



Newsletter

September 2017

NEWVMA's 5th Annual Autumn Conference Set for November

Register now for the 5th Annual NEWVMA Autumn Conference to receive the early bird discount!

NEWVMA is happy to announce our Autumn Conference will be held this year on Saturday, November 11th, at Liberty Hall in Kimberly, WI. Earn 3 hours of continuing education credits during our afternoon program from 2-5 pm. We have some great speakers lined up to discuss small animal oncology, clinical pathology for technicians, and Johne's disease testing and control in cattle and small ruminants.

That evening join us from 5-6 pm for our happy hour social featuring a cocktail dinner reception with beverages and a large selection of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. Door prizes will be awarded. Everyone, including spouses, significant others and friends of NEWVMA are invited to attend our evening social--no registration is required (but for unregistered guests a \$10 suggested donation to the scholarship fund will be accepted at the door). Those who do register for the afternoon CE program will receive additional beverage vouchers in their registration packets for the evening social.

Small Animal Oncology for the Veterinarian and Veterinary Technician *with MacKenzie Pellin, DVM, DACVIM (Oncology)*

- Diagnosing and Managing the Cancer Patient and Their Person: A refresher on the ABCs of working up a cancer patient and communication tips for connecting with the clients
- Focus on Cytology: A busy practitio-

ner's guide to aspiration and interpretation

- New Drugs and New Uses for Old Drugs: An update on medical treatment options for cancer patients

Practical Clinical Pathology for the Veterinary Technician

with Jennifer Brazzell DVM, MVetSc, DACVP, MRCVS

- Liquids and Solids- Improve your technique when performing the most frequent in-clinic diagnostics encountered as a veterinary technician: CBC/differentials, urinalysis and fecal analysis

Large Animal and Small Ruminant Program

- Current control concepts for Johne's Disease in Cattle and small ruminants Wisconsin Johne's Disease Control Program Review and Updates with Elisabeth Patton, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVIM
- Putting Fecal PCR Testing To Use In Johne's Control Programs
- Current testing concepts for Control of Johne's Disease in Cattle with Dr. Todd Byrem
- What we have learned and changed on the farm due to new Johne's testing concepts with Dr Don Niles

About our speakers

Dr. Jennifer Brazzell

Dr. Brazzell is a staff pathologist at Marshfield Labs in Minnesota. She graduated from the University of Saskatchewan - Western College of Veterinary Medicine and completed her residency at the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine with advanced degrees received through the University of Saskatchewan. She is boarded in both clinical and anatomic pathology. Her interests include tick-borne diseases, coagulation and hematopathology.

Dr. MacKenzie Pellin

Dr. Pellin is a faculty member on the UW Veterinary Care Oncology Team. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine and completed an internship at Wheat Ridge Animal Hospital. She completed her radiation oncology residency at the UW School of Veterinary Medicine. She is the recipient of the Robert S. Brodey Memorial Award for Outstanding Oral Clinical Science Presentation for a 2015 presentation at the Veterinary Cancer Society Conference.

Dr. Elisabeth Patton

Dr. Patton has been a veterinary program manager with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

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for the past 14 years. She works with several disease programs in the Division of Animal Health including the Johne's disease control program. She received her DVM from Colorado State University in 1991. In 1996, she completed a combined Master's and large animal medicine residency from the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine and is board certified with the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. She received her PhD in Immunology from Cornell University in 2000.

Dr. Todd Byrem

Dr. Byrem is a graduate of Cornell University with a Ph.D. in Animal Science. He is responsible for the development, implementation and sales of bovine diagnostic tests developed and distributed through AntelBio. He spearheaded the Johne's Milk ELISA project and was instrumental in helping the milk ELISA become an established option in the field of Johne's testing.

