



CENTER FOR VETERINARY HEALTH SCIENCES **Friday Bit for Alumni and Friends**

WE GAVE IT AWAY »

In a sparkling new format we honored CVHS students and faculty on Tuesday with an aggregate amount of **\$578,425** representing **143** scholarships and awards to students and faculty. Speaking as donors for the evening were **Craig Jones, DVM ('89)** for the **Craig & Stephanie Jones Endowed Scholarship**, **Chuck Sullivan** (our favorite, gulp, Sooner) for the **North Star Family Scholarship (Itty Bitty Surgery Award)** and **John Vonhof, PhD** for the **Hank Vonhof Memorial Foundation Scholarship**. These donors truly made the evening outstanding.

Special thanks extend to all of our donors, alumni and friends who commit to making sure veterinary students can navigate the cost of higher education. Congratulations to **Liz Forbes** as recipient of the **Dean Clarence H. McElroy Award**, the most prestigious honor conferred by the veterinary college. Liz joins an elite group of McElroy award honorees. View the [list](#).

Members of the **OSS (Orange Sock Society)** were recognized by Class Representative, Cameron Smithee. (Notice please, I didn't ask to see evidence of the socks in play, but next time.... the OSS will be held accountable.)

Congratulations extend as well to our faculty honorees **Ashish Ranjan**, who received the **Zoetis Award for Research Excellence** and to the **Pride of '91, Jerry Ritchey, Zoetis Distinguished Teacher Award** recipient. A salute to **Rocky Bigbie, DVM ('81)** who presented the awards beginning with a selfie. Joining him for the presentation were **Zoetis** student reps, **Cameron Smithee** and **Tara Ediger**.

Nicely done squad.

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The class of 2017 is prepared to ride for the brand. Repeat after me, "**I'm a doctor.**"

The **CVHS Alumni Society** and faculty stand at-the-ready should there be any panic. We're confident that the soon-to-be doctors will excel in the manner they have been prepared as they scatter to the wind. Here's some advice from your alumni representative as you prepare to leave home. Remember where you came from and always embrace the **Code of the Old West....**

"When you make a promise, keep it. Always finish what you start. Proudly display your trademarks: Pride, Stewardship, Duty and Commitment to the Mission." That is the Cowboy way.



Keep the engine running. It's **Friday**. Where's my pager?

GIVE and **BE** change.



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