



A Letter From The President

November/December 2014

Well it's finally here, my final President's letter. This year has been quite interesting from the beginning. I've enjoyed my time as president, getting to meet many of you and have discussions about all different kinds of topics. For my last letter I want to share a few things the board is working on for the end of this year into next.

First, our board is starting to work toward developing a counseling or therapy program for our members. Neither the KVMA nor the MVMA currently has any such program in place. As many of you know, veterinarians have a higher than average suicide rate. There have been two recent high-profile suicides among our colleagues in the past few months, most recently Sophia Yin. Hopefully over the coming months we will be better able to locally support our fellow veterinarians who are struggling. Our ideas about this program and its potential are in their infancy, so there will be more to come in the future. In the meantime, we've included some important links and hotlines at the bottom of this page if you - or someone you know - are in need of assistance. Please don't hesitate to reach out to fellow veterinarians, or anyone on the KCVMA board. If you are in crisis, get help immediately. Call 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or dial 911.

Another recent project we have developed is an externship stipend program. Students from K-State and Mizzou who are completing externships are eligible for a \$500 stipend to help with travel costs. Students are to apply for this stipend by February 1st. Preference will be given to those students who are completing an externship with a KCVMA member. If you know of any student who will be completing an externship with your hospital next year please tell them about the program.

Our member outreach program is ongoing and will hopefully continue into next year as well. It was a pleasure visiting with those of you who took the time to chat with me

and others on our board.

For those of you who were not available but who sent in surveys with your thoughts, thank you. We will continue to work toward making membership in the KCVMA a more valuable, meaningful membership. As I have been preaching in my last few letters, we want to get feedback on how to make the organization better for each and every one of you so don't hesitate to let us know.



As we move into the next year for the KCVMA, we always need more help on the board. If anyone out there is interested in becoming more active within our great organization, please contact us soon. Officer elections will be taking place at our November CE event at Bayer headquarters. We will likely have at least one opening for an additional at-large board member. Please reach out to a board member if you would like to join us.

That wraps up my year as president. I'd like to thank everyone who has been on the board this year. Many of the ideas and progress we have made this year have come from the brains of our board members. I'd also like to thank all of the members who renewed their dues this year. Thank you for continuing to support our organization. If there's anything else we can do for you let us know!

President - mpeuser@kcvma.com

Where Can I Get Help?

EMERGENCY CRISIS HOTLINE

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:
1-800-273-TALK (7255)

NON-CRISIS RESOURCES

American Association of Suicidology:
www.suicidology.com

American Foundation of Suicide
Prevention: www.afsp.org

National Alliance on Mental Illness:
www.nami.org

Beyond Euthanasia: Hospice Care for Pets

BY: JEN NIGRO

Veterinarians are asked to help ailing pets end their lives through euthanasia on a daily basis. But there is a growing trend toward expanding end-of-life care beyond that one procedure. Hospice and palliative care services are picking up momentum across the country as pet owners seek out ways to help their pets live a full and happy life right up to the moment of death.

Coleen Ellis, CT, CPLP, is the president of the International Association of Animal Hospice and Palliative Care (IAAHPC), an organization founded five years ago to promote the knowledge of and develop guidelines for comfort-oriented end of life care for pets. “When there’s not a cure there’s going to be care,” she says. “Hospice for pets is an end-of-life journey where we know there’s nothing more we can do, but the pet’s family wants to have a little bit more time. They want to make sure there’s some palliative care going on in that timeframe so they can keep the pet comfortable as they wait for that final day, whether that’s euthanasia or natural death.”

Dr. Alice Villalobos, DVM, DPNAP, has made hospice care for pets a part of her life’s work. A pioneer in the field of cancer care for pets and founding member of the Veterinary Cancer Society, she sees cancer patients in all stages, from wellness to their final decline, at her two California clinics: Animal Oncology Consultation Service in Woodland Hills and Pawspice in Hermosa Beach. She saw a need for better end-of-life care, and started providing palliative care medicine and hospice for her patients in the early 1970s. In 2000 she founded Pawspice. “My natural inclination was to help my patients through the entire course of treatment, including their decline toward death,” she says. “I stay with my patients all the way through the failure of the treatments and help families to provide comfort care while giving them the emotional support they need to deal with the whole dying process.”

