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LSU hosts Great Rover Road Run

BATON ROUGE — The Louisiana State University (LSU) School of Veterinary Medicine will host the Hill's Pet Nutrition 15th Annual Great Rover Road Run on March 29. The event will consist of a 5K run and a 1-mile Run or Walk with Rover. Proceeds benefit the American Veterinary Medical Association student chapter. The mission of the Hill's Great Rover Road Run is to increase awareness about the importance of proper nutrition and exercise for animals. To register, call 225-578-9900 or go to www.vetmed.lsu.edu. Participants get a T-shirt and doggy bag. Water and refreshments will be provided, and there will be a low-cost dog wash after the races.



Courtesy of Louisiana State University

Great Rover Road Run increases awareness of obesity.

'Suite Stories' winner announced

WESTBROOK, Maine — Katie Thompson, DVM, of the Veterinary Center at Fishhawk in Lithia, Fla., won the IDEXX VetLab Suite Stories contest sponsored by IDEXX Laboratories. Thompson described how the VetLab Suite enhanced the clinic's ability to practice better medicine, improved the bottom line and saved the life of a favorite, long-time patient. Thompson won an IDEXX next-generation VetLab Suite, including the new Catalyst Dx and the SNAPshot Dx analyzers.

Morris Jr., honored with award

ORLANDO, Fla. — Mark L. Morris Jr., DVM, MS, DACVN, was posthumously awarded the 2008 Mark L. Morris, Sr. Lifetime Achievement Award. The award is presented annually to a veterinarian who has made significant contributions to the health and well-being of companion animals.

VPI rewards students

BREA, Calif. — Veterinary Pet Insurance (VPI) and veterinary student representatives from the Veterinary Business Management Association (VBMA) rewarded students from 17 of the nation's veterinary colleges for demonstrating VPI Pet Insurance "know-how." Participants examined hypothetical medical claims and applied them to the use of pet insurance. The winners received a trip to the 2008 NAVC Conference or \$1,000.

Valentino named CTO of iCRco

TORRANCE, Calif. — Daniel J. Valentino, PhD, was named chief technology officer for iCRco. Valentino will be responsible for technology research and new product development for the digital radiography solutions company. "Daniel brings considerable experience in medical imaging to our company," said Stephen Neushul, CEO of iCRco.

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