



Emergency Testing at the SD ADRDL

Jane Hennings, DVM, MS—Director ADRDL

This month, the laboratory has been testing samples from domestic and wild birds for detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza (AI). It was important for the laboratory to test birds as soon as possible so clients that had affected flocks could collect indemnity and prevent the transmission of the virus to other birds. Samples were tested in the laboratory and same day results were reported with the avian influenza PCR assay. These tests were performed 24/7 as needed.

The AI matrix PCR indicates if influenza A is present and then an H5 and H7 PCR assay was performed to

determine the hemagglutinin type indicative of the highly pathogenic AI that would be causing mortality and severe clinical signs.

The AI assays are developed and instituted by the USDA National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) so that each of the NAHLN laboratories within the US are prepared to detect these devastating diseases. The NAHLN is a “network of animal disease diagnostic laboratories that works effectively as a team, provides ongoing disease surveillance, responds quickly to disease events, communicates diagnostic out-

comes to decision makers in a timely manner, and has the capability and capacity to meet diagnostic needs during animal disease outbreaks.”

To make sure the laboratory is performing the NAHLN tests and other assays correctly, proficiency tests are performed routinely in our laboratory and verified that the results are accurate on “known” status samples. The proficiency tests that are taken yearly to make sure we perform the tests accurately for routine and emergency testing.

For a complete listing of the proficiency tests, please see page 4.

Learn About—and Practice—the Latest Techniques in Companion Animal Surgery at SDVMA Summer Meeting

Dr. Russ Daly, DVM, SDSU

Dr. Brent Reimer, DVM, DACVSA, is the featured speaker and wet lab facilitator for the SDVMA’s upcoming Summer Meeting, to be held June 4-5, at the Ramkota Convention Center in Pierre. Dr. Reimer practices with the Iowa Veterinary Referral Center in Des Moines, Iowa, and frequently consults with veterinarians across the region, including here in South Dakota. A DVM graduate from Iowa State University, Dr. Reimer continued his veterinary educational journey with an internship at Michigan State University and subsequently completed a small animal surgical residency at the University of California-Davis. Upon completion of his residency training, he briefly served on the faculty of Iowa State University. During his tenure in the academic setting, he received a multitude of awards including the SCAVMA Award for Teaching, the William O. Reece Award for Academic Advising, and the Norden Distinguished Professor Award. In 2007, he

elected to depart from the academic environment, and has been practicing in private referral practices for the past 7 years.

Dr. Reimer will share his expertise on subjects such as reconstructive surgery, abdominal exploratories, patellar luxations, and cruciate disease, among others during the Continuing Education portion of the meeting, on Friday, June 5. That afternoon, Dr. Reimer will conduct a wet lab for interested participants that will focus on those techniques, as well as others. A concurrent, large animal-oriented CE track will also be available in the afternoon, with updates from industry and regulatory veterinary medicine partners.

In addition to the continuing education, the meeting also offers several social activities. Golfing and trapshooting are available on Thursday afternoon, followed by an evening social hour and dinner.

Recent graduates will also have a special opportunity to network at the

meeting with a special social hour at 5:00 prior to the full attendee dinner.

You can register online for the meeting at www.sdvvetmed.org.

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Greetings from your President

Dr. Todd Carr

I hope this newsletter finds everyone enjoying a busy and productive spring season! At the very least it's nice to be on the right side of winter again. We also seem to have made it through another legislative season without any significant problems arising. I know this is an issue most of us don't think about much until a problem occurs, but I would like to thank Jennifer and her staff for keeping us on top of any issues affecting veterinary medicine. I think they do a great job representing our interests in Pierre and more importantly heading off problems before they develop. This is one of the main reasons that we need to have an organization like SDVMA. We may work every day to the benefit of the animals and their owners in South Dakota, but if we are not represented well at the state level our voice will not be heard. This is also a job we can all help with by maintaining good

relationships with your local representatives. It's a lot easier to enlist their help if they know who we are!

It's hard to believe that our summer meeting in Pierre is only a couple months away! I know everyone is busy just trying to keep up with their practices this time of year, but I hope everyone will make an attempt to attend one or both of our meetings this summer. Many people put in a lot of effort to try and provide you with excellent continuing education opportunities and hopefully chances to reconnect with your colleagues. The activities at these events was a subject we spent a considerable amount of time discussing this winter. One thing that I can confidently relay to you is that your board wants to provide events and activities that you find useful and enjoyable. With that in mind, if there are events you particularly look forward to or you have an idea for a need that is

not being fulfilled, please don't hesitate to share this with anyone on the board. The strength and benefit of this organization is completely dependent on the participation of our membership.