Dr. Donald Niles

Dr. Niles graduated from the University of Minnesota with a D.V.M. in 1982. He prac-

ticed in Casco, Wisconsin ('83-'98) and also worked as a Monsanto Technical Service veterinarian in Visalia, CA. Since 2001, Don has been the co-owner and manager of Dairy Dreams LLC, a 2800 cow dairy in NE Wisconsin. Dr. Niles has been a featured speaker, both nationally and internationally on topics relating to proper cow care, in particular maternity care on modern dairy farms. Recently, he was elected as president of the newly formed Peninsula Pride Farms, a farmer lead environmental stewardship organization in Kewaunee and southern Door Counties. He participates on the following organizations: AVMA ; AABP; DCWC; DBA and NMC.

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Journal Article Commentary

Pimobendan and the EPIC Study

The EPIC study was widely anticipated by veterinary cardiologists and the published results are promising. The key point is that dogs with severe mitral regurgitation can benefit from starting pimobendan BEFORE they go into congestive heart failure. It is important to note that only dogs with severe mitral valve disease on echocardiogram were included in the study. There was no evaluation of any dogs with mild or moderate mitral valve disease. This study should not be generalized to patients who do not have severe mitral valve disease. In other words, every dog with a mitral murmur does NOT need to be put on pimobendan. Only consider this therapy for those with severe mitral valve disease.

So what to do with the dog with a heart murmur sitting in your exam room when the owner will not pursue an echo? Will starting pimobendan benefit your patients or just result in an owner spending money on an unnecessary drug for the rest of

their pet's life? A number of (unevaluated) criteria have been suggested by cardiologists when the gold standard of an echo is not available. Consider starting pimobendan if there is: severe cardiomegaly with left atrial enlargement on radiographs, a murmur that is continually progressing from soft to very loud on serial auscultation over time, and/or a NT-proBNP which is very high (>3000) since other studies have shown a severely elevated NT-proBNP value correlates with a very poor cardiac clinical outcome.

Effect of Pimobendan in Dogs with Preclinical Myxomatous Mitral Valve Disease and Cardiomegaly: The EPIC Study-A Randomized Clinical Trial.

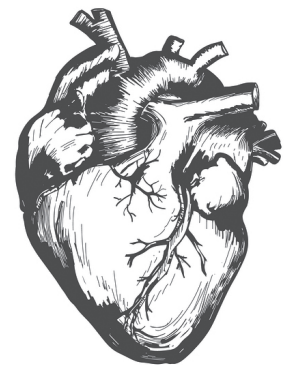
J Vet Intern Med. 2016 Nov-Dec;30(6):1765-1779. Boswood et. al.

Article Abstract

BACKGROUND: Pimobendan is effective in treatment of dogs with congestive heart failure (CHF) secondary to myxomatous

mitral valve disease (MMVD). Its effect on dogs before the onset of CHF is unknown.

HYPOTHESIS/OBJECTIVES: Administration of pimobendan (0.4-0.6 mg/kg/d in divided doses) to dogs with increased heart size secondary to preclinical MMVD, not receiving other cardiovascular medications, will delay the onset of signs of CHF, cardiac-related death, or euthanasia.



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Devastating Floods Swamp Houston-Area Veterinarians

Louisiana braces for rain as shelters take in displaced animals

From the VIN News Service (The VIN News Service is not affiliated with NEWVMA.)
August 28, 2017
By: Jennifer Fiala
For The VIN News Service

Update, 8/29: Officials report that 17 veterinary practices in Texas are closed and seven others are operating with skeleton crews. Emergency shelters have taken in at least 375 animals, a population that's predicted to increase once flood waters recede and allow greater access to disaster areas.

A crisis is unfolding at Houston-area animal shelters and veterinary practices as the city and surrounding communities battle rising rivers and flood waters in the wake of Harvey, which made landfall late Friday as a Category 4 hurricane.

Harvey, now a tropical storm, unloaded two feet of rain on the waterfront city over the weekend and is on a slow march toward Louisiana, where emergency veterinary personnel are dispatched. Flood waters continue to rise in Houston and its suburbs. At least seven people have died in flooded areas.

