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## School Celebrates Commencement 2008

With standing ovations for new graduates and their supportive families, Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef, Dean Bennie Osburn, and members of the veterinary faculty conferred 114 doctor of veterinary medicine degrees at commencement June 13.

At the ceremony in the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts, 21 master of preventive veterinary medicine degree candidates and 39 hospital residents received certificates of completion. Six continuing DVM students received bachelor's degrees in veterinary science.

The School of Veterinary Medicine Medal, the highest school honor for a veterinary student, went to Ryan Garcia.

Student speaker Trevor Arnold reminded classmates that, although they have a huge array of interests and diverse backgrounds, all share a common thread—"Each and every one of us loves animals."

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## UC DAVIS CENTENNIAL

In 2008, UC Davis celebrates 100 years of accomplishments, and the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine marks its 60th anniversary. Story, page 4-5.

Above: UC Davis has graduated 5,136 doctors of veterinary medicine (logo inset: class of 2007).

Left: While graduates do see children or other family members follow in their footsteps to veterinary careers, Sharon Hunt Gerardo (right) and her daughter, Angelina Gerardo, are the first parent and child to complete their DVM degrees at UC Davis at the same time. Story, page 2.

## Commencement 2008

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Dr. Stanley Marks, chosen by students to give the faculty address, said, “Discoveries are transforming the practice of veterinary medicine.” Marks encouraged the class to make the most of the opportunities available in a “whirlwind of medical advances” for animals. He challenged them to use their talents, take risks, treasure their veterinary school friendships, and maintain a sense of purpose, humor and curiosity.

Dr. Jeffrey Smith, president of the California Veterinary Medical Association, led the students, faculty and other veterinarians in attendance in a recitation of the Veterinarian’s Oath. Following the oath, Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef addressed the graduates as “dedicated healers” and told them, “You will live the ideals of the school and the university.”

The majority of veterinarians will go into private practice. Of this year’s graduates, 46 are pursuing internships for further clinical training, while three will remain at the school to earn master of preventive veterinary medicine degrees. One is headed for military service as an officer in the Army Veterinary Corps.



The class of 2008 pledges the Veterinarian’s Oath after being congratulated by Dean Bennie Osburn.



## Graduates Share Special Bond

Mothers and daughters share a special bond, and veterinary students build strong connections during four years of intense study. But Sharon Hunt Gerardo and her daughter Angelina Gerardo shared both distinctions as they prepared to graduate together June 13 from the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine.

Sharon, a UC Davis alumna who earned a bachelor’s degree in 1980 and a master’s degree in 1982, wanted to be a veterinarian most of her life, but when she did not get into veterinary school after college, she went on to earn a doctorate in immunology from UCLA and pursue a research career. She married Michael “Mike” Gerardo, who earned his DVM degree from UC Davis in 1982, and together they began a veterinary business and a family, settling in Simi Valley, California.

*Sharon Hunt Gerardo and her daughter, Angelina Gerardo, are the first parent and child to complete their DVM degrees at UC Davis at the same time.*

Daughter Angelina and her brother Jimmie grew up surrounded by animals.

“We had a ton of pets, spent summers in the clinic and went to work with Dad when he had emergencies,” Angelina says. “I didn’t consider any other occupation.”

Mike’s unexpected death in 2000 caused profound family changes. Through troubled times, Sharon remembered the joys of her husband’s practice and revisited her own career, determining that she still carried her dream to work with people, their animals and the community as a veterinarian.

From then on, it was a matter of timing. In 2003, both women applied to veterinary school. They talked about their unusual situation and even interviewed the same day at one East Coast college, but they never expected to enroll at the same school.

Angelina selected UC Davis. Sharon was considering another veterinary school, but at the last moment, she chose to stay in California, too.

Angelina admits she “wasn’t that thrilled” about sitting next to her mom in class for the next four years. However, with separate homes, lab sections and friends, the two got along fine.

“We started studying together,” Angelina says, “We found that we study at the same pace.”

With veterinary school completed, Angelina has joined the Army Veterinary Corps for three years and is considering a military career. Her first assignment after basic training is Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, where she will care for 50–60 military working dogs and the small animals of service personnel.