On a similar note, I'd like to encourage everyone to make an effort to engage our young or newer members. They are truly the future of South Dakota veterinary medicine and their success is also critical to a strong SDVMA. So please encourage any new associates to attend one of our meetings this summer and even more importantly, make them feel welcome when you see them there. Have a great spring and I hope to see you at a meeting this summer!



Notes from your Executive Director

Jennifer Stalley

In January, I told you about the strategic planning retreat the SDVMA board was undertaking. The planning session was very productive and the board set four priority areas for work in the next two years. These priorities are:

- 1) Re-evaluate summer and annual meetings relating to continuing education, social events and sponsorships;
- 2) Improve SDVMA's legislative effectiveness;
- 3) Work with recent graduates to encourage higher participation in SDVMA; and
- 4) Prepare for the 125th anniversary of SDVMA in 2016.

The board has set these areas as key focus areas for the work of the board, committees, and the executive director. Other possible priorities were also considered, and work will continue in those areas, as well, but the focus will be on these four priorities.

The board also set the framework for measuring the improvement and work in these priority areas. These measurements will help us determine where we are succeeding, where we will need to continue focused work, and where we can look for future priorities as we measure our work.

Our continuing education committee will begin work immediately to reevaluate our summer and annual meetings to look for areas to improve the meetings for the attendees and our sponsors. They are looking for ways to make sure our meetings and their activities are relevant to your practice and provide you with opportunities to network with colleagues and industry representatives.

The members of the membership committee are already working on planning for the 125th anniversary celebration for 2016. This will provide a great opportunity to educate the public on the role of veterinary medicine and to celebrate all it has contributed.

The legislative committee will look at ways to be proactive with legislative changes and to help organize the SDVMA membership to be ready to address any legislative issues that might arise.

The board will continue to look at ways to engage more of the recent graduates in SDVMA.

All of these committees can benefit from your input and expertise. If there is a priority that you are interested in commenting on or working on, please contact me or Dr. Carr. The more comments and thoughts we can have, the stronger our work in these areas will be.

A special thanks goes out to the SDVMA board members for taking the extra time to go through the strategic planning process and being fully engaged to set a strong course for the future of SDVMA.



Veterinary Exam Board Notes:

Dr. Sam Holland

Blog: State veterinary boards need to heed Supreme Court Ruling

Justices say prohibition of teeth whitening by nondentists unfairly restricts competition

By Mark Cushing, JD, Animal Policy Group, DVM360 Magazine

Mar 02, 2015

The U.S. Supreme Court recently delivered an important decision in *North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission*, affirming a lower court's ruling that the North Carolina dental board was limiting competition in the state. While this particular decision involved dentists, the Supreme Court's ruling directly affects boards of veterinary medicine, along with other professions such as medicine and law.

The North Carolina facts involve the state board's efforts to outlaw teeth whitening by nondentists, a growing practice. The Supreme Court rejected the board's defense—that as a state-regulated agency it was immune from federal antitrust laws—stating that it did not meet the requirements for that kind of immunity and that the board's conduct was inherently anticompetitive.

In its opinion, the court emphasized that the North Carolina dental board consists primarily of practicing dentists. Of course, state veterinary boards across the United States are made up primarily of practicing veterinarians, so the court would likely treat the veterinary profession no differently.

The action against the North Carolina board was brought by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Of note to veterinarians, it was also the FTC that held against the Oklahoma State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (see page 138) in 1990. That case involved the state board's attempt to restrict licensed Oklahoma veterinarians from business or employment relationships (in their practices) with non-Oklahoma veterinarians or nonveterinarians. This FTC ruling has held sway since then, and in this recent Supreme Court decision, one can assume how the court might rule if veterinarians or nonveterinarians challenged a state board's attempt to enforce that the sole owner of a veterinary practice can only be a licensed veterinarian in that state.

It's also important for veterinarians to understand the Supreme Court's test

for whether a state regulatory agency is immune from federal antitrust laws. It stems from the *Midcal* decision, which focused on California's decision to grant a private body of wine merchants price-setting powers over the entire state. To avoid antitrust liability, the state must *actively supervise* the decisions and policies of the regulatory agency (for example, the state veterinary board) to prevent a board from limiting competition against members of its profession—and states rarely do this.