Hospice care for pets has many similarities to its human equivalent. It includes pain management for the patient and grief counseling for the pet owners. But it also has some key differences. “The main difference is pets don’t ask to go home and die,” says Ellis of IAAHPC. Dr. Villalobos of Pawspice also points out the timing is much different. She says on average, when a human patient is referred to hospice care, death is only three days away. But she says pets often enter hospice care much earlier. “They may not have a disease that will be terminal within the first six months, but they’re sick, and we’re looking at various aspects of quality of life.” Additionally, pets can’t communicate how they’re feeling verbally. To that end, Dr. Villalobos created the Quality of Life Scale to assist veterinarians and pet owners in not only determining their pet’s palliative care needs, but when euthanasia may be appropriate. She calls it “HHHHHMM”, an easy acronym for its key components: hurt, hunger, hygiene and happiness as well as mobility and the patient having more good days than bad. “If pain is a concern then we need to give pain management. The worst pain described by people is

not being able to breathe properly. So if a pet can’t breathe, nothing else matters. If the patient isn’t taking in enough calories, we must learn how to feed the patient. If hydration is an issue, we teach the person who is caring for the animal how to check for dehydration and provide SQ fluid treatments,” she says. Dr. Villalobos goes on to say teaching owners how to keep their pets clean and avoid pressure sores are also important parts of hospice care, as is monitoring a pet’s ability to move in their environment and access food and elimination areas. The final component is the number of good days versus bad. “We really want to make sure we don’t have the bad days outnumbering the good days, because the quality of life overall has really been compromised,” she notes. “If the human-animal bond is no longer healthy, no longer possible, then we need to help people make that decision to help their pet avoid relentless suffering. There’s no purpose if a pet’s trajectory toward death would be painful.”

The emotional benefits of pet hospice care can be important for pet owners as well. Ellis says not only can such care help pet owners maintain their animal’s well-being through their decline, it can help them enjoy their final days. “There are a lot of rituals that are going on during that time frame,” she says. “Hospice gives pet parents permission to not only have those extra days, but to do those extra things that are going to help them look back on that journey and say, ‘Boy, he went out just like he should. It was perfect.’” Those rituals can include special treats like a trip through the drive through, or time at a pet’s favorite place or doing a favorite activity, like throwing the ball around at the dog park.

Ellis says more pet owners are asking for hospice care, but finding it can be a challenge. “Sometimes veterinarians don’t believe that there should be extra money spent when the outcome is obvious,” she says. “But you have a much more satisfied pet family who says, ‘Even when there was nothing more to do I still was able to do one more thing,’ and the value of that far outweighs the price,” she says. Dr. Villalobos agrees there is value in having the veterinarian who treated a pet continue care through death. “I think that when you’re not dismissed by the doctor you’ve known and trusted for the pet’s terminal illness, that’s really gratifying. For instance, if they have anticipatory grief, they often miss the joy of the moment. I have all the skills to help people deal with their personal emotional issues and also with the patient decline. People appreciate the extra skill, and we’re trying to help train veterinarians who are interested in end-of-life care.” (See the insert page of *News and Notes* for resources on helping clients deal with grief from pet loss.)

Both the IAAHPC and Pawspice have resources for veterinarians interested in including palliative and hospice care in their practice. You’ll find IAAHPC’s practice guidelines at www.iaaphc.org under the Resources and Support tab. The organization also presents conferences and webinars. Dr. Villalobos’ Quality of Life Scale is available at www.pawspice.com under the Services and Resources tab.

CVM Students Go Wild

BY: JEN NIGRO

Twelve University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine students took the trip of a lifetime this summer, spending two weeks doing clinical work in the wilds of South Africa. Dr. Ron Cott, Associate Dean for Student and Alumni Affairs at MU-CVM, has been with the program since it started in 2010. A group of second-year veterinary students had arranged a wildlife conservation and veterinary medicine and surgery trip to South Africa and needed an administrator to go along. “Going to South Africa for the wildlife and conservation aspect was on my bucket list, so I said sure, I’d love to go,” he recalls.

