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Woods, Laura A.

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Lance Matthew Adams

Aquarium of the Pacific

Spouse: Amy Lee Adams

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAZV, AAV, IAAAM

Rachel Addleman-Seder

Company: Houston Animal Acupuncture & Herbs

Spouse: Stephen Seder

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Owner, Houston Animal Acupuncture & Herbs; Associate, Memorial Cat Hospital.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

ABVP, AAFP

Board Certifications:

ABVT, CVA

Brian Charles Archer

Spouse: Kristi Archer

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Staci J Armstrong

Company: Whitesburg Animal Hospital

Spouse: Tracy Armstrong

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Nicole L Bachman

Company: Lindsborg Veterinary Medical Hospital,

Spouse: Byron Jon Bachman

Children: Kaleb (06/12/2002)
Keilah (03/14/2005)
Keziah (05/18/2006)
Kenan (08/08/2008)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Emergency Work, Mission MedVet, Kansas City, Kansas, 1 year; Private Mixed Practice, Lindsborg, Kansas, 9 years; Board Member, Animal Care Emergency Clinic, Salina, Kansas, 2 years.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA

Advice to Students:

Cherish your time in school, and foster lasting friendships.

Class Comments:

Miss you all, drop by if you are ever in town!

Jake C Bauer

Company: Oakley Veterinary Services, PA

Spouse: Traci Bauer

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Living history Vol. at Ft. Hays, KS

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Matthew D Bayer

Company: Hunters Creek Animal Hospital

Spouse: Kelly Bayer

Children: Jack Bayer 2010

Education: Lindsey Bayer 2013

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Heather Anne Biele

Company: KU Alumni Association

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

HSVMA

Patrick L Bierman

Company: Mandan Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Lori A Bierman

Children: Eleanor Louise (04/20/2000)
Henry William (08/09/2003)
Andrew James (10/12/2006)
Carolyn Marie (03/25/2011)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Purchased Mandan Veterinary Clinic November 1, 2000. Practiced solo until June 2001 then hired Dr. Kristie Oppen as associate then hired Dr. Shuan Bouzie as an associate in 2009 when Dr. Oppen left.

Education:

BS, South Dakota State University, Animal Science, Brookings, South Dakota, 1995
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AABP, North Dakota Vet Med Association, South Dakota Veterinary Medical Association, Kansas Veterinary Medical Association

Victor Luis Bozzo

Company: Equine Associates of PR

Spouse: Lillian Bozzo

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Cynthia Jean Brown

Company: New England Veterinary Medical Center

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Internship in small animal medicine and surgery, Animal Medical Center, New York City, 1999-2000; Residency in exotic animal medicine and surgery, Animal Medical Center, New York City, 2000-2002; Exotic Pet Medicine and Surgery, Animal Medical Center, 2002-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAV

Board Certifications:

ABVP

Amy Christine Bunck

Company: Animal Clinic of Kearney

Spouse: Jamie Lee Bunck

Children: Jayce (10/31/2008)

Career News: Asher (07/18/2011)

I have been doing relief work for the past 12 years. I am not mostly working in Kearny, MO.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KCVMA, AVMA

Family News:

They boys are growing fast. They are playing a lot of sports. We do quite a bit of camping and off-roading during the summer. Seems like we are never home!

Advice to Students:

Study hard and have a great time. Cherish the friends you make.

Class Comments:

Still miss you!

Randy J Burge

Company: Eastside Animal Center

Spouse: Amber Burge

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Co-owner of mixed animal practice.

Education:

BS, University-Nebraska Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska 1995

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AVMA, AABP, AVC

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Member, Gothenburg Rotary Club; Member, Board of Directors, Gothenburg Chamber of Commerce; Board of Directors, Dawson County Cattlemen.

David Andrew Byerly

Company: Byerly Veterinary Services

Spouse: Audrey (Adams) Byerly

Children: Joshua (04/02/1999)
Caleb (07/19/2001)
Benjamin (02/17/2005)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Associate Veterinarian, Tri-County Veterinary Hospital, 1999-2002; Sole Proprietor, Byerly Veterinary Services, 2002-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

CAVMA, AVMA, AAEP

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Technical Volunteer, Santa Clara County Mounted Posse, 2003-present.

Sherman Orye Canapp

Company: Veterinary Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Group (VOSM)

Spouse: Debra Ann Canapp

Children: Allison Canapp (07/11/1993)
Caden Canapp (12/16/2002)
Isabella Canapp (07/13/2008)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

I am originally from Maryland, and I performed my undergraduate work at University of Maryland Baltimore County and Towson University. I then attended Johns Hopkins University where I gained experience in surgical and pharmaceutical research while performing graduate studies in biochemistry. I completed a combined DVM/MS at Kansas State University in 1999 along with a Masters in Clinical Science in Surgery. After graduation, I completed an internship in small animal medicine and surgery at the University of Missouri followed by a three-year residency in small animal surgery at the University of Florida. I became a member of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons in 2004. In 2005, I completed my certification in Canine Rehabilitation. I completed certification in Stem Cell Therapy in 2007.

My surgical training includes general, orthopedic, and neurosurgery. My research and advanced training includes reconstructive surgery and wound healing, treatment of joint diseases, minimally invasive surgery and sports medicine. I completed a masters in research, resident research, and advanced training in the treatment of joint diseases. I am certified to perform the Tibial Plateau Leveling Osteotomy (TPLO) for the treatment of cranial cruciate ligament insufficiency. I have performed over 1300 TPLO procedures on dogs that range in size from 10 lbs to 240 lbs. Along with arthroscopic procedures, the TPLO procedure is one of the most common procedures that I perform and I have just completed a second clinical trial evaluating the effects of a synthetic bone graft substitute on the healing of TPLOs in dogs. I am a reviewer for many scientific veterinary and human journals. I publish and lecture frequently on the subjects of osteoarthritis, sports medicine, rehabilitation therapy and minimally invasive surgery, specifically canine arthroscopy, including presentations at the American College of Veterinary Surgeons Symposium, the Veterinary Orthopedic Society Meeting, the North American Veterinary Conference, and national and international continuing education meetings. I was invited to be the Seminar Chair for the Rehabilitation Therapy Laboratory and Lecture Sessions at the ACVS Symposium in 2006, 2007, and 2009 and the Sports Medicine Chair in 2009. I have also had the honor to speak at the 2007 American Physical Therapy Association Meeting on Orthopedic Conditions in Performance Dogs and at the 2007 United States Police Canine Association National Training Seminar. In 2007, I was elected as the founding president of the American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians (AARV).

Currently, I practice orthopedic surgery and sports medicine at the Veterinary Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Group (VOSM) in Ellicott City, MD where I am Chief of Staff. I am also an orthopedic surgery and sports medicine consultant for the National Aquarium in Baltimore, the National Zoo in Washington, D.C., the Maryland Zoo, the Washington D.C. and Regional Police K-9 Units and Search and Rescue dogs, the Washington D.C. Animal Rescue League, National agility, fly ball, field trial, and disc dog organizations, Nutramax Laboratories, Edgewood, MD, and Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

My area of particular interest is the area of sports medicine and minimally invasive surgery, specifically canine sports related injury and arthroscopy. I have completed and taught advanced courses in arthroscopy and routinely

receive referrals for arthroscopic procedures from around the US. I also perform minimally invasive fluoroscopic procedures. I offer this type of advanced care for our pets because I believe clients expect and deserve a standard of care no less than that of human patients.

