



A Letter from the President

March/April 2016

As members of the veterinary community, we all need to be active in our profession. It's true, many of us are very active in our positions as practitioners, as industry leaders or in academia. But we also need to advocate for our profession. Before taking on the role of KCVMA president, I did not realize how much our professional associations—the KCVMA, KVMA, MVMA and AVMA-- do for veterinary medicine. KCVMA advocates for the profession by providing quality continuing education to our members. We also discuss current affairs that impact the veterinary community and provide feedback to our veterinary schools and state associations. Our board members have a wide range of experience – from practice to industry.

While KCVMA does not participate in lobbying activities, we do have representatives who serve as liaisons between us and the KVMA and MVMA. Dr. Ryan Church is our Kansas representative and Dr. Matt Silvius is our Missouri representative. Both keep the state associations apprised of the issues affecting our region, and in turn, they bring us reports from the state level.

One such issue is the two-year trial merger of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners and the Kansas Department of Agriculture. This trial merger is meant to provide support to KBVE and test how well the KBVE works with the KDA. When the trial period ends on June 30, the Kansas legislature will debate whether to make the change permanent.

During KCVMA's monthly board meeting, Dr. Church reported licensed Kansas veterinarians received an email from the KVMA stating a number of reasons the association feels the merger between the KBVE and KDA should be dissolved. The letter states, "The (KVMA) Board's experience during the trial merger gives us a different outlook for the future than the KDA has indicated. If this merger continues, the lack of Board authority over our personnel, legislative actions,

and disciplinary and budgetary processes inhibits our ability to fulfill our mission of promoting public health, safety and welfare."

While our Kansas representatives are addressing that issue, MVMA representatives are actively opposing a legislative bill that would allow certified technicians to conduct euthanasia. This issue has been introduced before, but unlike past legislation, this bill does not include a provision for the handling of drugs used during the procedure. Richard Antweiler, Executive Director of the MVMA, says the organization sees no reason to create a new licensing structure to allow technicians to conduct euthanasia without veterinarian supervision. The bill is being considered by a legislative committee; Antweiler says their lobbyists are working hard to keep it from moving past that point. In addition, the MVMA is finalizing details for the Heartland Leadership Conference in June.

The AVMA will continue to oppose the "Walmart" bill. This bill basically states all veterinarians must present a written prescription for all medication prescribed. Be sure to read our full report inside this month's newsletter.

I bring these issues up as call to action. KCVMA, KVMA, MVMA and AVMA are vital to maintaining our professional freedoms. Each one of us has the personal responsibility to make our voices heard. This means not only continuing membership in or joining our local, state and national associations, but becoming participating members who actively support their causes. We must take the time and make the effort to give critical feedback on the issues that affect our profession, or someone else will make the decision for us, possibly to the detriment of veterinary medicine.

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Fighting for Fairness

BY: JEN NIGRO

As pet owners demand more choice and flexibility in veterinary care, more human pharmacies are stepping in to offer their services by filling veterinary prescriptions. They're lobbying for a bigger piece of the market through proposed legislation that would require all veterinarians to give pet owners a written prescription for all medications. Those prescriptions could then be filled at their veterinarian's pharmacy—or elsewhere. But Dr. Mel Falk, a veterinarian at Hidden Valley Animal Hospital in Independence, MO, and president of the Missouri Veterinary Medical Association, says the legislation is anything but fair.

As the law stands now, veterinarians are required to write a prescription for any client who requests one. But the Fairness to Pet Owners Act, which some have dubbed the Walmart bill, would require veterinarians to write a prescription every time they diagnose a problem that requires medication, even if the client has no plans to fill it elsewhere. "This is overkill on the part of Walmart and the pharmacies that are behind it to increase their market share. In my opinion and the AVMA's opinion, it's already our responsibility to write a prescription when requested, so we already take care of the problem, says Dr. Falk."

