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## Stronger Together: How the Massachusetts Animal Shelter Support (MASS) Coalition Elevates Animal Welfare Across Massachusetts



Neal Litvack, MSPCA-Angell President

Animal shelters across the country — including right here in Massachusetts — continue to face unprecedented challenges: a decrease in animal relocations, longer lengths of stay, staffing shortages in veterinary medicine, and reduced access to affordable care.

To address these complex, statewide issues, the MSPCA-Angell led the creation of the Massachusetts Animal Shelter Support (MASS) Coalition, a collaborative effort with five other local shelters to improve animal welfare through shared knowledge, strategic coordination, and mutual support. The MSPCA-Angell uses its expertise to help increase adoptions in partner shelters, while also helping them address individual needs in their areas. This level of coordination makes it possible to tackle challenges more effectively and with more impact.

The MASS Coalition includes the MSPCA-Angell's shelters (Boston, Methuen, Cape Cod, and Salem), the City of Boston Animal Care and Control, Berkshire Humane Society, Dakin Humane Society, Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center, and the Worcester Animal Rescue League.



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## Modernized Pathology Lab and In-House Boarding Unveiled

Ann Marie Greenleaf, DVM, DACVEC  
Chief of Staff, Angell Animal Medical Center

Our commitment to innovate and evolve to serve the needs of our patients, clients, and staff has inspired significant changes. I'm excited to share two important updates happening at the MSPCA-Angell. In August, we will open the doors to our new, state-of-the-art, in-house pathology lab. This long-overdue upgrade coincides with our other big news: the launch of in-house healthy boarding and grooming services. This service is separate and complementary to Angell's medical boarding service. These projects reflect our ongoing dedication to providing best-in-class care while making every interaction more efficient, comfortable, and connected.

### The New Pathology Lab Is Almost Here



Hematology area of main lab

Angell Animal Medical Center is nearing completion of a major upgrade: a new, modern clinical pathology lab designed to meet the needs of a growing hospital. Located on the first floor, the lab will be fully operational by the end of August 2025, pending the arrival of a generator and fire pump.

The former lab was more than 50 years old, located in the basement ("garden level"), and couldn't accommodate the technology we need today. We were limited by space, infrastructure, and even safety concerns. It was clear we had to build something new.

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Looking ahead, the future of the MASS Coalition is focused on deeper coordination and even stronger results. We're formalizing the collaboration — planning, meetings, resource-sharing — but we want our partner shelters to remain independent. The goal of the MASS Coalition is to help partner shelters optimize their results. At a time when many shelters are struggling, the MASS Coalition is a resourceful way to extend care, improve outcomes, and save more lives, not alone but together.

Since the Coalition's launch in July 2024, we have:

- Extended our Community Outreach program into Springfield to reduce disease outbreaks, increase access to affordable veterinary care, and help keep people and pets together
- Helped to equip and staff a monthly low-cost, high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter (HQHVSN) clinic in Springfield to help with animal overpopulation
- Provided behavior support from our adoption center behavior experts to all five organizations
- Increased dog adoptions by reducing barriers to adoption and developing a series of adoption events
- Took in, treated, and adopted out animals in Coalition shelters who had medical needs that the shelters would not be able to address on their own
- Extended program support for operational best practices and volunteer programming at all five organizations
- Extended the foster network that supports animals at all MASS organizations



A key driver of the renovation is the MALDI system (matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization), which identifies bacteria through DNA analysis in minutes. That piece of equipment just couldn't fit in the old lab.

Demand for diagnostic services has surged since the 2022 opening of Angell's modernized Emergency and Critical Care Unit. The lab also processes samples for Angell West, Angell at Essex, and the MSPCA-Angell Community Clinic in Boston.

The new space is built for capacity, efficiency, and safety, with updated electrical and HVAC systems and expanded bench space for a previously crowded staff. And the layout also improves workflow, with microbiology, histology, and offices on one side, and the main lab and blood bank on the other. The necropsy lab remains in the basement, supporting city and law enforcement investigations.



Chemistry and Endocrinology area of main lab



Office area

### New Boarding and Grooming Services Coming to MSPCA-Angell

The MSPCA-Angell is pleased to announce the upcoming launch of in-house boarding and grooming services for Angell clients. The new space was built alongside our recently expanded Critical Care Unit on the second floor above the hospital wards. It is designed to provide a comfortable, safe experience for pets and peace of mind for their owners.

We're focused on building a program that reflects the same level of care and professionalism clients have come to expect from Angell, and having a veterinary hospital on-site sets us apart from similar services in the city of Boston. While the hospital is separate from the boarding and grooming areas, we're prepared if pets need medical attention during their stay. Boarding clients will have opportunities for additional enrichment and personalized attention to fit their pets' needs. Grooming will focus on wellness and creating a positive experience for pets and owners.

We are fortunate to have Brielle Friedman manage the Boarding and Grooming service. Brielle managed a multi-location boarding and grooming business in Florida for 12 years. She expects the boarding service to open later this summer. Our new groomer, Charlotte Gale, comes to us with five years of grooming experience and is also a previous Angell employee, having worked in Angell's Diagnostic Imaging service in 2019.

Clients who have visited non-emergency/non-urgent Angell services in the past year will be eligible to book boarding and services. Appointments will be available to book online or directly by phone, offering flexibility and personal service.



Brielle Friedman, Manager of Boarding and Grooming, with Nova (left) and Vina (right)



## Celebrating Dr. Neil Harpster

Pioneer in the field of veterinary cardiology and former director of the MSPCA-Angell's Cardiology service

Douglas Brum, DVM (Intern Class of '86)

Joel Kaye, DVM (Intern Class of '91)

Angell Alumni Co-Directors

The ACVIM Specialty Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes prominent veterinary leaders who have made significant contributions in each of the six ACVIM specialties. Neil K. Harpster, VMD, DACVIM (Cardiology), former director of the Cardiology service at Angell Animal Medical Center in Boston, received the Specialty Lifetime Achievement Award for cardiology in June 2024.



The MSPCA-Angell has undoubtedly had its share of veterinarians who have become legends in the field of veterinary medicine. University professors, researchers, cutting-edge clinicians, lecturers, prolific authors, and innovators in new techniques in medicine and surgery, have all been a part of the 110-year history of the hospital. Some of these veterinarians have served as Angell staff doctors,

and others were interns and residents who graduated and went on to other institutions and hospitals. Having been at Angell for 40 years, I know that many of these doctors have shaped me into a better veterinarian. However, one of the most influential veterinarians, for me, and to the veterinary community in general, is Dr. Neil Harpster.