During the visit they stayed at the Addo Elephant Back Safari and worked with the reserve owner’s nephew, a practicing veterinarian. “It was all clinically driven. We had regular appointments on reserves, farms and wildlife settings where he was hired to come in and do work on rhinos, zebra, lions or whatever animal he had an appointment for.” Dr. Cott says while similar programs focus on pathology, this group got to do real clinical outpatient work. “The whole process started with this magnificent experience both culturally and for wildlife conservation and gave our students exposure to wildlife conservation in veterinary medicine and surgery, in an aspect that we cannot provide at the college,” says Dr. Cott. “We got to talking about how phenomenal this experience was, and the reserve owner said, ‘Why don’t you and I plan this trip from now on?’. I basically became the travel agent for the students and the coordinator of the program here on campus.”

The following year Dr. Cott started making arrangements with the intention of staying behind. But he couldn’t stay away. “I got so tied up in it I thought, ‘This is exciting. The only way to see how it works after taking it over and setting it up is to go back again.’ So I went again and had another phenomenal two to three weeks of clinical practice in South Africa.”

The program has attracted about 12 students each of the five years it’s been in place. Though Dr. Cott didn’t go this year, he says the experiences range from herd health and preventive medicine to poaching control, microchipping and DNA testing. The experience allows them to earn preceptorship hours as well. Students also take a day to visit local schools and learn about the culture. “We take sticky notes and pencils and Nerf balls, and they tell me things like that are probably more free gifts than the children will probably get their entire life,” he says. “It opens the eyes of

our students because they realize how fortunate they are with our educational system.”

Rebecca Mattucks, a third-year veterinary student from Lee’s Summit, MO, signed up for the trip this year because of her interest in exotics and conservation medicine. “You get to do all sorts of things you never thought you’d need to do in captive settings,” she says. “We vaccinated a lion, we dehorned a rhino, everything was so out of the ordinary and that made everything interesting.” She found the rhino among the most fascinating. “We take off the horn so the poachers won’t want to shoot them. It was just so neat to be up close to such a big, beautiful creature.” Mattucks notes working in the wild presents several challenges veterinary students don’t get to experience in captive settings. “It’s hard to make it sterile; it’s hard to control all the variable elements, and there are thorn bushes everywhere,” she says. “If an animal wakes up on you, what do you do when you’re out in the middle of the bush? There are definitely things you have to consider that you normally wouldn’t have to, and it makes it a little bit harder.”

In the past there has been no application process for the program. “Ironically, up until this coming year, it has been self-eliminating down to 12 people,” says Dr. Cott. “Right now there are still about 20 wanting to go, so we’re probably going to have to go to an application process.” He says priority for the 2015 trip will be given to those with a strong interest in wildlife conservation. Cost is also a factor. MU does not fund the trip, but Mattucks says the students are resourceful. “We did several fundraisers throughout the school year and split the money 12 ways at the end.” Those activities included garage sales, bake sales and getting restaurants to donate a portion of their profits, as well as special events. “We had one professor dress up and take pet photos during Christmas time and made some money that way,” says Mattucks. “We ended up making enough to cover spending money and then it was up to everybody else for the rest of the money.”

Dr. Cott says the program is costly for the veterinarians on the reserve as well. “They have their own private practice, so they kind of give up two weeks to go out and work on animals with these students.” Still, there’s talk of adding a second trip, or even planning an alumni visit. Mattucks says her trip this year helped her solidify her path. “I got this first-hand experience, and I’m like, ‘Yes! This is exactly what I wanted. I know what I want to do with my life.’ This helped me figure out exactly what I wanted to do.”

Editor’s note: Please visit the KCVMA website (www.kcvma.com) to see pictures of the MU-CVM students at work in South Africa.

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Built on the Shoulders of Veterinary Giants: A Brief History of KCVMA

BY: DR. STEVE JOSEPH, KCVMA HISTORIAN

The beginnings of veterinary medical associations in Kansas City can be traced to the late 18th Century. During the following decades, associations merged to form what is today known as KCVMA.

