were recognized for their outstanding and inspiring achievements. Each resident was introduced by their mentor and/or major professor, who recounted those events and special qualities which resulted in their selection for this honor.

Each year, the Foundation recognizes an outstanding publication from the previous full year of Veterinary Pathology. This year, the Foundation’s Journal Award was given to an outstanding 2009 effort: “Neoplasia in Prosimians: Case Series from a Captive Prosimian Population and Literature Review” by A.K. Remick, A.J. Van Wetter and C.V. Williams. This outstanding paper fills in many of the holes associated with our lack of knowledge of these species.

Following the presentation of the journal award, the three highest honors of the night were presented. Each year, one of the many Foundation volunteers is selected to received the Barbara Jean Thompson Service Award as a result of their outstanding service to the Foundation over the year (and often previous
oration. This year’s awardee was Dr. Sarah Hale, from Covance Laboratories in Vienna, Virginia. Dr. Hale has planned and hosted Foundation’s annual symposium at the annual meeting of the ACVP each year, as well as being one of the Foundation’s most popular lecturers. In 2008, Dr. Hale was elected to the Foundation’s Board of Governors.

Following the annual service award, the next presentation was the Samuel Wesley Thompson Lectureship Award, an award voted on each year by participants at the annual course on the Gross Morbid Anatomy of Diseases of Animals (now in beautiful St. Pete’s Beach, FL). This year’s winner was Dr. Scott Terrell of Disney’s Animal Kingdom, who racked up this award in his first year at the course. (Dr. Krista Le Perle was only one vote off the pace, also in her first year – showing that our new talent at this course is fantastic!)

The Robert Farrell Lectureship Award, an award that is bestowed upon an individual for many years’ worth of lectureship excellence on behalf of the Foundation, was given to one of the Foundation’s best-loved lecturers (who continues to lecture for the Foundation), Dr. Robert Moeller. Dr. “Rob” Moeller, longtime Foundation board member, first joined the Foundation while Training Officer at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, and has lectured many times over the last twenty years. Rob’s has imparted his folksy style to lectures on fish, marine mammals, and ruminants to audiences around the world, all of whom are better for it today. No one forgets a Rob Moeller lecture, and the Foundation is in his debt.

The highlight of the night was the presentation of the Harold W. Casey Lifetime Teaching Award to Dr. Ian Barker of the University of Guelph. Dr. Barker’s eloquent speech touched on many subjects, from the glorious history of his university (whose faculty has won this lifetime teaching award twice before – Drs. Reg Thompson and Dean Percy), his love of wildlife pathology, and his devotion to teaching.

Got Pictures of a Foundation Meeting?

We’d love them for the newsletter! Attending a meeting, using a publication, spending time in a Foundation study center anywhere in the world – it all makes the newsletter a more interesting read and shows how much we are doing around the world.

Please send any digital images to Foundation newsletter to info@cldavis.org and thanks!!!
2011 C. L. Davis FDN Gross/General Pathology Review

Date: July 11-18, 2011
Location: Sirata Beach Resort,
St. Pete’s Beach, FL
Website: www.sirata.com

Following a very successful inaugural course in 2010, the combined Gross Path Review (now in its 38th year) and General Pathology Review (in its fourth strong year) are back!!! Designed to provide extra “bang for your buck”, this eight-day course puts the core of two courses right on one of Florida’s most beautiful and family-friendly beaches.

We have also obtained special rates ($114/night) at the Sirata Beach Resort for this unique CME opportunity, as well as free parking, and no resort fees. Families are encourage to attend.

Attendees may come for one or both courses – the tuition (same as last year!) is $600 for one course and $900 for both.

For more information, contact Course Director Dr. Bruce Williams at williams@cdavis.org or 301-467-4024 or visit the FDN web site at http://www.cldavis.org/upcoming_courses.

This course has been submitted (but not yet approved) for 22 hours of continuing education credit in jurisdictions which recognize AAVSB RACE approval; however participants should be aware that some boards have limitations on the number of hours accepted in certain categories and/or restrictions on certain methods of delivery of continuing education. Call Dr. James Britt, 501-907-2435, for further information.
Brazilian Division Holds First-ever Gross Pathology Course

In early November, on the invitation of the Brazilian Association of Veterinary Pathology (Associação Brasileira de Patologia Veterinária), Foundation faculty traveled to Brazil to hold the first-ever Gross Morbid Pathology of Diseases of Animals outside the United States. The course was held at the Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (Federal University of Minas Gerais) a beautiful university in Belo Horizonte which boasts an excellent veterinary pathology research and graduate program, a wonderful university campus (replete with small rain forest in the center), and South America’s largest veterinary medical library, among its many charms.