The Buffalo Bayou in Houston reportedly flooded Gulf Coast Veterinary Specialists and its adjacent emergency clinic, which is featured on Nat Geo Wild's reality show "Animal ER."

A post on the practice's Facebook page shared that winds and heavy rains ravaged the facility at 1111 West Look South, which is surrounded on three sides by the bayou. It's unknown whether all animals housed in the facility were evacuated.

Dr. Natalie Antinoff, an avian specialist with the practice, said by email that a lot is still unknown.

"We had to evacuate to keep everyone safe due to rising water in the building," she said. Damage assessments won't happen until they can safely return, she added.

A four-hour drive south of Houston is Rockport, where Dr. Kimberly Harrell cautiously celebrates that her home and practice are still standing, minus the practice's sign, which blew away.

"I do not know if there is water in the clinic and how much damage may be in-

side," she said on Facebook. "... I am very concerned that the clinic will not be able to fully service animals right away, and it could be a long time."

Harvey, experts say, is on pace to become one of the strongest storms to hit the United States in more than a decade. With evacuations under way, some area animal agencies are hunkered down. The Houston SPCA has suspended regular services. The same goes for classes at the Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine in College Station.

Two groups with the Texas A&M Veterinary Emergency Team were dispatched on Friday to hard-hit areas, reported Dr. Wesley Bissett, the team's director. "There are shelters being put up inland, away from the coastal communities," he said at the time. "We have initial equipment ready to go. Whether we deploy more depends on how bad it is."

Some of those emergency workers have since been reassigned to Fort Bend County in support of the Federal Emergency Management Association.

Dr. Leslie Easterwood, a clinical assistant professor with Texas A&M, explained to a local news station that the Veterinary Emergency Team has a dual purpose. "We support Task Force 1 and their search dogs, and that's our primary, first importance," she said. "And then we move on and set up there, as well, to take any kind of refugee animals that come in, with or without owners."

Several Gulf Coast humane societies are sheltering displaced and rescued animals from the storm.

The SPCA of Texas, headquartered in Dallas, reports housing 123 unowned cats from a Corpus Christi shelter facility. The Dallas County Animal Response Team is picking up storm evacuees and sending them to the SPCA of Texas and other shelters.

Shannon Sims of the San Antonio Animal Care Service said the agency has taken in 200 displaced animals and is expecting many more as flood-area residents evacu-

ate. The organization is accepting donated supplies such as newspaper, litter, crates and pet food. Items can be dropped off at the shelter, located at 4710 State Highway 151 in San Antonio.

Dr. William Folger, owner of Memorial Cat Hospital, is traveling and trying to get back to Houston. While his home and practice are OK, he expressed concern about colleagues in the area. "We are in a bad situation in Houston. Very much like Katrina, maybe worse," he said.

Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans in August 2005, and displaced as many as 250,000 dogs and cats during evacuations. Another 150,000 or so pets died during the storm and its aftermath.

VIN News Service reporter Phyllis DeGioia contributed to this article.

<http://news.vin.com/doc/?id=8191685>

Monetary gifts often are the best way to help. Here is a sampling of agencies that aid animals and veterinarians during disasters:

- Texas Veterinary Medical Foundation
- VIN Foundation
- Houston Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
- American Veterinary Medical Foundation
- American Red Cross



IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Robert Fischer

It is with sadness that we announce that Dr. Robert "Bob" J. Fischer of Shawano, passed away in 2016 at the age of 80. A donation is being made in his memory by NEWVMA to the Scholarship Fund.

Dr. Fischer was born on June 21, 1935, in Shawano. He graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1959 and was a veterinarian in Shawano at the Shawano Veterinary Clinic for 56 years. As a veterinarian, he had the opportunity to care for President Reagan's and President George Bush's dogs, as well as many other exotic animals.

