I hope that you are having a busy and prosperous summer.

It was privilege for me to represent the L.V.M.A. at the recent LSU-SVM graduation. Congratulations to our new class of veterinarians!

At our recent meeting, the Board of the L.V.M.A. decided that it would benefit our membership greatly to continue our association with our Lobbyists. Our profession will continually be challenged in the Louisiana Legislature every year and we need to protect our interests. This is one of the most important ways that we can help our members.

On my "Presidential Tour", I recently visited a District 8 meeting, which is the New Orleans area. I expect great things from their new President, Pam Mitchell. The District 8 L.V.M.A. Representative is Sue Olivier, who is our L.V.M.A. President-Elect. I have seen Sue in leadership roles in the past, and I know that she will do a wonderful job next year! And, as usual, I had a great time visiting with my old and follicular-challenged classmate, Bernie Mayer.

Please consider attending the Southwest Veterinary Symposium in San Antonio. The meeting will be held September 26-29. It is a fabulous meeting with great C.E. The webpage is http://www.swvs.org/index.php.

The LVMA is now seeking nominations for the 2013 LVMA Annual Awards. As usual, the association will present the Dr. Everett D. Besch Distinguished Service Award, The Ralph C. Cooper Veterinarian of the Year Award, Pet of the Year, Support Person of the Year and Sales Person of the Year. Before the honorees can be selected we need you to nominate them! So please turn to page 9 and fill out the appropriate form for the deserving friend, colleague, classmate or coworker and send it in to the LVMA office by November 15th. Once selected, award recipients will be notified and there will be a presentation during the Winter Meeting in Baton Rouge, January 24-26, 2013. The nominator of the selected recipients will also be asked to attend the Winter Meeting to present the award.
Welcome to the newest member of the LVMA Board of Directors, Dr. Matt Traylor, representing the Calcasieu Veterinary Medical Association. Dr. Matt Traylor replaces Dr. Robert Lofton who has matriculated to Auburn after years of distinguished service to the LVMA.

It was noted at a recent LVMA Board of Directors meeting that total membership for 2013 stands at 973. Thanks to all for your commitment to the future of organized veterinary medicine in Louisiana. An updated membership directory should be available on-line in the members-only section of the website by the end of August.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the one-day seminar on Media Management and Strategic Marketing to be given by Dr. Jim Humphries of the Veterinary News Network on October 9, 2013 at the LSU SVM, sponsored by CEVA. There will be no fee for attendance. Space will be limited so we urge you to register early. Registration forms should be distributed and available by late August.

The Southwest Veterinary Symposium is almost upon us. See the advertisement below and don’t miss this exciting meeting. The LVMA is in partnership with the Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and New Mexico veterinary medical associations (VMAs) in conducting the SWVS and several other VMAs are affiliated. If you are looking for a great “big meeting” experience, the SWVS is a great choice!

Plan now to attend the LVMA Winter Meeting in Baton Rouge, January 23-26, 2014, and our program chairs are already lining up great continuing education programs. Some of the terrific speakers presenting at the Winter Meeting in 2014 include: John Mauterer, DVM; Stephen Birchard, DVM; Fred Gaschen, DVM; Renee Carter, DVM; Robert Hancock, DVM; and, Fritz Wood, CPA. The LVMA Winter Meeting is the premier annual event for Louisiana veterinarians to gather together for continuing education, business and social discussion, and encounters with veterinary industry vendors in a relaxed but professional environment. Mark your calendars now for this important meeting!

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Dr. “Chip” Price elected Executive Board Vice Chair

During a meeting of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Executive Board on Tuesday, July 23, Dr. V. Hugh "Chip" Price Jr. of Shreveport, La. was elected Executive Board Vice Chair.

Dr. Price is the District VIII representative on AVMA Executive Board, representing Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas, and he is director of animal resources at the Louisiana State University (LSU) Health Sciences Center in Shreveport, La. Dr. Price is also professor of molecular and cellular physiology and professor of emergency medicine at the University.

Dr. Price received a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, in 1969. In 1980, he received his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine in Baton Rouge, La. Prior to his teaching career at LSU, which spans from 1984 to the present day, Dr. Price was a National Institute of Health Post-Doctoral Fellow from 1981 to 1984 at the University of Missouri.

Dr. Price served in the U.S. Navy from 1970 to 1974, when he was honorably discharged. His military career continued as he served in the U.S. Army Reserve, 141st Medical Detachment (VC), in Columbia, Mo., from 1982-1984. From 1984 to 2007, Dr. Price served in the U.S. Reserve as a Laboratory Animal Veterinary Officer at the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute for Chemical Defense at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. He retired from the U.S. Army Reserve at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 2007.

Dr. Price has also been active in veterinary medical associations. He served as the president of the Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association from 1999-2000, and as a member of the LVMA Board of Directors from 1995-2001. Prior to becoming a member of the AVMA Executive Board, Dr. Price served as the alternate delegate from the LVMA to the AVMA House of Delegates (HOD) from 2001 to 2005, as delegate from 2005 to 2009, and on the House Advisory Committee from 2006 to 2009.

Dr. Price also served as president of the American Association of Laboratory Animal Science (AALAS) in 2004-2005 and was a member of the AALAS Board of Trustees from 1999-2006.

Dr. Price is active in his community as a member of the Professional Advisory Committee of Southland Home Health Care. He also served as a member of the Caddo Parrish Animal Control Advisory Board from 1987 to 1997.

For more information about the AVMA, please visit www.avma.org.

