



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

### **MESSAGE FOR THE CLASS OF 2017 »**

CVHS Alumni Affairs Department created and hosted the inaugural **Proud & Immortal 4th-Year Dinner** for the **Class of 2017** in March. The class has been fully engaged as alumni since year-one in the veterinary curriculum, as are all current classes at CVHS.

Here are a few of the points presented during the evening:

- **Building the framework - establishing personal and professional networks**
- **Developing leadership skills**
- **Making a home - maintaining the brand**
- **Legislative advocacy**
- **Constructive participation and reciprocation as alumni**
- **Staying connected, engaged**
- **The value of industry relationships**

Alumnus **Thomas G. Loafmann ('63)** shared his vision with the class for best practices for staying in touch with classmates and issued a 5-year class-gift challenge. Several other alumni shared various types of class giving examples established by their respective classes.

As we learned last week, the **Class of 2017** has established a class gift prior to commencement. Dr. Loafmann shares this message with the graduates of 2017:

*"The class of 2017 set a precedent for all graduating classes through the establishment of this gift. The goals of the classmates have exceeded expectations of the 5-year challenge, in that never before has a class set an example so strongly in reciprocating to their alma mater immediately upon commencement."*

Please join this outstanding class in advancing the **Class of 2017 Pay It Forward Fund** assisting large and small animals in the Veterinary Medical Hospital. To contribute [contact me](#)

### **OSU FOUNDATION ANIMAL RELIEF FUND PHILANTHROPETE PROJECT »**

The project benefits the **CVHS OSU Animal Relief** effort through a fundraising goal of \$6,500 in 30 days to assist with covering the costs of hospitalization, diagnostic evaluation, and medical and surgical treatment for animals and clients who may have lost homes or livelihood due to severe weather events. To participate in the giving challenge, view giving levels and funding progress visit [PhilanthroPete](#). Remember, the challenge is time-sensitive.

### **RIDING FOR THE BRAND »**

Dust 'em off and prepare to kick it up at the **Corral Crawl 2017**. Graduate class years ending in 2 & 7 celebrate renewed connections with classmates with a photographer on hand for class pics. I'll have some mighty fine beverages on tap for you at the Crawl during **Fall Conference, November 9-10** at **Wes Watkins Center**. On Thursday night alumni will enjoy a buffet meal and cash bar. You'll discover the **Code of the Old West** - the **Cowboy** way.

The **Corral Crawl** and **Distinguished Alumni Luncheon** are advance-ticketed events so watch our [website](#) for registration opening later this summer. Don't need CE? **You can register for Alumni Events only**, but you must register in advance for ticketed events. No tickets are sold at the door.

Accommodations are waiting for you at **Home2 Suites by Hilton Stillwater, Code CVHS Alumni Group, 306 E. Hall of Fame Avenue, Stillwater, OK 74075 (405) 372-2550**. Room rates for Wednesday-Saturday are **\$91**. **Deadline** for reservations is **October 15**.

Not now, **F R I D A Y**. We've got work to do. We're doctors. **Congratulations to the classes of 2017 and 1967!**

**GIVE** and **BE** change.



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