For those of us lucky enough to work with Neil, I could stop right here, and all the memories would come back. But a little history is in order for those who never had the privilege of knowing him.

Neil worked at the MSPCA-Angell for over 40 years. After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania in 1965, he interned at MSPCA Rowley Memorial in Springfield, MA. Afterwards, he joined the staff at Angell Boston and was the heart of the hospital for the next 40 years. He was "a true veterinarian's veterinarian." He came to Angell in the days before specialty colleges and was gifted in all aspects of being a veterinarian. He was one who could help with any medical case. He did his own surgeries (from PDAs to splenectomies), saw referrals, emergencies, and had a huge, extremely loyal clientele.

However, with all his expertise, Neil's true passion was cardiology. In the early days of his career, he was a cardiologist before there were echocardiograms. He would diagnose specific heart disease with an ECG, radiographs, and a physical exam. I remember one of my overnight shifts with a dog whom I was worried about having pericardial effusion. Of course, Neil was still at the



*Drs. Doug Brum and Neil Harpster*



hospital, and an hour later, we performed a pneumopericardiogram, removed the pericardial fluid, and diagnosed a right atrial mass.

Ask any Angell intern over Neil's tenure, and they will have had experiences like this. He was always there for the interns. He was the clinician who could always be counted on when you needed him, even if it was at midnight. He helped countless interns survive another day.

When the ER list got busy, he would even take the emergency cases himself. And not just cardiology issues — he would take whatever was next, whatever the problem.

Neil trained nearly 400 interns and started the cardiology residency program. All nine of the cardiology residents he trained became boarded.

But no story about Neil would be complete without a mention of his handwriting. There were three people in the hospital who could actually read his medical records, so if he was not in the hospital, these people were really needed; otherwise, we had problems. His extremely loyal clients could only look at us blankly, trying to figure out what medication their pet was taking!

Starting in 2021, the ACVIM began awarding a lifetime achievement award. This past year, Dr. Neil Harpster was awarded the lifetime achievement award in cardiology. Neil was recognized as one of the pioneers in veterinary cardiology and one of the first to pursue specialization when specialty medicine was in its infancy. He was additionally noted for his legendary dedication to his clients, animals, and colleagues. To all of us who know him, the award comes as no surprise. No one is more deserving.

Unfortunately, Neil could not make the formal presentation at the ACVIM last June, but a few of us, including most of the cardiologists he trained, met Neil for lunch, and we did our own presentations. People came from all over the country and even Canada to share in the event. It was great spending time with him again, telling stories and hearing him laugh. For those of us there, it was a day we will always cherish.

Thank you, Neil, for your expertise, teaching, compassion, and dedication to all of us you trained, all the clients you served, and all the animals you helped. You made a big difference in the lives of so many and helped shape veterinary medicine for the future. You are one of a kind and will always be in our hearts!

Written by Dr. Doug Brum



*First row, left to right: Bill Turel, Rebecca Malakoff, Doug Brum, Neil Harpster, Brad Moses, Paul Gambardella; Second row, left to right: Nancy Laste, Lisa Moses, Michael Pavletic, Etienne Cote, Tim Cain, Eileen Neary, Michael Bernstein*



## Looking Back: An Intern Year in Review

Alanna Horton, DVM (Intern Class of 2025)

I remember Orientation Week — early lectures where a steady parade of strangers introduced us to the MSPCA-Angell’s history and the operating procedures we’d need to learn. The common refrain was this: *“This will be the hardest year of your life. But we hope you already knew that.”* While no one entered this internship naive, many left those first sessions feeling more nervous than previously expected, especially after the fifth (or tenth) pitying glance. It is hard to overstate how much we’ve changed since that day and grown as doctors and friends. And yes, beware — it’s going to get sappy from here.

We entered this program with a shared goal: to learn as much as possible and prepare ourselves for the next steps in our veterinary careers. I can say, without a doubt, that we achieved that. Though often stressful, our ER shifts were invaluable learning opportunities, allowing us to build our knowledge base and gain real confidence in physical exam and communication skills. Critical Care Unit (CCU) shifts taught us how to place nasogastric (NG) tubes, tap abdomens and chests, and unblock cats until we could do it with our eyes closed. I loved being part of the stabilization efforts and codes when STATs came through the door. Regardless of the procedure, my classmates always rose to the challenge.

One of the most rewarding parts of this year was becoming friends with my incredible intermates. It’s not easy spending most of your waking (and sleeping) hours at work for an entire year, but it was made infinitely better knowing my best friends were with me. Whether it was 3 am food orders, Vocera pranks, or daily camaraderie, we found ways to keep each other going. I always knew I had someone to lean on after a tough case, and, more importantly, people showed up for each other outside of the hospital walls. Life doesn’t stop for an internship; many of us had personal challenges to face alongside the professional ones. Our group showed what’s possible when veterinary medicine values hard work and creates an environment where we help each other prioritize family and mental health.

Even though our internship was heavily ER-focused, our class was full of diverse interests, which speaks volumes about our collective desire to be well-rounded doctors. I’m so proud of my classmates heading into general medicine, critical care, cardiology, radiology, internal medicine, neurology, oncology, surgery, emergency/critical care, and exotics. As most of my intermates leave the MSPCA-Angell and start new adventures, I hope everyone carries the clinical skills we’ve honed and the deep sense of community and resilience we built together. No matter where our paths lead, I know this year will remain one of the most formative chapters in our lives. I can’t wait to see what everyone accomplishes next.



Dr. Horton’s cat, Peridot



Dr. Horton sits with a patient



(Left to right) Dr. Elizabeth Brooks, Dr. Nicole Mango, Dr. Sage Otterson, Dr. Alanna Horton, Dr. Margaret Connor, and Dr. Taylor Stanton

# From Students to Staff: How Two Vet Techs Turned Their Passions into Careers

For Briana Cruz and Mayli Garcia, working with animals was never just a childhood dream. It was the beginning of a lifelong calling. Today, both are thriving members of the Angell at Essex team, but their journey started in the same place: Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School's Animal Science program.

When she first stepped into Essex Tech's Animal Science program, Briana Cruz knew she was exactly where she belonged. "Ever since I was little, I knew I wanted to work with animals," she said. "When I learned about the program, I was immediately drawn in, and from day one, my love for the field just kept growing."

