



A Letter From The President

March/April 2013

Hello again. I hope everyone is doing well and surviving the outbreak of flu and colds this winter. I'm glad we are getting ready for spring and summer, when the weather is nicer and we can spend more time outside. I know my little boy will appreciate that. He absolutely loves being outside.

Speaking of Braeden, there was a funny Facebook post that I read recently. It said, "I'd post photos of other things besides my kid, but all I do is hang out with my kid." This is so true. Most of my friends and I have entered that stage of our lives, which means we talk about our kids a lot and many conversations revolve around parenting tips and baby milestones. Until now I never had much experience with children, and I suddenly have this overwhelming weakness for all things babies and kids.

One of the things I find myself doing is reading articles on parenting-- these babies don't come with instructions! While there are so many opinions and the approach is very individualized for each child, there was one topic that caught my eye. It was empathy.

Even though I was reading it as it related to raising my child, the idea can really be applied to any relationship, especially in veterinary practice. We experience this on a daily basis with our clients and coworkers. Many times pet owners want understanding, not necessarily a solution. They want us to feel what they are feeling and understand why they feel that way. In the workplace, sometimes showing empathy is all it takes to prevent a conflict or defuse an argument. This is definitely one of those skills not taught in veterinary school, but it can have a major impact on our success.

This ability to understand a client's feelings certainly can help with formulating a plan that treats the pet while meeting the expectations of the owner. Most of the time our plans are modified based on finances or how invasive the client will allow us to be. I had one such case recently where I debulked a very large, locally aggressive oral tumor. In truth, the dog needed a hemimandibulectomy, but the owners declined that procedure. The surgery was tedious but went well, and more importantly, the dog healed nicely and regained its previous happy disposition. I have never seen anyone so grateful to spend the kind of money they did on a procedure that won't cure their beloved pet. But of course there are times when the client can't be pleased and reasoning doesn't work. I will never forget the owner who refused to allow

me to send her deceased pet for rabies testing, despite knowing that a court order was about to be issued. While I completely understood her position and felt her anguish, there was nothing I could do to avoid the inevitable. So, even though we can't please everyone and empathy doesn't help every situation, I still believe it is vital to our jobs as veterinarians as well as in maintaining relationships at work and at home. I just hope that I will remember to practice this useful skill when Braeden gets a little older!

There are just a few more items I wanted to mention to you that were brought to my attention at the most recent board meeting.

1. I would like to recognize Dr. Teresa Bradley Bays at Belton Animal Clinic and Exotic Care Center. Her clinic was recently named a 25 under 25[®] Honoree by Thinking Bigger Business Media. This award honors 25 companies with fewer than 25 employees in the Kansas City area. This year there were over 1,100 nominees! Winners are chosen based on the company's achievements, vision for the future, innovation and contribution to the community. Congratulations!
2. KCVMA renewal notices were sent recently. You can renew your dues by mail or online at www.kcvma.com. Also, please mention to our new grads that their membership is complimentary during their graduation year. It is a great opportunity for them to meet other professionals and obtain continuing education. I look forward to seeing our younger veterinarians getting involved right away.
3. We are working hard to organize upcoming continuing education meetings and social events. In April, a tour of the Kansas City SEA LIFE Aquarium has been planned. This is a wonderful family activity. Please check inside this issue of News & Notes for details about the event.
4. As always, we would love to know any topics you would like covered or ideas for networking with your colleagues for the future.

Sincerely,

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NEW TAX ON HUMAN MEDICAL DEVICES COULD IMPACT VETERINARIANS

BY: JEN NIGRO

Veterinarians may see the cost of medical supplies rise this year thanks to a provision in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The provision includes a 2.3 percent excise tax on all medical devices as defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Devices used exclusively in veterinary medicine are not listed under the FFD&C and will not be taxed. Devices that are “intended for humans” but are also used in veterinary medicine will be subject to the 2.3% excise tax.

The term medical device is a broad one. It includes everything from endoscopes, IV fluid pumps and cardiac monitors to catheters, clamps, surgical scalpels and even ice bags. In short, anything recognized in the official National Formulary or the United States Pharmacopeia; anything intended for use in diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease; or anything intended to affect the structure or any function of the body which does not use a chemical action to achieve its primary intended purpose qualifies.