According to Justice Kennedy, who wrote the majority opinion in the North Carolina case, *Midcal's* supervision rule stems from the recognition that “where a private party is engaging in anticompetitive activity, there is a real danger that he is acting to further his own interests, rather than the governmental interests of the State.” As a result, the rule demands “realistic assurance that a private party's anticompetitive conduct promotes state policy, rather than merely the party's individual interests.”

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SDVMA,

Our sponsors are the blue and gold lifeblood of the FFA and agriculture education in South Dakota! With your support, the SD FFA Foundation will be able to provide funding for events, incentives and scholarships that encourage our young people to “Go All Out,” and impact the future of agriculture. Your moral support and active participation are even more valuable. This allows students in South Dakota and across the nation to interact with people in successful careers in agriculture who care about educating the next generation of agricultural leaders.

Please accept our thanks for your \$475 contribution to support the 2015 efforts of the South Dakota FFA Foundation. As you requested, we have allocated your funding for use as follows: Small Animal Production and Care Proficiency Award area—

So what does this mean for veterinarians? Be assured that every veterinary medical board in the country has been provided by its lawyers with a copy of the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners decision, just as most if not all have seen the 1990 FTC decision against the Oklahoma State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. State veterinary boards act at their peril when they restrict competition within the profession without clear direction from their state legislatures that the restriction is official policy, necessary for the state's broader well-being, and actively watched over by the state itself.

Mark Cushing, JD, is founding partner of the Animal Policy Group, providing government relations and strategic services for various animal health, veterinary and educational interests. He maintains offices in Portland, Ore., and Washington, D.C., and is a frequent speaker at veterinary conferences.

The Veterinary Policy Notes blog on dvm360.com helps veterinarians and other animal health professionals keep abreast of the growing number of issues, political challenges and regulatory initiatives affecting the veterinary profession, animal health industry and animal welfare movement. The views and opinions presented are those of the author.

\$225.00; Veterinary Science CDE team travel scholarship—\$250.00.

We welcome your participation in all SD FFA activities as your time will permit.

Through your generosity, you are fulfilling the FFA mission by making a positive difference in the lives of young people by developing their potential for *premier leadership, personal growth* and *career success* through agricultural education. It is only through the support of businesses and individuals that we are able to fund programs to serve local FFA members and chapters.

Once again, *thank you*. Your investment in South Dakota's youth is very important and very much appreciated. Please visit our website at www.sdffaafoundation.org. Sincerely,
Gerri Ann Eide, Executive Director,
South Dakota FFA Foundation, Inc.

Proficiency Tests at the SD ADRDL

Jane Hennings, DVM,MS—Director ADRDL



Section	Proficiency Test
Serology	Johne's Check test
	PRV gB and gI
	Brucellosis SPT
	Brucellosis BAPA
	Brucellosis STT
	Brucellosis Card
	Brucellosis Rivanol
	Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA)
	Bovine Leukemia Virus (BLV)
	Bluetongue (BT)
	Avian Influenza – AGID
	Leptospirosis - MAT
	<i>Brucella ovis</i> ELISA
Molecular Diagnostics	Avian Paramyxovirus – 1 (APMV-1)
	Avian Influenza (AI) – H5 & H7
	Swine influenza (SIV)
	Exotic Newcastle Disease (END)
	Classical Swine Fever (CSF) & Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)
	Johne's Check test
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Bacteriology	Johne's Check test
	AAVLD Check test
	Vet-LIRN Listeria
	Vet-LIRN melamine
Virology	Rabies antigen
Food Safety	<i>E. coli</i> O157:H7
	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>
	<i>Salmonella</i> sp.
	Staphylococcal enterotoxin
Clinical Pathology	Chemistry module
	Endocrinology Module
	Hematology Module
	Parasitology Module

SDVMA at the Fair

SDVMA participates in the South Dakota State Fair and the Central States Fair by hosting a booth to demonstrate different aspects of veterinary medicine. These events provide a great opportunity for veterinarians to promote the profession and encourage the young people who visit our displays to consider a career in veterinary medicine.

These events are held in conjunction with the FFA chapters and provide an excellent partnering opportunity for SDVMA and our youth agriculture leaders.