A junior-year internship at Angell at Essex turned that passion into a purpose. It also introduced her to Sue, a coworker and mentor whose impact has been long-lasting. "Sue has been incredibly generous with her knowledge," Briana shared. "She still inspires me to grow, both personally and professionally."

Now a junior at the University of Rhode Island majoring in Animal Science with a pre-veterinary focus, Briana returns to Angell during school breaks. Her ultimate goal? She wants to earn a DVM and a Master's in Public Health from Tufts University and work in emergency veterinary medicine one day.

Briana offers this advice for students hoping to follow in her footsteps: "Stick true to who you are and remember to check in with yourself along the way. This field is incredibly rewarding, but it's the heart you bring to it that makes all the difference."

Like Briana, Mayli Garcia always felt a deep connection to animals. That connection grew into a clear purpose when she enrolled in Essex Tech's Animal Science program, a decision that helped set the foundation for her career.

A standout experience during her time at Essex Tech was rotating through the on-campus Angell clinic. "I was able to assist with exams, surgeries, and treatments," she said. "It gave me a real-world view of veterinary medicine. I loved it!"

One mentor in particular made a lasting difference: Mrs. DeForge. "She gave me the space to learn new techniques and grow my confidence," Mayli recalled. With Mrs. DeForge's encouragement, Mayli entered the CVA/CVT program at Angell, gaining hands-on experience and earning her certification, all while building the skills she uses every day.

Now a full-time veterinary technician, Mayli thrives on the variety and impact of her work. "No two days are the same, and that's what I love," she said. "Even on tough days, knowing I've helped an

animal feel better — or brought comfort to their owner — makes it all worth it."

She specializes in surgery and anesthesiology. Her advice for Essex Tech students is to prioritize their well-being just as much as they care for their patients. "Not every outcome will be perfect, but every effort matters," she said.



Mayli Garcia



Briana Cruz

## MSPCA-Angell West, Waltham

### 24/7 Emergency Care

The Emergency & Critical Care service at the MSPCA-Angell West (Waltham, MA) is available 24/7 for clients whose pets need immediate medical care for life-threatening trauma or disease.

Referring veterinarians may alert staff to an incoming case by calling 781-902-8400.

For more information, please visit [angell.org/emergency](https://angell.org/emergency).

### Same-Day Urgent Care Appointments

For non-emergent cases, the Urgent Care service at Angell West offers same-day appointments for dogs and cats. They are available Monday through Friday, 8am-6pm by calling **781-902-8400**. Urgent Care appointments are also available through the Angell West Avian and Exotic service by calling **617-989-1561**.

For more information, please visit [angell.org/urgent](https://angell.org/urgent).

### Angell West Surgery

The MSPCA-Angell West Surgery Team is available to see **stable fracture cases** as emergency add-on appointments in the mornings on Monday-Friday each week. These patients can be booked in from the appointment for surgery the same day or the following day. If you would like to use this option rather than the Emergency service, please choose the Surgery selection and the Waltham location on the referral form at [angell.org/referrals](https://angell.org/referrals) or call Angell West at **781-902-8400**.

Angell West has recently added a **Ziehm Solo FD c-arm**, which provides capability for intra-operative imaging and for the surgeons to perform minimally invasive approaches to fractures, improving outcome and recovery. This is a great option for patients and clients to be seen directly by the Surgery Team, rather than having care facilitated through the Emergency service.

Please upload a case summary and any available radiographs with your online referral form.



## EXPANDED EXTRACORPOREAL THERAPIES

Intermittent Hemodialysis (IHD), Total Plasma Exchange (TPE), Chronic Renal Replacement Therapy (CRRT) via Carpediem™, Hemoperfusion (HP)

Angell now offers a full range of extracorporeal therapies for patients with renal failure, immune-mediated diseases, and those suffering from infections or toxin ingestion. The Carpediem renal replacement machine allows for dialysis in patients under 10 kg, while intermittent hemodialysis is available for larger patients or those needing therapeutic plasma exchange.

Dialysis helps the kidneys recover from infections like Leptospirosis, toxin ingestion, or ischemic injury. The 2023 ACVIM Consensus on Leptospirosis recommends early dialytic intervention to prevent acute kidney injury, advising referral for dogs in IRIS AKI Grade 4 with serum creatinine levels over 5 mg/dL.

In 2024, Angell introduced hemoperfusion (HP), a rapid method for removing toxins in cases of ingestion or overdose, such as NSAIDs, chemotherapy drugs, phenobarbital, and more.

For more information, visit [angell.org/ECT](https://angell.org/ECT) and [angell.org/ECT-toxicities](https://angell.org/ECT-toxicities)

Contact: Shawn Kearns, DVM, DACVIM and Courtney Peck, DVM, DACVECC at [internalmedicine@angell.org](mailto:internalmedicine@angell.org) or 617-541-5186.



## NUCLEAR MEDICINE AT ANGELL

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Services include I-131 therapy, Synovetin OA® injections, thyroid scintigraphy, GRF studies, and transsplenic portal scintigraphy (TSPS).

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### Radioactive Iodine (I-131) Therapy

What distinguishes Angell's I-131 program to treat feline hyperthyroidism:

- Comprehensive thyroid imaging
- Experienced, compassionate care, and sedation for anxious cats
- Fast access to treatment (consults in 1-2 weeks, treatment in 2-4)
- On-site advanced diagnostic services
- Individualized iodine dosing to improve effectiveness and reduce side effects
- Seamless collaboration with referring veterinarians
- High-dose treatment available for severe cases
- No automatic exclusions for pre-existing conditions
- Extended post-treatment boarding (up to 2.5 weeks)

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### Synovetin OA

Offered by Angell's Surgery service, Synovetin OA is a low-risk, minimally invasive treatment that relieves canine osteoarthritis pain and inflammation for up to a year. Angell is one of only two hospitals in Massachusetts with trained doctors authorized to deliver this targeted joint injection.

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# MSPCA-ANGELL CLINICS IN BOSTON, METHUEN, AND CAPE COD

Offering subsidized veterinary care to help keep pets and families together

The vision of the MSPCA-Angell Clinics is simple yet powerful: provide affordable veterinary care that helps keep pets and families together. By providing subsidized, low-cost veterinary care, the clinics provide a new pathway for families in need.