Medical devices intended for use exclusively for veterinary medicine will not be subject to the tax. In addition, products covered under the IRS’s retail exemption will not be taxed. These products include eyeglasses, contact lenses, hearing aids, and any other medical device that is generally purchased by the general public at retail for individual use.

Dr. Mark Lutschaunig, Director of Governmental Relations for the American Veterinary Medical Association in Washington, D.C., says the AVMA contacted Congress when the tax was first proposed to express their concern. But the measure passed without a rewrite that would completely exempt veterinary products. “I don’t think that was what they intended to do, but that’s what happened,” says Dr. Lutschaunig.

The tax targets manufacturers who bring in revenues over \$5 million per year. It’s designed to help pay for the expansion of health coverage for the uninsured, and is expected to generate \$20 billion over 10 years. Those who favor the tax say manufacturers will recoup the cost as the Affordable Care Act extends insurance to more people, and in turn, increases the sales of medical devices to the newly insured. But, it will be up to manufacturers whether to defray those costs up front by passing the tax through to doctors, and in some cases, veterinarians. “We’re not sure how the manufacturers are going to handle it,” says Dr.

Lutschaunig. “They could just eat the cost, they could pass it on by increasing the price of the product, or they could add a line item for the tax,” he says. “But we do know there are devices intended for humans but also used in veterinary medicine that will be taxed, and that’s why we’re concerned.”

If the costs do trickle down, veterinarians will have to consider whether to absorb the tax or pass it on to their own clients. In many cases, Dr. Lutschaunig says the increase could be negligible. “It might depend on whether it’s a big piece of equipment. If it’s going to have a five to eight year lifespan, when you look at 2.3 percent spread out over time and many procedures, the cost per procedure would be lower. But it might be more noticeable on equipment or supplies that can only be used one time or on one patient.”

In the meantime, the AVMA is doing its best to get the word out to veterinarians about the potential impact, and build support for changes to the tax law. “The problem I have with the tax, and I think many of our members would have, is that you’re taxing veterinary medicine- and our clients and our patients- to pay for human healthcare, and I don’t think that was the intent of Congress,” says Dr. Lutschaunig. “One set of bills we’ve seen would repeal the tax completely and replace it with some other form of revenue. I think we would be supportive of that.”

Dr. Lutschaunig is quick to point out that no matter what the financial impact on veterinarians the tax won’t affect quality of care. “Veterinarians are primarily concerned about the health and welfare of their patients,” he says. “While this tax could be burdensome to the profession, I still think veterinarians will practice the very best medicine they can. I don’t think they’re going to refrain from purchasing a piece of equipment because of this 2.3 percent tax. They’re going to do what’s best for their patients.”

The AVMA has created a list of frequently asked questions about the legislation. You can find it by visiting www.avma.org, clicking on the “Knowledge Base” tab at the top of the page, and choosing “Resources”. Dr. Lutschaunig says the AVMA also has a blog to help keep members and others up-to-date on this and other issues. “I hope that even if some of the costs are passed through to clients, it won’t dissuade people from bringing their pets into the veterinarian for their routine, preventative pet care, or when they have other problems.”

NEW KCVMA BOARD MEMEBERS



Dr. Ryan Church is a native of Nebraska, where he earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a 2004 graduate of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University. After practicing small animal medicine for three years in suburban Chicago, Dr. Church moved to the Kansas City area and currently practices at Mill Creek Animal Hospital in Shawnee. He enjoys spending time with his wife and two daughters.



Dr. Donna Romanzi grew up in southeast Kansas. She was raised on a family farm with multiple pets and livestock. Dr. Romanzi's upbringing led her to pursue her degree in veterinary medicine at Kansas State University, which she earned in 1999. She is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), the KCVMA and the American Animal Hospital Association. When she's not helping her patients, she enjoys spending time with her husband Mike, her son Cole, her dog Belle, and her friends.



Dr. Matthew Silvius grew up in Lathrop, MO, a small town north of Kansas City. He started working in the field of veterinary medicine as a Kennel Attendant at Eagle Animal Hospital while pursuing his Bachelors of Science from Missouri Western University. He then attended the University of Missouri, College of Veterinary Medicine, where he met his beautiful wife, Margaret, who is also a veterinarian. After graduating in 2007 he returned to Eagle Animal Hospital. Dr. Silvius brings great knowledge in the areas of animal dentistry, dermatology, and feline medicine to the practice.