Most of the more than 400 members are graduates of KSU and MU CVMs. However, many of the other colleges and schools are also represented.

Over 80 members are Life Members. These are veterinarians who are over 65 years of age. Some retired members graduated in the 1940s and 1950s. Our senior life member is Dr. Richard Buchli, who graduated from KSU in 1943 at the young age of 21. These members and those who came before them have successfully mentored their younger colleagues. They are considered to have the shoulders of giants where younger veterinarians are concerned.

The influence of Kansas City veterinarians has spread to state associations in Kansas and Missouri as well as nationally. Veterinarians have served as presidents, officers and committee members of those parent associations. Seven veterinarians have served as presidents of the AVMA during the national association's 150-plus year history. Current life members have chaired the AVMA executive board. Kansas City veterinarians have hosted the AVMA Annual Conference four times since 1907.

Kansas City was home to three private veterinary institutions between 1891 and 1918. The most well-known and longest lasting school was the Kansas City Veterinary College (KCVC), which graduated nearly 1,900 students during its 27 year history. When it closed its doors it was considered the finest veterinary college in the world. Western Veterinary College and University Veterinary College graduated 231

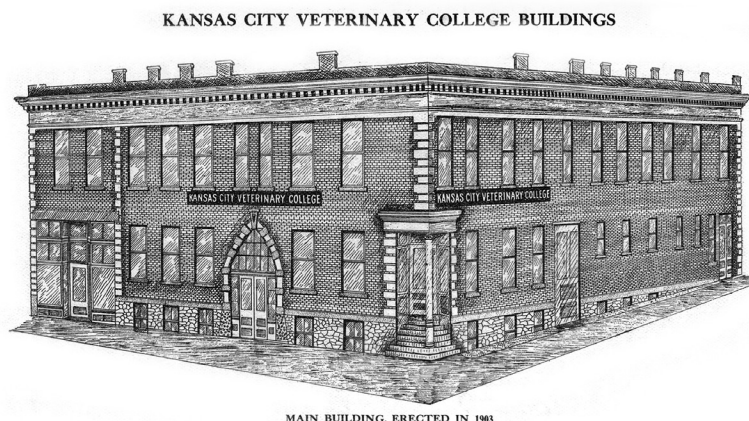
students during the few years they were open.

Dr. Joseph Flynn, a former AVMA president, opened one of the first veterinary clinics dedicated exclusively to dogs and cats in the US in 1910. He is known as the Father of Pet Animal Practice.

Veterinary care has changed significantly over the last century, but the mission and objectives of the KCVMA remain

constant. Veterinarians continue to enhance the quality of care as well as community health and welfare. The objectives set forth by pioneering veterinarians continue to be accomplished by providing quality continuing education, demanding strong ethical behavior and promoting public awareness.

The above history of the KCVMA can be found on our history page. Enter at kcvma.com and click on the "about" tab. All of our historical articles, "Memoirs of a Country Veterinarian" and a 1949 article about the association can be found there.



MAIN BUILDING, ERECTED IN 1903

Grief Support for Pet Owners

Part of helping families through the death of a pet is providing grief support before, during and after the death itself. Here are resources for pet loss support in the Kansas City area:

SUPPORT GROUPS:

The Straun Center, LLC

Kansas City, MO
www.losingyourpet.com
816-960-4525

Support group meets the last Tuesday of each month

Rolling Acres Memorial Gardens for Pets

Kansas City, MO
www.visitrollingacres.com
816-891-8888

Support group meets second Wednesday of every month

COUNSELING SERVICES:

Anchoring Peace Therapy, LLC

Overland Park, KS
www.petpartners.org
816-585-3673

The Straun Center, LLC

ONLINE RESOURCES:

Association for Pet Loss and Bereavement

www.aplb.org

Tufts University Pet Loss Support:

<http://vet.tufts.edu/petloss/resources.html>

HOTLINES:

Cornell University Pet Loss Support Hotline

5-8pm central
Mondays and Thursdays
607-253-3932

PNG Pet Care Pet Loss Support Line

1-888-332-7738

CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENTS

November CE

REGISTRATION CLOSED - FINAL DETAILS FOR THOSE ATTENDING THE NOVEMBER CE MEETING.

