

**Dena Mangiamele**, MPVM '91, is chief veterinarian for the City of Los Angeles Department of Animal Services. She oversees six shelters that took in nearly 85,000 animals last year,

of which 36 to 98 percent were adopted. All animals that leave the shelters are spayed or neutered.

**Cheryl Scott**, '94, practices out of a mobile clinic, enabling her to treat ani-

mals in their own home. She specializes in hospice care and offers humane euthanasia to terminally ill patients. Her practice, HomeVetHospice, is based in Davis.

## In Memoriam



Werner Heuschele

**Werner Heuschele**, '56, long-time director of the Zoological Society of San Diego's Center for Reproduction of Endangered Species (CRES), and a veterinarian and researcher for decades at the San Diego Zoo, died February 1, 1999, after a long illness. He was 69 years old. In 1991 Dr. Heuschele received the school's Alumni Achievement Award; in 1995 he received a distinguished service award from the Wildlife Disease Association and in 1998, received the Dolensek Award from the American Association of Zoo Veterinarians.

**Curtis D. Port**, '56, veterinary pathologist, died March 23, 1998, at age 67. He was retired from his position as director of laboratory animal resources at G.D. Searle and as adjunct professor at both Northwestern University Medical School and University of Illinois Medical School, Chicago.

**Fred Miller**, '58, died May 31, 1998.

**Richard K. Waters**, '62, equine veterinarian, died March 13, 1999 at his home in Wallace, California. He was 67.

**Foster Lasdon**, '65, died February 14, 1999. He practiced veterinary medicine for more than 30 years in Woodland Hills, California. He was a past president of both the Sierra Veterinary Medical Association and of

the SCVMA—San Fernando Valley Chapter, served on the Registered Technician Advisory Board of Pierce College and was a member of AVMA, AAHA and the Southern California Harley Riders Association.

**Robert John Weber**, '69, of Red Bluff, California, died December 13, 1998 at the age of 53, shortly after having been diagnosed with cancer. A Bay Area native, he lived in the Santa Cruz area before moving to Red Bluff in 1975. He was a member of the State of California Veterinary Medical Board and past member of the California Veterinary Medical Board of Ethics. Dr. Weber was the California representative in the National Association of Veterinary Medical State Boards.



Leo Matern

**Leland Matern**, '70, died of colon cancer after a short illness in February 1998. The Dr. Leland E. Matern Memorial Scholarship, which has been endowed by his friends and colleagues, will be presented annually to a UC Davis veterinary student who has an interest in horses and is compassionate and kind to both animals and people. Dr. Matern's daughter, Erin, is a pre-veterinary student at UC Davis.

**John Craig Stevens**, '75, died of cancer May 10, 1998.

**Leo Bustad**, dean emeritus and alumnus of the Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine, died September 19, 1998. He served as director of the Radiobiology Laboratory and Comparative Oncology Laboratory at UC Davis between 1965 and 1973. Following his retirement from WSU, Dr. Bustad spent much of his time promoting the concept of the human-animal bond and the value of pets in the treatment of institutionalized patients and the elderly.



John Hughes

**John Hughes**, professor at the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine since 1956, died February 16, 1998, at age 75. Dr. Hughes was recognized as an authority on equine reproductive physiology and medicine. He was a charter member of the American College of Theriogenologists and was a founding member of the International Symposia on Equine Reproduction. Dr. Hughes served for many years as director of the Center for Equine Health and as director of the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory. The John P. Hughes Endowed Chair in Reproduction, the first endowed chair in the school, was established in 1997 as a tribute to his teaching, research and service.