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International Beef Cattle Symposium Rounds Up A Crowd

More than 800 beef industry stakeholders attended the 2010 International Symposium on Beef Cattle Welfare. The stakeholders consisted of producers, veterinarians, packers, retailers, industry organizations representatives and government agency representatives. The meeting was held in Manhattan and was hosted by the Beef Cattle Institute at Kansas State University. The meeting was also delivered via live webcast, reaching



Dr. Tom Noffsinger, cattle handling expert, demonstrates proper low-stress handling at the emergency preparedness session at Weber Arena.



Dr. Frank Mitloehner, associate professor at UC Davis and director of its Agricultural Air Quality Center, reviews soil conditions for feedyards.

more than 500 individuals in 27 states and six different countries.

The symposium brought more than 20 experts in the field of cattle welfare. Speakers such as Drs. Temple Grandin and Tom Noffsinger spoke on proper cattle handling techniques. Dr. Terry Mader spoke on mud and Dr. Dee Griffin discussed the effects of heat on cattle in the feedyard.

Other presentations included topics such as: Answering public questions about beef production; How can the beef industry better communicate to governmental entities; Teaching beef cattle welfare in the field; Analgesic pharmacology and management of pain associated with dehorning, castration and lameness; Management of culled dairy cows; Animal welfare at the beef packing level; How do we

benchmark animal welfare progress in our industries; What are the economics associated with welfare; and more.

In addition to the above topics, the Beef Cattle Welfare Symposium was kicked off with an Emergency Preparedness session lead by Jennifer Woods. During this session Woods informed emergency personnel, producers and others on how to be prepared during emergency situations. She also discussed, trailer roll-over and proper techniques of euthanasia.

The introduction of the North American Food Animal Well-Being Commission was also made during the open presentation on Wednesday night. The mission of this commission is: An independent voice to advance evidence-based and practical improvements in the care and well-being of North American beef cattle.



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Quick Pics at the annual conference for Veterinarians



Dr. Alfred Legendre, from the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine, talks about shelter medicine and felines during one of the sessions.



A vendor answers some questions during the trade show.



Dr. Lisa Pohlman, K-State assistant professor in Clinical Pathology, explains how to analyze different blood cells under the microscope.



Teammates back each other up during the 16th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament at Colbert Hills.



Dean Ralph Richardson announces the formal naming of Coffman Commons during his Year in Review presentation. This area is one of several buildings or places on campus named for former veterinary faculty. Dr. Jim Coffman, class of 1962, was an equine professor and later became K-State's provost until retiring in 2004.



Dr. Jacob Thomas, a veterinarian from Topeka, eyes his patient closely during an ophthalmology wet lab.

Fourth-year student wins equine scholarship

A longtime desire to work with horses has helped a Kansas State University veterinary medicine student earn a national scholarship.

Lindsey Horner, fourth-year veterinary medicine student, St. George, Kan., has received a \$1,000 scholarship through The Winner's Circle Scholarship Program, sponsored by the American Association of Equine Practitioners Foundation, Platinum Performance and The Race for Education.

Lindsey is among 32 veterinary students receiving the scholarship this year. The Winner's Circle Scholarship is for fourth-year veterinary students who are following a career path in equine medicine. The scholarships are intended to help offset the cost of veterinary school. Students are nominated from each of the American Association of Equine Practitioners' 36 student chapters in North America.

"The Winner's Circle Scholarship program provides financial relief for proven student leaders who have pledged their careers to advancing the health of horses."

Lindsey, who completed three years of undergraduate work at North Dakota State University before entering K-State's College of Veterinary Medicine, is an active member of the K-State chapter of the American Association of Equine Practitioners.

"I went to veterinary school because of my passion for horses and the equine industry," she said. "It only seems natural to specialize in equine veterinary medicine."

Lindsey plans on doing an equine internship after earning her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from K-State in May

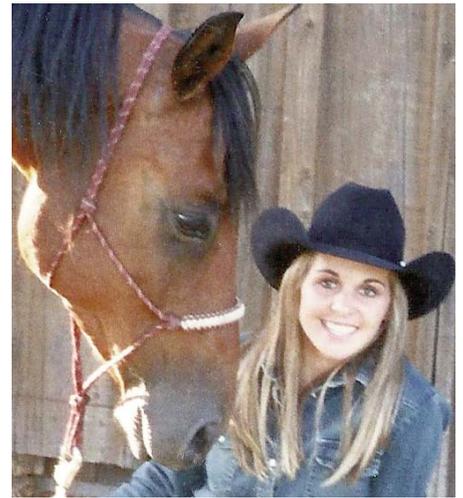
2011. She then will consider entering private practice.

Lindsey is the daughter of Dr. Arlyn and Lisa Scherbenske, Steele, N.D.

Dr. Scherbenske is a mixed animal veterinarian. Lindsey also is a graduate of Steele-Dawson High School.