The clinics provide spay/neuter services as well as acute, outpatient, surgical care. The clinics are meant for families who cannot afford urgent medical care and are faced with a painful choice between euthanasia, surrender, or bringing an animal home against medical recommendations. By providing subsidized, low-cost veterinary care, the clinic provides a new pathway for families in need. We welcome your referrals to our clinics.

## Medical Procedures Performed at the MSPCA-Angell Clinics

- Diagnostics: bloodwork, urinalysis, radiographs, histopathology
- Spay for pyometra or dystocia
- Wound and laceration care
- Amputation (tail, digit, limb)
- Splinting
- Umbilical hernia repair
- Cystotomy
- Mass removal when quality of life is impacted
- Nasopharyngeal/Oral Polyp removal
- Enucleation
- Foreign body surgery for stable pets who do not require 24-hour hospitalization

To receive care at the MSPCA-Angell Clinics, clients must be on a public assistance program or have an income under the Massachusetts poverty guidelines ([aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines](https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines)). Ultimate determination of suitability for this program will be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of MSPCA-Angell managers and veterinarians. For more information, please visit [angell.org/clinics](https://angell.org/clinics).



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## Registration Now Open for Angell's Fall 2025 CE Seminars

[ANGELL.ORG/CE](https://angell.org/ce)

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**

**8:15am – 2:45pm**

5 Interactive CE credits (pending RACE approval)

### TOPICS AND SPEAKERS

- **Top 5 Retinal Conditions Seen at Angell in Practice and How They Were Addressed** – *Daniel Biro, DVM, DACVO*
- **How & When Veterinarians Should Refer to Behavior vs Trainer** – *Terri Bright, Ph.D., BCBA-D, CAAB*
- **Using Radiation to Mend a Broken Heart** – *Kristine Burgess, DVM, MLA, DACVIM (Medical Oncology)*
- **Management of Degenerative Valve Disease in the General Practice** – *Terry Huh, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology)*
- **Acute GI Imaging with a Focus on Radiographs** – *Alexander Quilty, DVM, DACVR*

**Wednesday, October 15, 2025**

**6:15pm – 8:45pm**

2 Interactive CE credits (pending RACE approval)

### TOPICS AND SPEAKERS

- **Feline Chronic Gingivostomatitis** – *Shawna Han, DVM (Practice Limited to Dentistry)*
- **A Review of Canine Oral Masses from Angell** – *Pamela Mouser, DVM, MS, DACVP (Anatomic Pathology)*

# Spotlight on Cardiology: Interventional Procedures at Angell

We are excited to welcome Elizabeth Malcolm, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology) to Angell in August 2025. Dr. Malcolm joins Katie Hogan, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology) and Terry Huh, DVM, DACVIM (Cardiology) on the Angell Cardiology team. The team has extensive experience in advanced interventional cardiology and a passion for performing these procedures, including:

- Patent ductus arteriosus (PDA) closures
- Balloon valvuloplasty for pulmonic stenosis
- Pacemaker implantation

With the addition of Dr. Malcolm, we look forward to expanding appointment availability for routine cardiology consultations and reducing the multi-month wait for those appointments. Meanwhile, **interventional cases are prioritized and typically scheduled within 1-2 weeks, or sooner.** We've also built flexibility into our appointment schedules to ensure timely access for urgent or congenital cases.

Angell remains a trusted referral destination for interventional cardiology thanks to our valued referring partners, collaborative team, and established infrastructure to ensure excellence. If you have a patient who needs one of these procedures, we're here to help quickly and expertly.

[angell.org/cardiology](http://angell.org/cardiology)



## Meet the Cardiology Team



*Dr. Katie Hogan*

### **Dr. Katie Hogan**

Dr. Hogan is a board-certified cardiologist who completed her cardiology residency at Angell in 2017. She has a strong interest in interventional cardiology and continues to pursue further training in advanced methods of diagnosing and managing congenital heart disease. She performs various interventional catheterization procedures, including PDA repair, balloon valvuloplasty, and pacemaker implantation. She works closely with other specialists to further advance the interventional radiology program at Angell. Her clinical interests include feline heart disease, especially the prevention of thromboembolic diseases, exotic animal cardiology, and arrhythmia management.



*Dr. Terry Huh*

### **Dr. Terry Huh**

Dr. Huh is a board-certified cardiologist. She earned her veterinary degree at the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University, where she first developed an interest in cardiology. Following graduation, she completed a rotating internship at the Animal Medical Center in NYC and a cardiology residency at the University of Pennsylvania. Her cardiology interests include advanced echocardiography, interventional cardiology, and chronic heart failure management.



*Dr. Elizabeth Malcolm*

### **Dr. Elizabeth Malcolm**

Dr. Malcolm is a board-certified veterinary cardiologist who finished her residency at Texas A&M University in July 2024. She is originally from northern California and attended veterinary school at the University of California, Davis. Her cardiology interests include medical management of advanced cardiac disease and interventional cardiology.

## Join Our Alumni Group

### **To join, simply:**

1. Log onto Facebook
2. Visit [facebook.com/groups/AngellAlumni](https://facebook.com/groups/AngellAlumni)
3. Select "Request to Join"

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# 2024 – 2025 Memorable Photos



1. (Left to right) Dr. Elizabeth Brooks, Dr. Nicole Mango, Dr. Sage Otterson, Dr. Alanna Horton, Dr. Margaret Connor, and Dr. Taylor Stanton

2. Dr. Juliana Picard, Dr. Ryan Fitzsimmons, and Dr. Meg Whelan

3. Dr. David Carabetta and Dr. Alison Allukian

4. (Back row, left to right): Dr. Alexander Tun, Dr. Jessica Giannetto, Dr. David Carabetta, Dr. Laurie Monhait (Internal Medicine resident), Dr. Rachel Smith, Dr. John French, Dr. Meg Whelan, Dr. Katie Simpson, Dr. Veronica Jarvinen, and Dr. Zach Crouse; (front row, left to right): Dr. Jenna Giangarra, Dr. Whitney Phipps, Dr. Stephanie Dong, Dr. Katie Hogan with Joe — Class of 2014 Reunion

