



# Countryside Veterinary Clinic

## August 2016 Newsletter



### Continuing Education

Peter G. Ostrum, DVM

Continuing education courses for our doctors play a vital role in post graduate veterinary education. In order to maintain a current veterinary license, New York State requires all veterinarians to attend lectures and seminars involving the latest clinical research, diagnostic techniques and treatment options. While state law mandates participation, Countryside Veterinary Clinic places great emphasis on helping our doctors keep up to date. (Han Vanderveekan) Not only are the actual lectures and courses relevant, but the ability to network and connect with other veterinarians and current students outside our practice is extremely valuable. While many meetings are in New York, national meetings require our doctors to travel and be away from their families and routine work schedule. Upon returning, doctors provide a summary of the relevant information to our staff, thereby, expanding the knowledge base of the clinic.

Included is a list of the recent meetings that our staff has attended or will attend in the near future. It is our hope at Countryside that quality continuing education will not only benefit our veterinarians but ultimately our clients too.

- Northeast Dairy Production Medicine Symposium: Syracuse, NY - March 2016, Drs. Pauly, Burbank, Hausserman and Thomas
- Merck Vaccine Symposium: Phoenix, AZ - June 2016, Dr. Thompson
- Parnell Reproductive Symposium: San Francisco, CA - July 2016, Dr. Hausserman
- American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP): Charlotte, NC - Sept 2016, Drs. Ostrum, Coen and Thomas
- New York State Vet Medical Society Annual Conference: Ithaca, NY Sept 2016, Dr. Nightingale
- Northeast Association of Equine Practitioners: Niagara Falls, NY - Sept 2016, Dr. Nightingale
- Dairy Production Medicine Certificate Program: Dublin, Ireland Fall 2016 – Spring 2017 Dr. Coen

In addition to maintaining state veterinary licenses, all food animal veterinarians who wish to write intrastate, interstate and international health papers must maintain their national accreditation by completing online course work every 3 years. State regulatory work such as TB and Brucellosis testing/vaccination must be completed by an accredited veterinarian.



to Dr. Mark Thomas who will assume the presidency of American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP) for one year starting this September. AABP currently has over 5,000 members and is the flagship professional organization for all veterinarians specializing in dairy and beef cattle. This is a prestigious position that reflects Dr. Thomas's passion and commitment to bovine veterinary medicine. Needless to say, Mark will be very busy fulfilling his new responsibilities.

# YOU'RE INVITED to a PICNIC

Countryside Veterinary Clinic's  
Farmer Client Appreciation Picnic!



**Thursday September 1, 2016**  
**7:00 p.m. till ?**  
**Lewis County Fairgrounds Pavilion**

We don't want to run out of food so please help us get close to correct number by calling and making reservation (376-6563) with how many adults and how many kids will be attending. **Door prizes will be given out – BUT you need to be on the reservation list in order to be able to win!**

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## 2016 Fall Lewis County Rabies Clinic

**Thursday – September 22 at**

**Lowville Town Barn from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

All cats should be in carriers or confined in pillowcases. Dogs must be on a leash.

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**Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.**  
**Downtown Lowville**



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