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## A Very Fine Fellow

**Dr. Joe Mauderly promotes research as a career option for DVM students**



Research was a hot topic for this year's Alumni Fellow, Dr. Joe Mauderly, class of 1967 and a vice president and senior scientist of the Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute. He spoke to students about pursuing careers in research. He has had experience as both a researcher and as an administrator in a research facility, and was able to give several anecdotes during his presentation.

Dr. Mauderly was also honored by the university in a banquet recognizing the Alumni Fellows in all nine academic colleges at K-State.

The K-State Alumni Fellows program, sponsored by the Dean's Council, the President's Office and

the Alumni Association, annually presents Alumni Fellows awards to outstanding alumni in all nine academic colleges at K-State.

In addition to being a respected and accomplished researcher, Dr. Mauderly proved his mettle as a poet, by reciting the following piece:

### *Science Isn't Easy Street*

"I suppose that you may suppose that research is a breeze, spending someone else's dime and doing as you please. No books to keep, no hours to keep, and never a midnight call; why - compared to clinical practice, it's hardly work at all! ..."

- Read the rest of the poem online at [www.vet.k-state.edu/depts/development/lifelines/0903.htm](http://www.vet.k-state.edu/depts/development/lifelines/0903.htm)



## Calendar Of Events

**April 10th: 9th Annual White Coat Ceremony**

2:00 p.m., K-State Student Union, Main Ballroom

**May 27-29: International conference on the use of antimicrobials in cattle production**

K-State Student Union

# Homeland Security Secretary visits Manhattan

With Manhattan being named as the future site for the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano was in Manhattan this February. Napolitano was joined by Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius on a tour of K-State's Biosecurity Research Institute (BRI).

The fact that facilities like the BRI already exist at K-State was a big positive in Napolitano's mind.

"In reality, this is the best place in the United States to have this type of facility because of the expertise in the animal health community that already exists here in Kansas and Manhattan," Napolitano said.

NBAF will be a Biosafety Level 4 facility while the BRI is already Biosafety Level 3 and is equipped to research all but three diseases that are researched at the current NBAF in Plum Island, NY. For this reason,

many think that Manhattan will be able to start transitioning to cater to the NBAF long before the predicted completion time of 2015 or 2016.

Napolitano and Sebelius were not met with total support for the coming facilities though, as member of the group "No NBAF" protested outside of the BRI buildings during the visit.

In response to the worry coming from some of the community about NBAF, Napolitano responded, "You've never heard about a problem with the CDC in Atlanta. I can't imagine this would be anything less than as safe or indeed safer for Manhattan."

Napolitano and Sebelius spent time in other parts of the state as well, meeting with emergency managers in Topeka and taking a tour of the Greensburg community.



**Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius discuss the NBAF facility coming to Manhattan.**

## SCAVMA hosts Dr. Evan Morse at diversity luncheon

Continuing in a tradition of diversity lectures, SCAVMA recently welcomed Dr. Evan Morse from Cleveland, Ohio, as its guest speaker in early February.

Dr. Morse is a Tuskegee graduate, but credits his professors as the giants in veterinary medicine at Tuskegee, each of whom had graduated from K-State.

"I'm very happy to be walking the very ground where these giants of veterinary medicine received their educations,"

Dr. Morse said. "I wouldn't be here if it weren't for them."

Dr. Morse talked about the lack of

diversity in the field of veterinary medicine. In Ohio, he was only its second black veterinarian when he started his practice in the early 1970s. Even today, he says there are only a handful of black veterinarians in the state.

In addition to being a veterinarian, Dr. Morse is a certified diversity management professional and president emeritus of the Northeast Ohio Jazz Society and even uses jazz as a metaphor of cooperation during some of his talks.



**Dr. Wayne Goins, music professor, waits for a cue from Dr. Evan Morse to accompany a presentation on diversity.**



**Dr. Morse chats with Dr. Howard Erickson.**

**Below: Dr. Evan Morse speaks to the crowd**



## K-State claims top spot in rabies event; will host symposium



Kansas State University's Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association has won first place in a competition involving events for World Rabies Day 2008.

By having the highest student participation in its 2008 World Rabies Day

events, the K-State campus will now be the site of a full-day rabies symposium to feature international experts. The conference, set for Sept. 19 at the K-State Alumni Center, will be sponsored by Merial, one of the world's leading animal health companies.

The events organized by the K-State student veterinary organization included a joint American Veterinary Medical Association/American Medical Association lecture, a 5K/10K run and a children's activity day. Student

participation at K-State was the highest among the 14 veterinary schools sponsoring events to mark World Rabies Day. Events at K-State took place Sept. 26 and 28, 2008.