Dr. Todd Taylor works for Boehringer Ingelheim Vemedica, Inc. as a Technical Services Veterinarian. Dr. Taylor is a 2007 graduate of the University of Missouri CVM. Prior to receiving his Bachelor of Arts in Biology from William Jewell College in 2002, he spent a year in an Overseas honors program at Cambridge University. Dr. Taylor's veterinary practice career has included time working with clients who owned small animals as well as livestock producers who owned dairy cattle, beef cattle and horses. When Todd is not working, he enjoys spending time with his wife Christina, and his two children, Lucia and Jonathan.

PET OXYGEN KITS

On January 14th, Assistant Fire Chief Joe Lay of the Independence Fire Department made a short presentation to the Independence City Council, recognizing the KCVMA for donating the Pet Oxygen Mask kits to the department. Dr. Kathleen Claussen was in attendance as a representative of the KCVMA. The presentation was especially timely. Just a few days prior, on January 4th, the masks were put to use at a house fire in Independence. Asst. Fire Chief Lay reports that the kits worked great, and the firefighters were able to save two of the pets that had suffered from severe smoke inhalation. Pictures of the kits in action can be found below.



MVMA CONFERENCE RECAP

BY: MEL FALK, DVM

The 121st annual convention of the Missouri Veterinary Medical Association was held at the Westin Crown Center in Kansas City on January 18-20, 2013. It had been over 30 years since the state meeting had been held here. The attendance was comparable to previous years, but the number of local members attending was disappointing. We are considering the possibility of offering single-day registration for future events to accommodate local veterinarians who can't get away from their practices for the entire meeting.

The continuing education lectures were great and USDA-APHIS lectures were available for the new CE requirements. These will continue to be offered at future state meetings.

There are many economic issues affecting veterinarians today, including the Wal-Mart bill that would require veterinarians to

give every client a prescription for medicine, even if you stock the medicine in your pharmacy. The AVMA has successfully blocked this bill, but Wal-Mart will not likely give up on this legislation. Other issues that require a proactive veterinary community to protect their interests include: Internet and human pharmacies and the laws regulating veterinarians and "non-profit" shelters offering low-cost, full-service veterinary care that is subsidized by the tax payers. It is important that the younger members of our profession become involved to protect their livelihood. I encourage all of my colleagues to join the KCVMA, MVMA, and AVMA, to help maintain our great profession of veterinary medicine for many generations to come!

As your KCVMA delegate to the MVMA, I welcome any comments or concerns.

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BUILT ON THE SHOULDERS OF VETERINARY GIANTS

JIM AND THE QUEEN OF DAIRYLAND

BY: DR. STEVE JOSEPH, KCVMA HISTORIAN

Elsie is a cartoon cow that has been used as the logo for the Borden Dairy Company since 1936. You can see her today when you buy a Borden's dairy product.

She has been awarded many degrees, such as Doctor of Bovinity, Doctor of Human Kindness and Doctor of Econometrics. In the dairy state of Wisconsin she reigned as Dairy Princess and Queen of Dairyland. In 2000, the publication *Ad Age* named her one of the 10 advertising icons of the century.

No less famous is her husband Elmer the Bull. He is the mascot on every container of Elmer's Glue.

A guiding force in the popularity of Elsie was Jim Francis Cavanaugh (1917 – 2010). He graduated from Kansas State University in 1941. Although not a veterinarian, he shared considerable influence with our profession as a dairy animal scientist, marketing specialist, and outstanding salesperson. Jim hailed from the Little Apple, but he was known in the Big Apple as well.

A 2007 New York Times article stated, "*Many things draw visitors to New York: Broadway musicals, the Metropolitan Museum and games at Yankee Stadium.*"

For Jim, it was always dairy cows. It was an odd choice because, as you know, NYC is not known for livestock.

The story goes like this: cows first brought Jim from his

alma mater in Manhattan, KS, to NYC for the 1939 World's Fair, and it was cows that brought him back in 2007 at age 90.

Jim said Elsie was a 1939 sensation. He helped to select the first live Elsie after city folks kept asking which cow was the one featured in the company's advertisement. He told crowds that the cud she was chewing was bubble

gum and the pink mark on her nose was lipstick. He recalled escorting Elsie to a dancehall pavilion where the bandleader introduced her as "the biggest stripper in town".

