One of the more notable teaching hospitals in the country has been named after one of the most influential veterinarians, K-State CVM graduate, Dr. William R. Pritchard, class of 1946. The William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital (VMTH) was dedicated in April at the University of California Davis School of Veterinary Medicine (SVM).

The dedication of the hospital served to recognize Dr. Pritchard's role in developing the school and the VMTH. Dr. Pritchard, who served as dean of the SVM from 1962 to 1982, was instrumental in the facility's design, funding and the development of the clinical teaching, research and service programs.

“Dr. William Pritchard is without a doubt a person who has had a very great impact on veterinary medical education in our time. His leadership has brought us forward to today, where the state of veterinary medicine is very good and continually improving,” said Bennie Osburn, current SVM dean.

Dr. Pritchard said, “This is an honor beyond my wildest dreams. I just can’t begin to tell you what it means to me.”

After earning his DVM from K-State in 1946, Dr. Pritchard went on to earn doctorate and law degrees. His experience in tropical veterinary medicine, international agriculture development, and agriculture and veterinary laws has led Dr. Pritchard around the world. He has gained worldwide recognition as an exceptional veterinarian, educator and authority on international agricultural development as well as veterinary law.

He was named a Distinguished Veterinarian by the National Academy of Practice in Veterinary Medicine, the highest honor given by the veterinary community for international veterinary science. He received an honorary doctorate degree from K-State in 1970 and was named the 1986 K-State CVM Alumni Fellow.

Dr. Pritchard and wife, Deanna, have five children.

UC Davis names hospital after CVM alum

Dr. William Pritchard
K-State Class of 1946

Dr. Pritchard (left) stands with UC Davis Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef at the naming of the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital.

Dr. Pritchard’s 1946 graduating class photo.

Dr. William Pritchard, DVM, K-State class of 1946.

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- Dr. Hammer takes a big step
- and more!
**Hammer heads AVMA: Big hit**

Dr. Gregory S. Hammer, K-State class of 1973, was installed as the new AVMA president on July 17 at the AVMA’s annual convention in Washington, D.C. He was also introduced at K-State’s alumni reception held in conjunction with the conference.

Dr. Hammer was a captain in the Air Force for two years after graduating from K-State. For more than 30 years, he has been part owner and partner of Brenford Animal Hospital, a seven-doctor small animal and equine practice, in Dover, Del.

Dr. Hammer served on the AVMA executive board for six years and was an AVMA delegate for 13 years. He received a K-State alumni recognition award in 2001.

Dr. Hammer is very involved in the Dover community, including the Dover Rotary Club and the Greater Dover Committee. He and his wife, Karen, have two children and two grandchildren.

**Outstanding mentors recognized**

Young Faculty and Resident Mentoring Awards recognize senior faculty members who have demonstrated a commitment to the professional growth of the residents and junior faculty at the VMTH. Drs. Harriet Davidson and Walter Renberg received awards for Excellence in Resident Mentoring, and Dr. Bonnie Rush received an award for Excellence in Faculty Mentoring.

Please welcome the new interns to the VMTH. From left to right: Megan Wickersham, equine medicine and surgery; Julia Sumner, small animal medicine and surgery; Kimberlee Wojick, zoological medicine; Benjamin Wernham, small animal medicine and surgery; Karen Brenner, small animal medicine and surgery; Kenneth Waller, small animal medicine and surgery; Tami Karges, equine medicine and surgery.

**Meet the new residents ...**

Please welcome the new residents to the VMTH. From left to right: Kimberly Reeds, oncology; Andrew Hanzlicek, small animal medicine; Jose Bras, equine surgery; Jennifer Johnson-Neitman, radiology; Christopher (Kit) Kelly, anesthesiology.

A reminder that the first annual 5K “Run 4 Rabies” is being held Sept. 9. SCAVMA, Kansas State Rabies Diagnostic Laboratory, the new International Club and other students and faculty are organizing the run in conjunction with World Rabies Day on Sept. 8, 2007. Also planned is a concert highlighting local talent, food vendors and promotional materials on rabies education and animal-bite prevention. The events will be held in CICO Park from 12-4 p.m. Contact Mylissia Stukey at mstukey@vet.k-state.edu for more info.
CVM honors Dr. Schwindaman in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Dale F. Schwindaman, class of 1953, was recognized for his time and effort devoted to advancing veterinary medicine with a 2007 Alumni Recognition Award presented at the annual AVMA convention in Washington D.C. on July 16.

