Upcoming Events:

Welcome Back Barbeque: Friday August 28th
Fall Conference: Thursday September 17th
You’re invited to the Annual OTS Alumni Reunion Dinner on Thursday evening at Dr. Biehl’s house after Fall Conference comes to a close
Open House: Sunday October 4th
Fall Pet Wash: Sunday September 27th (tentative)
Grand Council: October 16-18th (Oklahoma)
Road Race 5K: Sunday October 25th (tentative)
All proceeds go to the Wildlife Medical Clinic and A Pet’s Place – see website for more details

Recent Events:

Summer Pet Wash: With the CSLC under construction, OTS held the Pet Wash in the Anatomy Lab this summer. Over $600 were raised. Proceeds will benefit the Champaign County Humane Society.

Pet Visits: Once a month, OTS members and their pets visit the Clark-Lindsey Retirement Village on Windsor and Race in Urbana.

Boyscout Day: To receive their badges, scouts practiced performing physical exams, bandaging, trimming nails, reading radiographs, and suturing bananas before an equine presentation, a parasitology presentation, and a jeopardy-themed question and answer learning session.

Paintball: OTS hosted a school-wide paintball outing this spring at Firemark Paintball in Dewey, which was a huge success. Feel free to contact us if you’d be potentially interested in attending next May.

Alumni Spotlight: Kathryn Golden, DVM

• Background: An Illinois native, Kathryn attended undergrad at a small school in Missouri called William Woods University where she originally studied equestrian science before switching to biology to pursue a career in veterinary medicine. After graduating from U of I in 2013, she completed a private practice equine internship at the Carolina Equine Hospital in North Carolina. Kathryn moved back to her hometown and started her own large animal ambulatory practice in 2014. She says “It has been an adventure!” and is looking forward to what the future brings.

• Hometown: Crystal Lake, IL

• Current Job: Owner of County Line Equine Practice in Crystal Lake, IL. It is a large animal practice with 95% horses, but with a strong alpaca clientele as well as the occasional goat, pig, cow, etc.

• Favorite OTS Memory: “Too many to choose from! My class’ Around the World Party and having an inflatable toys battle in the OTS house (decorated as Australia) will always stand out. It was such a great way to make connections with upper classmen while still being the newbies in town and it made the transition into vet school so much easier with familiar friendly faces everywhere.”

Congratulations to the OTS Graduates of 2015:

Nick Ferrari Blue Pearl Franklin, TN
Rachel Fischer North Heights Veterinary Clinic Appleton, WI
Meggie Garvey Alpine Animal Hospital Carbondale, CO
Josh Good VCA Aurora Aurora, IL
Greta Keister Randall Road Animal Hospital Crystal Lake, IL
Molly King [declined to share] N/A
Dan Loper Animal Medical Clinic Melbourne, FL
Kirsten Plomin Hinsdale Animal Hospital Hinsdale, IL
Joie Swanson Plainfield Veterinary Clinic Plainfield, IL
Krista Turey Griffith Animal Hospital Griffith, IN
Greg Zuendt Oradell Animal Hospital Paramus, NJ

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