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Dear friends and clients,

Bright Eyes & Bushy Tails continues to grow! This newsletter has double the number of recipients as last quarter's newsletter, and we're grateful for the continued support you're providing us with. After receiving our last newsletter, my grandfather said that we should provide more information about our backgrounds and interests. So, here's a brief *curriculum vitae* for me and Jennifer.

Allan Berger spent most of his academic career at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. He received a BS degree in Animal Science in 1990, and a DVM degree in 1993. From 1993 until March, 1998, Allan worked for a small animal practice in Seneca Falls, NY. Allan taught clinical pharmacology at Cornell University during the 1993-94 academic year, and completed a PhD in pharmacology in 1998. His veterinary interests continue to focus on internal medicine and pharmacology (both clinical and research).

Allan moved to Iowa City in May, 1998 to accept a position working in the Internal Medicine Department at the UIHC (employed by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute). His current area of research is cystic fibrosis, using electrophysiology techniques to study the lungs of (human) cystic fibrosis patients.

Allan's hobbies are diverse. Computers take up a lot of his time (internet content creation and networking; anything Macintosh or UNIX), and he maintains an e-mail list for veterinary education (over 1600 veterinarians subscribe). While in New York, he volunteered for the local fire department, eventually serving as the fire chief for the district adjacent to Ithaca, NY (called Varna). More recently, the new hobby of business administration was foisted onto him, though some of his experience in nonprofit corporations has helped him cope (fire company, two years on the board of directors for a homeowner's association).

Jennifer Berger started her undergraduate work at Lake Erie College in Ohio. After one year, she transferred to SUNY Genesee in New York. Two years later she was accepted to Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine, where she completed her DVM degree in 1998. During her studies, Jennifer did an equine externship in Wisconsin, and