Now remarried, Sharon will remain in Davis a bit longer. She will combine her experience in immunology and an interest in infectious diseases by pursuing a master of preventive veterinary medicine degree. Her ambition is to practice in a public research or diagnostic laboratory.

By choosing the same professional path, both women hope to carry on a double legacy from Mike Gerardo—and an ever-stronger personal bond created by their veterinary school experience.



Standing, from left: Roger Newton, Randy Scagliotti, John Madigan and Gregory Ferraro; seated: Bill Lasley, Michael Kotlikoff.

#### ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### ALUMNI RECEIVE HIGHEST HONOR

The UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine honored six distinguished alumni during the 2008 commencement ceremony.

The Alumni Achievement Award acknowledges outstanding personal and professional contributions to veterinary science or one of its branches, contributions to veterinary practice in any of its forms, or service to humankind and the advancement of human welfare.

### New Director Leads Clinical Programs

**W** David Wilson, professor in the Department of Medicine and Epidemiology, is the newly appointed associate dean for clinical programs and director of the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital.

Dr. Wilson now heads the clinical program for 131 senior DVM students and 100 residents. He supervises more than 400 staff and faculty employees who handle 31,000 patient visits each year.

Wilson was director of the Large Animal Clinic before his appointment as interim hospital director in 2007.

Earlier in his career he served in the Equine Field Service and the Equine Medicine Service. He has directed the Center for Equine Health, chaired the faculty Executive Committee and served on the Admissions Committee.

Wilson's research includes investigations into antimicrobial treatment of infection, appropriate vaccination

programs for foals, the influence of pregnancy on vaccine responses, equine infectious disease and preventive medicine.

A member of the team that performed an extensive review of the hospital's programs and operations last fall, Wilson is implementing recommendations for clinical teaching programs, client services and business practices.

The goal is to optimize satisfaction of clients and referring veterinarians while providing clinical cases that best meet educational needs. Wilson is also leading a fiscal review to identify ways for the hospital to meet client needs and training goals in light of current budget challenges.

### Award Recipients

Gregory L. Ferraro (DVM, 1971), director of the Center for Equine Health, UC Davis, was recognized for leadership and dedication to the advancement of equine health and welfare.

Michael Kotlikoff (PhD, physiology, 1984), professor of biomedical sciences and the Austin O. Hooey Dean of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, was recognized for contributions to cardiovascular research and accomplishments as a leader in academic veterinary medicine.

Bill Lee Lasley (PhD, physiology, 1972), professor emeritus and associate director of the Center for Health and the Environment, UC Davis, was recognized for contributions to research and education in the field of comparative endocrinology.

John E. Madigan (DVM 1975), professor of medicine in the Department of Medicine and Epidemiology, School of Veterinary Medicine, UC Davis, was recognized for contributions to equine medicine, neonatal care, and animal welfare and rescue.

Roger S. Newton (PhD, nutrition, 1980), founder, president and CEO of Esperion Therapeutics, Inc., was recognized for contributions as a pioneer in atherosclerosis and cardiovascular pharmacology research.

Randall H. Scagliotti (DVM 1973), co-medical director and ophthalmologist, Eye Care for Animals, Inc., a national referral hospital for veterinary ophthalmology, was recognized for leadership in specialty practice and devotion as a mentor in the field of veterinary ophthalmology.



W. David Wilson is the new director of the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital.

Also on Wilson's agenda is a facilities assessment that will enable faculty to craft a financial plan and development efforts dedicated to the upgrade and expansion of hospital facilities, services and equipment. "I am excited to lead this effort," says Wilson, who has participated in facilities planning for several years. "We're bursting at the seams."

## Lyme Disease Bacteria Linger

The bacteria that cause Lyme disease, the most common tick-borne illness in the United States, can linger in mouse tissues long after a full round of antibiotic treatment is completed, according to a study led by Stephen Barthold, director of the Center for Comparative Medicine.

“The bacterium *Borrelia burgdorferi* has evolved to evade the body’s immune system, so it’s not surprising that it can also evade antibiotics,” says Dr. Barthold. “The numbers of residual bacteria identified in this study were very low, and there was no evidence that they were causing inflammation. Their presence shouldn’t be misconstrued as a sign of chronic disease.”