Dr. Fischer was a member of the Shawano Masonic Inc. Fraternity, and a Beja Shriner. In his free time, he enjoyed traveling to Hawaii and had visited 35 times to appreciate the scenery, artwork, and culture. In addition, he was an avid outdoorsman and loved spending time at his hunting land and with his grandchildren. Robert always had stories to tell of his experiences and will be remembered by many as a man of many words.

He is survived by his daughters, Laura (Stewart) Guex of Neenah, Toni (Rick) Dinse of Shawano, Susan (Don) Secor of De Pere; grandchildren, Kyle Dinse, Stephanie Dinse (fiancé Brock Reopelle), Kayla Hill, Karissa Hill; his sister, Nancy (Ned) Schaffer; his special dog, Patton; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Robert was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister, Marjorie (James) King.

Dr. Corey Gallagher NEWVMA President-Elect



Dr. Corey Gallagher is the 2017 President-Elect of the Northeast Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Gallagher is a native of Green Bay, growing up in Ashwabenon. The catalyst to become a veterinarian began with raising and breeding English Springer Spaniels and training them for field trials. Enjoying these performance dogs paved the way to a career in helping owners, trainers and their athletes to perform at their best.

He began working toward an environmental science degree at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay before attending the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry in 1997. After college, he worked as a research and development chemist at Procter &

Gamble Pharmaceuticals in New York. He graduated cum laude with a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from the Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 2010. In between, he also attended school in New York and Kitts, West Indies. He was also the recipient of several academic excellence scholarship awards.

He is the proud owner of Northwoods Veterinary Clinic, "a full-service small animal hospital that takes both emergency cases as well as less urgent medical, surgical, dental and preventative care cases," located in Gillet. He specializes in small animal medicine and surgery, including orthopedic surgery. He has participated in Christian veterinary missions to Nicaragua. His memberships include the Christian Veterinary Mission, American Veterinary Medical Association, American Animal Hospital Association and Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association. He has been published in the journals *Bioorganic & Medical Chemistry Letters* and in *Tetrahedron Letters*. He is a member of Phi Zeta honor society of veterinary medicine.

Previous work experience includes: a veterinary assistant at Speers and Associates and a licensed veterinary technician at New Hartford Animal Hospital, both in New York; a licensed veterinary technician at the Iowa State University Veterinary Medical Center in Ames, Iowa; a VCA Student Representative at VCA Antech, Inc. in Los Angeles and as an associate veterinarian at Veterinary Clinic P.C. in Fairfield, Iowa.

Corey lives with his wife, Kaethe, and children, Liam and Norah, in Pulaski. Kaethe is the office manager of the clinic and a member of the Wisconsin Veterinary Practice Manager's Association. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Creative Writing. Included in the household are two English Springer Spaniels named Jack and Orla. His parents, Pat and Rita Gallagher, live in Howard. His brother, Casey, lives in Pulaski with wife Heidi and son Nathan.

He is happy to be back in Wisconsin and enjoys spending time with his family. His interests include fishing, hunting with and participating in field trials with spaniels Jack and Orla and "just being in the great outdoors."

NEWVMA on Facebook

NEWVMA is on Facebook! Look for us as Newvma - *The Northeastern Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association*. By clicking on the 'Like' button you will be connected to updated NEWVMA information, learn the latest on NEWVMA events and see even more photos from recent events, plus extend your social networking with other veterinarians and veterinary practices.



NEWVMA's Fox Valley District has a New Director – Dr. Lowell Wickman

Dr. Lowell Wickman is the 2017 Fox Valley District Director of the Northeastern Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association.

Growing up in western Wisconsin (Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire), his ambition to become a veterinarian began with a childhood inspiration. His recollection is told as follows:

“Dr. Bob Klitzke was (is) a kindhearted, soft-spoken man. When I was in elementary school, I followed him around like he was a god. He let me ride with him and treated me with respect. He let me watch everything he did with large and small animals. I loved the farm smell of his truck, the vitamin smell of the vet clinic; and I envied the coveralls and tall-boot look and the pickup truck.”