Safety is also a major concern. "There are differences between dosages used in animals and humans," Dr. Falk explains. "For instance, we've had an issue a couple of times with pharmacies dispensing thyroid medications. Dogs take a lot higher dose than people do, and there have been cases where pharmacists have changed the dose that we prescribed." He says other human medications are toxic to dogs and cats. Last year, in fact, the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine investigated a report of a dog mistakenly receiving the human drug Sinequan instead of the prescribed Zeniquin. While the case involved an orally-communicated prescription, the FDA noted similarities in appearance between the two medications and advised pharmacists to watch for look-alike and sound-alike medications that might be confused. The FDA recommends veterinarians include the brand name, generic name, species and correct spelling on both verbal and written prescriptions. Additionally, the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy recently amended its Model State Pharmacy Act, requiring human pharmacies that fill veterinary prescriptions to keep at least one current reference manual on hand. Still, Dr. Falk is concerned the crossover could lead to costly mistakes. "Having the information available, in my opinion, is not good enough. I think if human pharmacies want to dispense veterinary medication, they should be required to have some training or hire a veterinary pharmacist." The NABP is working on

that as well, recommending that human pharmacy schools develop a veterinary pharmacology program for their students. Regardless, liability remains an issue. "The problem is," says Falk, "if you write a script and you specifically say how you want the medication dispensed, and the pharmacist doesn't fill it correctly, the veterinarian is on the line for the problem."

Dr. Falk says perhaps the biggest issue of all is the implication the legislation is fair to pet owners. "The AVMA is against this bill primarily because they just don't feel like it's in the best interest of the pet owning public," he says. He notes not only is the service already provided, but the name of the legislation leads consumers to believe they might benefit from lower prescription prices. He says that may happen initially, but the savings won't last. "Once they have the business they're not going to be any cheaper than anywhere else," he predicts. "Veterinary practices are extremely competitive, in fact, right now we probably beat most online pharmacy prices for our drugs. Right now, as far as I'm concerned, it's fair to the consumer. They're getting as good a buy as what's available over the internet in most cases on all of the pharmacy products." Dr. Falk also believes if the bill passes, consumers would see other prices rise. He compares it to pharmacies taking over the dispensing of medications from doctors. "In most cases the physician didn't mind because it was just one other thing they couldn't handle, but when the pharmacy side became independent, the cost of the office calls started going up because they had to make their income somewhere." He says if human pharmacies were to take over a large part of the market share to the detriment of veterinarians, the same would happen, but with bigger consequences. "In human medicine, there is insurance to help pay costs. In veterinary medicine, in most cases there is limited income or limited funds to take care of a pet, so if the cost of office calls and other services go up, there are going to be fewer dollars available to really help the pet, so it's not really fair to the pet," he says. "Many of them will not get treated if the cost of veterinary medicine increases." He sees this as an unnecessary chain of events, since pet owners are already free to request a prescription, shop around and fill it at the best price available.

The Fairness to Pet Owners Act has been introduced and defeated repeatedly, and Dr. Falk sees no reason why it should pass this time. Still, he believes there's big money behind it, and predicts it could be re-introduced many more times before it's gone for good. "I think as long as our legislators understand what's going on behind the scenes it will continue to be defeated, because it's not in the best interest of the public. It's just not fair to pet owners."

Rabies Titer Test Receives Endorsement, Spurs Conversation

BY: JEN NIGRO

Scientists at Kansas State University hope a new change in the regulations panel will help bridge the gap between laws that require rabies vaccinations and pet owners who are concerned about vaccine side effects. The test, a modification of the established method, was developed at KSU's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. It recently received its first endorsement from the American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association. "The AHVMA and its members have long expressed concern over animal vaccination practices," the association said in a news release. "While vaccinations provide important protection against a wide number of serious diseases, they can also cause adverse effects ranging from minor discomfort, autoimmune disorders and even death on rare occasions."

Rolan Davis, a scientist at the lab, says the serum neutralization test is a micro screen used to evaluate the need for a rabies booster. "We downsized the volumes so we can use much smaller wells. We can run six serums on a typical lab plate of 96 wells, but I can run 40 samples on a 384 well plate with the new test. It's an economy of scale." The test determines whether animals who are in for routine vaccination and have not been exposed to rabies need a booster. Currently, vaccinated pets with a titer measuring 0.5 International Units/Milliliter (IU/mL) or higher have a greater assurance of protection. "A review of the literature and serology data shows there is a correlation between protection from challenge and antibody titers, and the likely cutoff is 0.5 IU/mL. That's the same level at which animals are allowed to be transported to rabies-free countries, and the World Health Organization standard for when a human is recommended to take a routine non-exposure booster," notes Davis.

