SO, THIS HAPPENED »

There were definitely some Cowboys in the house at AAEP, San Francisco! Pictured here are a few of the many alumni reception attendees showing off the spoils in the AAEP Collegiate Challenge, raising $750 over Texas A&M (2nd place) and the University of Missouri (3rd place). An aggregate amount of $39,000 was raised. Nicely done. Gotta love these guys.

Pistols Firing!

JANUARY - IT'S VMX ORLANDO »

Cowboys will have an alumni reception on Saturday, January 20, 2019 at the Hyatt Regency, 9801 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819. Registered attendees, watch for an email with room location on January 20. This is a first for VMX! Saddle up.

MESSAGE FROM OSU FOUNDATION »

Support for the Panciera Learning Enhancement Project may be easier than you think thanks to your IRA. If you are 70.5 or older, you may direct your annual required minimum distribution from your IRA directly to the OSU Foundation, shielding yourself from the increase in income. Speak to your financial adviser and contact Chris Sitz 405-385-5170 for assistance in making a gift to honor Dr. Panciera. Visit giving retirement assets in support of CVHS.

WILD GEESE THAT FLY WITH THE MOON ON THEIR WINGS »

As I reflect on service to alumni for 2018, I am grateful for the daily graces that are the treasures of my heart. These are a few of my favorite things...

- From somewhere down in Texas, the daily motivational memes at the 6:00 a.m. hour. Keep those coming, y'all!
- From a pasture in Arkansas, "checking in."
- Hailing from the emeriti faculty meeting, "Where are you?"
- Windshield time heading to teeth filing, "Tilo here."
- A former colleague well check, "You doing OK? Been on the road all week and headed home from east Texas."
- "The class of ’68 presents SW with Honorary Membership in appreciation of alumni service." (That’s a biggie.)
- From I-40 "What’s happening in alumni affairs?"
Friday Bit feedback...

- **On turkey humor**, "Great!" "Cautioned my son to get a fire extinguisher!"
- "**Nice article on the reunion. For me it was a lifetime event...**" From NC
- From our hero, the **state veterinarian**, "Good job, Sharon."
- **Somewhere in Utah there's a Distinguished Alum** who comments, "Really cute newsletter!!"
- **From Mongolia**, "You stated the Distance Training in Mongolia so well. The Mongolian veterinarians will be amazed to see their picture in an OSU e-correspondence."
- "**Excuse me, a Lincoln Reilly autographed football?**" (Had to explain myself on that one.)

As 2018 draws to a close, receive my heartfelt appreciation for your generosity and kindness in support of alumni programming. Our actions today have lasting impact for tomorrow. **Because, kindness fills emptiness.**

It's **F R I D A Y!** Queue the 'um reindeer.

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*(The university is closed for holiday 23 December - 2 January. The Friday Bit resumes 11 January.)*

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