

For CVMA

**Happy New Year from Your College of Veterinary Medicine**

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'Tis the season for looking back at the year past and making predictions—and resolutions—for the year ahead.

I have really enjoyed my involvement with the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association over the years and predict that the college will find many more ways to serve this great group of veterinarians now that we have a permanent presence among you.

Thank you to everyone who encouraged the establishment of our new Chicago Center for Veterinary Medicine and who attended our special open house for the veterinary community in July. We are seeing many of you at our continuing education offerings, including the day-long program on minimally invasive CCL surgery that was so popular a second day had to be added.

As the new year unfolds, I hope you will resolve to strengthen the interactions between the CVMA and the college. The work that Dr. Tracey Davis Hlede is doing to promote science and veterinary careers among Chicago youth will create many opportunities for veterinary mentors who want to make a difference in the lives of young people.

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