Dr. Schwindaman retired in November 1996 after a 40-year career with the United States Department of Agriculture in regulatory veterinary medicine with the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), formerly the Bureau of Animal Industry. Since retiring, he has been a consultant in regulatory veterinary medicine to private business and research enterprises and serves on the advisory board of the Scientists Center for Animal Welfare. He is a lifetime member of the U.S. Animal Health Association, as well as a member of both the American Veterinary Medical Association and the Animal Welfare Institute.

“We take great pride in recognizing Dr. Schwindaman’s professional successes and personal accomplishments,” Dean Richardson said. “Dr. Schwindaman has had a tremendous influence and impact in our profession at a national level. His career demonstrates some of the unique opportunities that are available with an education in veterinary medicine and the ways in which our graduates can follow that example and serve the greater good of our country.”

Dr. Schwindaman and his wife, Jean, have three children: Dale Jr., Carol Jean and Ann Marie, and five grandchildren: Darren, Gregory, Jeffrey, Kathleen and Isabella.

Check it Out at the Library

SLA Conference report, part II

By Carol Elmore

Last month’s column discussed two speakers that Cindy Logan and I heard at the Special Library Association (SLA) Conference in Denver. The conference also had many other educational opportunities. We attended a lecture on the new interface that will be coming soon to the Web of Science and Web of Knowledge databases from Thomson Scientific.

Web of Science, located at http://www.lib.ksu.edu/db/ on the library Web site, is a very versatile database that, in addition to providing citations for searches, also provides impact factors for journals, authors and institutions. This can be very useful in analyzing the reliability of research results. If you are unfamiliar with Web of Science, come to the library, and one of our staff will introduce you to this versatile database.

We also heard a lecture about the Google search engine. The company’s motto is “to organize the world’s information and make it universally accessible and useful.” While this sounds like an impossible task, they are making strides toward this mission and are currently digitizing the collections of several research libraries to make them available through Google searching.

Librarians and information professionals are skilled in performing very sophisticated searches using Google and are always anxious to help researchers perfect their Google searching skills. If you need help using Google, come by the library for assistance in refining your searches.

Another lecture that Cindy and I attended was given by Michael Miller, DVM, a senior veterinarian who works with the Colorado Division of Wildlife. He gave a review of prion diseases and the specifics of chronic wasting disease of deer, elk and moose. We were fascinated by all the variants and forms of prion diseases and the implications on our food supply and animal health. By attending conferences of our library staff stays current to aid us in helping you with your research and educational needs.

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Anderson goes “down under”

Dr. David Anderson recently traveled down under to New Zealand and Australia to provide continuing education to veterinarians. He spoke at an alpaca conference in Dunedin on the South Island June 28-July 2. Dunedin is a city of 120,000 people and home to Otagy University.

During the conference, Dr. Anderson presented 10 hours on alpaca medicine and surgery, and conducted a four-hour, hands-on training lab for 30 veterinarians and 150 lay people.

Dr. Anderson also traveled to Townsville, Australia, where he gave seven hours of seminars and six hours of training labs on bovine surgery for 120 veterinarians July 5-7. Townsville is home to the newly founded College of Veterinary Medicine at James Cook University.

CVM News Ticker

Cheri Ubel, alumni relations coordinator, is a new grandmother to Karson Kenneth Tiburon, born July 19.

Dr. Mike Apley assumed the office of president of the American College of Veterinary Clinical Pharmacology in May.

Dr. Brad White spoke at the AVMA meeting in Washington, D.C., on July 16. His topics were calf disease/wellness management and cow/calf practice management.

Dr. Dan Thomson presented to dairy practitioners on July 10 in Breckenridge, Colo. His topic was the effects of SRP Salmonella vaccine on performance and health of dairy cows.

Drs. Antje Anji and Meena Kumari presented research data at the 30th meeting of the Research Society on Alcoholism in Chicago.

Under the microscope:

Nithya Raveendran

COBRE Molecular Biology Core facility manager, A&P

Place of birth: Pollachi, Tamilnadu (state), India

Family information: Dad: Raveendran, Mom: Kousalya, and brother: Dinesh

Favorite TV show of all time: Friends

Person most admired: My best friend Suba

Last book read: “From the Corner of His Eye,” by Dean Koontz

If you could change anything about the world, what would it be? This question must be addressed to the beauty pageants, not me. :)

Favorite childhood memory: Playing Carroms with family and friends; I’ve got a lot of memories associated with it. (FYI — Carroms is a table top game, also called Indian finger billiards.)