5. Dr. Kristen Behrens and Dr. Beatriz Garcia — Pie in the Face Day

6. Dr. Madison Hurley and Dr. Margaret Connor — Pie in the Face Day

7. Dr. Doug Brum and Dr. Joel Kaye — Pie in the Face Day

8. Dr. Mercedes Hernandez Parrero, Dr. Taylor Stanton, and Dr. Sage Otterson

9. Dr. Meg Whelan

10. (Pictured clockwise) Dr. Aditya Kulkarni, Fabio Pacucci, Dr. Beatriz Garcia, Dr. Elizabeth Rand, Dr. Sage Otterson, Dr. Elizabeth Brooks, Dr. Matthew Pereira, Dr. Margaret Connor, Dr. Jared Johnston, Hugo Garcia, Dr. Dawn Kulkarni, and Dr. Anastasia Parashis

11. (Left to right) Dr. Matthew Pereira, Dr. Jaymee Gencher, and Dr. Luis Gutierrez Juarez

12. Dr. Elizabeth Rand and Dr. Nicole Mango

13. Dr. Patrick Sullivan and Dr. David Carabetta

14. Dr. Margaret Connor and Dr. Peter Fineis

15. (Back row, left to right) Dr. Alanna Horton, Dr. Nicole Mango, and Dr. Anastasia Parashis; (front row, left to right) Dr. Beatriz Garcia, Dr. Margaret Connor, and Dr. Sage Otterson

16. Zeppelin as vampire, Halloween

17. (Left to right) Brianna Leon, Community Outreach Manager; Cindi Donadio, Community Outreach Coordinator; and Chicken as "Don't Get Storrowed" — Halloween 2024

## In Memoriam

We are saddened to share the passing of Richard LeBlond and Angell alumni Dr. Kathy Beck, Dr. Mark Goldstein, and Dr. Sheri Siegel.



### Dr. Kathy Beck

Dr. Kathy Beck, age 73, passed away on November 27, 2024. Dr. Beck was born March 2, 1951, in Portland, OR, and moved with her family to The Dalles, OR, in 1957. She graduated with honors from The Dalles High School in 1969. She went on to Washington State and graduated in 1978 with a degree in veterinary medicine and secured her license then. Later, she practiced medicine in Ithaca, NY, while earning an advanced degree in veterinary radiology. From there, she moved to Boston and practiced at the MSPCA-Angell as a beloved staff doctor in Angell-Boston's Diagnostic Imaging service. Dr. Beck was a board-certified radiologist and served as an Angell Service Director on the hospital leadership team. In 2012 she moved to Portland, OR to be closer to her family. She continued her veterinary practice at several clinics until she retired in 2022.



### Dr. Mark Goldstein

Dr. Mark Goldstein passed away on June 6, 2025, at 72. Dr. Goldstein was born in NYC and grew up in Hicksville, Long Island. He attended Cornell University, where he earned his DVM. Upon graduation, he interned at Angell in Boston and worked at Andover Animal Hospital. After a few years in private practice, he joined the staff at Angell as an Internal Medicine doctor with specialties in Oncology and Hematology. Dr. Goldstein was director of the Boston Zoos for several years until he became the zoo director at the Los Angeles Zoo, where he was involved with preserving California condors. He also worked with a private aquarium company (Sea Clear), developing accounts with NASA and Rainforest Cafes. Then he worked as vice president of the San Francisco Humane Society and, finally, as president of the San Diego Humane Society for 10 years.



### Richard LeBlond

Richard LeBlond passed away on June 12, 2024, after a long illness. He served with the MSPCA-Angell Law Enforcement department from 1968, rising through the ranks to Chief. A dedicated investigator and mentor, Richard worked on tens of thousands of animal cruelty cases over 56 years. He also served with the Connecticut Humane Society. A lifelong advocate for animals, Richard especially loved horses and livestock. A plaque will honor his service outside the MSPCA-Angell Law Enforcement office in Boston. His legacy leaves a lasting impact on many lives.



### Dr. Sheri Siegel

Dr. Sheri Siegel passed away peacefully on January 13, 2025, at age 62. Born in Columbus, GA, on March 27, 1962, she earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Georgia and began her medical career at the CDC. She graduated first in her class from Tuskegee University's College of Veterinary Medicine and pursued further training in New York and California. She later specialized in veterinary radiation oncology, completing a fellowship at Duke. From there, she relocated to Massachusetts, where she worked at the MSPCA-Angell. In 2001, she co-founded The New England Veterinary Oncology Group in Massachusetts. After retiring in 2017, she continued to travel and volunteer, including work with the Iditarod.

## Class of 2016: Where Are They Now?

**Dr. Ryan Bookstaff:** After completing his internship at Angell, Dr. Bookstaff moved to Chicago, where he worked as an emergency veterinarian for three years. He then transitioned into general practice, where he honed his skills over the next seven years. Recently, he made an exciting leap into industry, accepting a role as a Professional Services Veterinarian with Dechra. Dr. Bookstaff is energized by the new challenges and opportunities this career shift brings and looks forward to shaping the future of veterinary medicine from a new perspective.



*Dr. Ryan Bookstaff*

**Dr. Stephen Cai:** Dr. Cai fondly remembers his time at Angell, crediting the experience as a pivotal step toward his internal medicine residency at the University of Pennsylvania. He now practices at Mount Laurel Animal Hospital, where he thrives in a collaborative and compassionate environment. Stephen splits his time between work, family visits to Quincy, MA, and traveling to places like Sedona, Barcelona, and Provincetown. When he's not exploring, he enjoys reading, running, yoga, tennis, and beach days. He currently calls Philadelphia home, but hasn't ruled out a future move to New York City.



*Dr. Stephen Cai*



*Dr. Chelsea del Alcazar*

**Dr. Chelsea del Alcazar:** Following her internship at Angell, Dr. del Alcazar pursued a residency in veterinary medical oncology at the University of Pennsylvania, where she trained alongside fellow Angell '16 alumni Drs. Stephen Cai and Cara Steele. Dr. del Alcazar currently works as a veterinary oncologist at Friendship Hospital for Animals, and lives in Washington, DC, with her wife and their beloved cats.

**Dr. Gerard Ferrick:** After completing his small animal medicine and surgery internship at Angell, Dr. Ferrick worked as an ER veterinarian in Seattle for a few years before returning to the Northeast as a general practitioner. As medical director at Thrive Pet Healthcare in Natick, MA, he is passionate about teaching, mentoring veterinarians, and assisting with technician training and process. Dr. Ferrick is Fear Free certified, and his interests include preventative care, behavioral management, and geriatric medicine. Outside of the hospital, he enjoys reading, cheering on the Huskies and Wolfpack, traveling with his family, being a supportive dad, and conquering the National Parks.



