



College of Health Professions

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For Your Information – July 25, 2017



Whatever happened to Charley?

– Many College of Health Professions students, faculty, and students have noticed that Charley the CHP Cat has been missing from campus the past few weeks. The good news is that Charley has landed in the lap of luxury, so to speak. More on that below.

Charley came to the UAMS “west” campus several years ago, a stray who happened to find a safe haven behind Building 3, home of the Physician Assistant (PA) Studies department. Folks in PA Studies took a personal interest in Charley and began setting out food and

water for him, and he stayed for more. He probably was the best fed stray around! But, despite everyone’s best intentions and kindness, Charley wouldn’t let anyone get close to him.

Over the years, another stray or two has come and gone. Some were rescued and others seem to have left on their own. And Charley stayed. He knew a good thing when he saw it. Then, other folks on west campus started taking note of Charley and he seemed to have more and more options for food and water. Someone even brought a covered kitty litter box outfitted with a comfy blanket for refuge during the winter months.

And still, Charley wouldn’t warm up to anyone. Until Vanessa Lewis, from Campus Life and Student Support Services, came along. Vanessa, whose office is in the UAMS Student Center started talking to Charley from a distance, feeding him, and over the course of several months gradually gained his trust. She was ultimately able to pet him in his “drive-by” way and in a few more weeks, you could spot Vanessa sitting on the sidewalk with Charley sitting on her lap. It got to the point that Charley would wait between the Student Center and Building 4A for Vanessa to come outside to feed and pet him.

How about the lap of luxury? Well, Vanessa finally was able to take Charley home with her where he lives a life of ease and he makes Vanessa’s life a little bit better every day. We all miss Charley, but we’re very happy that he’s found a place to call home.

Timely Matters

For College of Health Professions **Dates to Remember**, bookmark <http://healthprofessions.uams.edu/faculty-and-staff/dates-to-remember/>

July 28 – Summer semester grades for graduating students due to the University Registrar

July 31 – Deadline to notify dean’s office of Friday schedule “hold” times for fall semester

August 1 – 2017-2018 college catalog published on College of Health Professions website

August 1 – Deadline to submit curriculum changes and additions for Spring 2018 to Curriculum Committee

August 4 – End of Summer semester; submit grades for all other students to University Registrar

August 4 – Deadline for Faculty Excellence Award nominations

August 5 – August graduation; degrees awarded, no ceremony

August 9 – College of Health Professions Executive Committee Planning Retreat, 11:30-4:30; Wildwood Park for the Arts

August 14 – New Student Academic Convocation, 8:30 am, Jack T. Stephens Spine Institute, Fred Smith Auditorium

August 14 – New Student Orientation; locations and times vary by department



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