At each of the fairs, we will have a booth with displays, written information and giveaways. We need veterinarians and veterinary technicians to help staff the booth for 1-2 hour shifts at each fair.

If you are interested in helping at either of the fairs, please contact the SDVMA office to sign up for times.

Central States Fair

Rapid City
August 24, 2015
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

South Dakota State Fair

Huron
September 4, 2015
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

James Bailey Herd Health Conference

The James Bailey Herd Health Conference, which was held February 14th, focused on the role animal housing plays on the health of animals. Dr. Kip Lukasiewicz of St. Paul, NE, was the featured speaker. Other speakers were Dr. Kevin Janni and Dr. Jim Salfer of the University of Minnesota, and Dr. Erin Cortus, Dr. Reid McDaniel, and Heidi Carroll of SDSU. Attendees also received a short update on the new cow-calf and swine facility units at SDSU.



SDVMA Scholarship Foundation

Hello from Your Foundation,

We are entering the time of year when our committee is looking for a few great students to award scholarships to. Thanks to the supporters of the Foundation we can continue to help these deserving students of Veterinary Medicine. Please keep up the good work.

We are working on a possible fundraiser to increase the corpus of the Foundation so I would like some input from all of you out there. Early next year 2016 we are going to put together an all inclusive week long vacation trip to Costa Rica. The excursion would be open to veterinarians, family members, friends, clients and anyone who would like to join us. The number of people we have to go would determine the cost per person and the amount that would be donated to the Foundation. My wife Nancy and I have been hosts on trips like this for 10 years and I can tell you we will have a Great Time. Nancy does the work and I help with the Fun.

Right now we are in the preliminary discovery stage. Bids to the different destinations go out in the upcoming days to determine the costs of flights,

resorts etc. What I need to know is the interest level we would have to support the trip.

Costa Rica is a beautiful eco friendly country. The resorts we are looking at are beautiful. Everything from just reading a good novel in the sun, eating wonderful foods, spending time on beautiful golf courses, deep sea fishing and escaping for a short time from our South Dakota deep freeze with family, fellow veterinarians, and friends would be the icing on the cake.

More details will come later but for now I need to know if you have an interest in this type of endeavor? Please give me a call. Remember it feels good to Give.

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Recent Donations to the Foundation:

In memory of Bonita (Bonnie)
Thorpe — Dr. Lee Johnson

SDVMA Alliance News

Happy spring! We sent off prizes to all 4 regional science fairs last month—Aberdeen, Brookings, Mitchell and Rapid City. Check out winners in your area. I want to remind you all to be thinking about what you might bring to the auction this fall. (Hint, hint.) Hope that you are all enjoying the spring weather and here's best wishes for some more moisture.

District 2 Meeting

The District 2 meeting will be held Wednesday, May 20th at The Flame Restaurant on 2 South Main Street, Aberdeen, SD, beginning with a social at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will follow at 7:00 p.m. Nicolas Buttars, the Business Solutions manager with PeopleFirst of Zoetis, will give a talk on employee management and strategic planning for your practice. There will also be a short SDVMA update and Animal Industry Board update.

All SDVMA members are welcome to attend. Please register by calling 605-688-6649 or emailing Janice.Kampmann@sdstate.edu.

In Memoriam

Bonita "Bonnie" Thorpe

Bonita "Bonnie" Thorpe, 84, died January 28, 2015 from complications of Alzheimer's disease at Angelhaus Regional Basic Care Center in Aberdeen. The funeral service was held February 2 at First United Methodist Church in Aberdeen.

Bonita "Bonnie" Ann Smith, daughter of Reuben & Helen (Fernow) Smith was born May 28, 1930 at Cedar Rapids, IA. She graduated from Franklin High School in 1948. She attended Coe College in Cedar Rapids for one year and then transferred to Iowa State College, majoring in Home Economics.

Bonnie was united in marriage to Daryl "Doc" K. Thorpe on February 22, 1952 in Cedar Rapids, IA. In 1953, Bonnie and Daryl moved to Huron,



SD, where Daryl began his veterinary career. Bonnie was a full time mother. The family moved to Leola, SD in 1966, where Daryl opened a veterinary practice and Bonnie was his office manager. Between 1978 and 1998, they lived in both Pierre and Aberdeen while her husband was employed by the SD Livestock Sanitary Board. They retired to Aberdeen in 1998.

