

Kind Hearts, Caring Hands, White Coats and Senior Honors



April 11 was a busy day in the CVM, starting with a Bagel Bonanza, followed by the Quiz Bowl,

Convocation Lecture and White Coat Ceremony. The day finished with the Senior Honors Banquet.



Top: Third-year students take the Veterinarian's Oath. Left: Sen. John Melcher addresses the third-year class. Right: Burch Memorial award recipients.



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Additional stories and photos are posted online @ <http://www.vet.k-state.edu/depts/development/lifelines/0805.htm>
• CVM faculty represent at AVC • Dr. K. kisses the 'pig'
• Rock'n'Roll pizza party • Calling all veterinary artists!



CVM is big hit at K-State's Open House

From balloon animals to real animals, CVM helped show off a wide range of activities to the prospective students and parents at this year's Open House. See more photos online: www.vet.k-state.edu/depts/development/lifelines/0805.htm.



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By Carol Elmore

Check it Out at the Library

Emergency pet plans

An emergency plan for elderly relatives was discussed previously in this column, but another family member who needs special attention in disaster planning is the family pet. Tornadoes, a frequent threat in Kansas, necessitate that special considerations be made for family pets in disaster plans.

Keeping emergency supplies on hand is important. Things to include

for pets are a supply of food, a manual can opener if food is canned and water. Extra leashes, litter boxes and litter, toys, and bedding should also be included with emergency supplies. A photograph and animal description placed with supplies could aid in a pet's identification if it became separated from the family.

Copies of veterinary records, especially records of vaccinations or special health requirements, and an extra supply of medicines the pet

needs can be stored with family records and would also be useful in case of an emergency. It is good to make sure animals have identification tags or electronically implanted chips, as these may aid in their return after a disaster.

Since the behavior of animals sometimes changes dramatically after a tornado, special attention should be made for keeping animals in secure enclosures such as carriers. Many Red Cross shelters don't permit animals,

so contingency plans should be considered for where the family animals might be taken after a disaster. Having a list of hotels that are willing to house pets or would be willing to waive their no pet policy in case of a disaster could be helpful.

Also, if the family leaves their house thinking they will be gone only a short time during a tornado warning, it may be best to take the pets along in case the threat turns into a full-fledged disaster, as going home to retrieve animals might not be possible. Updated information on planning for animals and disasters is available at the National Library of Medicine's Web site: <http://sis.nlm.nih.gov/enviro/tornados.html>.

SCAVMA Update: Wrapping up another busy semester



by Nicolette Dudley

I'm sure everyone is looking forward to wrapping up classes for the year. I would like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you as your SCAVMA President. Chris Potanas is your new SCAVMA president, and has many exciting things in store for next year.

To recap the past year, we had many great speakers and events: In August, SCAVMA was involved with freshman orientation. September was busy with World Rabies Day and a meeting with Graduate Leverage, as well as hosting a resident/intern panel to answer student questions. In October, Jim Humphreys from the Veterinary News Network shared tips on client communication. November brought our first-ever SCAVMA Movie Night and Dr. Mike Groves gave us a glimpse of the Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. In December, Jana Davidson from the AVMA-GHLIT shared stories about insurance needs.

In January, the 2nd Annual SCAVMA Talent Show was held in Forum Hall. In February, Dr. Sara Mills spoke about family issues in veterinary medicine and Dr. Peddie shared some stories from his Hollywood Veterinary career. In March, Dr. Lila Miller spoke about animal welfare and shelter medicine from her experience with the NYC ASPCA. In April, our very own Dr. Dan Thomson shared stories about career risk management, plus we hosted the Quiz Bowl at Kind Hearts, Caring Hands Day, Cow Pie Lotto at Open House and End-of-the-Year BBQ with the Kiss the Pig contest to raise money for the Josh Project.

The SCAVMA Board has worked very hard to bring you these events and deserves your appreciation! I hope you enjoyed the meetings and fun events throughout the year. Thanks for your participation (and for eating the free food). Good luck with your summer plans for the first & second years; third years, have fun in the clinics; and fourth years, enjoy life after veterinary school! Thanks!

Visit *lifelines* online and read an inspiring letter from alumnus Dr. Rance Erwin, class of 2002, who is currently serving as a veterinarian in the Army Reserves in Afghanistan.

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Dr. Chengappa elected president



Dr. M.M. Chengappa

Dr. M.M. Chengappa, department head of diagnostic medicine and pathology, was elected to serve as the new president of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists (ACVM).

The ACVM is the nation's certifying authority of veterinary microbiologists. Members are accepted by passing an examination, and a president is elected every two years, with the possibility of being elected for one additional term.