Career News:

Staff Surgeon, VCA Veterinary Referral Associates, Medical Director, Dr. Dave Saylor, 15021 Dufief Mill Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20878. Orthopedic surgery and sports medicine, general surgery, and neurosurgery, 2003-2006; Surgical Consultant, Maryland Zoological Park, Department of Animal Health, Dr. Mary Denver, Baltimore, MD 21217, 2004-present; Surgical Consultant, The Washington D.C. Animal Rescue League, Medical Director, Dr. Gary Weitzman, Washington D.C. 20011. Performing surgical consultations, orthopedic, soft tissue, and neurosurgery, 2004-present; Orthopedic Surgery and Sports Medicine Consultant, Fly Ball and Frisbee Competition Team dogs, Columbia, MD. Team veterinarian, 2004-present; Orthopedic Surgery and Sports Medicine Consultant, Montgomery County Police K-9 Unit. Officer Joseph Stanton, Gaithersburg, MD. Performing orthopedic and neurological surgical procedures; performing orthopedic/sports medicine consultations, 2004-present; Orthopedic Consultant, Nutramax Laboratories, Inc. Drs. Todd Henderson, Barbara Eves, and David Griffin. Edgewood, MD. Production of an instructional video for surgeons on the use of a synthetic bone graft substitute (Consil); Performing a clinical trial on the use of Consil, 2004-present; Surgical Consultant, Smithsonian's National Zoological Park, Department of Animal Health, Dr. Sharon Deem, Washington D.C. 2008, 2004-present; Veterinary Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Group (VOSM); Chief of Staff, Annapolis Junction, MD. Orthopedic and neurological surgical procedures, sports medicine, and rehabilitation therapy consulting, 2006-present; Orthopedic Surgery Consultant, National Aquarium. Drs. Leigh Clayton and Kat Hadfield, Baltimore, MD 21205, 2009-present; Orthopedic Surgery & Sports Medicine Consultant, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Department of Comparative Medicine and Research Animal Resources, Drs. Joanna Walker and Dawn Ruben, Baltimore, MD 21205, 2009-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

MS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Internship, University of Missouri

Surgery Residency, University of Florida

Professional Memberships:

MDVMA, AVMA, VOS, ACVS, ACSMA

Offices Held:

Past President American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians (AARV)

Board Certifications:

ACVS

Family News:

Three great kids and wife, incredible practice and wonderful life.

Advice to Students:

Keep your grades up; Enjoy the moment

Class Comments:

What a great class we had!

Barbara Carter

Company: Retired - Apple Lane Animal Hospital

Education:

Weber State College, 1971 BS, Physical Education
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Beverly Kay Cassady

Company: Animal Medical Care

Spouse: Joseph Cassady

Children: Joseph "Tyler" Cassady (01/27/2003)
Cody James Cassady (03/30/2004)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

USDA-FSIS in Grand Island, Nebraska, 1999-2001; Eastwage Veterinary Clinic, Goldsboro, North Carolina, 2001-2003; Spay Neuter Assistance Program, New Hill, North Carolina, 2003-2013; Animal Medical Care, 2013-present.

Career News:

Mixed animal general practice.

Jan 2016 started also teaching veterinary anatomy part time at South Dakota State University and doing mostly surgeries at the clinic.

Education:

BS, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Nebraska, 1994

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, SDVMA

Family News:

Added 2 sons. (Tyler and Cody)

Advice to Students:

You must be as good at dealing with people as with animals.

Class Comments:

Never stop learning.

A Brent Chance

Spouse: Angela Chance

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA

Kevin James Christiansen

Company: Vogal, LLC

Spouse: Stacey Christiansen

Children: Kaden 03/07/2003
Landon 08/16/2005
Stella 04/01/2015

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Objective

To find a challenging, permanent, professional, and successful scientific career while combining my strengths of communication, science, marketing, and business.

Education

- Received Diplomate Status in the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine with Specialty in Cardiology July 18th, 2007.
- Veterinary Cardiology Resident
Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital, Philadelphia PA, July 2003 to July 2005.
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
Kansas State University Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, Manhattan KS May 1999.
- Bachelor of Science in Biology
Nebraska Wesleyan University (NWU), Lincoln NE May 1995
- High School Diploma
Neligh-Oakdale Public School, Neligh NE May 1991

Practicum work and research

- Employed by Boehringer Ingelheim as a Senior Scientist, Research and Development, Pharmaceutical Clinical Development starting March 2012 to present. Provide leadership and technical expertise towards the delivery of novel animal health product innovation for global approval and use. Develop and implement pivotal (GCP and GLP) and non-pivotal protocols for safety and efficacy, pharmacokinetic, pharmacodynamic, and target animal safety studies. Author final study reports. Invest and apply competitive advantage as it relates to study design and execution of research studies. Coordinate external partners (contract research organizations) for pivotal and non-pivotal studies. Work closely with regulatory affairs to ensure compliance and internal standard operating procedures. Provide leadership in the clinical design of pivotal and non-pivotal studies, interpreting disease models, produce and present power point presentations to the CVM/FDA, and successfully completed submissions to the CVM/FDA for regulatory approval. Research champion for new drug discovery, researching new molecules, and present the research to the Pharmaceutical Research & Review Committee (PRRC). Liaison with national and global key opinion leaders (KOLs) on a regular basis, exchanging scientific information, devising studies, and protocols (proof of concept, pilot, and pivotal). Establish relationships with internal experts from within the human pharmaceutical network and work closely with the experts improving the source and reliability of the veterinary pipeline. Work closely with the legal department ensuring proper confidentiality contracts are in place and prepare documents to support patent claims. Develop and communicate presentations for internal and external continuing

education in the area of veterinary cardiology, with emphasis on clinical and practical cardiology, while promoting BI products on a regular basis. Considered internal expert in arena of cardiovascular diseases.

- Entrepreneur – Developing and testing mobile software (Vogal LLC, www.vogalapp.com) for consultations that can be implemented to strengthen relationships between specialists, general practitioners, pharmaceutical companies, and contract research organizations. Software utilizes a two app system, one app for the general practitioner, one app for the specialist, and the two apps communicate with each other. Key features involve easy acquisition of pertinent data and sending the acquired data to specialist of choice. The specialist receives a notification, views data, annotates and dictates findings, and quickly sends back expert findings to the general practitioner. The software creates all invoices and payments (Demonstration and business models available upon request).
- Employed by Midwest Veterinary Consultants as a Board Certified Veterinary Cardiologist July 2006 to March 2012
- Numerous power point presentations for continuing education nationwide, stressing how to recognize, diagnose, and manage all stages of cardiac disease
- Independent Professional services – Vogal LLC (e.g. Echocardiography services, ECG interpretation, radiographic consultations)

Career News:

- Employed by Boehringer Ingelheim as a Senior Scientist, Research and Development, Pharmaceutical Clinical Development starting March 2012 to present. Provide leadership and technical expertise towards the delivery of novel animal health product innovation for global approval and use. Develop and implement pivotal (GCP and GLP) and non-pivotal protocols for safety and efficacy, pharmacokinetic, pharmacodynamic, and target animal safety studies. Author final study reports. Invest and apply competitive advantage as it relates to study design and execution of research studies. Coordinate external partners (contract research organizations) for pivotal and non-pivotal studies. Work closely with regulatory affairs to ensure compliance and internal standard operating procedures. Provide leadership in the clinical design of pivotal and non-pivotal studies, interpreting disease models, produce and present power point presentations to the CVM/FDA, and successfully completed submissions to the CVM/FDA for regulatory approval. Research champion for new drug discovery, researching new molecules, and present the research to the Pharmaceutical Research & Review Committee (PRRC). Liaison with national and global key opinion leaders (KOLs) on a regular basis, exchanging scientific information, devising studies, and protocols (proof of concept, pilot, and pivotal). Establish relationships with internal experts from within the human pharmaceutical network and work closely with the experts improving the source and reliability of the veterinary pipeline. Work closely with the legal department ensuring proper confidentiality contracts are in place and prepare documents to support patent claims. Develop and communicate presentations for internal and external continuing education in the area of veterinary cardiology, with emphasis on clinical and practical cardiology, while promoting BI products on a regular basis. Considered internal expert in arena of cardiovascular diseases.
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Education:

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Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital, Philadelphia PA, July 2003 to July 2005.
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
Kansas State University Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, Manhattan KS May 1999.
- Bachelor of Science in Biology

Nebraska Wesleyan University (NWU), Lincoln NE May 1995

- High School Diploma
Neligh-Oakdale Public School, Neligh NE May 1991

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Board Certifications:

ACVIM

Family News:

Dr. Christiansen, his wife Stacey, two sons, Kaden and Landon, and daughter, Stella, live in Overland Park, KS. He enjoys being a dad first and foremost and loves following his kids in several sporting events. He is a huge college sports fan (mainly football), and still finds time to get back to watch his beloved Nebraska Cornhuskers play at least once a year. If he is not working, he is usually at the gym working out, or following his kids in sports, fishing, snow-mobiling, or 4-wheeling.

Advice to Students:

Don't be afraid to open new doors and get out of your comfort zone.

Class Comments:

The last time the Huskers were good at football was when we graduated from Vet School. Now I know how all you K-state fans felt all those years :).

Bryan Lee Christinat

Company: Wichita Emergency Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Lisa Christinat

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Anne Cooley

Company: Aspen Animal Hospital

Spouse: Grant Sutherland

Education:

BA, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, 1991
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

MNVMA, AVMA, AAHA

Jacqueline Renee Corbett

Company: Animal Care Hospital

Spouse: Jeremy Dell Corbett

Children: Woodson Lawrence Corbett (02/01/02)
Augustus(Gus) T.J. Corbett (10/26/03)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

I work with Dr. Michael Malone. We work on small animal and take care of Great Bend's Brit Spaugh Zoo. I have been here since I graduated. I really enjoy the community and where I work.

Career News:

Dr. Mike Malone (my boss) and I have been working hard with Mike Cargill, director of the Great Bend Zoo as well as the Great Bend Community, to make better changes for the animals and the community here in Great Bend, Ks. With all the help and ideas of many people, we are becoming a place for raptor rehabilitation. It's very exciting!

I am still taking care of dogs, cats, and few exotics. I enjoy this too. These last 5 years have gone so fast.

Education:

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1994

DVM, Kansas State University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Family News:

My husband, Jeremy, still works at Sterling, KS, at the COOP Station. This is approximately 40 miles from Ellinwood to Sterling. He is doing well. Recently, I finally got him to go to the allergist. He has allergies to everything. Now, he feels much better. Now, I need to convince him to try the allergy shots next. If you know Jeremy, he does not like for things to interfere with work.

Our oldest son is 7 years old. He will start 2nd grade next year. He is doing well. He has allergies too (thanks Jeremy)! He has had tubes in his ears since he was 4 years old. In November, he had his third surgery. He is a great kid!

Augustus, my youngest, is 5 years old. He will start kindergarten this fall. Guess what? He has allergies too(including peanuts)! He also has asthma. He is well controlled. He is a neat kid, too!

My boys are playing ball, swimming, in some camps, in reading bug, and involved in vacation bible school this summer. Honestly, I'm ready for school, again. Just kidding. I really enjoy it. I feel very blessed for my boys, my husband, and my life.

Advice to Students:

Learn as much as you can and do what's in your heart. There are many opportunities in veterinary medicine so keep your mind open to these opportunities. Have a great time, too. I had some great times during veterinary school and met many great people.

Class Comments:

I miss my classmates! The Class of 1999 was a great crew! I think of you all. I hope all is well and hope to see some of you at the reunion. If not, I miss you all, take care of yourselves, and I will try to do better at keeping in touch.

Chad Thomas Cosgrove

Company: Nebraska Animal Medical Center

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Nathan Cooper Culley

Company: KU Medical Center

Spouse: Tara L (Briese) Culley

Children: Naomi - 12/25/2004
Seth - 10/20/2006
Anna - 12/11/2008

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

3 years in private practice, spent the last 16 years at KU Medical Center.

Career News:

I have been working in the research compliance office as the executive director. Oversee the IACUC, IBC, and Stem Cell committees for the university.

Education:

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1995
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AALAS, ASLAP

Board Certifications:

ACLAM

Tara L Culley

Company: Dechra Veterinary Products

Spouse: Nathan C Culley

Children: Naomi - 12/25/04
Seth - 10/20/06
Anna - 12/11/08

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Spent four years at a feline only practice followed by 7 years in a 2-3 doctor small animal practice, five years as a clinical veterinarian at a contract research organization (CRO). Currently a technical services veterinarian at Dechra Veterinary Products.

Education:

BA Biology, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Nebraska, 1995
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, AAEP, Kansas City Veterinary Medical Association, AAIV

Tippi Magid Denenberg

Company: Rockbrook Animal Clinic

Spouse: Steven Miles Denenberg

Children: Danny

Education: Michael

Sasha

Sima

Solomon

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA

Chadwick Everett Dodd

Company: Hill's Pet Nutrition, Inc.

Spouse: Mary Dodd

Children: Caitlin Dodd (04/23/1998)

Education: Alexandra Dodd (04/12/2001)

BS, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, 1994

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Advice to Students:

Find a mentor early in your career and keep all your career options open as you consider what you want to do with your DVM degree. You will be surprised and encouraged at the opportunities.

Sheila M Dodson

Company: Mariposa Veterinary Wellness Center

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Andrea Maren Dover

Company: Animal Emergency & Trauma Center

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

William Edward Egidy

Spouse: Kimberly Egidy

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Megan Mullin Ehlers

Company: Ehlers Animal Care

Spouse: Britt jeffery Ehlers

Children: Elizabeth Logan Ehlers 05-03-2002
Addison Jeanine Ehlers 04-14-2004
Benjamin Mullin Ehlers 09-28-2005

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

I have been practicing small animal medicine for the past 10 years in Lincoln NE. I have been a co-owner in a successful business for the past 10 years. In practice I have specialized in orthopedics, rehabilitation and oncology. My emphasis in practice will always be the human-animal bond. Treating cancer patients is a great way to foster this bond. My assistant Megan and I always have a few patients going through treatment. Rehabilitation encompasses so many different ages and ailments in animals. We rehab post op, traumatized, and elderly patients. Orthopedics and rehab go hand in hand and it has been rewarding to follow patients all the way through the process. In the community I am extremely active. My husband and I started a non-profit organization 5 years ago called Runners with a Reason. We have had hundreds of runners raising money for what they are passionate about and use some of the money to support local running groups and kids running events. I have been a mentor for 10 years and the young woman that I started with is now graduating college after a successful four years on the Husker Women's Basketball team. I coach Girls on the Run at Hill Elementary school and also coach many YMCA youth sports teams. Pet therapy has been a passion of mine and I was a part of "Angel Dog" training for Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital.

