

## RELEASE

The Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association will publicize the names and reasons for selections of all animals elected to the Oklahoma Animal Hall of Fame. In some cases, we may highlight selections through encouraging appearances and/or personal interviews with the animal's owner and/or veterinarian, or other public information events.

All such events will be subject to the animal's availability and owner's approval, but OVMA will be allowed the non-commercial use of the animal's image and/or noise reproduction. For that reason, we ask for the undersigned release.

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OWNER signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I testify the information given on this application for the Oklahoma Animal Hall of Fame is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

SPONSOR signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(OVMA Member Veterinarian) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association salutes the animals of Oklahoma and the veterinarians who care for them and promotes the recognition of Oklahoma's Best Animals.

**Send to: Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association  
P.O. Box 14521, Oklahoma City, OK 73113**

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY October 31, 2009**



How many

Extraordinary  
patients do you have?



**Nominate your extraordinary patient  
for the**

**OKLAHOMA  
ANIMAL HALL OF FAME**

**Sponsored by the  
Oklahoma Veterinary Medical  
Association**

## Why have an Animal Hall of Fame?

To celebrate the enduring link between animals and people, the Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association will honor domestic animals who exemplify the strength and value of the human-animal bond.

It is a great opportunity to promote public awareness of the contribution domestic animals give and showcase your extraordinary patient and client! Don't miss this chance to honor a special animal.

### The Awards Recognition will:

Honor outstanding contributions that animal companion make to enrich human lives; heighten public awareness of the human-animal bond; allow OVMA members to recognize outstanding patients' accomplishments by submitting nominations.

Winners will be recognized during an awards ceremony on Saturday January, 2005 during the OVMA Convention. A plaque with a photograph of each inductee will become part of a permanent Oklahoma Animal Hall of Fame exhibit on display at the OVMA offices.

Animal Hall of Fame winners may have the opportunity to be publicized in newspaper articles, veterinary publications, or on television programs.

## Categories

One inductee may be selected for each category:

**HERO:** Animals who have saved or preserved human life.

**COMPANION:** Animals who have provided a benefit to their human companions or their community.

**PROFESSIONAL:** Animals especially trained to assist humans.

## Requirements

1. Each nomination must be submitted by an OVMA member on an Official (or photocopy of official form) with the signature of the animal's owner/caretaker. (The Veterinary Sponsor may include letters of support from other sources).

2. Nominees must be domestic animals who, through unselfish and courageous accomplishment, exemplify the affection, loyalty, and value of the human animal bond.

3. Animals and their owners must be available to attend the OVMA Convention on Saturday January 30, 2010 and to participate in public recognition activities

4. A one page description of why the animal should be considered must accompany the Official Application. Explain how the animal exhibited special abilities, how the animal demonstrated unselfish and/or courageous accomplishments. Or, give examples of the animal's affection, loyalty and companionship or the ways in which it provides healthful benefits, confidence or opportunities for exercise, socialization or laughter. On going and/or heroic actions may be considered.

NOTE: The description letters are a very important part of the nomination, be descriptive and complete. Thank You.

5. An animal may be nominated in one category per year.

## Selection

One inductee may be selected per category. Inductees into the Oklahoma Animal Hall of Fame will be selected from nominations by the OVMA Public Education Committee.

# Animal Hall of Fame Application

Category:  Hero  Companion  
 Professional

*Nominating Veterinarian (OVMA member)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Clinic Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Years you have know nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

*Nominee*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Species \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_

*Owner/Caretaker*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Years you have owned/been caretaker of nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the event(s) and reasons your animal should be considered for membership in the Oklahoma Animal Hall of Fame. The description letters are a very important part of the nomination, be descriptive and complete. Please enclose a clear photo of the nominee with this applicatoin.