Heritage Society for Animals Celebrates Veterinary Medicine with Annual Luncheon, Mini-Symposium and Induction of New Members

The names of new members (13 in 2003 and 16 in 2004) of the Heritage Society for Animals have been added to the commemorative plaque on display at the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital (VMTH).

The society was established in 1997 to recognize special friends of the school who provide charitable contributions through wills, bequests and other planned gifts.

The School of Veterinary Medicine hosts an annual luncheon in April at which Heritage Society members are the guests of honor.

The luncheon program includes introduction of new members (Dean Osburn presents each of the new honorees with a handsome Heritage Society pin) and a keynote address—last year Dr. Andrea Fascetti presented Integrating Small Animal Clinical Nutrition into Veterinary Practice, and this year Dr. Walter Boyce presented Mountain Lions: Finding the Balance Between People and Wildlife.

The luncheon is held on the UC Davis campus in the Buehler Alumni and Visitor's Center, followed by a viewing of the plaque and tours of the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital and the Center for Companion Animal Health.

New Center for Companion Animal Health Expands Clinical and Research Facilities

The new Center for Companion Animal Health (CCAH) facility, completed in March, is the largest center of its kind in the world.

Funded entirely by private donations, this premier facility includes a comprehensive cancer clinic, physical therapy unit and laboratories for the study of genetic diseases and cancer.

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Patients for the Oncology Service and some of the many other Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital services will be received in the lobby of the new CCAH (left).

The first floor of the new building is dedicated to the largest cancer clinic of its kind in the world; the second floor is dedicated to the study of cancer and inherited diseases.

The CCAH is connected to the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital (VMTH) by a breezeway on the second floor and a memorial garden at ground level.