Career News:

The past five years I have been focused on the human-animal bond. If concern and care comes first then the quality medicine will follow. I helped the Arbor Day Foundation launch their "trees for pets" campaign a few years ago and it is having a great impact. We have planted thousands of trees in National Forests to memorialize pets. My classmate, Kevin Christensen and I started the emergency hospital in Lincoln about 5 years ago. Lincoln was in need of quality after hours care and it is providing a wonderful service to the city of Lincoln.

Education:

BS Veterinary Science, University of Nebraska, Lincoln 1995
DVM Kansas State University 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AVMA, AAHA

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Lincoln Business Journal 40 under 40 award
Delta Gamma Young Alum of the year award
8th place 2008 Lincoln Half Marathon
2012 Boston Marathon Qualifier
2011 Idaho State Marathon 3rd place finish (35-39)

Family News:

The non-profit Runners With a Reason is a big part of our family. We recently had to say goodbye to our 16 1/2 year old yellow lab Gabbi. She was with me before vet school. My husband went from being a partner in a law firm to

becoming the Human Resources Director at the National Arbor Day Foundation.

Advice to Students:

Listen and be compassionate. Don't lose sight of why you joined this field. I have developed some wonderful relationships with clients and pets. These relationships are one of the best parts of practicing.

Class Comments:

I am so proud to say that I came from this class. What a great group of honest, hard working, down to earth people. Wish I could see you more. Best wishes and God Bless to all of you!

Julie C Evans

Company: Ark Valley Animal Hospital

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Wichita Emergency Veterinary Clinic 1999-2001

Chisholm Trail Animal Hospital 2001-2006

Kutter Pet Care Center 2006 to Present

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, AAHA, OTHER, Wichita Veterinary Medical Association

Offices Held:

Board member, Kansas Veterinary Medical Association Foundation, 2002-present.

Julia Kathleen Fechter

Company: Fechter Pet Care Inc

Spouse: Richard Fechter

Children: Wyatt (08/22/2004)

Career News: Peyton (10/21/2008)

Owner of Fechter Pet Care, a predominantly small animal practice.

Education:

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1997

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Michelle Lynn Fleetwood

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Joanne C. Gaines

Company: Ridgeview Animal Hospital

Spouse: Adam F. Gaines

Children: Jack (01/19/2000)
Lucy (01/01/2001)
Vivien (05/23/2003)
Jay (01/02/2004)
Eddie (07/13/2005)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Associate at All Creatures, Omaha, Nebraska, 1999-2001; opened Ridgeview Animal Hospital, October, 2001; opened Walnut Creek Veterinary Clinic, January, 2008; opened Skyline Veterinary Clinic, January 2016\

Awards: Ten Outstanding Young Omahans, 40 under 40 Omaha

Past positions: president NAVM, director NVMA, foster care stakeholder, JLO board

Current positions: NFAPA director, advisor Junior League of Omaha, foster parent, church and community volunteer

Career News:

I own and practice at Ridgeview Animal Hospital, which I opened in 2001. BJ Ravensborg and I opened and are partners at Walnut Creek Veterinary Clinic and Skyline Veterinary Clinic. I enjoy most aspects of practice and some aspects of ownership :)

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

VMA, AVMA, NAVM, AAFP

Offices Held:

NAVM board member 2004-5, 2008; NAVM vice president 2006;
NAVM president 2007.

Honors/Civic Involvement:

'Omaha's 40 under 40; Active at Community Covenant Church; Delta Delta Delta alumni chapter; Foster Care Review Board past member, Ten Outstanding Young Omahans award; Nebraska Foster Parent Association district director; Junior League of Omaha sustainer and advisor

Family News:

'Adam and I are happily married with 5 kids. He is the business manager of our vet clinics. We have two dogs. Our oldest graduated and is in college. We are current foster parents. Life is good.

Advice to Students:

Know your priorities

Class Comments:

Hello everyone! It is great hearing what you all are up to and seeing pics of some of you! It was great being a part of the class of 1999!

Tandra Kay Gaul

Company: Mile-Hi Animal Hospital

Spouse: Andrew Mark Gaul

Children: Cadence (06/14/2004)

Education: Zane (09/29/2006)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Nikki Lee Gelvin

Company: Wray Colorado School District

Spouse: James Cheek

Children: Spencer Riley Cheek (12/13/2002)

Education: Sydnee Reece Cheek (10/11/2005)

BS, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1995

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Melissa Rae Girard-Lemons

Company: Animal Medical Clinic

Spouse: Timothy Lemons

Career News:

Worked at the Animal Medical Clinic since graduation where I manage the clinic. It is strictly small animal medicine and surgery. I am very happy with the type of profession I chose.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AVMA

Offices Held:

Board of Directors, Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association; Director, Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association, District V (local area).

Honors/Civic Involvement:

I am involved with the Central Nebraska Humane Society, member of the Nebraska/KSU Contract Liaison Committee and serve on the city of grand Island Animal Advisory Board. I recently attended the AVMA Leadership Conference in Chicago with some other classmates. I belong to the AVMA and the NVMA and am active in several committees for the NVMA. I am locally involved with a philanthropic and education sorority called Epsilon Sigma Alpha. 2014 KSU VMAA Alumni Recognition Award, NVMA

Advice to Students:

My advice to students is to make sure you balance your time between work and personal time well so you don't burn out!! Give back to those things you benefited from.

Class Comments:

I have heard some wonderful things about my classmates and the residencies and areas of expertise they have pursued, I am proud to be a member of their class.

Rodney Allen Gourde

Company: Sauk Valley Veterinary Service

Spouse: Anne (Iverson) Gourde

Children: Jacob Allen (08/31/2002)

Career News: Marissa Rae (04/26/2004)
Allison Josephine (01/10/2007)
Emily Catherine (8/25/2009)

Minnesota Veterinary Associates, Albany, Minnesota, Jan. 2000-May 2003; Sauk Valley Veterinary Service, June 2003-present.

Education:

BS, North Dakota State University, Fargo, North Dakota, 1993
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AABP

Nikki R. Green

Company: Wolf Creek Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Gary Green

Career News:

I have been working at Tuttle Veterinary Clinic since graduation. I purchased the clinic January 1st, 2009.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Deneen Kay Hawley

Spouse: Patrick Neil Hawley

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Veterinarian, Lincoln, Omaha, Fremont, Nebraska, 1999-2003; Owner/ Veterinarian, feline-specialty practice, All About Cats Veterinary Center, Omaha, Nebraska, 2003-present.