Bonnie was an active member in the auxiliaries of the state and national veterinary associations. She also served as photographer at many of the various veterinary events that she and Daryl attended. Bonnie was a member of P.E.O. International for over 50 years. She was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, United Methodist Women and Quilt Guild for many years.

Bonnie enjoyed photography, all

types of sewing and crafts, and cooking. She followed her grandchildren's activities such as sports, music, etc. with great enthusiasm.

She is survived by her daughter, Debra Haeder of Dumfries, VA; three sons, Tom (Susan) Thorpe of Forbes, ND, Jim (Peggy) Thorpe of Aberdeen and Don (Holly) Thorpe of Mt. Vernon, SD, 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Daryl "Doc" (11-17-2007) and son-in-law, Dennis Haeder.

Full obituary is available at <http://www.aberdeenfuneralhome.com/>

SDVMA will print obituaries for our members as space allows. Please send information to the SDVMA office at janice.kampmann@sdstate.edu or contact us at 605-688-6649.



Make plans to attend the

SDVMA Summer Meeting

Pierre, SD

June 4-5, 2015

and the

SDVMA Annual Meeting

Sioux Falls, SD

August 9-12, 2015

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VETERINARIANS WANTED

Seeking FT small animal, client centered, team oriented associate for growing mixed animal practice. New facility offering preventative care, in-house lab, soft tissue and orthopedic surgery, radiology and shared ER services. 2.5 doctor, 3 RVT, numerous support staff and growing. Aberdeen, located in NE South Dakota, is a growing community with many career, agricultural, healthcare and outdoor recreation opportunities. Competitive compensation and benefits. Send cover letter and resume to Dr. Greg Adolf and Dr. Darcee Munstersteiger at npahealth@nvc.net.

A new associate is wanted for a presently single man mixed animal practice located 25-30 miles from Sioux Falls, SD. Buy in potential exists for the right person. The practice is 80% large and 20% small animal. The large animal is mostly cow/calf with some dairy, small ruminant, horses, and swine. There is a clinic building with small animal exam/surgery room, lab, kennel, and large animal haul in facility. Salary is negotiable with experience. Contact phone is 605-940-6396.

Valley City Veterinary Hospital, PC, located in Valley City, ND is seeking a full time veterinarian. We are a four doctor practice in southeastern North Dakota, 60 miles west of Fargo. Our practice is 70% small animal, 20% cow-calf, 5% equine and other species. We offer competitive salary, health insurance benefits, paid vacation, paid continuing education, dues, and licensing, paid liability insurance, equipment, cell phone, and truck provided, buy-in potential, and every third Friday off! Contact Dr. Jennifer Fischer at 701-845-3662 with questions or send resume to 1068 4th St, Valley City, ND, valleycityvet@yahoo.com, www.valleycityvet.com, or fax 701-845-3663.

Mixed Animal Vet wanted to join 3 Doctor Practice in Mobridge. Practice amenities include: small animal surgery equipment, radiograph machine, Corner-

stone practice management software, blood chemistry and hematology analyzers, large animal ultrasound, horse stocks, mobile hydraulic chutes, tilt chutes, and a calf table. Both in-clinic and ambulatory large animal services are provided. We currently have 3 full time veterinarians, 2 full-time small animal technicians, and 3 full-time large animal assistants. Needed for immediate hire: Mixed animal veterinarian to join our 3 doctor practice and share equally in emergency duties. Experience preferred but not required. Applicant must be able to be licensed in North and South Dakota, and become accredited. Our practice is approximately 50% bovine, 40% small animal, and 10% equine. We offer competitive salary, health insurance, state dues, continuing education, paid vacation, 401K, and sick leave. Contact Nola Bauer 605-845-3634, pahevethospital@westriv.com

Associate Veterinarian Wanted: Mid River Veterinary Clinic is a young, motivated practice located in Chamberlain, SD - right at the junction the Missouri River and I-90. We are a true mixed animal clinic working with dogs, cats, and cattle mostly, but also have a number of horse, sheep, and goat clientele. The clinic has in-house CBC and Chemistry machines, digital x-ray, and gas anesthesia. We have haul-in facilities for horses and cattle (tilt chute, hydraulic squeeze chute, and separate calving chute). We also have a portable Silencer chute for country cattle work. The clinic is busy year round with small and large animal appointments. We are looking for a highly motivated associate veterinarian to join our team! Chamberlain is a great rural area to raise a family and/or participate in outdoor activities (hunting, fishing, hiking, etc.) and has immediate access to the interstate; we are 2 hours from Sioux Falls and 3 1/2 hours from Rapid City. The position is open to anyone interested in a full-time or part-time veterinarian position. On call will be split between two doctors, alternating weekends and holidays. There is some flexibility in hours possible. Contact Dr. Jessie Christensen, (605)730-2115; midrivervet@midstatesd.net.