*Dr. Gerard Ferrick*

**Dr. Tara Herold-Eichhorn:** After completing her internship at Angell, Dr. Herold-Eichhorn began her career in general practice at VCA Hanson. In 2018, she and her husband relocated to Minnesota with their two cats, Albus and Ezio, to be closer to family in the Dakotas. They bought a home in Minneapolis in 2020, and Dr. Herold-Eichhorn now serves as the Medical Director at Edina Animal Hospital under Lakefield Veterinary Group. When she's not caring for patients, she enjoys knitting or gaming with one of her now 12-year-old cats curled up beside her.



*Dr. Tara Herold-Eichhorn*

**Dr. Audrey Keebaugh:** Dr. Keebaugh is currently an assistant professor and service chief of small animal internal medicine at the Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine. She met her husband, Dr. Giulio Menciotti, during her residency there, and

both stayed on as faculty members after completing their training. Audrey and Giulio are proud parents to their daughter, Francesca, and are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their son, Leonardo, who is due in July.



*Dr. Audrey Keebaugh*

**Dr. Caitlin Kozel:** Dr. Kozel and her husband Gerard are happily married and living in MetroWest Massachusetts, where they're raising their two wonderful kids.



*Dr. Caitlin Kozel*

**Dr. Barbara Linnehan:** Dr. Linnehan is returning to the MSPCA-Angell in July 2025 to complete her cardiology residency.



*Dr. Barbara Linnehan*

**Dr. Evan Mariotti:** Dr. Mariotti is a board-certified internal medicine specialist at the MSPCA-Angell, earning his certification in 2019. He later completed advanced training in I-131 therapy for hyperthyroid cats and is an active member of the hospital's I-131



*Dr. Evan Mariotti*

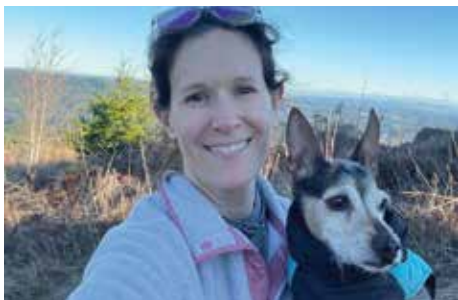
treatment team. Outside of work, he enjoys spending time with his wife, daughter, two cats, and dog.

**Dr. William Marscher:** After completing his internship at Angell, Dr. Marscher continued practicing in New England until returning to Charleston, SC. Since moving back, he practiced emergency medicine in the Charleston community and continued to develop his skills and acumen in the field. Dr. Marscher currently works at PawMed Veterinary Urgent Care in Charleston.



*Dr. William Marscher*

**Dr. Hannah Marshall:** Hannah spent her first three years after her internship at Angell completing her ECC residency before moving across the country to Portland, OR, to work at DoveLewis, where she has stayed. She is the program director for the Rotating Internship and ECC Residency at the hospital, as well as the Medical Chair on the Board of Directors for a local free veterinary clinic known as PAW Team, where she volunteers. In her free time, she can be found doing long-distance cycling — including traverses across the Olympic Peninsula and the entire state of Oregon, rock climbing, or mountaineering, and has summited Mt. Hood, Baker, Adams, Helens, and Rainier. Her Angell pets — Daisy and Astro — are living their best life in the PNW, with another cat named Fred from DoveLewis, who joined the family along the way.



*Dr. Hannah Marshall*

**Dr. Meredith Montgomery:** It's been a busy decade for Dr. Montgomery! She spent three years in Asheville, NC, with the ASPCA, teaching and performing high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter surgeries — up to 30,000 annually — while working with both shelter and owned pets. During that time, she married her husband Rob (they survived vet school and Angell together!) and welcomed their son Owen. Family needs brought them back to North Florida, where Dr. Montgomery worked as a shelter vet and taught shelter medicine at the University of Florida. In 2020, her daughter Remi was born — her spirited personality matching the chaos of the pandemic. Dr. Montgomery now works in a locally-owned, four-doctor private practice and still does relief spay/neuter work to stay connected to

shelter medicine. Their beloved cat Max (adopted from the MSPCA during her internship) is still going strong. He looks exactly the same, leading Dr. Montgomery to believe he may be some sort of immortal cat vampire.



*Dr. Meredith Montgomery*

**Dr. Patrick Satchell:** After completing his internship at Angell, Dr. Satchell accidentally launched into a three-year ECC residency. He spent five years in private practice in Austin, TX (at the same clinic as fellow Angell alum Roxanna!), before deciding to change things up. Last year, he moved to Cincinnati to join the team at MedVet. When he's not at work, you'll likely find Dr. Satchell abroad; he's been traveling extensively and is writing this bio from Tokyo, en route to Taipei.



*Dr. Patrick Satchell*

**Dr. Susan Smith:** After finishing her internship at Angell, Dr. Smith went on to pursue a clinical pathology residency and earned her PhD in Comparative and Veterinary Biosciences at the Ohio State University in 2023. She now works as a Veterinary Clinical Pathologist at IDEXX and as a diagnostic clinical pathologist at an emergency and specialty hospital in RI.



*Dr. Susan Smith*

**Dr. Anne Staudenmaier:** After completing a three-year residency in exotics at Angell, Dr. Staudenmaier

worked in Chicago at a large exotics practice and several small zoos. Three years ago, she returned to Boston and now leads the MSPCA-Angell West Exotics service. Over the past year, Dr. Staudenmaier has had



*Dr. Anne Staudenmaier*

several pieces published in anthologies and magazines. When she's not at work or writing, she enjoys hiking with her Shih Tzu, whom she affectionately calls her "little gremlin."



*Dr. Cara Steele*

**Dr. Cara Steele:** Following her rotating internship in small animal medicine and surgery at Angell in 2016, Dr. Steele completed a small animal internal medicine residency at the University of Pennsylvania. She is now a board-certified internist practicing in the Maryland area.



*Dr. Sarah Vidal*

**Dr. Sarah Vidal:** Since leaving Angell, Dr. Vidal has been on the move. She started with an oncology specialty internship in San Diego, followed by a residency at UC Davis. After becoming board-certified, she worked in private practices in Las Vegas and San Diego. She's now happily settled just north of Atlanta (hopefully for good)! Sarah met her husband Luke in San Diego shortly after her time at Angell, and he's been her steady partner through every relocation. They now share a home with their beloved dog and cat.