A 2012 article wrote of Jim that he "...worked with people equally well on the concrete floor of a holding pen or on the carpeted floor of a CEO's office. The progress of the Jersey breed and Jersey organizations under his leadership was nothing short of remarkable. Among his contributions

were increased production based upon adoption of sound genetic programs and a strong milk marketing program."

It's said Jim was devoted to his religion and cows. As a Catholic, he kept a picture of the Pope on his desk. Next to that was a picture of another love – Elsie. Jim is one of the Borden Boys, now enshrined in the Smithsonian.

Elsies have come and gone since Jim introduced the original in NYC. Kansas is proud to be home of the most recent Elsie. She was part of the Hanschu Jersey herd located near Lost Springs.



March CE

Speaker: Gary I. Glassman, CPA, Burzenski & Company, P.C.
Topic: The Great Market Shift: What do changes in the flea and tick market mean to your hospital's bottom line?
Date: Thursday, March 21, 2013
Time: Check-In: 6:30pm, Dinner and Presentation: 7pm
CE: 2 hours

Location: Brio Tuscan Grille
500 Nichols Road
Kansas City, MO 64112
816-561-5888

Fee: No fee to attend this event, but RSVP is required.
Current membership dues cover all CE.

Sponsor: Elanco



Please RSVP by Friday, March 15th to Mia Briones (913-207-4838, brionesmi@elanco.com) or Lyndsay Farnsworth-Dick (913-481-3857, farnsworth-dickle@elanco.com)

Gary I. Glassman, CPA, has been a practicing Certified Public Accountant since 1976. In 1988 he became a partner of Burzenski & Company, P.C. Mr. Glassman focuses on the field of veterinary practice management and specializes in financial management and tax planning for veterinary practices and their owners. Additionally, he has extensive experience in the areas of practice valuation, related practice sale, merger and acquisition activity, structuring buy/sell agreements and hospital expansion and financing.

A graduate of the University of Bridgeport with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Mr. Glassman is a regular instructor at the Veterinary Management Consultation, Inc. School for Veterinary Practice Management. He regularly speaks at national veterinary conferences on financial and tax topics, including "Tax Tips for the Practice Owner" and "Financial Reporting to Improve Practice Results". He is frequently quoted in national veterinary publications.

He is a member of the Veterinary Hospital Managers Association, American Animal Hospital Association and National Association of Certified Valuators & Analysts. He is a charter member of VetPartners™, a national organization of veterinary advisors and consultants. He is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Serving on the editorial board of Veterinary Economics magazine, Mr. Glassman contributes regular articles, including the column "Tax Strategies". Other bylined articles featured in Veterinary Economics have included "Pump it UP; Overcoming Stagnated Growth", "Stay Straight with the IRS" and "The Great American Loan Proposal."

April CE

Speaker: Gerryll G. Hall, DVM
Topic: Updated Vaccine Guidelines and How to Interpret Them
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2013
Time: Dinner: 6:30pm, Presentation: 7pm
CE: 2 hours
Fee: No fee to attend this event, but RSVP is required.
Current membership dues cover all CE.

Location: Hereford House Zona Rosa
8661 N. Stoddard Ave.
Kansas City, MO 64153
816-584-9000

*Max capacity is 65, so RSVP early!
Sponsor: Merck

Please RSVP by Monday, April 15 by registering at KCVMA.com, <http://conta.cc/YQ8AZl>

Dr. Hall is the lead veterinarian for Merck Animal Health's unique Vaccine Protocol Help Line. Her contributions to this effort include practicing in Atlanta, GA, as well as working with two rescue groups and one shelter; creating vaccination life plans for animals with genetic problems or suspected adverse events; presenting the latest product developments and applications to veterinarians, as well as keeping them informed about recent industry changes; updating shelters on immunology and sanitation protocols; and visiting veterinary clinics and shelters personally to educate the staff on the issues involved in the use of currently available products. She also serves as the primary Merck Animal Health representative at international, national and state meetings concerning biologicals, internal medicine and pain management.

SPRING SOCIAL EVENT: SEA LIFE KANSAS CITY AQUARIUM

Join your KCVMA colleagues as we are transported to the amazing underwater world of the brand new SEA LIFE Aquarium at Crown Center. SEA LIFE provides breath-taking views of all creatures underwater, from starfish and seahorses to rays and sharks. And don't forget about Gertrude, the newly arrived sea turtle.