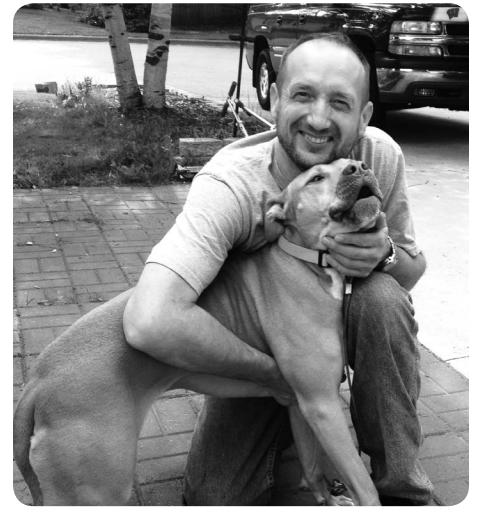
During high school and his early 20s, he worked several summers as a firefighter in Washington State, cultivating “a deep appreciation for wide-open spaces and wildlife.” After a one-year stint studying pre-engineering, he decided to do his undergraduate work toward a Wildlife Ecology degree; but he didn't finish because he was accepted to veterinary school after his junior year. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1992. “Someday after retirement, I'd perhaps like to pursue that Wildlife Ecology degree,” he said, “Stan Temple was my advisor, and I loved all the Aldo Leopold ties to Wisconsin.”

Aldo Leopold was an American author, philosopher, scientist, ecologist, forester, conservationist and environmentalist.

Dr. Wickman began his career as a large animal-exclusive veterinarian focused mostly on dairy, at the Heritage Animal Hospital in Hortonville for 16 years. He has been a small animal veterinarian exclusively since 2008. He purchased the former Care Hospital for Animals from Dr. Gary Stevens in 2012, renaming it Badgerland Veterinary Clinic, located in Oshkosh. This two-vet practice has grown tremendously in the past five years. They added a second doctor, Dr. Beth Holt, a 2015 graduate of the University of Wisconsin, that same year. A third doctor is in the planning for this year.

During his career, Dr. Wickman has had many memorable animal encounters from abnormal births of calves (birth of a 300-pound, overdue calf delivered vaginally) to abnormal calves' births (a two-headed, eight-legged calf). He was mauled by a bull, thinking “I was going to die, but he let me get away.” A vast collection of animals, large and small, have crossed his professional path.

Lowell enjoys recreational bar league volleyball and “occasionally fancy myself a long distance runner.” He and his girlfriend Jill are vegans. “We enjoy expressing ourselves and our points-of-view through appearances at our local humane society, farmers' markets and on our Facebook page, Oshkosh Area Vegan Association,” he said.



He has three daughters: one in nursing school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, one in the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse and the other is a high school sophomore in New London. His siblings' professions include a nurse at Appleton Medical Center, a college professor at the University of Minnesota and a dog trainer/behaviorist in Wilmington, North Carolina.

Lowell lives in Winneconne; and between their two households, he and Jill share four dogs, eight cats, one rabbit and numerous clinic cats. Also, together they spend much of their time helping clients with stray cat issues, handling the spaying and neutering, then releasing them or finding them new homes. “We are animal advocates at all levels,” he said.”

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ANIMALS: 360 client-owned dogs with MMVD with left atrial-to-aortic ratio ≥ 1.6 , normalized left ventricular internal diameter in diastole ≥ 1.7 , and vertebral heart sum >10.5 .

METHODS: Prospective, randomized, placebo-controlled, blinded, multicenter clinical trial. Primary outcome variable was time to a composite of the onset of CHF, cardiac-related death, or euthanasia.

