

# ACVS FOUNDATION

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## CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MESSAGE

This year's ACVS Surgery Summit in Nashville, TN, celebrated the College's 50th anniversary. It was an outstanding success with a record number of attendees. As outlined in this newsletter, both the Legacy Program for Emeritus Diplomates and the Celebration of Surgical Success event on Friday night were enjoyed and appreciated by those in attendance. At the ACVS Diplomates' Annual Business Meeting, I emphasized the continued growth of the Foundation's corpus, which at the end of 2014 was \$1.8 million. I also highlighted the success

of the Honor a Mentor Program. The program, currently with 39 honored mentors, has raised over \$50,000 since its launch 16 months ago. Undoubtedly, there is an ACVS past or present Diplomate who has been influential in your life. I encourage you to consider personally acknowledging and honoring your ACVS Diplomate mentor's contribution to you and the College.

The Foundation is always looking for engaged volunteers to serve as members of the Board of Trustees. Please contact me or Scott Litten, ACVS Foundation Program

Coordinator, if you have an interest in volunteering.

Soon, you will receive a letter from me underscoring your cumulative giving to the Foundation and the gift it would take for you to move to the next donation level. Please consider the ACVS Foundation in your year-end giving or with your dues payment. Your gifts will help the Foundation enhance the College's ability to serve its Diplomates and residents.

Mark D. Markel  
Chair, ACVS Foundation  
Board of Trustees

## 2015 LEGACY PROGRAM AND TOUR

The 2015 Legacy Program and Tour, for Emeritus Diplomates, were a great success and fitting for the College's 50th anniversary and the annual Surgery Summit. We are pleased that ACVS Charter Diplomates Dr. E. Wynn Jones and Dr. Fred P. Sattler were able to attend the anniversary events. The Legacy Reception provided the Emeritus Diplomates and Foundation donors a wonderful opportunity to

renew acquaintances and catch up on everyone's new adventures.

The Legacy Tour began with lunch at the award winning Puckett's BBQ restaurant in downtown Nashville. Lunch was followed by a tour of Nashville, which included music and comedy entertainment on the Music City Rollin' Jamboree bus. We are already looking forward to another great time in Seattle at the 2016 ACVS Surgery Summit. Please contact Dr. R. Randy Basinger or Dr. R. Reid Hanson with suggestions regarding potential 2016 Legacy Tour events in Seattle.



*Emeritus Diplomates gather for ACVS 50th anniversary photo*

Our special thanks to the following Tennessee Diplomates and practices that helped by sponsoring the Legacy Program and Tour: Samuel L. Beckman, Blackford Veterinary Surgery Referral, Earl F. Calfee III, David Dycus, Memphis Veterinary Specialists, and Mountain Empire Animal Hospital.



*Emeritus Diplomates and guests enjoy the Legacy Tour Lunch*

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# We Made Some Music City Memories!

Over 1,000 people joined with colleagues and family to celebrate the ACVS 50th anniversary at the Celebration of Surgical Success event in Nashville, TN.

The Celebration served as the principal ACVS Foundation fundraising event, featuring door



prizes such as a GoPro Hero Camcorder, a 2016 ACVS Surgery Summit registration, an Apple Watch Sport, and an Apple MacBook Air. The Kelsie Rose Band and line dancing were fun and entertaining additions to this annual event.

The Foundation thanks those who donated door prizes and silent auction items and those that supported the Foundation by bidding during the event. We also thank BlackwellKing for sponsoring the Celebration of Surgical Success. We look forward to seeing you next year in Seattle, WA, where another outstanding benefit will be held.



## ACVS Foundation 2015 ACVS Surgery Summit Programs

*The ACVS Foundation presented or sponsored the following 2015 ACVS Surgery Summit programs*

- **Continuing Education**  
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  - One Surgery, One Medicine, One Health
  - The Other Crucial Skill for Success—Communication
  - Large Animal Scientific Abstracts
  - Small Animal Orthopedic Tips & Tricks
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- **Legends Award**
- **Emeritus Diplomate Legacy Program**

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