

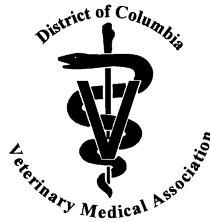
Newsletter

NEXT MEETING **Tuesday, January 15, 2008**

***PLEASE INVITE OTHERS TO ATTEND THIS MEETING
& JOIN THE DCVMA!***

- Where:** AVMA Governmental Relations Division Office
1910 Sunderland Place NW
Washington, DC 20036
- When:** Tuesday January 15, 2008
6:30 Social hour and dinner
7:00 Business meeting
- Speaker:** **Ms. Peggy Keller, Chief, Bureau of Community Hygiene
Washington, DC Department of Health**
- Directions:** Take the red line Metro to Dupont Circle and exit from the Dupont Circle
South metro exit. Sunderland Place is a half block south on the right.

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DCVMA January meeting topics

Join us for the first meeting of the year, Tuesday January 15, 2008. DCVMA business to be discussed includes the election of officers: President elect [to begin January 2009]; Vice President; Secretary / Treasurer; and Executive Director. Newsletter Editor is also available.

Following the business meeting, Ms. Peggy Keller, Chief, Bureau of Community Hygiene with the Washington, DC Department of Health, will describe the DC animal disaster plan, the 'new and improved' DC Veterinary Board, and provide recent rabies and animal bite statistics for the District.



DCVMA Member Dr. Bonnie Buntain Recognized

On October 11, 2007, the Acting Agriculture Secretary Chuck Conner honored U.S. Department of Agriculture employees from across the nation for exemplary service and achievements in the 60th annual USDA Honor Awards Ceremony. The Honor Awards are the most prestigious awards given by USDA, and there were 22 groups and 5 individual award winners.

Dr. Bonnie Buntain was recognized for her contributions to the Avian Influenza Working Group, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Washington, DC. The Group made significant contributions in the development of the Agency's plan to prepare for, respond to, and recover from an outbreak of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in the United States. Group members included: Perfecto R. Santiago (Group Leader), Richard Brown, Edward Confino, Bhabani Dey, Peter Evans, Michael Gabriel, Pam Ogasawara, Laurie Segna, William Shaw, Daniel Smigal, Jeff Tarrant, Rasika Tripathy, Leonard Uptain, Geraldine Woods, Tara Balsley, and Bonnie Buntain.

All Honor Awards recipients are listed at: <http://www.usda.gov/documents/60thhonorawards.pdf>



2008 DCVMA Dues Are Now Due

2008 DCVMA dues of \$35.00 are now due. A dues payment form is available at the end of this newsletter; please send dues to the Treasurer, **Dr. Tracy DuVernoy**.



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