The test may be most life-changing for pets who are past-due for vaccination. Susan Moore, director of the rabies lab and a clinical assistant professor in the KSVDL, says the titer check can indicate a pet's continuing immune response to vaccination, even if their vaccination certificate is expired. "This titer test would be a tool to help examine situations case by case, or help veterinarians and pet owners determine risk if they have to decide whether to vaccinate," she explains. Davis says the test is especially helpful in cases where pets are only a week or month out of date. "The immune system does not forget about an antigen because of a date on a piece of paper. There are still memory cells there," he says. He notes research indicated pets with two prior vaccinations who receive a booster had the same rise in titer within the same five to seven days as animals who receive the full vaccine. "It helped firm up a standard to say if we can document they've been vaccinated before, we can booster them and send them home." These findings influenced a change in how rabies exposed pets that are out-of-date on

their rabies vaccination are treated. Before the change in the regulations, pets with a questionable vaccination faced a six-month quarantine. Now, if previous vaccination is documented, the out-of-date pet is treated the same as a currently vaccinated pet. If the pet was previously vaccinated but no documentation is available, they now have the option of having two titer tests (one before and one after vaccination) to define their vaccination status and possibly avoid lengthy quarantine or euthanasia. Using the titer test to measure the animal's protection level means cost savings, both in terms of dollars and quality of life. "If you board your animal for a weekend, you might pay \$50, but for 180 days that becomes a multiple thousand dollar bill," says Davis. "The alternative to a long quarantine was just euthanasia, and so it saves a pet's life, pet's quality of life and thousands of dollars."

Dr. Moore says the titer test may also lead to more willingness on the part of pet owners to evaluate the vaccination status of their pets. "On the human side, the concerns about vaccines have been around a long time. But in fact, for pets there has been equal concern about adverse reactions." This includes reports of sarcomas in cats and other adverse reactions. "There are some veterinarians who have been doing titer checks for a lot of core vaccines in lieu of routine vaccination. The interesting point comes when you talk about rabies titers, because rabies vaccinations are a requirement of law in many areas," she notes. "With the recent findings of what rabies titers can mean, more conversation has occurred on use of the rabies vaccine titer check. It's moving us into further discussions on booster shots and those type of things."

Both Dr. Moore and Dr. Davis are quick to point out that the new titer test doesn't mean pet owners can vaccinate against rabies once and forget about it until there is an exposure. "The really difficult thing is, are you sure your dog came home and told you about every time it ran into a rabid animal?" says Davis. Instead, he believes the test could help close the gap between pet owners who do not want to vaccinate regularly, and making sure animals and their owners are fully protected. Dr. Moore also notes rabies vaccinations are regulated by state and local laws that are not standardized across the country. "Pet owners and their veterinarians have to be aware of the regulations in their area, but these types of discussions are leading to questions about when revaccination is really necessary," she says. "We're all about making sure the pets are protected and under a best health approach." Davis adds, "Maybe the real answer is if we use titers, we can tell people about the efficacious use of vaccines. Maybe titers will tell us when boosters are absolutely necessary."

Veterinarians can request titer testing through the KSVDL by visiting <http://www.ksvdl.org/submission-forms.html>. You must register before submitting a request.

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Built on the Shoulders of Veterinary Giants: Revisiting Mac

BY: DR. STEVE JOSEPH, KCVMA HISTORIAN

Before the death of Dr. F.J. “Mac” McCann in September 2010, the KCVMA added the memoirs of the 90-plus-year-old veterinarian to our website historical page. Mac shared his diverse life experiences as a student and veterinarian, an adventurous young man who “rode the rails” and a designer of department store windows. He also shared his experiences while stationed with the Navy in the Philippines during World War II. It is a memorable and rewarding read!

The 1947 graduate of Iowa State University CVM settled and practiced in California, MO, and lived out the remainder of his life in Leawood, KS. He was the oldest member of his class and the last to die. He was 95 when he passed away in 2010.

Before his death he wrote to the association. Paraphrased excerpts from his letter are published here for the first time.

“I’m truly beside myself starting this thank you note and attempting to express how honored I am. I find myself reading and rereading my experiences to savor the great life with which I have been blessed. With humility and moistened eyes I can only trust this thanks may resonate my appreciation.

“In addition to my family, copies of the memoirs have been placed in the Dr. Packer Room at ISU CVM for current and future students to read.

“Thanks to the KCVMA for promoting the history of our profession in Missouri, Iowa and Kansas.”

In this letter, Mac also shared his thoughts about two veterinary giants who influenced his life. One was an artist and the other a veterinarian.