Education:

BS, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AVMA, AAHA, AAFP

Allison L Heaney

Spouse: Adam Russell Heaney

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Cardiology Residency, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Heather Lynne Heeb

Company: Veterinary Specialty and Emergency Center

Spouse: William Henry Heeb

Children: Jason

Education: Grace
Caleb
Aiden

BA, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, 1994

Internship, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, 1999-2000

Residency, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 2000-2003

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, VCS

Board Certifications:

ACVIM(Oncology)

William Henry Heeb

Company: Bayer Corporation

Spouse: Heather Lynne (Lassman) Heeb

Children: Jason

Education: Grace
Caleb
Aiden

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, KCVMA, AACPPV

Patricia Lyn Heinly

Spouse: David Heinly

Children: Cody Hunter
Dusty Chase

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Owner of 100% Equine Ambulatory Practice.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAEP

Troy Michael Huelle

Company: Daniel Webster Animal Clinic

Spouse: Amy C Huelle

Children: 2

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Mary Kathleen Hughes

Company: Black Bob Pet Hospital

Spouse: John Hughes

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Nancy C Huttinger

Company: Bell Veterinary Hospital

Spouse: Jeremiah Bell

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Barrett Jay Jiranek

Company: Lovers Lane Animal Medical Center

Spouse: Tara Jiranek

Children: Grace (06/02/2006)

Education: Cole (03/02/2007)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

TXVMA, AVMA, OTHER, DCVMA

Jennifer J Kerns

Spouse: Timothy S. Kerns
Children: John W. Kerns (01/21/1998)
Education: Michael G. Kerns (05/07/2001)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Elizabeth Anne King

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Todd E Knappenberger

Company: Knappenberger Vet Clinic

Spouse: Tricia Knappenberger

Children: Bret Jacob (03/24/1999)
Emma Mlle (01/09/2003)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Veterinarian, private practice with my father, Knappenberger Vet Clinic, Olathe, Kansas, 1999-present.

Education:

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1992

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, Kansas City Veterinary Medical Association, KSU Veterinary Alumni Association

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Johnson County Extension Board; KSU Vet Med Alumni Board.

Jeffrey John Kramer

Company: Red River Animal Emergency Clinic

Spouse: Nici Kramer

Children: Adam Kramer (03/19/2007)

Career News: Christian Ullman (07/02/2003)
Peter Ullman (12/02/1994)

I was an associate in a mixed animal practice in Grand Forks until Sept 2006. Since then I have been doing emergency work at Red River Animal Emergency Clinic in Fargo, ND. I also have been employed as adjunct faculty at Minnesota School of Business in Moorhead, MN, and plan to continue teaching classes there on a part-time basis.

Education:

BS Microbiology, North Dakota State University, Fargo, North Dakota, 1995

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

NDVMA

Family News:

I re-married on 2/23/2008 to Misty Ullman. We now have a 2 year old son, Adam, and I have 2 new stepsons, Peter and Christian. My wife and I have also served as guardian to her sister, Brandy, who is soon to be leaving home.

Advice to Students:

It is never too late to consider a nice Trade school.

Class Comments:

You are all like family, class of 1999; except that we are not related, we see each other every 5 years, and none of you buy me presents at Christmas time.

Jeffrey Scot Lake

Company: Kansas Dept of Agriculture

Spouse: Shelley Ann (Bunch) Lake

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

After graduation I briefly practiced in Colorado. I returned to Kansas and worked in Overland Park for two years. I then went to practice near home in Paola for about two years before accepting a position with the USDA. After about a year I started with Hills Pet Nutrition. I remained with Hills for nearly 10 years. I am currently working for the Kansas Department of Agriculture as a field veterinarian.

Career News:

One of the highlights of my last few years was the opportunity to attend the FADD school on Plum Island,

Education:

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1990

MS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1991

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, OTHER, KCVMA

Shelley Ann Lake

Company: Lake Veterinary Services LLC

Spouse: Jeffrey Scot Lake

Children: No skin kids!!

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

After graduation, I accepted a position at Oxford Animal Hospital as an associate veterinarian. Personality conflicts with the owner caused me to leave and since then, I have not found another full time job.

Career News:

From 2002 until last year, I was working one day a week at Mission Road Animal Hospital but as of January 2008 he let me go. I was also working 3 days a week as an assistant greyhound trainer at the Woodlands Greyhound Race Track in Kansas City, KS but in August of 2008, the track closed. So now I am currently working Fridays and Saturdays at Bradford Pet Hospital and am in the hunt for another job.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, OTHER, National Greyhound Association

Honors/Civic Involvement:

I am active in greyhound rescue and have been a greyhound foster mom since 1996. I have fostered 35 greyhounds and found them loving homes in that time.

Family News:

We have a veritable zoo of fur kids!! Sammy, Jeff's labrador from vet school, just turned 15 years old in December. Then we have the herd of greyhounds: Winky, a 14 year old white and fawn female; Mr. Barky, a 12.5 year old white and brindle male; Gabe, a 10.5 year old black male; Felter, a 8.5 year old red fawn male; Sweetboy, a 5.5 year old red brindle male; Whiteout and Carrie, 5.5 year old brother and sister both white and brindle; Quebec, a 3 year old red brindle male and Puck, a 2.5 year old fawn male. We still have our two cats we adopted from the Manhattan shelter, Brady and Chole who are now 12 years old.

Advice to Students:

Life is too short--Love what you do and apply yourself totally. Also treat every pet as your own. Don't stop learning.

Class Comments:

Our class was the best and is a wonderful support network of friends and colleagues that will last a lifetime.

Dana Anne Liska

Company: Zoetis

Spouse: Jason Dean Liska

Children: Cambell (06/15/2000)
Mira (10/08/2002)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

'Internship, Mission Med Vet, Mission, Kansas, 1999-2000; Associate Veterinarian, General Practitioner, Montana Veterinary Specialists and General Care, Helena, Montana, 2000-2004; Residency, Dermatology, University of Florida - CVM, Gainesville, FL, 2004-2006; Associate Professor, University of Florida - CVM, Gainesville, FL, 2006-2007; Animal Dermatology Referral Clinic, 2007-2016. Zoetis, September 2016 to present.

Career News:

'In the fall of 2016 I made a major career decision to leave private practice and join industry. I am one of 4 veterinary dermatologists that work for Zoetis. It is a field base position so my residence remains in Texas and I travel the south central United States educating doctors and staff about dermatology and the Zoetis portfolio. It has been an incredibly fulfilling change as I find myself working with intelligent, caring, creative people and I have many opportunities to learn, grow, and challenge myself.

Education:

BS, University of Kansas, Biology, Lawrence, Kansas
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

TXVMA, AVMA, AAVD, DCVMA, ACVD, TCVMA

Offices Held:

Treasurer - American College of Veterinary Dermatology Co-Chair - North American Veterinary Dermatology Forum

Board Certifications:

ACVD

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Mission Team - Legacy Presbyterian Church Breast Cancer 3 day benefiting Susan G. Komen for the Cure for 8 years Hood to Coast team relay run benefiting Providence Cancer Center for 2 years.

Class Comments:

KSU-CVM Class of 1999 is simply an all around fantastic group of people.

Jason Dean Liska

Company: High Point Animal Hospital

Spouse: Dana Anne (Hernstrom) Liska

Children: Cambell (06/15/2000)
Mira (10/08/2002)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Veterinarian, mixed animal practice, Bucyrus, Kansas, 1999-2000; Co-Owner/Veterinarian, Capital Large Animal Veterinary Service, Helena, Montana, 2000-2004; Veterinarian, Riley Mobile Veterinary Service, Gainesville, FL, 2004-2007; Veterinarian, High Point Animal Hospital, Plano, TX, 2008-present.

Career News:

In 2004, I left practice in Montana. I enjoyed 3 years in Gainesville, FL working in a mobile equine practice. In 2007 we moved to the Dallas, TX area where I now have changed to small animal medicine and surgery.