**By Carol Elmore**

# Check it Out

## at the Library

### "Pull Up A Chair!"

According to an old cliché, variety is the spice of life. If that's really true, then the Veterinary Medical Library has a real spice garden when it comes to seating.

We have endeavored over the years to provide different types of seating and we have tall, medium, short and almost ground level seating in the library. As learning styles differ for people, so do the chairs used by them. We currently have approximately 152 chairs in the VML, not counting chairs in staff

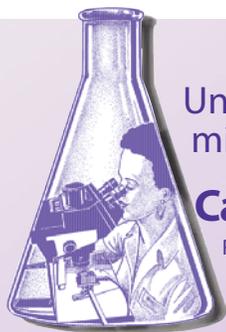
offices. Our goal for seating has been to provide as many different types of seating as possible within our space limitations. In fact we have 14 different types of chairs. For the "lounger" folks we have seven very attractive and comfortable Mission-style recliners with leather seats and wood trim. If retro-styles appeal to you, our green vinyl couches and chairs have been in the library since the veterinary college was built in the early 1970s.

Our wooden chairs are vintage 1950s style. Our popular cyber café has tall

wrought iron stools that are just right for sitting on while using laptop and notebook computers. Near the Pet Tribute area, we have a study area with even taller stools. Amy Hanson, third-year veterinary student, said our recliners in the area near our cyber café were comfortable and relaxing and a good place to sit and use a laptop. David Chen, third-year veterinary student, and Matt Hobson, third-year veterinary student, were taking a study break by working on our current library puzzle and said that the wooden chairs were fine for puzzle work but not for

studying. They preferred our padded office chairs when they studied.

Scott Jablonski, second-year veterinary student, said that he liked to change back and forth between our wooden and our padded chairs. Stacy Kraus, second-year veterinary student, likes to study in the back of the library where it's quiet and prefers our blue padded chairs. We have a small red plastic chair near our Animals in Society area that is just right for a small child to use while in the library. We have rolling, stationary, swivel, hard, soft and "scrunchy" chairs to meet varied sitting needs. Our two large bean-bag chairs, affectionately named the "Cocoa Puff" chairs, are definitely "scrunchy" and meet additional relaxation sitting needs. Come to the library and try out a new chair.



Under the microscope:

**Cammen Lewis**

Research Assistant  
Kansas State Veterinary  
Diagnostic Laboratory



**Place of birth:** Salt Lake City, Utah

**Family Information:** My husband, Patrick, just received a master's degree from K-State in English, and we have a brilliant 1-year-old daughter named Kelsie.

**Pets:** No pets, but I had a fish named "fish" once.

**Describe what a "perfect day" would be like for you:**  
A parade in the morning and I am the Grand Marshall, a bar-beque in the afternoon with family and friends, and fireworks at night with family and friends.

**Where is the place you would most like to visit?**  
Italy — my husband served a church mission there for two years so I have my own personal translator.

**If you could have one super power what would it be?**  
Teleporting so I could see my family more often.

**Do you have a favorite quote or quote you live by? What is it?**  
"What the hammer?"

**Telefund 2009 exceeds last year's fundraising total**



Despite a shaky economy, CVM alumni are still actively supporting their alma mater. CVM student callers just completed this year's session of Telefund. Their two-day effort amassed \$77,820 from 662 pledges. Both figures exceed the totals from Telefund 2008. Counting the participation from K-State's other colleges, Telefund has already raised more than \$1 million in pledges, with final figures to be released in late March or early April.

**CVM News Ticker**



**Congratulations to (from left) Drs. Bruce Schultz, Brad DeBey, Dave Renter, Mike Sanderson and Mike Apley. Dr. Renter was promoted to associate professor and the others were promoted to full professor.**



**Dr. Brad White, shown here, and Dr. Bob Larson gave an elective course on cow-calf medicine to students from K-State, Washington State and Mississippi State universities in early March.**

Dr. Grauer presented at the New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association. Some of the topics covered were: Urinalysis: Basics and Beyond; Nuts and Bolts of Azotemia; Prevention of acute kidney injury and treatment of established acute renal failure; Staging and management of chronic kidney disease in dogs and cats; What's up with proteinuria and hypertension in chronic kidney disease?; Use of NSAIDs in dogs with liver and kidney disease; Complicated and recurrent urinary tract infections; Feline lower urinary tract disease; and Urine leakage and urine retention disorders.

**new arrivals welcome**

Angela Watt - VMTH

**recent departures thanks**

Linda Johnson - Continuing Education  
Shon Koenig - VDL