Speaker: Drs. Jessica Meekins (KSU), Heather Kaese (Eye Care for Animals), Rustin Sturgeon (Eye Care for Animals), Susan Keil (Keil Ophthalmology) and Amy Hunkeler (Eye Care for Animals)

Topic: Ophthalmology - Lens Disease and Surgery, Ocular Manifestation of Systemic Disease, Feline Corneal Disease, Corneal Endothelial Disease, Glaucoma

Date: Sunday, November 16, 2014

Time: 7:30 - 8am: Registration and breakfast
8am - Noon: Lectures
Noon - 1pm: Lunch
1 - 3pm: Lectures

CE: 6 hours

Location: Bayer Animal Health
12707 Shawnee Mission Parkway
Shawnee Mission, KS 66216

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RECORD OF KCVMA CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINARS FOR 2014

DATE	SPEAKER/TOPIC	C.E. CREDIT
January 16	Richard E. Goldstein, DVM, DACVIM, DECVIM Canine Leptospirosis and Lyme	2 Hours
February 23	Various Speakers 8th Annual Frostbite Continuing Education Symposium	7 Hours
February 27	Gregory F Grauer, DVM, MS, DACVIM (SAIM) Staging to Better Tailor Diagnostic and Therapeutic Efforts in CKD Patients	2 Hours
March 24	Growing a Feline Friendly Practice: Improved Compliance and Less Stress Margie Scherk, DVM, DipABVP	2 Hours
April 17	Jim Kallman, DVM Current Therapies for Common Endocrine Diseases, Diabetes Mellitus, Canine Hypothyroidism, and Canine Spayed Female Urinary Incontinence	2 Hours
May 15	John Ellis, DVM, Ph.D Canine Respiratory Disease	2 Hours
June 11	Mason Reichard, M.S., Ph.D. Controlling Arthropod Vectors on Dog and Cats in the United States	2 Hours
July 17	Craig Datz, DVM, MS, DABVP (Canine/Feline), DACVN Clinical Nutrition	2 Hours
September 18	David Senter, DVM, DACVD Canine Otitis: Keys to Treatment Success	2 Hours
October 23	Brian Scott, DVM, DACVD Atopic Dermatitis and Epidermal Barrier Function	2 Hours
November 16	Various Speakers Ophthalmology - Lens Disease and Surgery, Ocular Manifestation of Systemic Disease, Feline Corneal Disease, Corneal Endothelial Disease, Glaucoma	6 Hours

CLASSIFIED ADS

Send your classified ads to: Wanda Geis, PO Box 12468, Shawnee Mission, KS 66282-2468, or email them to classifieds@kcvma.com. Ads must not be over 100 words in length. Classified ads will be run at the sole discretion of the editor and may be edited for content. Deadline for the next newsletter is 12/13/14.

Part-time veterinarian needed for one day a week, preferably on Wednesdays, at Broadway Veterinary Clinic, a small animal clinic in Leavenworth, KS. Day of the week is negotiable. We perform spay/neuters, dentals, and mass removals. Laser surgery and laser therapy on hand, as well as x-rays. Please call 913-682-8966 or email resume to broadwayvetclinic@gmail.com. Thank you!

LionsGate Pet Hospital is seeking a full-time registered veterinary technician to join our growing practice. Offering competitive salary and benefits for the right individual. Experience is mandatory. Email your resume to Lloracook@yahoo.com.

Great Plains SPCA is seeking an energetic, compassionate, and innovative veterinarian to join our eight-doctor team at our Merriam, KS, campus. Responsibilities include: providing quality care and determining the best treatment options for low-income clients, dentistry, spay/neuter/other surgeries and assistance with shelter medicine. Candidates must excel working in a high-paced environment and effectively manage stressful situations. Requirements: licensure to practice veterinary medicine in Kansas (licensure in Missouri or willingness to attain also preferred), eligibility for a DEA license. Evening/weekend hours will be required. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to jphythian@greatplainsspca.org.