Yet the results of this study do set the stage for the investigation of potential therapies for persistent Lyme disease infections.

The Center for Comparative Medicine, a joint program of the School of Veterinary Medicine and the School of Medicine, investigates animal models of human disease. The center celebrates its 10th anniversary this year.

## Antibacterial Soaps Disrupt Rat and Human Hormones

A new study published by nine UC Davis researchers shows that a common antibacterial chemical in bath soaps can alter hormonal activity in rats and in human cells in the laboratory—and does so by a previously unreported mechanism.

Coauthor Bill Lasley, professor emeritus and an expert in reproductive toxicology, says that substances called endocrine disruptors have been linked in animal studies to reproductive failure, developmental anomalies, cancer and other problems. This is the first endocrine study, however, to investigate the effects of the antibacterial compound triclocarban on hormones.

“Veterinarians should be aware that these findings indicate that steroid-sensitive tissues can be stimulated by exposure to triclocarban,” says Dr. Lasley. “Since the compound is a current, persistent and growing environmental contaminant, exposures may result from a variety of activities.” He also notes, “Our mothers taught us to wash our hands well before the advent of antimicrobial soaps, and that practice alone prevents the spread of disease.”

## UC Davis Celebrates Centennial, School of Veterinary Medicine Marks 60th Anniversary

*When the school was established in 1948, the 42 men in the first class were mostly planning careers in livestock medicine. This year, 131 entering students, 80 percent of whom are women, will enter diverse careers in animal, human and environmental health. In the four centennial-year issues, we will highlight the school’s accomplishments in animal health, public health, zoonoses, food safety, environmental health and comparative medicine.*

### FOOD ANIMAL HEALTH

**D**uring the school’s earliest years, food animals and their health received the most attention in veterinary medicine and education.

That dedication has particularly benefited California’s \$7.61 billion dairy industry as well as producers of beef cattle, poultry and small ruminants. School veterinarians contributed knowledge to help control brucellosis, bovine mastitis, bovine tuberculosis, listeriosis and more.

The J-5 mastitis vaccine, developed at UC Davis in the late 1980s, saves producers more than \$11 million every year. Research, extension and diagnostic laboratory faculty have also helped producers manage such stubborn pathogens as *Salmonella*, *E. coli*, footwarts, and *Neospora* in production animals.

Some diseases remain of international consequence. A vaccine and diagnostic testing kit is helping control rinderpest, a cattle disease, in Africa and other tropical countries. More than 30 years of scholarship on bluetongue virus in ruminants has led to vaccines, diagnostics, and further understanding of disease transmission relevant to trade policy and global climate change.

On the poultry side, today’s biosecurity strategies are based on early school-developed poultry disease prevention programs.

The school has participated in many successful counterattacks against disease outbreaks. For example, a faculty team working with a USDA task force in 2002–03 helped stop the spread of exotic Newcastle disease from backyard birds to commercial poultry. Individuals have stepped up to address crises such as the 1988 earthquake in Armenia that left 500,000 people homeless and its agricultural industries in ruins. Other faculty traveled to the United Kingdom to aid in the foot-and-mouth disease outbreak of 2001.

Today, the school’s many centers, laboratories and teaching programs dedicated to food animal health and food safety demonstrate an ongoing commitment to animals, producers and consumers, and its training programs in dairy medicine, herd health and preventive veterinary medicine are models nationwide.

### Teaching Hospital Provides Eye Care for Service Dogs

Steve Hollingsworth (right), assistant professor of clinical ophthalmology and chief of the Ophthalmology Service, and veterinary student Megan McCroskey, class of 2008, examine Cyrus, a 4-year-old Gordon Setter who serves with the California Rescue Dog Association. Service dogs got free eye examinations at the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital last May as part of a national event organized by the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists.



## Centennial and School Events

### CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR, AUGUST 15–SEPTEMBER 1

An entire pavilion showcases UC Davis campus centennial exhibits, and we welcome one and all to the school's Livestock Nursery. If you can't get to the fair, you can watch the nursery online thanks to the school's live Web cameras ([www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu)).