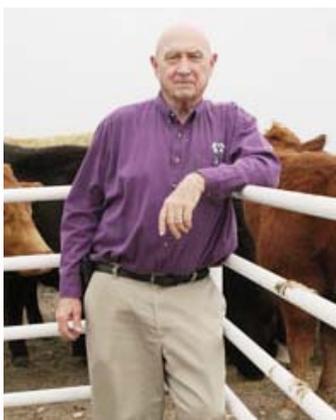
The Winner's Circle Scholarship Program encourages students' long-term loyalty to the

American Association of Equine Practitioners, its foundation, The Race for Education and the Thoroughbred industry. The program distributed more than \$130,000 in scholarship funds to students this year. Since its establishment in 2008, the program has provided more than \$400,000 in financial support of equine veterinary students.



Lindsey Horner, shown with her horse Cinnamon, hopes to be an equine practitioner when she finishes her DVM degree.

AgriLabs announces CE scholarships in honor of alum



Dr. Bruce Wren, class of 1958, is the inspiration for two new scholarships designed to promote continuing education for bovine and dairy practitioners.

AgriLabs will present two \$5,000 named awards in honor of Dr. Bruce Wren, class of 1958. Recipients of AgriLabs Dr. Bruce Wren Continuing Education Scholarships will benefit from Dr. Wren's commitment to both practical and formal continuing in the training of first-rate veterinarians.

Steve Schram, CEO/president of AgriLabs said, "AgriLabs has relied upon Dr. Wren's professional expertise as a member of our Technical Services team for many years. But now it is time to invite the broader veterinary community to share

in the recognition of his unwavering, deep commitment and dedication to the profession with the establishment of these

scholarships in his honor."

"The gap between the number of veterinarians available to serve dairy and beef producers continues to increase." Remarkd Mr. Schram, "These grants will provide dedicated veterinarians with significant resources for self-directed professional development and encourage them to remain in large-animal medicine."

Candidates will design their own award through an application process and judging criteria based on:

A professional-development plan, describing the skills/knowledge candidates would like to improve upon to become a more valuable resource for their producer-clients and how they'd use the grant for this improvement.

The selection process and the administration of each of these two \$5,000 grants — one to a beef practitioner, the other to a dairy practitioner — will be headed by Dr. Gatz Riddell, AABP, and Dr. David Selner, National Dairy Shrine

Dr. Wren will present the Awards to the inaugural recipients at the joint 43rd Annual Conference of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners and the 2010 Academy of Veterinary Consultants Summer Meeting.



Under the microscope: Adam Umscheid

Computer Information Specialist
Computing and
Technical Support



Place of birth: Manhattan, Kan.

Family Information: My wife, Megan, is also a K-State Graduate

Pets: Dog, Molly

What are some activities you enjoy doing in the summer?

Working on my family farm, Playing Rec softball, and a boxing class I just started this summer

As a child where did you see yourself working one day?

Any job in the world of sports

If you could live anywhere else in the world where would you be?

Colorado, in the mountains

What was the worst summer job you have ever had?

Roofing a house

What is your favorite TV show of all time?

The Office

CVM News Ticker

Drs. Jane Westfall and **Neil Anderson** have been invited to participate in the EPS Global 1st International Heart Forum being held Aug. 12-15 in Beijing, China. They were invited because of their research article, "Interaveolar septal changes with Pasteurella haemolytica-induced pneumonia in exertion-stress calves." EPS Global Medical Development is a world-leading medical and biotech consultancy which offers a unique blend of scientific and medical relations across the three cultures of China, Japan and the West. It has been collaborating with hospitals, universities and research institutions in China, Europe and North America co-organizing meetings in various fields of medicine and biotechnology.

Dr. Greg Grauer spoke at a Vetoquinol seminar in Avon, Conn., on June 7 and 8. The topic was "Showing the progressive nature of chronic kidney disease." From June 9 to June 13, he spoke at the ACVIM forum in Anaheim, Calif., on the topics of "Changing paradigm of proteinuria" and upper urinary tract case discussions. From June 16 to June 18, Dr. Grauer spoke at the Southeast Veterinary Conference in Myrtle Beach, S.C. His topics were: "Nuts and Bolts of Azotemia," "Nuts & Bolts of Proteinuria," "Hyperthyroidism: A few from the Urinary Tract," "NSAIDs and the Kidney," "Chronic Kidney Disease, Part I and II," "Complicated/Recurrent Urinary Tract Infections," and "Micturition Disorders."

Meet the new Interns



Back Row: Amanda Hartnack, Jill Singsank and Michelle Tichenor.
Front row: Diana McGovern, Tori Miller and Rodney Schnellbacher.

new arrivals welcome

Dr. Qinfang Liu - DM/P
Cody Steffey - VMTH
Loryn Clauson - VMTH
Andrea Graham - VMTH
Diane Hess - VMTH

thanks recent departures

Mitzi Wegman - KSVDL
John Ragsdale - DM/P
Takayuki Kudo - A&P
Marisa Romero - KSVDL
Nicole Pultz - KSVDL