Education:

BS, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1992
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAEP, TVMA, DCVMA

Tammy F Loberg

Company: Hometown Animal Hospital

Spouse: Kary Loberg

Children: Jacob L. (07/23/2001)

Education: Benjamin E. (06/29/2004)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

IAVMA, AVMA

Kip Lee Lukasiewicz

Company: Production Animal Consultation, LLC

Spouse: Rachelle Lynn (Dorszynski) Lukasiewicz

Children: Sydney Leigh Lukasiewicz (01/25/1999)
Kolby James Lukasiewicz (04/30/2002)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Upon graduation, I began practicing in St. Paul, NE. St. Paul Veterinary Clinic was a mixed animal practice consisting of 60% large animal and 40% small animal. I practiced in St. Paul for 21 months. In March of 2001, I joined the Ainsworth Veterinary Clinic in Ainsworth, NE. Ainsworth is a small ranching community located in north central Nebraska approximately 20 miles south of the South Dakota border. The practice is 90% cow/calf with the remaining 10% feedlot, equine and small animal. In January of 2004 I became an equal partner in the Ainsworth Veterinary Clinic. In April of 2008 I dissolved my partnership and started Sandhills Cattle Consultants, Inc., which is primarily a cow/calf practice and in August of 2008, 7 partners and myself formed a company called Production Animal Consultation, LLC. In this practice we currently consult for 20% of the fed cattle in the USA. I specialize in animal behavior and handling as well as facility designs for private operations, Universities and Corporate Industry.

Career News:

I have gained more knowledge and continue to learn about the behavior of prey animals and strive to teach others how to better handle them. I travel extensively in the US and Canada and have had the opportunity to travel to Australia for animal handling events that I get to be a part of.

Our consulting business continues to grow, so we stay very busy teaching people the importance of comfort and care and how to properly treat and administer products for prevention as well as treatments when necessary.

Education:

Undergraduate studies were completed at the University of Nebraska at Kearney from 1992-1995.
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AABP, AVC

Offices Held:

Board of Directors, AVC

Honors/Civic Involvement:

I am a local member of the St. Leo's Catholic Parrish and The Knights of Columbus.

I have received the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, Consultant of the Year Award.

Family News:

'Shelly - continues to teach at St. Paul Public Schools in St. Paul, NE and is the 7th/8th grade English teacher. She also stays very busy doing books for our business as well as our farming and land investments.

Sydney - graduated from St. Paul High School in 2016 and is in her second year of nursing school at Bryan LGH School of Nursing in Lincoln, NE. She is very competitive and driven and loves to work. She has aspirations of going back after 2 years of nursing to complete her Nurse Practitioner degree.

Kolby - is a Sophomore at Grand Island Senior High. He travels all over the US competing in wrestling with his team from GISH and they recently traveled to Germany in June to compete in wrestling over there for 10 days.

Their next big travel will be to Japan for the Summer Olympics. He has aspirations of Sports Medicine in the future.

Advice to Students:

I have become more brassy over the years and so my response will likely not be liked. The main advice I would give students and professors today is that both need to develop more mental toughness. I believe that the term "Stress" is a made up word, which allows all of us to complain and find the negative in our day or life and keeps us from finding ways of being positive and seeing the day for what it is. Today's social issues are the result of a lack of face-to-face interactions and we can say or write things that are not factual. This in turn has led to the inability for people to adapt to pressures that are placed upon them and handle them correctly. Stress is nothing more than people not being able to handle pressure, and if that is the case, then the medical field may not be for you.

Class Comments:

I felt our class was very unified. We were always there for each other, and enjoyed many social events together. We made sure everyday was fun and fulfilling as well as educational.

Lisa Marie Lunn-Krugle

Company: University of Alaska Fairbanks

Spouse: Kevin Scott Krugle

Children: Tigger (05/25/199)

Education: Samantha (01/01/1994)
Quincy (10/19/1997)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Daniel R Martin

Company: Anger's Vet Express

Spouse: Natalia (Kondakova) Martin

Children: Taylor Matthew Martin (07/02/1992)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Construction company owner, 1980-1994; Bison Rancher 1986-present; Veterinarian 1999-present.

Career News:

Supervisor Public Health Veterinarian with USDA FSIS.

Education:

BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1997

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, MOVMA

Family News:

Married January 31, 2008.

Tonya McIlnay

Company: Veterinary Eye Specialists of Nebraska

Spouse: Shawn A McIlnay

Children: Parker, son, 15

Career News: Britt, daughter 13

Maren, daughter 10

Grayson, son 6

Tonya owns and operates Veterinary Eye Specialists of Nebraska, founded in 2006.

Education:

BS, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1997

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

MS, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, 2003

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AVMA

Board Certifications:

ACVO

Family News:

My mom, Marlene, passed away in July of 2013. I miss her dearly.

Advice to Students:

To be successful in veterinary medicine, learn to enjoy people as much as their animals. Take some time to enjoy the journey as well.

Class Comments:

I feel blessed to live in an area where I get to see and talk with some of our classmates. As my teen and pre-teen daughters navigate friendships in their lives and cope with friends entering and leaving their circles, I'm reminded that sometimes our very best friends appear later in life. Even though as classmates we are separated by time and distance, I still consider you all my friends. The experiences we shared during our time together in Manhattan, the challenges we endured, the joys we celebrated will always be in my heart. I'm blessed to have spent that time with you.

Lori Lynn Mills

Spouse: W Zachary Mills

Children: Anna Kalea Mills (02/02/2004)
Emilia Talise Mills (09/14/2006)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Small Animal Associate Veterinarian, private practice, Broadview Animal Clinic, Aurora, Colorado, 1999-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

COVMA, AVMA

W Zachary Mills

Spouse: Lori Lynn (Nitzsche) Mills

Children: Anna Kalea (02/02/2004)
Emilia Talise (09/14/2006)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Post-doctoral fellowship, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, Colorado, 1999-2001; Associate, Indian Tree Animal Hospital, Arvada, Colorado, 2001-2003; United States Army Reserve Veterinary Corp, 2003-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

COVMA, AVMA, AAHA, DAVMS, AACPPV

Elizabeth Megan Mosier

Children: Gwen Fern 10/18/2002
Education: Ashley Fern 03/21/2005
Elise Fern 03/21/2005

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

ILVMA, AVMA

Kate Hatton Nielsen

Spouse: Byron Nielsen

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Trisha Renee Ostrom

Company: Town and Country Animal Hospital

Spouse: Christopher Ostrom

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Shane Bryan Pedersen

Company: Willow Creek Veterinary Service

Spouse: Linda Sue (Feyerherm) Pedersen

Children: Ashley Makayla (02/26/2001)
Noah Robert (09/12/2003)
Madalyn Sue (02/06/2007)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Co-Owner/Veterinarian, wife and I purchased the local veterinary clinic, Willow Creek Veterinary Service, Pierce, Nebraska, August 2002-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAHA, Nebraska VMA

Offices Held:

Board Member, Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Executive Board member of Pierce Chamber of Commerce, President of Voters for St. Johns Lutheran Church, Pierce.

Advice to Students:

Study hard, play hard, but don't forget to prioritize.