The KCVMA Board is providing two tickets per KCVMA member at no cost. We have set a maximum of 90 free tickets, so act now to take advantage! If you wish to purchase additional tickets, they are available at KCVMA.com. Adult tickets are \$13; tickets for children are \$11. To take part in this wonderful opportunity you must register online by Friday, March 22. Tickets will be distributed at SEA LIFE by the KCVMA on April 7th at 3pm. (The tour takes approximately one hour).



What: SEA LIFE Kansas City Aquarium
2475 Grand Boulevard
Kansas City, MO 64108
816-471-4386
<http://www.visitsealife.com/Kansas-city/>
Date: Sunday, April 7, 2013

Time: 3:00 pm
Fee: Two tickets provided at no cost.
Each additional ticket is \$13.00 (adult) / \$11 (child)
RSVP: RSVP is required. Please register online at KCVMA.com, <http://conta.cc/YosZvX> by Friday, March 22nd.

*Free parking in the Crown Center parking garages

CLASSIFIED ADS

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The KC Pet Project (the nonprofit organization operating the Kansas City, Missouri Animal Shelter) is currently seeking full or part-time, experienced Veterinary Technicians for Kansas City's largest open admission animal shelter. Responsibilities include prepping animals for surgery, entering medical information into computerized systems, making surgery packs, administering medications, assisting with medical assessments, post-surgical care, and intake vaccinations. Successful candidates must love a fast-paced environment, have great communication skills, strong technical skills and be committed to caring for nearly 8,000 animals that come in to the KCMO shelter every year. We are committed to building a no-kill community in Kansas City. Certified technicians preferred, but 2+ years of experience may be substituted for certification. Work schedule will include Sundays. To apply, send resume with cover letter and salary requirements to: Teresa Johnson, CEO/Executive Director at Teresa.Johnson@KCMO.org. No phone calls please.

Westwood Animal Hospital is seeking a responsible, reliable, hard-working individual to join our team as a kennel attendant. Job responsibilities include caring for cats and dogs, general cleaning duties, bathing cats and dogs, and assisting the vet techs and veterinarians when needed. This position is approximately 20-30 hours per week and does require availability to work on weekends. Some experience working in veterinary clinic, animal shelter, or boarding facility is preferred. For more information about this position, please contact Emily Rocha at 913-362-2512.

Our clinic is looking to add a new associate to join our staff, and also a vet assistant or vet tech. If interested please email kklmnorris@yahoo.com. Kansas City/Raytown area. We have a fun environment with quality care to our patients and clients at reasonable costs.

Noah's Ark Animal Clinic, a high-quality small animal clinic is seeking a full time Veterinary Technician to become a member of our health care team. Responsibilities include exam room and surgery support, post-surgical care and laboratory diagnostics. Work with veterinarians committed to excellence. Successful candidates must possess proven client service and communication skills, strong technical skills and compassion. Certified technician preferred, but 3+ years experience as a technician may be substituted for certification. We offer a competitive salary along with numerous benefits including subsidized health and dental, reduced veterinary rates and employee incentive bonuses. To apply, send resume with cover letter and salary requirements as follows: Mail to 6305 Main St., Kansas City, MO 64113. Email to jobs@noahsarkanimalclinic.com or Fax to 816-361-2920. No phone calls please.

VETERINARY TECHNICIAN NEEDED (Country Club Plaza Area). Westwood Animal Hospital is seeking an EXPERIENCED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN to join our team. Job responsibilities include assisting veterinarians with medical appointments and sedated procedures, caring for cats and dogs, performing dental cleanings, nail trims, vaccinations, some light cleaning, and communicating with clients regarding the health of their pet. This position is approximately 36.5 hours per week, and requires availability Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. This position is only open to persons who have previous experience working as a veterinary technician. To apply, please visit our website, www.westwoodanimalhospital.com, click on the FORMS link, and fill out our APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT. You can fax your application to 913-677-0203, or e-mail it to the address noted on our website.

The Northland Animal Welfare Society (NAWS) is looking to acquire a good used operating table. Please contact Goldie: 816-830-7759.

Full time receptionist (40 hours) wanted for veterinary hospital in Lawrence, Ks during office hours: MTWF 7:30-6:00 | TH 7:30-7:00 | SAT 8:00-noon Requirements: Microsoft Office. Preferred: Avimark, social media applications. Please send resume and cover letter to kcraft@lawrencevethospital.com or see our website for more information: www.lawrencevethospital.com.

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