“Graduates of veterinary colleges in the 1940s recall those years on campus as some of the most treasured memories. Being admitted to attend was, to use the words of Charles Dickens, “...the best and the worst of times.” One recalls the long hours of study, the amazing new experiences and the lasting friendships as a time for tears and a time for laughter all crammed together with the heady anticipation of graduation. Christian Petersen’s sculptures of ‘The Gentle Doctor’ and ‘The Veterinary Mural’ may exemplify it all. He created these impressive pieces of art at ISU during the depression years while he was employed at ISU.

“Dr. Ralph Dykstra, a distinguished ISU CVM professor and Dean of KSU CVM, wrote ‘The Veterinarian’s Creed’ that is as poignant today as when it was written years ago. It represents standards for achievement of goals. It is peerless.”

Mac kept a framed copy of “The Gentle Doctor” and “The Veterinarian’s Creed” in his office. He wrote, “I believe it served not only as an inspiration, but a reminder of responsibility for this country veterinarian during my decades of practice.”



CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENTS

March CE

Speaker: Carrie White, DVM, DACVIM
Topic: Leptospirosis and Lyme Disease
Date: Monday, March 14, 2016
Time: 6:30pm – Dinner and Registration, 7pm – Presentation
CE: 2 hours

Fee: No fee to attend this event, but RSVP is required by Thursday, March 10th. Current membership dues cover all
Location: Brio Tuscan Grille - Country Club Plaza
502 Nichols Road
Kansas City, MO 64112
Sponsor: Boehringer Ingelheim



Please register by Thursday, March 10th at <http://bit.ly/Jan2016KCVMA>

Carrie White graduated from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine in 2005. This was followed by a small animal rotating internship at the Veterinary Referral and Emergency Center in Norwalk, CT, and an internal medicine residency at the Animal Medical Center in New York City. She became a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 2009. She stayed on as a staff internist at the AMC from 2009-2012. In 2013, she moved back to Honolulu, HI, where she grew up, and she is currently an internist at VCA Family Animal Hospital. Carrie's professional interests include hematology and infectious disease.

April CE

Speaker: Dr. John W. McCall
Topic: Repellency: Does it really prevent HW transmission?
Date: Thursday, April 21st, 2016
Time: 6:30pm – Dinner and Registration, 7pm – Presentation
CE: 2 hours

Location: The 180 Room (Next to Joe's Kansas City BBQ)
11944 South Strang Line Rd. Olathe, KS 66062
(913)-390-0180
Sponsor: Ceva Animal Health



Please RSVP by Thursday, April 7th at KCVMA.com

SOCIAL EVENTS

Spring Social Event: Sporting Kansas City

Back by popular demand! Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 21st and join your KCVMA colleagues as we enjoy watching Sporting Kansas City take on Real Salt Lake at Children's Mercy Park. The KCVMA is again providing two complimentary tickets per member to the match. We'll be sitting in sections 123 and 125 (East Stands). Additional tickets are available for purchase at KCVMA.com. We plan to tailgate from 5 – 7pm, then head to the pitch in time for the 7:30 kickoff. Details are still being finalized, so watch your email and the KCVMA website for important announcements!



Date: Saturday, May 21, 2016
Location: Children's Mercy Park
One Sporting Way
Kansas City, KS 66111

Time: Tailgate: 5-7pm, Kickoff: 7:30pm
Tickets: Two complimentary tickets per member are provided by the KCVMA. Additional tickets are available for purchase at KCVMA.com.

Visit KCVMA.com to register for tickets by Friday, April 15th

Get Involved in the MVMA

As we start a new year, I would like to invite KCVMA members to become involved in the MVMA. There are nine (9) committees that function continually in your state association to help and protect your profession and the animals under our care. These committees are:

Advisory to CVM
Animal Health & Regulatory Medicine
Emergency Management & Public Health
Animal Welfare

Missouri Stocker/Feeder Quality Assurance Program (MSFQAP)
Legislature
Equine

Scope of Practice
Vet Tech &
Practice Staff



If you would like more information on any of the committees, contact me or check the MVMA website. Joining a committee is a good way to introduce yourself to the value of the state association and what it does to protect your profession.

Your MVMA President,
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CLASSIFIED ADS

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AAHA accredited, full-service, small animal veterinary hospital in Johnson County, KS, looking for an energetic, enthusiastic associate who will mirror our commitment to progressive, quality medicine through client education and patient care. Our two location practice has served this community for over 50 years with its great facilities, team approach and terrific support staff. If you are a veterinarian interested in working 30 to 40 hours per week and can provide a positive attitude, great communication skills and a commitment to learn and grow, then we'd like to hear from you. An interest in alternative medicine or ultrasound would be welcomed. To apply, send a cover letter and resume or curriculum vitae to vetdocs2@gmail.com.