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## Incoming Interns and Specialty Interns Class of 2026

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University of Pennsylvania, School of Veterinary Medicine

**Kaitlyn Carberry, DVM**  
Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Rachel Crawford, DVM (Oncology)**  
Angell Animal Medical Center Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine

**Sage Demopoulos, DVM**  
Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Alyssa Dooley, DVM**  
Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Molly Duffy, DVM (Angell West)**  
Rotating Internship, Angell Animal Medical Center Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine

**Hope Fenton, DVM (Neurology)**  
Rotating Internship, Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign College of Veterinary Medicine

**Ashlyn Frahn, DVM**  
University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine

**Lindsay Gallant, DVM**  
Atlantic Veterinary College

**Alondra Gallego, DVM (Surgery)**  
Surgery Internship, Friendship Hospital for Animals Rotating Internship, The Schwarzman Animal Medical Center Michigan State University's College of Veterinary Medicine

**Deirdre Givens Mandryk, DVM**  
Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University

**Claire Glover, DVM (Angell West)**  
Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Sonya Greenberg, DVM**  
Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

**Hery Ríos Guzmán, DVM (Avian and Exotic, Angell West)**  
Small Animal Medicine and Surgery Internship, Pieper Veterinary Hospital Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

**April Hampton, DVM (Avian and Exotic)**  
Rotating Internship, VREC Westbury Lewyt College of Veterinary Medicine, Long Island University

**Stephanie Han, DVM**  
UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine

**Emily Hussey, DVM**  
Atlantic Veterinary College

**Juliana Joe, DVM (NEAS)**  
Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Cristin Juda, VMD**  
University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine

**Kathleen Lane, BVM&S (Surgery, Angell West)**  
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**Ji-Hyun Lee, DVM**  
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**Annie Li, DVM (Angell West)**  
Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University

**Lydia Liu, DVM (Surgery)**  
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**Ronan McEnroe, DVM**  
Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine / The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Vasia Murphy, DVM (Angell West)**  
Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Justine O'Donnell, DVM**  
Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Katerina Orms, DVM (Internal Medicine)**  
Rotating Internship, Overland Park Veterinary Emergency & Specialty Oklahoma State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Samantha Paucar, DVM**  
Long Island University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Elizabeth Pavlova, DVM**  
Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

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The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine

**Emily Winn, DVM**  
Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine

## Incoming Residents Class of 2028



**Surgery**  
**Matthew Boules, DVM**

- Veterinary Assistant at Family Pet Clinic of Redondo Beach
- Midwestern University College of Veterinary Medicine (2023)



**Emergency and Critical Care**  
**Ashley Goldacker, DVM**

- Avian and Exotic Specialty Internship, Red Bank Veterinary Hospital (2023)
- Rotating Internship, Iowa State University (2022)
- University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine (2021)



**Alanna Horton, DVM**

- Rotating Internship, Angell Animal Medical Center (2025)
- Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine, DVM (2024)



**Li Lange, VMD**

- ECC Residency, ACCESS Specialty Animal Hospital, Los Angeles, CA (2024)
- Rotating Internship, Pittsburgh Veterinary Specialty and Emergency Center, Pittsburgh, PA (2022)
- University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine (2021)



**Cardiology**  
**Barbara Linnehan, DVM, DACZM**

- American College of Zoological Medicine – Diplomate (Aquatics) (2023)
- Rotating Internship, Angell Animal Medical Center (2016)
- University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine (2015)



**Internal Medicine**  
**Vanessa Roza**

- Surgery Specialty Internship, BluePearl Pet Hospital Conshohocken (2025)
- Ophthalmology Specialty Internship, Kansas State University Veterinary Health Center (2024)
- Fellowship, The Comparative Ocular Laboratory at UC Davis (2023)
- Small Animal Rotating Internship, VCA Northwest Veterinary Specialists (2021)
- Colorado State University Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (2020)



**Yvonne Wei, DVM**

- Internal Medicine Specialty Internship, Angell Animal Medical Center, (2025)
- Rotating Internship, Angell Animal Medical Center (2024)
- The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies at the University of Edinburgh (2023)



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## Future Plans

### Intern and Specialty Intern Class of 2025

**Sarah Abdelmessih, DVM**

Avian & Exotic Medicine Specialty Internship, Center for Birds & Exotics Animal Medicine (CBEAM) (Bothell, WA)

**Jo-Hanna Azzara, DVM**

Avian & Exotic Medicine Specialty Internship, Angell (Boston, MA)

**Elizabeth Brooks, BVetMed**

Surgical Internship, Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center (Dallas, TX)

**Margaret Connor, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care Residency, BluePearl (Tampa, FL)

**Devin Cruz-Gordillo, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care staff veterinarian, DoveLewis Veterinary Emergency and Specialty Hospital (Portland, OR)

**Ian Doody, DVM**

Surgical Residency, Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine (Columbus, OH)

**Louis Fayolle, DVM**

Avian & Exotic Medicine / Emergency & Critical Care Specialty Internship, Angell West (Waltham, MA)

**Peter Fineis, BVetMed**

General Medicine staff veterinarian, private practice

**Kiran Fong, DVM**

Zoological Medicine Residency, Colorado State University (Fort Collins, CO)

**Beatriz Garcia, DVM**

Surgical Residency, UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine (Davis, CA)

**Jaymee Gencher, VMD**

Medical Oncology Residency, Western College of Veterinary Medicine (Saskatchewan, CAN)

**Luis Gutierrez Juarez, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care Residency, The Animal Medical Center (New York, NY)

**Jamie Hart, DVM**

Surgical Oncology Residency, VCA West Coast Specialty & Emergency Animal Hospital (Fountain Valley, CA)

**Lauren Healy, DVM**

Neurology Residency, University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine (Columbia, MO)

**Mercedes Hernandez Parreno, DVM**

General Medicine staff veterinarian, private practice

**Amanda Hirschman, DVM**

Avian & Exotic Medicine Residency, Avian Exotic Animal Clinic (Indianapolis, IN)

**Martha Hoffman, DVM**

Currently reviewing options

**Sabrina Holguin, DVM**

Neurology Residency, The Animal Medical Center (New York, NY)

**Alanna Horton, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care Residency, Angell (Boston, MA)

**Madison Hurley, DVM**

General Medicine staff veterinarian, private practice

**Jared Johnston, BVetMed**

Emergency staff veterinarian, private practice

**Dawn Kulkarni, DVM**

Neurology Residency, The Animal Medical Center (New York, NY)