### ALUMNI DAY, SEPTEMBER 13; FALL SYMPOSIUM, SEPTEMBER 14

School of Veterinary Medicine classes of '58, '72, '78, '83, '88, '93 and '98 will celebrate Alumni Day on Saturday, September 13 ([www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/Public\\_Programs/alumni.html](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/Public_Programs/alumni.html)). The Fall Symposium on New Advances in Clinical Veterinary Medicine follows on Sunday ([www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ce/ce.html](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ce/ce.html)).

### FALL FESTIVAL, OCTOBER 2008

Visit the Centennial Web site for details on this and other centennial activities scheduled throughout the year (<http://centennial.ucdavis.edu>).

*"UC Davis observes its centennial in 2008–09, as the School of Veterinary Medicine marks its 60th anniversary. We are proud that veterinary teaching, research and service have contributed to the history of UC Davis and look forward to an even brighter future for animal, human and environmental health."*

—Dean Bennie I. Osburn

## Then, now, the future... SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE HIGHLIGHTS

### 1948

The School of Veterinary Medicine opens at UC Davis with 42 students—all male and mostly World War II veterans.

### 1955

Blood-typing services for livestock owners and breed associations are initiated in what is now the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory. Services have evolved into DNA-based technology for many species to identify individual animals, verify parentage and detect inherited diseases or other traits.



### 1966

Calvin Schwabe, a pioneer in the use of human disease tracking methods for the study of veterinary diseases,

establishes the Master of Preventive Veterinary Medicine Program, a graduate program in epidemiology. More than 850 veterinarians holding MPVM degrees from UC Davis now serve in leadership positions in 75 countries.

### 1966

The first zoological medicine program begins with courses for veterinary students, a long-standing partnership with the Sacramento Zoo, and a residency program for specialists in captive and free-ranging wildlife health.

### 1972

The school sets the standard in United States veterinary education by establishing the first curriculum to allow specialization and complex clinical experience.

### 1985

Women DVM graduates outnumber men for the first time at UC Davis. As of 2007, 77 percent of veterinary students nationwide are women.

### 1986

Researchers discover feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV) and develop a veterinary model for human AIDS research.

### 1988

The International Laboratory of Molecular Biology for Tropical Diseases uses transgenic technology to develop a vaccine for rinderpest, a devastating cattle disease in Africa. An inexpensive screening kit designed for field conditions helps protect animals of subsistence farmers in poor tropical countries.

### 1990

Clinicians create the first veterinary hemodialysis unit, which now conducts about 1,000 treatments per year as the world's largest program. In 2002, the life-saving service expands to the UC Veterinary Medical Center—San Diego.

Students establish the Mercer Veterinary Clinic for the Homeless. Volunteers arrange spay-neuter and other procedures, and provide basic care and food for the animals of homeless clients one Saturday a month in Sacramento. In 1998, the program receives the AVMA Humane Award.

An innovative ELISA (enzyme immunoassay) is developed for diagnosis of bluetongue, a major "non-tariff trade barrier" disease of ruminants.

Scientists identify *Neospora*, a protozoan parasite, as the major cause of abortion in dairy cattle that costs the California dairy industry an estimated \$35 million per year.



### 1998

When the school faces limited accreditation due to aging facilities, the Wayne and Gladys Valley Foundation provides \$10.7 million—the campus' then largest-ever gift—to rebuild infrastructure. With a \$354 million long-range facilities plan based on public and private funding, the school begins construction of five new teaching, research and service facilities.

### 2004

The Center for Companion Animal Health opens a new \$16 million facility, built entirely with private funds. The building contains genetic and cancer research programs, and triples the capacity for several clinical services.

Researchers discover the genetic mutation that causes polycystic kidney disease (PKD) in Persian cats and develop a DNA-based test to alert breeders and work to eradicate this most prevalent inherited disease in cats.



### 2007

In the 20 years since its inception, California Animal Health and Food Safety Laboratory System (CAHFS) personnel have

published more than 1,000 scientific papers that report advances in the understanding of a variety of diseases and disease agents, and development of enhanced diagnostic techniques. Three CAHFS faculty members count among the top 25 authors for international veterinary medicine and animal health citation impact, 1994–2004.

