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Canine Cognitive Dysfunction: Its Implications for Understanding Human Alzheimer’s Disease

Sarah M. Oates, Class of 2016, University of Wisconsin; First Place Winner, 2014 Smithcors Student Veterinary History Essay Contest

The annual AVMHS business meeting conducted by President Dr. Ronnie Elmore will follow the presentations later in the evening.

A New Kind of AVMHS Annual Meeting

This year we will have our meeting on Saturday, July 11, 2015 beginning at 5:00 p.m. to 9:00pm right after the daily AVMA Convention CE programs. Our meeting place will be in the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel conveniently connected to the Boston Convention Center. Until 5:45pm, our gathering will be an informal gathering with handouts and exhibits.

At 5:45pm, President-elect Lt. Col. Boris Brglez, DVM, MPH, DACVPM will introduce four subjects presented by our speakers below.

The History of George Dadd, the Boston Veterinary institute, and Early Presidents of the United States Veterinary Medical Association

Howard H. Erickson, DVM, PhD, Professor Emeritus, Kansas State University

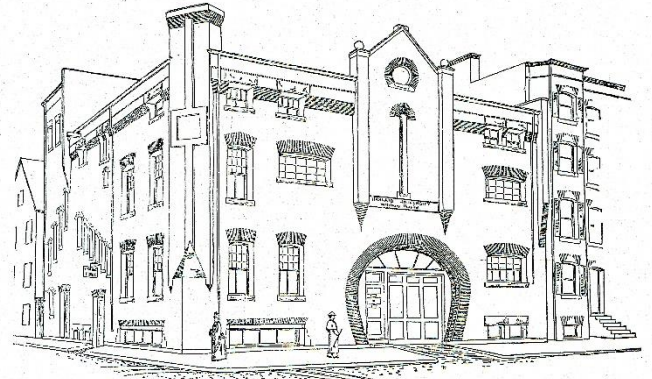
The Short Lives of the Harvard University Veterinary Department & Middlesex University School of Veterinary Medicine

Henry E. Childers, DVM, Cranston Animal Hospital, Cranston, RI

15-20 min. BREAK with Light Refreshments

Laboratory of Reform: The New England Experiment to Control Bovine Tuberculosis 1894 - 1900

Basil P. Tangredi, DVM, Meadowbrook Farm, Poultney, VT



Harvard University’s Veterinary School was in operation from 1882 to 1901. Its hospital was located at 50 Village Street, Boston, Mass. The building was designed by famed architect Stanford White with a horseshoe-shaped front door and square shoe nail-type columns in front and at the corner.

Smithcors Essay Contest Remains on Track for 2015

This year’s deadline for the J.F. Smithcors Student Veterinary History Essay Contest is approaching in less than two months. Contest committee chair, Dr. Russell Currier, remains optimistic that we will have a substantial offering of papers from several veterinary colleges. The Elizabeth Atwood Lawrence prize funds, sponsored by the Rev. Dr. Robert Lawrence and generously enabled by the Donaldson Charitable Trust are a most welcome incentive.

In many ways this contest is the centerpiece of our Society’s mission. The very act of researching and writing a contest entry is enriching. We help

students lock important details in their minds forever.

Dr. Currier wants to remind all members to keep the contest in mind when visiting veterinary colleges or interacting with veterinary students. After all, we count primarily on ourselves to promote the study of veterinary history in general and the Smithcors contest in particular. Please help market and support the contest any way that you can. Dr. Currier (ruscurrier@yahoo.com) and the Secretary/Treasurer always welcome suggestions.

A Bit of Wisconsin Veterinary History

As usual, Dr. Fred Born is busying himself with making more veterinary history known. He is currently writing a “brief summary of the history of veterinary medicine in Wisconsin over the past 132 years” in book format. As an example, he has sent us the segment on “Small Animal Emergency Centers in Wisconsin.” Dr. Born writes....

“A Network of Emergency Centers appeared in Wisconsin in the late 1970s. The one name that was synonymous with the 24/7 emergency hospitals is Dr. Jan Kovacic (UMN '77). Through the efforts of Dr. Kovacic and a small staff, they established the first 24-hour emergency veterinary hospital in the State of Wisconsin, in the late 1970s. It was the Animal Emergency Clinic, at 8116 W. Appleton Ave., Milwaukee. This emergency veterinary referral hospital was the first 24-hour critical care center in the United States. In 1991, Dr. Tim Crowe and Dr. Rebecca Kirby joined Dr. Jan Kovacic, when this facility was turned into a veterinary teaching hospital in Milwaukee. It became a teaching hospital in 1992. It was sold by Dr. Rebecca Kirby in 2012 to Lakeshore Veterinary Specialists, Dr. Jacob Odders and Dr. Brian Teunissen. They now have three referral centers 24/7 operations in Milwaukee. Dr. Brian Teunissen worked as a surgeon at Fox Valley Animal Referral Center prior to starting Lakeshore.”

“In the late 1990s, Dr. Jan Kovacic completed a demographic study and visited the referring practices in the Fox Valley area to see if the

community could support a 24-hour emergency and specialty clinic. Once Dr. Jan Kovacic was assured the support, he developed the Fox Valley Referral Center. Shortly after opening, Drs. Bruce VanEnkevort, Louis Licari, and Lisa Peters became equal partners in the Fox Valley Animal Referral Center. In recent years, Drs. Joe Frank, Terri Cole, and Elizabeth Breuhl also became owners. The Fox Valley Animal Referral Center, was one of the first hospitals in Wisconsin to receive a Level 1 rating by IVECCS.”