Hector Robin Perez

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Holly Marie Pollard

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Stephen Wayne Pollmann

Company: Southwestern Veterinary Services

Spouse: Caitlin, DVM Pollmann

Children: Hayden (9/27/1995)

Education: Landry (10/16/2016)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Darren Christopher Rausch

Company: Gentle Care Animal Hospital

Spouse: Trena Gay (Triplett) Rausch

Children: Liam Joseph Rausch (4 years)
Onna Shea Rausch (3 years)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Canine and Feline Theriogenology and self taught orthopedics, Oxford Animal Hospital, 1999-2001; Veterinarian, small animal, avian, wildlife and exotic medicine, Gentle Care Animal Hospital, Lawrence, Kansas, 2001-present.

Education:

BS, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, American Association of Avian Veterinarians

Advice to Students:

Do whatever it takes to treat the common things uncommonly well.

Class Comments:

You Can Do It!

BJ John Ravnsborg

Company: Walnut Creek Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Michelle Rene (Gagnon) Ravnsborg

Children: Benjamin (10/16/2002)
Allyson (02/15/2005)
Ty (02/14/2008)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Spent one year in mixed animal practice on southwest Missouri. Moved to Omaha, NE in May 2000 and started in predominant small animal practice. Started Walnut Creek Vet. Clinic with Joey Gaines in 2008.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

NEVMA, AVMA, NE Academy of Veterinary

Class Comments:

It is hard to believe that it has been 10 years since graduation! Looking forward to reunion and catching up.

Michelle R Ravnsborg

Company: Walnut Creek Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Brad J Ravnsborg

Children: Benjamin (10/16/2002)
Allyson (02/15/2005)
Ty (02/14/2008)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Small Animal Practice Associate, Parkcrest Veterinary Hospital, Springfield, Missouri, June 1999-June 2000; Small Animal Practice Associate, Elkhorn Animal Hospital, Elkhorn, Nebraska, June 2000-2015. September 2015 - present, associate veterinarian at Walnut Creek Veterinary Clinic.

Career News:

Exclusive small animal practitioner working part-time at Elkhorn Animal Hospital.

Education:

AS, Barton County Community College, Great Bend, Kansas, 1993
BS, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1997
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA

Offices Held:

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Nebraska Academy of Veterinary Medicine

Cristin L Reese

Company: Animal Health Center

Children: 4 cats, 3 dogs, 1 rabbit, 1 goldfish

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

I worked in Taylorville, IL for 2 years, starting right after graduation. I moved to Scottsbluff, NE in 2001 and have been at the Animal Health Center since. In the community, I have been active in two community bands--the Western Nebraska Winds and the Gering City band.

Career News:

I have been at the Animal Health Center for almost 8 years. My main interest is dentistry, although I involved in general medicine and surgery daily.

Education:

BA Biology, Chadron State College, Chadron, Nebraska, 1995
DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAHA

Family News:

I just bought a house and small acreage 1 year ago. I spend a good deal of my free time fixing it up. It should be finished in about 20 years....

Advice to Students:

Be flexible in your career choices. What you decide today that you want to do for the rest of your life may change as you gain more experience.

Class Comments:

I look forward to seeing everyone in June.

Christina C Richards

Company: Wingert Animal Hospital

Spouse: Ronald Lee Richards

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Associate Veterinarian, Wingert Animal Hospital, Wichita, Kansas, 1999-present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, WVMA

Matt Allen Richenburg

Company: Gladstone Animal Clinic

Spouse: Christina Richenburg

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Cynthia Diane Risen

Company: Fairway Animal Hospital

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KCVMA

Tresha Aline Robinson

Company: Equine Medicine & Surgery PLLC

Spouse: Jason Mathew Robinson

Children: Ty(boy) (05/03/2001)

Career News: Truitt(boy) (05/08/2003)
Tanner(girl) (07/18/2006)

Became a partner in the business 2004. Became a partner in the land 2006. I mainly do general practice for our business

Education:

BA, Chadron State College, Chadron, Nebraska, 1994

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AZVMA, AVMA, AAEP

Family News:

Ty and Truitt are getting into sports. Tresha has been barrel racing and Jason has been team roping. Tresha's dad just had a total knee replacement.

Advice to Students:

Consider doing an internship (even if you aren't going on to a residency) it's a good first start.

Class Comments:

Hope to see you all at the up and coming reunion and future ones as well!

Donna K Romanzi

Company: Cedar Ridge Animal Hospital

Spouse: Michael Anderson

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Rochelle M Salwei

Spouse: Mark Henty

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Internship, Sacramento Animal Medical Group, Sacramento, California; Radiology Residency, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin; Veterinarian, Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging, Clackamas, Oregon.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Sarah Elizabeth Schroeder

Company: Noah's Animal Hospital at Carmel

Spouse: Brian Blair

Children: Delaney Grace Blair 11/23/09

Career News: Colin James Blair 8/17/13

I still work in general practice - have gone from a 20 doctor, 24 hour hospital in Florida, to a 10 doctor practice in downtown Chicago, finally to a 4 doctor place in Dallas, to finally work at the smallest of 9 locations all owned locally in Indianapolis.

Education:

Wake Forest University

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AAHA, ABVP

Family News:

We have relocated again, hopefully for good! Indianapolis reminds me of Kansas City and has been great for the family.

Advice to Students:

Take note of how fortunate you are to be a veterinarian! There are so many different things you can do, and it can be adjusted to what you need at any phase of your life, which is fantastic.

Class Comments:

I miss you all! Hoping to make it back for a visit.

Richard J Schwahn

Company: Altitude Veterinary Hospital

Spouse: Michelle Schwahn

Children: Taylor (16)

Education: Madeline (11)

B.S., University of Nebraska, 1994

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 1999

Professional Memberships:

WYVMA, AVMA

Offices Held:

President, Rotary Club of Casper, 2017-2018

Rotary Club of Casper, Member, 1999-present

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Member, Casper Rotary Club, 1999-present.

Advice to Students:

Don't worry about the grades, your smarter anyway.

Class Comments:

Its never too late!

Scott Steven Swarting

Spouse: Holly Swarting

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Barry Lee Schwenk

Company: Christian Veterinary Mission

Spouse: Colette (Spadefore) Schwenk

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Jacob Matthew Sherwood

Company: Tomball Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Giovanna Sherwood

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Surgical internship, Dallas Vet. Surgical Center, 1999-2000; General practice, Tomball Vet. Clinic, 2000-present.

Education:

BS-Biology, Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas 1990-94

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

TXVMA, AVMA, AAHA, Montgomery County Veterinary Medical Association

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Rotary and assistant at church

Advice to Students:

Continue to learn on a daily basis. Keep your non-career priorities in order (god, family, etc.).

Heather Suzanne Shuey-Burton

Company: Pet Calls Mobile Vet Clinic

Spouse: Burton Tray

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Darin Ashley Simmons

Company: Westside Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Jami Simmons

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Christen Lee Skaer

Company: Skaer Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Luke Edward Carter

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

I am a small animal practitioner in Wichita. My career has been dedicated to providing high quality care enhancing the human-animal bond, and helping those less fortunate.

Career News:

I experienced some burn out over the past 5 years! I'm practicing lots of self-care and starting to learn to say "no!"