Lee's Summit Animal Hospital in Lee's Summit, MO, is seeking a veterinary technician/assistant for a busy mixed-animal practice. Applicant must be capable of working with both large and small animals. Looking for a team member that is friendly, knowledgeable and can communicate with clients. Please send resume to kelbel@nvanet.com or mail to 411 SW Market Street, Lee's Summit, MO 64063.

Historical Small Animal Practice For Sale. Located in central Missouri. Sale price is all-inclusive, client records, equipment, fixtures, real estate, adequate introductory advertising for new practitioner(s) and transition assistance. Asking only the price of the real estate for everything. Owner desires to retire. Contact Dr. Robert Gouge 660-221-5747 cell 660-8261441 office or email gouger@iland.net.

The Atchison Animal Clinic is seeking a full-time associate veterinarian interested in mixed animal practice. We are a progressive four doctor practice located in historic Atchison, KS. Our case load consists of approximately 50% small animal, 45% bovine and 5% equine. We pride ourselves on practicing quality medicine while providing excellent customer service in a friendly atmosphere. Our clinic is well-equipped and we have a well-trained support staff. As a multi-doctor practice, we are able to provide our doctors with an excellent balance of work/personal life. Excellent benefits offered. Salary based on experience. Please email resume to: chrisansendvm@gmail.com.

The Humane Society of Greater Kansas City is looking for full-time veterinary assistants and receptionists to work in our busy outpatient clinic Monday – Saturday. Experience preferred and bi-lingual (English/Spanish) candidates given first priority. Duties include client education triage, and assisting the veterinarians with animal restraint and procedures. If you'd like to join an organization that makes a positive difference in our community every day by improving and saving the lives of owned and homeless animals in need we'd love to meet you! Email lorna@hsgkc.org to learn more or submit your resume.

Santa Fe Pet Clinic in Olathe has an opening for a full-time registered veterinary technician. The position requires the ability to perform dental cleanings, take x-rays, draw blood and place catheters, assist in surgery and manage in-clinic patient care and client education. This position also includes inventory management and ordering. The successful candidate will be compassionate toward the patient, relate with the client in a friendly manner and be the right fit for our "family feel" small business. We're looking for a detail-oriented multi-tasker with a positive attitude. Please email a full resume and cover letter to info@santafepetclinicolathe.com.

For Sale: Idexx VetTest Chemistry Analyzer 8000. Good condition. Only \$500. If interested please call Hidden Valley Animal Hospital at 816-795-7387.

Looking for a full time registered veterinary technician able to work in a fast-paced, state-of-the-art, multi-doctor practice. Technicians must be licensed in the state of Missouri. Schedules will be determined, but must be available for Saturday rotations. Competitive salary, medical, dental and vision benefits, continuing education, employee discounts and PTO for full-time positions. Please email all questions and resumes to Eaglevetstaff@gmail.com titled "RVT Position".

Eagle Animal Hospital is looking to add a full-time associate veterinarian to our five doctor team. We strive to offer the best customer experience possible in our newly-built 10,000 sq.ft facility. Well-established clientele in place. Newly updated equipment and great support staff make for a great work environment. Great benefits and competitive pay available. Please send resume to eaglevet4@yahoo.com.

Quivira Crossing Veterinary Clinic has a full time position open for a veterinary technician or experienced assistant. Candidate must be knowledgeable about taking x-rays, assisting in surgery, monitoring patients, setting IV catheters, giving injections, calculating doses and properly restraining dogs and cats. Also, must be compassionate and friendly to our patients and clients, interested in attending continuing education meetings, be able to articulate with clients about heartworm prevention and flea and tick prevention, etc. If you have an energetic and pleasant personality and feel you meet most of the above criteria, please send your resume to info@quiviracrossingvetclinic.com.

Spring Hill Veterinary Clinic in Spring Hill, KS, is looking for an experienced Veterinary Technician. Certification/licensure not required but must have at least four years in-clinic tech experience with strong surgery/anesthesia knowledge. We are looking for the right person to fit our high-volume, low-key, family oriented clinic. Our clinic is well-equipped with an in-house blood machine, digital radiography, ultrasound and more. Competitive salary and benefit package. Interested applicants can email resume and cover letter to springhillvetmanager@yahoo.com.

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