Dr. Chengappa was certified as a Diplomate of the ACVM in 1981. His presidential term will begin in July when he is officially recognized at the AVMA convention.

"I am truly honored and humbled to have been elected to serve as president of the ACVM," Dr. Chengappa said. "It is a privilege to work with such a fine group of microbiologists."

CVM raises \$40,952,720

More than \$40 million was raised to benefit the CVM during the KSU Foundation's Changing Lives Campaign. Since 2001, the campaign raised \$529 million for K-State.

- \$76,030 for facility enhancements/additions
- \$7,228,994 for faculty enhancements
- \$12,753,390 for student success
- \$15,971,890 for excellence funds
- \$3,915,710 for program enhancements
- \$1,006,706 yet to be designated
- 2,180 donors made their first gift to K-State and designated it to the CVM.
- 83 scholarships were established in the CVM.
- 4 Faculty of Distinction funds were established.
- 2 facility projects were completed (Trotter Hall and VMTH renovations)
- 36 percent of all faculty and staff in the CVM participated in the Changing Lives Campaign

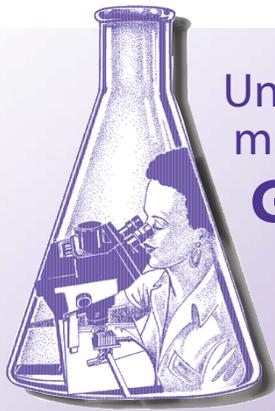
70th Annual Conference for Veterinarians

The 70th Annual Conference for Veterinarians is being held June 1-4 at the K-State student union. There will be a wide variety of workshops, wet labs, luncheons and guest speakers.

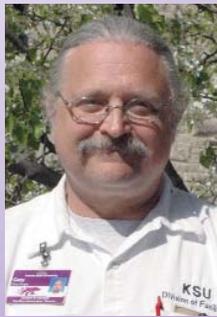
Get more information at the conference page at the Continuing Education Web site:

<http://www.vet.k-state.edu/CE/AnnConf08/index.htm>

Commencement • May 16, 2008 • 3:30 p.m.
McCain Auditorium



Under the microscope:
Gary Morgan
Interim Associate
Director of
Facilities



Place of birth: Manhattan

Family: Wife, daughter, son-in-law, grandson, mom, dad, brother — all in Manhattan

Pets: Two kitties

Favorite smell: Fresh baked bread

Three words that describe you: Quiet, responsible, Opa!

If you could spend a day with any famous person, who would you choose? Bill Gates ... he must have a lot of cool toys

Where in the world would you most like to visit? Germany

Favorite breakfast food: If I could eat it ... bacon, egg and cheese sandwich

Best purchase you've ever made: My home in the country

If you could run any company, which would you choose? Harley Davidson

Dr. Stockham co-authors book

Dr. Steven Stockham, professor of diagnostic medicine and pathobiology has co-authored a second edition of "Fundamentals of Veterinary Clinical Pathology" with Michael A. Scott, an assistant professor at Michigan State University.



Dr. Steve Stockham

The book offers information about common clinical laboratory tests that veterinarians use to evaluate domestic mammals such as dogs, cats, horses and cattle.

Higgins wins Goldwater Scholarship



Michelle Higgins

An undergraduate student working in Dr. Lisa Freeman's lab was one of three K-State students to win a Goldwater Scholarship this year. Michelle Higgins, a senior in nutritional sciences and biochemistry, has been working in the pharmacology program, looking for proof of concept by performing immunohistochemistry on prostate tumor sections from treated mice.

CVM News Ticker

Dr. Jim Lillich presented in San Diego at the Experimental Biology Conference on April 6.

Dr. Doug Powell has been quoted by several media sources lately, including the Des Moines Register, Ottawa Citizen, Globe and Mail, KH1 News Service and icWales. Hot topics include restaurant inspection standards in Kansas, tips and trends for American Express restaurant merchants and buying produce. Get the latest scoop on food safety at the Barfblog: barfblog.foodsafety.ksu.edu.



Dr. Hans Coetzee, assistant professor of clinical sciences, and **Dr. Mike Apley**, associate professor of production medicine, host a PharmCATS booth at the Experimental Biology 2008 meeting in San Diego. Their purpose was to make potential business contacts for PharmCATS. Drs. Coetzee and Apley also referred business prospects to researchers on main campus as well as the diagnostic laboratory. They especially enjoyed the many alumni and current K-State faculty who stopped by the booth. The meeting was held April 6-8.

new arrivals welcome

Hyoung Mi Kim - A&P
Angela Sloan - DM/P-VDL
Wenjun Ma - DM/P

recent departures thanks

Jennifer Sands - DM/P-VDL
Carly Shumaker - DM/P-VDL