“In 2000, Dr. Kovacic, VanEnkevort, Peters, and Licari, along with Deborah Stafford and Alyce D’Amato started Horizon Veterinary Services, which is a parent company to the Fox Valley Animal Referral Center, Green Bay Animal Emergency Center, and the Central Wisconsin Animal Emergency Center, along with others in the United States. Dr. Jan Kovacic is one of several partners in this organization.”

“After initially starting 24/7 referral centers in Wisconsin, Dr. Jan Kovacic relocated to Los Angeles and started similar centers in that part of the country. A pioneer in the field of veterinary emergency and critical care, he served as president of the American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care (ACVECC) from 2007-2009.”

Reference: personal communication from Lyn Schuh, Fox Valley Referral Center, Appleton, WI and Marla Lichtenberger, DVM, DACVECC, Milwaukee Emergency Center for Animals and Specialty Services, Greenfield, WI.

If you have a state or local bit of history about a person, kind of practice, or discovery, please send it to your reporter. History can be an accumulation of many bits and pieces, as well as fully drawn articles.

Rare Veterinary Corps Collection Accessible

The John N. Case Collection at the Medical Sciences Library, Texas A&M University, was acquired in December 2013, after a year of planning and negotiations. Our AVMHS past president Dr. Gary Vroegindewey appraised the collection of veterinary corps materials, after which a fine arts shipper collected the materials from Dr. Case, carefully packed them, and trucked them to College Station. Within a month of delivery, all the items were identified, matched to a spreadsheet created from Dr. Case's documentation, and receipt of the collection was certified. As it was unpacked, each item was bagged separately; the bags were labeled with a unique number from the spreadsheet, and placed in new, numbered boxes.

A total of 2,630 items are in the museum collection and this does not include individual documents in document sets or the books in the archives collection. Some of the equipment includes: blankets, pigeon vest, large circular pigeon parachute drop cage, various chests, riding crop from the Camel Corps, edged weapons, saddle, helmets, pouches, veterinarian saddlebags, horse grooming equipment, spurs, equine gas mask with hoses and canister holsters, and a wooden neck cradle.

The archival book collection owned by Dr. Case will be in the public access catalog (<https://chiron.tamu.edu>). Cataloging will be complete by April 2015, and materials can be located by using the advanced search tab and searching John N. Case as a phrase.

Please contact Nancy Burford, Veterinary Collections Curator, nburford@library.tamu.edu with any questions on the Case Collection.



Postcard photo of soldiers and horses during World War I, dated 1915.

http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:FCP_World_War_I_horses_1915.jpg

November 2014 Veterinary Heritage Issue

By now, all AVMHS members and subscribers should have received their copy of the November 2014 issue of *Veterinary Heritage*. If not, please notify the Secretary/Treasurer at skw2@cornell.edu so that we can send you a replacement.

New AVMHS Members

We are pleased to welcome:

Leslie G. Huck, DVM (San Antonio, TX)

Khurshed R. Mama, DVM (Fort Collins, CO)

Deidra Qual, DVM (Ames, IA)

Eugene P. Steffey, VMD, PhD (Fort Collins, CO)

New Registry of Veterinary Heritage Practice

We are pleased to welcome new Registry member:

Palmer Veterinary Clinic (Plattsburgh, NY), Estab. 1958 by Dr. Lynn Palmer (COR '50)

Terry Animal Hospital (Wilmette, IL), Estab. 1959 by Dr. Joseph R. Terry (ISU '56)

New AVMHS Time-Bites on VIN

Accessible to VIN members at <http://www.vin.com>, under "Library", then "Miscellaneous":

Dr. Huidekoper's Guide to the Cat, New York, New York, U.S.A., 1895.

Which degree—V.S., D.V.S., M.D.V., D.V.M., M.D.C., etc.?, United States and Canada, pre-1930

Send ideas for Time-Bites to Dr. Phyllis Larsen at phlarsen@clarityconnect.com

Meeting Calendar

2014
July 2014 to Aug 2015 Special Exhibit: "Care for Canada's War Horses," Canadian Agricultural Museum, Ottawa, Ontario

2015
July 11 6-9pm AVMHS Annual Business Meeting and Program, Boston, Massachusetts

2016
Aug 5-9 tba AVMHS Annual Business Meeting and Program, San Antonio, Texas

Sept tba 42th WAHVM International Congress

2017
July 21-25 tba AVMHS Annual Business Meeting and Program, Indianapolis, Indiana

New Books

Day, A. J. *Doc, I needed you last night: the country vet.* Denver, CO: Outskirts Press, 2014. 222 pgs. ISBN: 9781478734833

Layt, Ed. *Doctor of Sorts: Reflections on a Life in Veterinary Practice*. Cork: BookBaby, 2014. 154 pgs. ISBN: 9780994177117

Mishra, Saurabh. *Beastly encounters of the Raj: livelihoods, livestock and veterinary health in India, 1790-1920*. Manchester, U.K.: Manchester University Press, 2015. ? pgs. ISBN: 9780719089725

Williams, Colleen Turbet and Barbara Cox. *The colonial vet: in Fiji, Ceylon and Africa*. [Auckland, New Zealand]: [Paradigm Associates, Ltd.], 2014. 142 pages. ISBN: 9780473287788 0473287781

Windsor, Roger S. *More Sherlock Holmes than James Herriot: the veterinary detectives*. Brighton: Book Guild, 2015. ? pgs. ISBN: 9781909984714 [Includes anecdotes about his personal experience in setting up and providing diagnostic service in Botswana, Africa.]

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Copies of articles may be obtained through interlibrary loan services provided by your local college or public library, or from the AVMHS Secretary-Treasurer if unavailable from other sources.

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