### 2010 AND BEYOND

The school will work to set new standards of veterinary education and help to meet society's needs for clinical services and new knowledge in animal, public and ecosystem health.



## THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Admissions Committee members collaborate to ensure a rigorous, fair process to select the students most likely to succeed in veterinary school. Each contributes about 175 hours to the evaluation process from October until April, taking into account academic and nonacademic factors including grade point averages, Graduate Record Examination scores, letters of evaluation and veterinary experience. Each application is read a minimum of three times.

The Admissions Committee is made up of six members. Five are UC Davis faculty members who serve for two years, and the sixth is invited each year from the group of practitioners who have served previously on the Admissions Advisory Committee.

The advisory committee is a group of faculty members and practitioners who provide input to the Admissions Committee. They identify “uniquely promising” students with strong veterinary experience or interest in less

common fields such as food animal practice, laboratory animal medicine or research.

In addition, three faculty members and three veterinary students consider and recommend qualified disadvantaged applicants through the Veterinary Medical Opportunity Program. A Veterinary Scientist Training Program committee evaluates prospective students who intend to pursue concurrent DVM and PhD degrees.

For more information about the professional curriculum, academic preparation, selection criteria, the application process and admission statistics, see the Guide for Prospective Students, available online ([www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/StudentPrograms/StudentGuide\\_Post.cfm](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/StudentPrograms/StudentGuide_Post.cfm)).

### UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine Guide for Prospective Students



## Selection of DVM Students Includes Practitioner Perspective

The committee to select the class of 2012, which will begin the DVM program in September, included private veterinary practitioner Grace Bransford and five UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine faculty members.

Dr. Bransford, along with Gino Cortopassi, Leslie Lyons, Richard Nelson, Chuck Mohr and Jack Snyder, reviewed more than 1,000 applications. Two hundred twenty applicants were interviewed to select 131 for admission.

The applicant pool of 1,178 reflected the gender ratio of the last several years—986 women to 192 men—and included 584 California residents and 594 nonresidents.

***“Every person on the Admissions Committee was impressed by the excellence of candidates.”***

“The interviewees are always high caliber,” says Rance LeFebvre, associate dean for student programs, “but every person on the Admissions Committee was impressed by the excellence of candidates, and in many cases, stunned by their knowledge.”

Bransford, who owns a small animal practice in Marin, says, “I was honored to be selected to serve on the Admissions

Committee. It’s really important, for balance, to have a practitioner on the committee whose questions are more focused on a private practice universe.” After a 10-year career in advertising, Bransford was 34 when she applied in 1994. She completed her DVM in 1998 in the small animal track. She says, “It was good to be a woman, and, as an Asian-American, good to be an ethnic minority. Diversity is so critical to the profession.”

Bransford served as student representative to the California Veterinary Medical Association Board of Governors and member of the House of Delegates as a fourth-year student. She has stayed involved in organized veterinary medicine with both the CVMA and American Veterinary Medical Association, and encourages students to participate.

“Being on the Admissions Committee is a fascinating experience, and a lot of work—no question! We spent from October through February reviewing applications online through a Web site. We carefully reviewed person-

**Grace Bransford, a veterinarian in private practice, served on the Admissions Committee to select the class of 2012.**



al statements, GPAs and GRE scores, evaluation letters, experience and other variables, and factored them into a score to choose the top 15 percent to be interviewed, including applicants recommended by the Veterinary Medical Opportunity Program.”

“How bright these candidates are!” says Bransford. “They are well-rounded, determined, articulate, poised—and their enthusiasm, infectious! It gave me a shot in the arm. What a great career I have.”

What advice does she give interviewees? “The most important thing is to be yourself—to represent your interests and values, versus trying to fit into a mold.”

# THANK YOU NOTES

## STUDENT GIFT ENDOWS SCHOLARSHIP

A student-sponsored endowment has begun funding scholarships to veterinary students with a professional interest in emergency medicine and critical care. The \$10,000 endowment was established with a gift from the Student Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society (SVECCS).

A group of faculty and staff members from the Emergency and Critical Care Service at the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital selected Kendon Kuo, class of 2010, as the first scholarship recipient.