RESULTS: Median time to primary endpoint was 1228 days (95% CI: 856-NA)

in the pimobendan group and 766 days (95% CI: 667-875) in the placebo group ($P = .0038$). Hazard ratio for the pimobendan group was 0.64 (95% CI: 0.47-0.87) compared with the placebo group. The benefit persisted after adjustment for other variables. Adverse events were not different between treatment groups. Dogs in the pimobendan group lived longer (median survival time was 1059 days (95% CI: 952-NA) in the pimobendan group and 902 days (95% CI: 747-1061) in the placebo group) ($P = .012$).

CONCLUSIONS AND CLINICAL IMPORTANCE: Administration of pimobendan to dogs with MMVD and echocardiographic and radiographic

evidence of cardiomegaly results in prolongation of preclinical period and is safe and well tolerated. Prolongation of preclinical period by approximately 15 months represents substantial clinical benefit.



Epinephrine Labeling Change

From the FDA — The FDA alerts veterinarians and veterinary pharmacologists that the strength of epinephrine might be expressed differently on the labeling on certain human and animal epinephrine products. The FDA is requiring drug manufacturers to remove ratio expressions of strength (such as 1:1,000 and 1:10,000) from the labeling of these products. Strength will now be expressed only as the amount per unit of volume (mg/mL). For example, once these changes are made, the labeling for Epinephrine Injection, USP, 1:1,000 will state Epinephrine Injection, USP, 1 mg/mL.

To avoid dosing errors in animals, the FDA recommends that veterinarians carefully review an epinephrine product's labeling before administering the drug to determine if strength is expressed as mg/mL or as a ratio. The FDA also recommends that veterinary emergency dosage charts include epinephrine products that are labeled both ways (mg/mL and ratio) to reduce confusion and potential dosing errors.

Contact Us

The NEWVMA Board is here to serve you, but we can only be as helpful as the feedback we get from our members. If you have an idea for a continuing education topic or a speaker you'd like to hear, let us know. If there is a fun activity or locale you think would make for an interesting NEWVMA social next year, send us a line. If there is a serious local or state issue that affects you professionally and you would like NEWVMA and the WVMA to become involved, please share your thoughts and concerns.

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Meet your WVMA Representative Dr. Jeffrey Bleck



Dr. Jeffrey Bleck is the 2017 District 3 WVMA Representative who will also be serving on the board of directors of the Northeastern Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Bleck grew up on the family dairy farm in New London which included 150 registered Holsteins. His responsibilities encompassed the entire farm “from picking rocks and baling hay to milking cows and helping with the herd’s health. “I always enjoyed working with dairy cattle and especially looked forward observing and helping out our herd veterinarian when he came to the farm,” he said.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1992, and his doctorate in 1996, from the UW-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine.

He began working at the Kettle Moraine Veterinary Clinic, a mixed animal practice, in 1996. When the clinic divided into separate large and small animal practices in 2005, he became one of three owners of Dairy Doctors Veterinary Services.

Dairy Doctors Veterinary Services is a predominately dairy practice employing seven veterinarians - six full-time doctors who focus on dairy cattle and a part-time one who specializes in mink veterinary medicine. Some of the veterinarians specialize in advanced reproduction and embryo transfer, ventilation consulting, milk quality and records analysis. There are also two veterinary technicians, one runs their milk quality lab and conducting on-site milking time analysis and the other focuses on inventory management for the clinic and some of the large dairies.

The clinic’s community outreach programs include the Dairy Doctors Veterinary Services Scholarship Program, the Annual Client Appreciation Picnic, 4-H leaders, Fairest of the Fair supporters, County Fair Veterinary Service Providers, FFA classroom career presenters/job shadows and Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom volunteer presenters.

Dr. Bleck has been a member of the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association (WVMA) since 1996. He has served on the Professional Education Committee, Best Practices Committee and the WVMA Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) for Proper Drug Use Committee. The WVMA HACCP is a six-step plan addressing not only food safety, but long-term proper drug use on dairies and which identifies risks and institutes control methods. On the national level, he has served on the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Gender Task Force and on the Pfizer Dairy Advisory Board.

