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2010 Western Veterinary Conference Awards 34 Student Scholarships and Hosts Recipients at Annual Meeting

LAS VEGAS, May 10, 2010 — **Western Veterinary Conference (WVC) is proud to award one scholarship to each of the 33 accredited North American veterinary schools and an additional scholarship to a deserving veterinary technician student annually.** Since inception of the scholarship program in 2002, WVC has awarded nearly \$1 million in scholarship funds.

A committee at each college selects the scholarship recipient from its third-year students based on leadership qualities and financial need. Recipients were guests of WVC at the 82nd Annual Conference, receiving complimentary registration and accommodations as well as invitations to several special events, including a social mixer hosted by WVC on the first night of their arrival. During the week, scholarship recipients were also invited to a variety of receptions, including an awards breakfast given in their honor by the WVC Board of Directors. In welcoming the recipients and underwriting their Conference attendance, WVC hopes to enhance their awareness of the value of active involvement in organized veterinary medicine after graduation.

Recipients of the 2010 WVC Scholarship Awards are:

- Lauren Harris, *Auburn University*
- Melissa Garrick, *UCDavis*
- Amy Daley, *Colorado State University*
- Amanda-Jo Joswig, *University of Florida*
- Jessica E. Dowling, *Cornell University*
- Andrew Quesada, *University of Georgia*
- Samantha Haskins, *University of Illinois*
- Clayton A. McGargill, *Iowa State University*
- Julia P. Paul, *Kansas State University*
- Monica Crowe, *Louisiana State University*
- Marcia Backstrom, *Michigan State University*
- Tamara Jacobson, *University of Minnesota*
- Claire L. Fellman, *Mississippi State University*
- Kelvin Urday, *University of Missouri*
- Daria DiGiovanno, *North Carolina State University*

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- Kathleen Lindsey, *Ohio State University*
- Jennifer Rudd, *Oklahoma State University*
- Karyn E. Zittel, *Oregon State University*
- Amanda N. Bisol, *University of Pennsylvania*
- Janet E. Behm, *Purdue University*
- Bonnie E. Price, *University of Tennessee*
- Kristy L. Johnson, *Tufts University*
- Lauren C. Rowe, *Tuskegee University*
- Melissa Hoernis, *Texas A&M*
- Nathaniel Burke, *Virginia Tech University*
- Lindsay Riley, *Washington State University*
- Kirstin L. Kamps, *Western University of Health Science*
- Harpreet Singh, *University of Wisconsin*
- Crystal Throop, *University of Guelph*
- Joshua J. Smith, *University of Prince Edward Island*
- Trevor Hook, *University of Saskatchewan*
- Eoin Clancy, *University of Calgary*
- Josee Chantigny, *University of Montreal*
- Colleen R. Wuesthoff, *Moraine Park Technical College*

The 82nd Annual Western Veterinary Conference was held February 14 through 18 at the Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino and attracted more than 13,000 attendees. As the premier veterinary meeting in the world, WVC registered over 6,000 veterinarians, over 1,200 veterinary technicians, several hundred practice managers, and several thousand additional attendees with direct relationships to the animal health industry.

For additional information about student scholarships, this year's Conference, or the upcoming 2011 Conference, please call: 866-800-7326 (toll-free) or 702-739-6698. Details about the 2011 Western Veterinary Conference are also available at wvc.org, and online registration is open at the website.

About Western Veterinary Conference

WVC is an annual interactive continuing education opportunity and a networking event for the progressive veterinary community. The Conference provides comprehensive continuing education for veterinary professionals and related groups in a world-class destination – Las Vegas, “The Entertainment Capital of the World.” International authorities and emerging speakers present advanced veterinary instruction in first-class convention facilities and hands-on labs in the nearby state-of-the-art Oquendo Center for Clinical Education. For more information, visit wvc.org. ■