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The LVMA Annual Winter Meeting will take place January 23—26, 2013 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Baton Rouge. We had a record-breaking attendance in New Orleans and hope to see the same results in 2014. Your program committees are already working to plan for speakers and topics you are sure to be pleased with. More information will come to your mailbox but be sure to mark your calendars now. You don’t want to miss out on this great opportunity to acquire 20 hours of CE while networking with other veterinarians, technicians and exhibitors right in your backyard.
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of cats in the US are believed to have heartworm disease. I
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small animal medicine, yet case numbers increase each year.
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the efficacy of heartworm preventives are increasing. Every
three years AHS assembles the world's best minds and
best information, giving practitioners a unique firsthand
opportunity to learn the latest about this serious disease.

Q. What topics will be covered this year?
A. An excellent speaker response enables us to address topics
ranging from heartworm diagnostics and epidemiology
to treatment research, feline heartworm disease and
clinical issues, such as shelter medicine, caval syndrome
and management of patients post-treatment. Sessions will
include Wolbachia and the newest information on how to use
doxycycline. We understand that veterinarians want clinical
information as well as the latest science, so we're allotting
plenty of time for case-based information and Q & A.

Q. Are there other reasons I should attend
the symposium?
A. Yes! There are plenty of other notable reasons to join us,
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2013 RALPH C. COOPER VETERINARIAN OF THE YEAR

The Ralph C. Cooper Veterinarian of the Year Award is given annually to the person who is recognized by his or her colleagues as having given the most of themselves in time, energy, and ideas to the veterinary profession in the state of Louisiana.

Nominee Information:
Name _____________________________________________
Address _____________________________________________
City __________________ State ______ Zip _____________
Office Phone __________________
Year of Graduation __________________
Veterinary School __________________
Specialty or area of practice ________________
Local, state and national committees served on and positions held:
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___________________________________________

Describe nominee participation in promoting animal health and welfare:
___________________________________________
___________________________________________

Describe any other activity which should make this individual a good candidate for the Veterinarian of the Year:
___________________________________________
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Criteria for Nomination:
1. Nominee must be a member in good standing in the LVMA.
2. Nominee must have had a positive influence in promoting animal health and welfare in the community as well as within the profession.
3. Nominee should be of good character and well respected by colleagues.
4. Nominee should be presently or previously active in local, state, and or national veterinary associations.
5. Nominee should have shown an outstanding contribution to organized veterinary medicine either through their work or through their actions and public awareness.
6. Current LVMA Board members are not eligible for nomination.

2013 DR. EVERETT D. BEECH SERVICE AWARD

This award was formerly the LVMA Service Award. It is awarded annually to persons in recognition of outstanding service to the community and to the veterinary profession.

Nominee Information:
Name _____________________________________________
Employer _____________________________________________
Address _____________________________________________
City __________________ State ______ Zip _____________
Office Phone __________________

Describe an outstanding contribution to the community (if nominee is a veterinarian):
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Describe an outstanding contribution to veterinary medicine (if nominee is not a veterinarian):
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The LVMA’s Dr. Everett D. Besch Distinguished Service Award was established to recognize outstanding service to the community and veterinary profession.

Recommendations for this award must be made in writing by two LVMA members. If you wish to nominate someone, please send your recommendation to the LVMA office by November 15, 2013.

Those eligible for the award are in two categories:
1. Veterinarians who have made an outstanding contribution to their community.
2. Non-veterinarians who have made an outstanding contribution to veterinary medicine.

Nominated by:
Veterinarian: _____________________________________________
Phone: ___________________________
**2013 Pet of the Year**

In an effort to recognize animals throughout the state of Louisiana for their special talents or heroic deeds, the LVMA has established the "Pet of the Year" award. This award recipient will be selected from nominations made by veterinarians who are aware of or witnessed these animals in their area of practice. Examples of such animals might include pets that have saved their owner's lives or were instrumental in helping their owner overcome overwhelming odds, physical handicaps, or serve the public in any way for many years.

**Nominee Information**

Pet’s Name ________________________________  
Species ______ Breed ______ Sex ______ Age ______
Description ____________________________________________________________________________
Owner’s Name ______________________________
Address ____________________________________________________________  
City __________ State ______ Zip ______

Description of pet’s accomplishments  
________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________
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Please include photos you may have.

**Nominated by:**

Veterinarian: ____________________________
Phone: __________________________________

**2013 Support Person of the Year**

The LVMA Support Person of the Year Award is presented annually to a veterinary technician, office management, kennel or other staff person with a minimum of two years of experience who has distinguished himself or herself in actively promoting animal health and welfare on the job and in the community.

**Nominee Information:**

Name ________________________________
Employer ____________________________________
Position Held ______________________________
Length of Employment _________________________
Educational Background _______________________

Professional Experience  
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Other Comments __________________________
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**Criteria for Nomination:**

1. Nominee must be employed by a member in good standing of the LVMA.
2. The individual should be active in promoting animal health and welfare on the job and in the community.
3. The individual should have a minimum of two years experience as a working veterinary technician, office management, or kennel help, etc.
4. Nominations are to be made in writing and should include employment information, educational background, professional service and community service accomplishments.

**Nominated by:**

Veterinarian: ____________________________
Phone: __________________________________

**SEND NOMINATION FORMS TO:**

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**Nominations Due November 15!**

NOTE: Additional pages may be added with other necessary information about nominee.
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Conway Animal Clinic of Conway, Arkansas is for sale. It is the only AAHA accredited clinic in Faulkner County and is one of eleven in the state of Arkansas. This profitable practice has a long-established location in a burgeoning city only thirty minutes from Little Rock. This 4700 square foot building is comprised of four exam rooms, a kennel ward, inside/outside runs, as well as separate cat & dog boarding. Equine potential. With an experienced staff and a retiring owner available for a smooth transition, this is a fantastic opportunity for someone looking to uphold the reliable reputation of this clinic in a growing, friendly community. Contact, Aron Tallent, DVM CVPM 1320 East Oak, Conway, AR (501)329-4466.

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