**Nicole Mango, BVetMed**

Surgical Internship, Colorado Animal Specialty & Emergency (CASE) (Boulder, CO)

**Sage Otterson, DVM**

General Medicine staff veterinarian, Private practice

**Anastasia Parashis, DVM**

Internal Medicine Residency, Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine (Columbus, OH)

**Matthew Pereira, DVM**

General Medicine staff veterinarian, private practice

**Elizabeth Rand, DVM**

Surgical Internship, VCA (Gaithersburg, MD)

**Carly Rem, DVM**

Radiology Internship, Gulf Coast Veterinary Specialist (Houston, TX)

**Taylor Stanton, DVM**

Cardiology Internship, BluePearl (Irvine, CA)

**Kerry Thomson, DVM**

General Medicine staff veterinarian, private practice

**Julia Utting, DVM, MPH**

Wildlife Internship, Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine (Ithaca, NY)

**Yvonne Wei, DVM**

Internal Medicine Residency, Angell (Boston, MA)

**Alyssa Williams, DVM**

Associate Veterinarian, Countryside Veterinary Hospital (Chelmsford, MA)

**Elvira Zaripova, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care staff veterinarian, Angell West (Waltham, MA)

## Future Plans

### Graduating Residents



**Scout Ford, VMD**

Partner Veterinary Emergency and Specialty Center (Frederick, MD)



**Kathryn Heidgerd, VMD**

Surgeon, Mount Laurel Animal Hospital (Mount Laurel, NJ)



**Brandi Lauer, DVM**

Tufts Vets (Walpole, MA)



**Clinton Lynn, DVM**

Staff Cardiologist, Animal Emergency and Specialty Center (Parker, CO)



**Patrick Odom, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care staff veterinarian, Nashville Veterinary Specialists and Animal Emergency (Nashville, TN)



**Abbey Petronzio, DVM**

Emergency & Critical Care staff veterinarian, MSPCA-Angell West (Waltham, MA)



**Juliana Picard, DVM**

Internal Medicine staff veterinarian, New England Animal Medical Center (West Bridgewater, MA)



**Lindsey Summers, DVM**

Internal Medicine staff veterinarian, IndyVet (Indianapolis, IN)

# 2025 Graduation

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2025!

Best of luck to all our graduates. We're so proud of you all!



**2025 Intern Graduates**, front row (L-R): Dr. Taylor Stanton, Dr. Nicole Mango, Dr. Alanna Horton, Dr. Dawn Kulkarni; Middle row (L-R): Dr. Carly Rem, Dr. Madison Hurley, Dr. Beatriz Garcia, Dr. Margaret Connor, Dr. Mercedes Hernandez Parren; Back row (L-R): Dr. Jo-Hanna Azzara, Dr. Elizabeth Rand, Dr. Anastasia Parashis, Dr. Peter Fineis, and Dr. Sage Otterson.



Dr. Alanna Horton, Intern Graduate



Dr. Beatriz Garcia, Intern Graduate



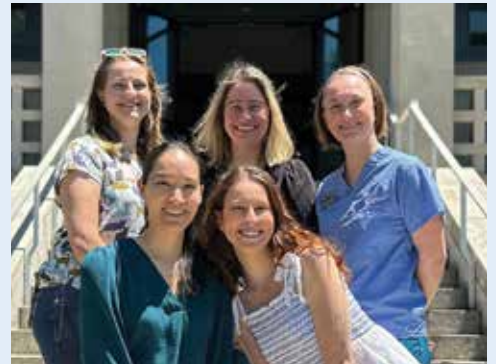
Dr. Kathryn Heidgerd, Intern Graduate



**2025 Resident Graduates**, front row (L-R): Dr. Brandi Lauer, Dr. Juliana Picard, Dr. Abbey Petronzio; Middle row (L-R): Dr. Scout Ford, Dr. Kathryn Heidgerd; Back row (L-R): Dr. Clinton Lynn, Dr. Lindsey Summers, Dr. Patrick Odom



Front to back: Dr. Jennifer Michaels (Angell staff, Neurology), Dr. Sabrina Holguin (Specialty Intern Graduate), Dr. Michele James (Angell staff, Neurology)



Front row (L-R): Dr. Kiran Fong (Specialty Intern Graduate), Dr. Alyssa Williams (Intern Graduate); Back row (L-R): Dr. Julia Utting (Intern Graduate), Dr. Anne Staudenmaier (Angell staff, A/E), Dr. Lauren Gawel (Angell staff, A/E)

## UPDATE YOUR ALUMNI INFORMATION

Please visit [angell.org/alumni](https://angell.org/alumni) to update your contact information online.

## A Fighting Chance

### HOW ANGELL INTERNS HELPED SAVE ZEUS AND LUNA FROM PARVOVIRUS

The MSPCA-Angell Intern Discretionary Fund recently helped save Zeus and Luna, 2-month-old pit bull puppies brought to Angell because they were vomiting and had diarrhea.

Zeus and Luna were littermates and adopted by siblings a few days prior. When they arrived at Angell, both puppies were quite lethargic and dehydrated. A point-of-care test for parvovirus was performed, which is the standard of care for all young puppies with GI signs. Luna was found to be positive for parvovirus, while Zeus was not. The point-of-care parvovirus test is not perfect, and as it tests for antibodies to parvovirus, false negatives are possible early in the infection process.

Zeus and Luna's owners had limited funds but could pay the exam fee. They both qualified for Angell's financial assistance program and received additional funding from our generous Kodiak Fund donors, which allowed us to hospitalize both Zeus and Luna for three days.

By day three of hospitalization, Zeus and Luna responded well to supportive care and were doing much better, but were not yet ready to go home. Zeus and Luna's owners had no additional funding for continued hospitalization. A broadcast was made to the Angell interns and residents for consideration of their discretionary funds, and the outpouring of support was incredible. The interns and residents offered a total of \$3,500 to split between the two puppies! This allowed Zeus and Luna to stay in the hospital for another two days, long enough for both puppies to regain their normal puppy energy and start eating on their own again.

Zeus and Luna were discharged from the hospital a few days later and have been doing wonderfully at home. Their owners were so grateful for the funding from Angell, especially for the outpouring of support from our interns and residents!

Please visit [mspca.org/donate](https://mspca.org/donate) for more information.



*Luna, intake photo*



*Zeus, intake photo*

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