VETERINARY TECHNICIAN WANTED:

The first veterinary specialty hospital in the Dakotas located in Sioux Falls is seeking a highly motivated, team-oriented licensed veterinary technician to join our health care support staff. Applicant must be licensed and have at least two years previous experience as a technician. Job

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description includes exam room duties, laboratory duties, surgery prep, anesthesia monitoring, IV catheter placement, client contact, telephone skills and computer usage. Applicants should be able to multitask in a busy 3-Doctor practice, be a great communicator, a Team player and be available to work some Saturday's. We need someone that is going to come in and treat our hospital as if you own it. You must be self-directed, motivated and know how to make every client interaction 5 STARS every time. Hourly salary commensurate with experience. If you are interested in a rewarding career where you are valued for your contribution and rewarded for your leadership, please contact Anitra at anitralbalchan@gmail.com.

Vet Tech Wanted: Mid River Veterinary Clinic is a practice that prioritizes preventative care, but offers a full array of services. We are about 50% large animal (cattle and some equine) and 50% small animal. The clinic is equipped with in-house blood analyzers (CBC and Chemistry), gas anesthesia, ultrasonic dental scaler and polisher, equine power dental float, indoor equine and bovine haul-in facilities,

portable ultrasound, and digital radiology. We provide both in-clinic and mobile veterinary services, including emergencies. MRV is looking for a self-motivated, hard working veterinary technician with a positive attitude to be more than just a veterinary assistant. The position is full time and will involve working with large animals (mostly cattle, some horses) and small animals (cats and dogs). Contact Dr. Jessie Christensen, (605)730-2115; [midriver-vet@midstatesd.net](mailto:vet@midstatesd.net).

Immediate opening for a full time veterinary technician at an established and busy two veterinarian small animal and equine practice in Yankton, SD. Applicants should be articulate, team players that can multitask and preferably have experience with Cornerstone computer systems, IDEXX blood analysis machines, dentistry procedures and cold laser therapy. Hourly wage commensurate with experience. Some receptionist work and average once a month Saturday morning work. Send introductory letter and resume to Dr. Cynthia Franklin at franklindvm@iw.net. Check out our help wanted posting on the SDVMA website.

VETERINARY ASSISTANT WANTED:

The first veterinary specialty hospital in the Dakotas located in Sioux Falls is seeking a highly motivated, team-oriented veterinary assistant to join our health care support staff. Must be dependable, organized, have excellent communication skills and have basic animal care knowledge. Job description includes assisting technicians with appointments, surgery, lab procedures, dentistry, animal care and maintaining clinic cleanliness. Applicants should be able to multitask in a busy 3-Doctor practice, be a great communicator, a Team player and be available to work some Saturday's. We need someone that is going to come in and treat our hospital as if you own it. You must be self-directed, motivated and know how to make every client interaction 5 STARS every time. Hourly salary commensurate with experience. If you are interested in a rewarding career where you are valued for your contribution and rewarded for your leadership, please contact Anitra at anitralbalchan@gmail.com

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June 4-5, 2015—South Dakota VMA Summer Meeting, Pierre; (605) 688-6649 or www.sdvmed.org

June 15-17, 2015—Nebraska VMA Summer Meeting, Valentine, NE; www.nvma.org

August 9-12, 2015—South Dakota VMA Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, (605) 688-6649 or www.sdvmed.org

Aug. 9-11, 2015—North Dakota VMA Annual Meeting, Medora, ND; www.ndvma.com

Aug. 24, 2015—Vet Day at Central States Fair, Rapid City. Volunteers needed—contact Janice Kampmann at 605-688-6649 or Janice.Kampmann@sdsu.edu.

Sept. 4, 2015—Vet Day at the State Fair, Huron. Volunteers needed—contact Janice Kampmann at 605-688-6649 or Janice.Kampmann@sdsu.edu.

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