Education:

MSES, Friends University, Wichita, Kansas, 1996

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

DHS Veterinary Certificate Program, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, 2012

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, AAHA, AAFP, AAVN

Offices Held:

President, Kansas State Animal Response Team, 2007-2017; Past President and Executive Director, Sedgwick County Animal Response Team; Board of Veterinary Examiners, Kansas, 2006-2009; SC Regional Council, Department of Homeland Security, 2009-2013; Vice President, Wichita Veterinary Medical Association, 2003-2004; District Trustee, Kansas Veterinary Medical Association, 2004-2006; Interfaite Ministries BOD, 2017-present.

Honors/Civic Involvement:

KVMA Kansas Veterinarian of the Year, 2008; Member, Paige Estes Memorial Foundation Board, currently; Pet Trust Scholar, Kansas State University, College of Veterinary Medicine, 1999; Feline Practitioner Award, 1999; KSU VMAA Alumni Recognition Award, CVC, 2013.

Family News:

Long-story! I had a client die and make me a trustee of her estate.. without asking. Tons of adventures with her 6 "hoarding" hourses and lots of cats!

Advice to Students:

Have fun! Go to rounds as much as possible, even your freshman year! You'll learn so much! Enjoy this time and foster these friendships!

Class Comments:

Please take care of yourselves! You matter!

Corbin L. Stevens

Company: Stevens Veterinary Services LLC

Spouse: Heidi Anne (Vulgamore) Stevens

Children: Makaela Breanne Stevens (06/28/2000)
Sawyer Corbin Stevens (04/07/2003)
Brinlie Elizabeth Stevens (09/19/2005)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Associate Veterinarian, 1999-2004. Owner, 2004-Present.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, AABP, AVC

Honors/Civic Involvement:

Scott City Planning and Zoning Commission, Church Trustee, Scott County Economic Development Board

Rustin D Sturgeon

Company: Eye Care for Animals

Career News:

Completed 3 year ACVO residency with Eye Care for Animals in July 2008.

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA, Kansas City Veterinary Medical Association, ACVO

Tammy Sue Swartz

Company: Swartz Veterinary Hospital

Spouse: Cory Swartz

Children: April (03/28/2002)

Career News: Brittany (03/19/2008)

Owner of Swartz Veterinary Hospital in Colby, Kansas

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Animal Science, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas

Professional Memberships:

KSVMA, AVMA

Matt B Talbot

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Travis Richard Van Anne

Company: Van Anne Vet Service

Spouse: Laynette Van Anne

Children: Logan
Nathan
Morgan
Joseph
Jacob

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Large Cow/Calf/ Feedlot practice, some mixed animal, 10 years Industry, Lecturing at university

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AABP, NVMA, AVC, N Cattlemen

Advice to Students:

Ask about night call, get paid on a percentage.

Class Comments:

We were a tight group.

Mike Walburger

Company: Arrowhead Veterinary Clinic

Spouse: Lisa Walburger

Children: Chance (07/26/1992)
Demi (02/15/1994)
Rhett (11/22/2007)

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

After school I took a position in a mixed animal practice(75%small/25%large) in Payette Idaho. After 9 months I moved to Spanish Fork Utah and took an associate position in a large animal clinic. (95% equine 5% bovine and other small ruminants)

Currently, I own 50% of the practice, but we are in the process of adding a third partner.

Career News:

Just getting older and stupider.

Education:

BS, Montana State University, Bozeman, Montana, 1994

Kimberly Ann Weber

Company: Parkview Animal Hospital

Spouse: Scott Ehlers

Career History, Community Service, Etc.:

Primary vet for rescue group - Coalition for Pet Protection.

Education:

BS, University of NE, Lincoln, NE, 1993

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

AVMA, AAHA, Nebraska VMA

Offices Held:

Chairman, Professional and Consumer Relations Committee, NVMA

Andrew Joseph Weed

Company: University Animal Hospital

Spouse: Elizabeth Weed

Children: Powell (04/21/1994)

Education: Barclay (11/25/1998)

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

ALVMA, AVMA

Darren G Weisenstein

Company: 4 Paws Animal Hospital

Spouse: Trisha (Mott) Weisenstein

Children: Matthew (07/18/2000)

Career News: Zachary (08/08/2002)

I worked for a VCA hospital right out of school. I left that hospital to open up my own clinic in New Jersey called 4 Paws Animal Hospital. It has been a great decision and very rewarding.

Education:

Wagner College, Staten Island, New York, 1992

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

Professional Memberships:

NJVMA, AVMA

Honors/Civic Involvement:

SPCA award of merit for outstanding service and volunteer work with shelter animals.

Family News:

My kids are growing fast. Matthew is 8 and Zachary is 6. They are great kids and I love them more than life itself along with my wife Trisha. We are purchasing a new home in Freehold, New Jersey. It seems all the hard work and sacrifice appears to be finally coming together both personally and professionally. Other than that I am just about all BALD and work a million hours a week!! I also took up running as a way to keep in shape and stay healthy.

Advice to Students:

Hang in there!! It does get better and will all make sense one day!!

Class Comments:

I do miss alot of people and wish I lived closer. Please keep in touch. Facebook has reunited alot of the class (thanks Joey!) and is a great way to stay connected. I hope more of the class will sign on to keep in contact.

Laura Anne Woods

Spouse: Phillip Woods

Education:

DVM, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, 1999

In Memoriam

Emilie S. Calder DVM

Emilie Suzanne Bohannon, 37, of Rogers, Ark., died on Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2011, in Springfield, Mo. Emilie was born on March 24, 1974, in Attica, Kan., to Doyle Michael and Cinda Lynn (Braman) Thompson. She graduated from Parsons High School in 1992. She graduated in 1999 from the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University. She married Jason Bohannon on Jan. 26, 2002. He survives of the home. She was a veterinarian working in Lawrence, Kan., and St. Louis Park, Minn., and an esthetician before starting a family. At that time, she decided to stay home and raise their three children and worked part time from home. She was a member of St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church in Rogers. Other survivors include three children, Ella Michal Bohannon, Miller Jason Bohannon and Brooks Cross Bohannon, all of the home; her mother, Cinda Thompson of Parsons; her father, Doyle "Mike" Thompson and his wife, Sharon, of Coffeyville; and a sister, Aimee Weaver of Overland Park. The funeral Mass will be at 4 p.m. Friday at St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church with Monsignor David LeSieur officiating. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Benton County Funeral Home, 306 N. Fourth Street, Rogers, Ark. In lieu of flowers, Emilie's wishes were memorials to St. Vincent dePaul Society, 1416 West Poplar, Rogers, AR 72758. Online condolences can be left at www.bentoncountyfuneralhome.com.

Michael K. James DVM

Michael K. James, 61, passed away Saturday, Sept. 12, 2015. Memorial service: 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Bethany Christian Church, 1500 Meadow Park Drive, White Settlement. Michael was a retired U.S. Air Force master sergeant. He was born April 29, 1954. He was a native of Richton, Miss., and a longtime resident of Fort Worth. After retiring from the Air Force he went to school to become a veterinarian and practiced in the area for 16 years. He loved movies, camping, hiking and skiing, especially in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado. He was much loved by his children and grandchildren and they were his pride and joy. Survivors: Daughters, Ashleigh Jagim and Katie James; grandchildren, Kohen Blassingame and Kennedy Jagim; son-in-law, Justin Jagim; daughter-in-law, Taylor James; wife, Kathy James; brothers, Steve, Ron, Dana and Brad; stepmother, Alice James; stepsisters, Lequeta Breland and Lila Clemens.