Winchester Pet Care has an opening for a groomer. Candidates should be experienced, reliable and dependable. We are located in Olathe, KS, with easy access to I-35. We offer an established client base, competitive compensation and flexible scheduling. Please send your resume to winchesterpetcare@att.net using "Groomer" as the subject line. You can also apply in person during our regular business hours. We are looking to hire ASAP but will only interview those candidates with experience.

Are you looking to expand on, or improve dental services to your clients? For about 1/2 of the cost of a new system, Stanley Veterinary Clinic is offering a Corix Pro 70 WM Digital Veterinary X-ray System for \$6000.00. The unit comes with a wall mount generator, DICOM software and a new #2 sensor. The generator has two years left on the warranty. If interested please contact Dr. Pelfrey or Pam Stansbury at 913-897-2080, or email the clinic at admin@stanleyvet.com.

Camelot Court Animal Clinic is looking to hire a full-time receptionist with an outgoing/friendly personality and excellent work ethic. We are a fast-paced clinic located in Leawood, KS. The ideal candidate would have previous experience in an animal clinic/hospital setting, the ability to multitask, is capable of lifting/handling animals, and can work well on their feet (literally and figuratively!) If this sounds like you, please send your cover letter, resume, and several references to contact@camelotcourtac.com or fax to (913)469-9278.

Looking for groomer(s) and veterinary techs to join our team. We have just purchased new grooming equipment such as a electric grooming table, new bath tub, and lots of accessories, such as great shampoos, bows, bandanas, and blow driers. Business is expanding greatly and great help would be lovely. We have lots of great diagnostic equipment and wonderful doctors for support and provide teaching skills. Looking for full or part-time. Pay is negotiable and based on experience. Positions to start ASAP. Please email at kklmnorris@yahoo.com.

Registered veterinary technician, full-time position available at Lakewood Animal Health Center, a progressive three-doctor AAHA accredited practice in Lee's Summit. We focus on quality, thorough medicine rather than high volume. Excellent clientele and support staff. Check us out at www.lakewoodanimal.com. Download application and fax or email resume and application to: 816-373-5176 or kmooredvm6@gmail.com, subject line: RVT Position. Mail information to: Kathy Moore, DVM, Lakewood Animal Health Center, 5001 NE Lakewood Way, Lee's Summit, MO 64064.

Spay & Neuter Kansas City is seeking a part-time Veterinarian to join our team. We currently have a part-time opening in our Wellness Vaccination Clinic. Part-time hours are every Friday from 8:30am to 3:30pm. Also would consider additional days for spay neuter clinic. SNKC is a nonprofit, continually growing organization that is making a difference in the Kansas City area with our innovative programs. We serve over 15,000 pets annually through all of our programs. We offer a rewarding work environment with an incredible support team. Email resume and letters of interest directly to michelle@snkc.net. For more information about Spay & Neuter Kansas City visit www.snkc.net.

Two doctor AAHA accredited practice is seeking a motivated, part-time veterinarian. Position will be salaried. Hours: Wednesdays and Fridays 9-5:30 and Saturdays 8-12. Additional hours available for fill-in when other doctors are on vacation/CE meetings. Our practice is defined by high volume, high energy, and high quality care. Client relationships are very important to us. Working interview is required to evaluate the right fit for our unique environment. Contact: Sally Barchman, sbarchman@yahoo.com.

Used SHOR-LINE cages for sale. We have 11 (18x18) at \$ 200.00 each, seven (24x24) at \$275.00 each, and 18 (24X30) at \$300.00 each. All doors and hardware included. Depending on your requirements, some additional trim items may be required from Shor-line. All cages are in good condition and sold "as is" and must be paid for and picked up at our location. Call 913-341-8836 or email nhab@everestkc.net for additional information.

Stilwell Animal Hospital and Equine Center is seeking an associate veterinarian for a mixed animal practice. Interest in surgery is a plus. Duties are primarily small animal, but must be willing to treat horses. The clinic is well equipped with nice clientele who let us practice quality medicine. Please send resume to P.O. Box 67 Stilwell, Kansas 66085, or email to docleanne@stilwellanimalhospital.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

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