“We are the first club to fund this type of donation,” says Kristi Peterson, a member of the class of 2009 and co-president of the chapter. She credited faculty adviser Karl Jandrey, assistant professor of clinical small animal emergency and critical care, as an inspiration for the gesture—Jandrey and Michael Kent, assistant professor in the Department of Surgical and Radiological Sciences, established an endowed scholarship in 2006 as a tribute to two of their dogs, Caesar and Lucy.

Photo: Don Preister



From left: Dean Bennie Osburn; Kristi Peterson, co-president of SVECCS, class of 2009; Kendon Kuo, class of 2010; Katharine Huang, co-president of SVECCS, class of 2009; Karl Jandrey, faculty adviser.

## COUPLE FUNDS REGENERATIVE MEDICINE STUDIES

Motivated by a desire to help broaden the exploration of regenerative medicine as a treatment option for companion animals and horses, Dick and Carolyn Randall of Cupertino provided core funding to launch a five-year, \$2.5 million study of the therapeutic potential of adult stem cells.

Mr. Randall, a retired business executive and quarter horse breeder, has been riding reining horses competitively for more than 15 years.

The Randalls' gift of \$425,000 last December allowed the Center for Equine Health to organize and initiate the comprehensive regenerative medicine and stem cell research program in veterinary medicine.

The Stem Cell Regenerative Medicine Group includes 10 faculty members from five academic departments. It is housed at the Center for Equine Health and led by Larry Galuppo, associate professor and chief of equine surgery in the School of Veterinary Medicine.

The research team is working in tandem with the UC Davis School of Medicine stem cell research program under the direction of Professor Jan Nolte, one of the nation's leading stem cell researchers. Both the Center for Equine Health and the Center for Companion Animal Health are supporting graduate student researchers pursuing PhD degrees in conjunction with this project.

The initial focus will be on using regenerative medicine for bone healing and repair in dogs and horses. Scientists will work to determine the most effective harvesting, storage and propagation techniques for stem cells. They will also compare the osteogenic potential of mesenchymal stem cells derived from fat, bone marrow and cord blood.

In addition to the support from Mr. and Mrs. Randall, funding has been received or pledged from the Harriet Pflieger Foundation—for graduate student support; Thermogenesis Corporation of Rancho Cordova—for bioarchival equipment and graduate student and technical training; and Alamo Pintado Equine Foundation—for tendon ligament regenerative studies.

## HERITAGE SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP GROWS

The Heritage Society for Animals honors the commitment and generosity of donors who have made estate plans to benefit School of Veterinary Medicine programs and activities.

More than 40 new members enrolled in the Heritage Society for Animals this year. Individuals and couples were introduced at the annual luncheon with Dean Bennie Osburn in April.

Karl Jandrey, faculty clinician in the Small Animal Emergency and Critical Care Service, spoke to the assembled members and guests about what can be learned from patients who don't speak.

More than 460 friends of the school already have been recognized and welcomed into the society.

For more information about the Heritage Society for Animals or planning an estate gift, contact the development office, (530) 752-7024.

## Kick off the UC Davis Centennial with a visit to the Livestock Nursery Exhibit at the California State Fair, August 15–September 1!

For the 32nd year, a team of veterinarians and trained students from the School of Veterinary Medicine will staff the California State Fair Livestock Nursery exhibit around the clock.

Fairgoers can observe births and learn about other aspects of farm life, while veterinary students gain valuable clinical experience.



**Students are presenters and hosts to fairgoers, who can witness the birth of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs in the Livestock Nursery.**



Photos: Don Preisler

The nursery exhibit is supported by the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, the California Animal Health and Food Safety Laboratory, the UC Davis Department of Animal Science and regional agricultural producers.

View the Livestock Nursery activities online using the school's interactive Web cameras (VetLiNC) starting August 15.

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### 2008 CALENDAR

## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

**Fall Symposium on Recent Advances in Clinical Veterinary Medicine**  
September 14, 2008—UC Davis

**George H. Muller Veterinary Dermatology Seminar in Hawaii**  
October 29–November 5, 2008  
The Big Island, Hawaii

**Practical Ultrasonography: Beginning/Review**  
November 15–16, 2008—UC Davis

**Veterinary Endocrinology & Internal Medicine Seminar**  
December 2–9, 2008—St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands

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