Jeffrey lives on a small farm near Glenbeulah with his wife LeaAnn, daughter Elise and son Brady. LeaAnn is also a veterinarian. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a degree in Dairy Science in 1991, and from the UW-Madison School of Veterinary Science in 1996. She works part-time as a small animal veterinarian at Wright Veterinary Clinic in Campbellsport. Elise, 15, is a freshman at Plymouth High School where she plays basketball and volleyball; she also enjoys showing her dairy heifers and cows. Brad is an 11-year-old sixth grade student at Riverview Middle School in Plymouth. He plays football, basketball and golf. He, too, shows his dairy cattle throughout the year.

On their farm, they raise 10-20 show heifers each year. Jeffrey enjoys watching the Packers, exhibiting Brown Swiss and Holstein dairy cattle with his family, coaching his children’s basketball teams and playing golf. He also assists in coaching the Sheboygan County Dairy judging teams, the Sheboygan County Dairy Quiz Bowl teams and the Sheboygan County Dairy Herd Management teams. He serves on the Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church Council and is a dairy leader for the Spring Valley 4-H Club.

One Minute Update – Zika Virus and Pets

Although warm summer days are soon going to be behind us, Zika virus remains in the news as this mosquito borne pathogen can cause illness in people as well as serious birth defects including microencephaly. If your clients ask if they should be concerned about Zika virus and their pet the answer is “No, not unless you have a pet monkey”.

According to the CDC, “There have not been any reports of pets or other types of animals becoming sick with Zika virus. However, more research is needed to better understand Zika virus in animals.” There have been, however, Zika virus antibodies found in non-human primates.



Membership Update

At recent board meetings, several area veterinarians were accepted as new NEWVMA members: Dr. Jeffrey Bleck (Dairy Doctors Services), Dr. Deborah Logerquist. Dr. Kyle Ruedinger (Wolf River Veterinary Clinic), Dr. Angela Braun (Appleton), Dr. Sara Schroeder (High Cliff Veterinary Service), Dr. Jessica Halback (St. Anna Veterinary Clinic) and Drs. Lindsley Shauna and Tara Mendez (Appanasha Pet Clinic)

NEWVMA Scholarship Fund

We are almost 1/3rd of the way to our 2017 fundraising challenge goal of raising **\$25,000 for the NEWVMA Scholarship Fund**. This fundraiser will allow us to increase the amount of scholarship aid our organization is able to provide to UW-Veterinary students each year. Both businesses and individuals are encouraged to donate.

A one-time donation from every hospital or clinic in the NEWVMA area would accomplish this goal! We are grateful to the following businesses that have stepped up to challenge other clinics to join them in becoming part of the **Legacy Fund**:

Wolf River Veterinary Clinic, \$1000

Kaukauna Veterinary Clinic, \$1000

Country Hills Pet Hospital, \$1000

United Veterinary Service, \$1100

Great Lakes Veterinary Clinic \$250

Individuals can donate and take advantage of a match fund. Thanks to an anonymous donor, **individuals who donate in**

2017 will have their donations matched dollar for dollar up to a total \$5000. Thank you to our recent generous individual donors:

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Dr. Kathy Oetjen

By working with the UW Foundation, all donations to the fund are tax deductible. Please include with all donations the name (of the individual or business) and address where your receipt for tax purposes should be sent to.

All checks should be made out to NEWVMA with "Scholarship Fund" in the memo and be mailed to:

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Seeking Motivated Individual – Work from Home!

We are looking for the right person to help run our organization as the next NEWVMA Executive Director. Commitment and enthusiasm are a must. Being organized is also a plus!

The NEWVMA Executive Director manages NEWVMA's financial books and coordinates membership renewals. This person also helps the organization run smoothly at board meetings and assists with continuing education and social events.

This is a salaried part-time position with additional compensation for mileage and expenses.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact info@newvma.org