It was a small contingent that arrived to cover the diseases of all systems and species in the depth the Gross Course is famous for – Foundation President Bruce Williams (Diseases of Dog and Cat, Laboratory Rodents and Rabbits, and Non-Human Primates), Vice President Fabio del Piero (Diseases of the Horse, Ruminants, and Swine) and another outstanding young faculty member, Dr. Eric Lombardini (who had the unenviable task of covering the diseases of poultry, fish, and zoo and exotic species.) The group was hosted by the Foundation’s able director of the Brazilian Division, Dr. Renato de Lima Santos. He provided an outstanding experience for both the travelers and over 200 attendees, who traveled from all over Brazil to hear the speakers.

The Gross Course, known for its long hours, was no different in Belo Horizonte. “It’s one thing when the participants are preparing for certification, as they generally are in the States,” opined Dr. Lombardini. “But this lecture hall is full of pathologists and students who are just here to learn as much as they can. There’s no test looming in the background.”

The enthusiasm of the participants was infectious, and not lost on the faculty. “I received one of the nicest compliments I can remember this week,” said Dr. Williams. “After one of my talks, someone asked – humorously, I think, if I started reading Jubb and Kennedy as soon as I was born. That tells me I am doing a good job, and the nicest type of feedback you can get.”

The staff all agreed that the course couldn’t have gone any better, or been in a more magical city. Springtime in Brazil is a time of blooming flowers, and blossoming spirits. “The vet school and the attendees were all incredibly welcoming, and as speakers, we feed on that,” said Dr. Del Piero. “The staff and attendees were the most wonderful hosts imaginable.”
Long days were followed by sampling the local cuisine and culture with trips for the faculty. Next September, the Brazilian Division’s symposium will coincide with the biennial ANAPAVE meeting in Goiana, and will feature Dr. Chris Gardiner on the identification of metazoans and protozoans in tissue section.

... Bruce Williams, DVM

Clockwise from top left: a) lunching faculty find a cat missing ear tips – squamous cell carcinoma or Leishmania?, b) Division Director Renato de Lima Santos, Fabio del Piero, and Bruce Williams enjoy a stroll through scenic Belo Horizonte, c) Dr. Eric Lombardini climbs a tree for a closer look at the some of the fabulous Brazilian flora and d) some of the wonderful course participants at UFMG
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2010 Foundation Awardees for Student Scholarship

2008 Award Winners including (from left): Dr. Leah Schutt (Univ. of Guelph), Dr. Bonnie Brenseke (Virginia Tech), Dr. Denise Imai (UC Davis), MAJ Cary Honnold (AFIP), Dr. Janelle Novak (Univ. of Tennessee), Robert Farrell Lectureship Award Winner Dr. Robert Moeller, Dr. Melinda Camus (Univ. of Georgia), Dr. Cinzia Mastrorilli (Auburn University), Dr. Anh Ngoc Diep (Cornell University) and Dr. Theresa Alenghat (Univ. of Pennsylvania),

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More from the Foundation’s Awards Reception

Images from the Foundation’s 2010 Awards Reception (clockwise from upper left): Dr. Tanya LeRoith presents the 2010 Student Scholarship award to Dr. Bonnie Brenseke; MAJ Cary Honnold receives the Student Scholarship award from Department Chairperson, COL Jo Lynne Raymond; Dr Don Schlafer of Cornell University stands proudly beside Dr. Anh Ngoc Diep; Dr. Rob Porter of the University of Guelph with their 2011 Student Scholarship winner, Dr Leah Schutt, and Dr. Patricia Pesavento congratulates UC Davis’ Dr. Denise Imai.
CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2011:
4/13-4/16  Workshop and Symposium on Lab Animal Diseases – Chicago, IL

July 2011:
7/11-7/18  Combined Gross Path/Gen Path Review Course

December 2011:
12/2  CLD/ACVP Pre-meeting Workshop – “Navigating the Great Pink Wasteland”

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