



Dr. Cindy Shmon and her team conduct orthopedic surgery on a canine patient in a new surgery suite.



Critical care and emergency specialist Dr. Jennifer Ogeer checks on an ICU patient.

SPECIAL SPACES

During the past 24 months, new spaces with specialized technologies and purposes have been opening throughout the WCVM Veterinary Teaching Hospital. As improvements to the hospital's small animal clinical services wrapped up in the summer and fall of 2008, the doors opened on several new rooms including the new dentistry suite, an ophthalmology clinical suite, and additional examination rooms such as the Corporal Galloway examination room (at right). As well, the hospital now has a medical oncology room that's equipped with a pass-through window to the pharmacy next door for safe distribution of chemotherapy drugs (see front cover). The teaching hospital is also equipped with high-tech small animal surgery suites (above, left) alongside an intensive care unit (above, right) that provides 24-hour care to critically ill and emergency patients. **V**



OUR COVER DOG: Read more about WCVM cancer patient Bram at www.cahf.usask.ca.



Dr. Elisabeth Snead examines Hunter, a search and rescue dog. His owner, Garry Gerber, worked closely with Corporal Galloway.

THIS IS FOR JIM: A new patient examination room in the Western College of Veterinary Medicine's renovated teaching hospital at the University of Saskatchewan has been named after

Corporal James Galloway, a Royal Canadian Mounted Police service dog handler who was killed while on duty four years ago in Edmonton, Alta.

"Corporal Galloway was committed to caring for the health and well being of his canine partners for more than three decades," says WCVM Dean Dr. Charles Rhodes.

"By supporting the expansion and renovation of our teaching hospital, his family and friends are helping us to carry on a similar commitment of providing quality health care for service dogs and companion animals across Western Canada."

More than 100 representatives from WCVM, the RCMP and other law enforcement organizations across Canada joined the family and friends of Galloway at a private dedication ceremony on July 19. During the event, guests visited the Veterinary Teaching Hospital's Room 1522 — the patient examination room that now includes a framed memorial and photo of Galloway with *Cito*, his last canine partner.

"This is the perfect memorial for Jim because he loved his dogs, he had a deep respect for veterinary medicine, and he enjoyed talking about his work and his dogs with students of all ages," explains Margaret Galloway, Jim's wife of 33 years. "I think he would be very pleased to be part of this building where animal health care and teaching are so vital."

During his 35-year career with the RCMP, Galloway spent nearly three decades with the national force's Police Dog Section. The veteran service dog handler mainly worked in Alberta where he was posted to three different detachments in 26 years. Galloway was shot and killed by a suspect during a call with the Edmonton Emergency Response Team on February 28, 2004.

The WCVM Veterinary Teaching Hospital expansion was one of two initiatives to which Galloway's family and friends contributed in his memory. The Galloway patient examination room is part of the hospital's renovated area that provides more resources for clients and their pets such as a quiet room, additional examination rooms, and new rooms for specialized services such as veterinary ophthalmology, dentistry and medical oncology.