



## Alabama Veterinary Medical Association

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## PRESS RELEASE

### Our Oath in Action Event in Auburn

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**MONTGOMERY, Ala.** - The Alabama Veterinary Medical Association is pleased to participate in the third nationwide campaign funded by the American Veterinary Medical Foundation called "Our Oath in Action." The event will take place on Saturday, October 3 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Ag Heritage Hill as part of Auburn University's 2015 Fall Roundup and Taste of Alabama Agriculture.

"This national effort brings awareness to pet healthcare and disaster preparedness for pets," says ALVMA Assistant Executive Director Dr. Brad Fields. "We want pet owners to be aware that they need a disaster plan for their pets as well as their families."

Members of the veterinary profession are committed to the well-being of animals. Every day, in their clinics and in their classrooms, they embody their veterinary oath, using their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit of society and the advancement of medical knowledge. The AVMF, the charitable arm of the American Veterinary Medical Association, created Our Oath in Action Day to put that pledge into practice. The AVMF is funding and coordinating this effort with the Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine with support and oversight from ALVMA.

This fall, veterinarians will gather to bring their skills and knowledge to bear on service projects that will engage and educate pet owners and animal lovers on a range of topics related to animal healthcare. Learn more about how to protect your pets when the unthinkable happens. Pets need to have a disaster plan like other members of your family. They need to have a supply kit, a plan for a safe haven and an evacuation plan should an emergency arise. Stop by to check out one of the Companion Animal Mobile Equipment Trailers (CAMET), owned by the ALVMA and ALVMF that provide supplies necessary to house up to 80 pets and can be deployed to an affected area. They are stocked with emergency supplies to care for pets after disaster strikes. There will also be a live demonstration by Canine Performance Sciences detector dogs. There will be toys for the kids and lots of great giveaways, including information about keeping pets healthy year-round and the opportunity to join the AVMF in its mission to help veterinarians help animals.

Ag Roundup, which has earned a reputation over the past 35 years as Auburn's largest tailgate party, is open to everyone and features a wide range of foods grown and/or produced in Alabama. In addition to the "Our Oath in Action" event, the Ag Roundup will offer informative displays and children's activities. Admission is \$5, children under 6 are free. It will be held on Ag Heritage Park's south side, with the main entrance located at the Alabama Farmers Pavilion, 620-A S. Donahue Drive.

Founded in 1907, The Alabama Veterinary Medical Association is comprised of approximately 725 veterinarians from around the state, all committed to protecting People, Pets and Livestock – Yesterday, Today and Always.

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