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- **Lowcountry Veterinary Conference**
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- **Southeastern Veterinary Conference**
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Southeast Veterinary Conference Draws Veterinary Professionals From 36 States and Canada

By Ralph Lee, VAM

After a Wednesday afternoon storm breezed through, perfect weather presided as veterinary professionals and their families from 36 states and Canada gathered at Springmaid Beach Resort and Conference Center in Myrtle Beach, SC. Held June 14-18, the 13th annual Southeast Veterinary Conference featured an expanded lecture program and extensive agenda for a nearly record number of veterinarians, technicians and staff.

Rounding out the conference, there were 103 exhibiting companies occupying 120 booths, 18 wet labs and the chance to win a brand new Sea Doo Jet Ski—provided by Roadrunner Pharmacy. Program chairman Dr. Glenn Lawhon of Hartsville, SC, worked with Program coordinator Dr. Ron Whitford of North Clarksville, TN, to schedule this year's great speakers and wet labs.

Educational sessions began on Wednesday afternoon and attendees had the first of many opportunities to visit the exhibit hall during the get acquainted reception Wednesday evening sponsored by the exhibitors and sponsors. While the veterinarians, technicians & staff members secured their continuing education credits their families had time to enjoy all there is to offer in Myrtle Beach.

Thursday evening, almost 1,000 people enjoyed a seafood buffet dinner at the Giant Crab Restaurant and finished the evening with a private showing of "One" *The Show* at Alabama Theater. The presentation of the 2006 inductees into the SCAV Animal Hall of Fame preceded the show. Twenty-five golfers played in a Friday

afternoon golf tournament chaired by Pete Beamon of Maury, NC, while the young and old alike enjoyed the miniature golf tournament at Springmaid Beach's Harbor Oaks Miniature Golf Course, which was sponsored by Webster Veterinary Supply.

Almost perfect weather graced the South Carolina coastline Saturday evening for the Grand Strand Beachside Party. Steven's DJ Service and Dennis Liles of Snow Hill, NC, entertained more than 1,000 men, women and children with games and music. Partygoers waited to see who would win the new Sea Doo Jet Ski. Five names were drawn out of the approximately 800 entries. Those names were then put back in the pot for a reverse drawing. Kathy Cercoply of Charleston, SC, was the winner of the Jet Ski.

Without sponsors, the Southeast Veterinary Conference would not be what it is today. We would like to thank all our exhibitors and 38 sponsors for their help in making this year's meeting a success. Honorary sponsors for the conference were Diamond Sponsor Merial Ltd; Platinum sponsors Fort Dodge Animal Health and Roadrunner Pharmacy; Gold sponsors AccuVet Lasers, MedRx, Securos Inc., and DVM Resources; Silver sponsors BWCI, Nutramax Labs, Sound Technologies, MDS, and Spot-Check; and Bronze sponsors IDEXX Labs, Campbell Pet Company, Dan Scott & Associates, Dermamaxx and Dan Scott & Associates, plus other sponsors who contributed to the conference.

No Sugar Coating: Products Sweetened With Xylitol can Be Toxic To Dogs

Number of 2005 Xylitol-Related Cases Up More Than 150% Over Previous Year—Sugar-free Chewing Gums, Candies, Baked Goods Among Products

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center cautions animal owners that xylitol, a sweetener found in certain sugar-free chewing gums, candies, baked goods, and other products can potentially cause serious and even life-threatening problems for pets.

"Last year, we managed more than 170 cases involving xylitol-containing products," says Dana Farbman, CVT and spokesperson for the Center. "This is a significant increase from 2004, when we managed about 70." Barely halfway into 2006, the Center has already managed about 114 cases. Why the increase? "It is difficult to say," Farbman states. "Xylitol products are relatively new to the United States marketplace, so one possibility may be an increase in availability."

According to Dr. Eric Dunayer, veterinarian and toxicologist for the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, dogs ingesting significant amounts of items sweetened with xylitol could develop a fairly sudden drop in blood sugar, resulting in depression, loss of coordination and seizures. "These signs can develop quite rapidly, at times less than 30 minutes after ingestion of the product. Therefore, it is crucial that pet owners seek veterinary treatment immediately."

Dr. Dunayer also stated that there appears to be a strong link between xylitol ingestion and the development of liver failure in dogs.

While it was previously thought that only large concentrations of xylitol could result in problems, this appears to no longer be the case. "We seem to be learning new information with each subsequent case we manage," says Dr. Dunayer. "Our concern used to be mainly with products that contain xylitol as one of the first ingredient. However, we have begun to see problems developing from ingestions of products with lesser amounts of this sweetener." He also says that with smaller concentrations of xylitol, the onset of clinical signs could be delayed as much as 12 hours after ingestion. "Therefore, it is important to keep in mind that even if your pet does not develop signs right away, it does not mean that problems won't develop later on."

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center strongly urges pet owners to be especially diligent in keeping candy, gum or other foods containing xylitol out of the reach of pets. As with any potentially toxic substance, should accidental exposures occur, it is important to contact your local veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center for immediate assistance.

Three Upstate Dogs Inducted Into SCAV Animal Hall of Fame

On June 15th, SCAV inducted three South Carolina dogs whose unselfish and courageous accomplishments exemplify the spirit of the connection between animals and people. All Animal Hall of Fame winners were nominated by SCAV member veterinarians whose practices can be found throughout the state.

As South Carolinians value the connections we share with family and friends, they also celebrate the company of beloved family pets. This year's SCAV Animal Hall of Fame winners are no different. In addition, their human families know just how deeply lives can be touched by the affection, loyalty, security and value of our animal companions.

Antac, a three and a half year old male black and tan German shepherd, was inducted into SCAV's Animal Hall of Fame-Professional Category for his work as a full-time police dog for the Anderson County Sheriff's Department. While *Antac's* life of public service has many "stories to tell," this



past year has been outstanding due to his pivotal role in two well publicized cases. In the first, he subdued a highly wanted and dangerous armed robbery suspect who would probably have opened fire on sheriff's deputies had *Antac* not caught him off guard and preventing him from using his weapon. In the second case, he was instrumental in a record-setting drug bust in the Upstate, which successfully intercepted 418 pounds of illegal drugs. *Antac* lives with his owner/steward Jamie Crawford, his wife and family; Crawford is a deputy sheriff in Anderson County. *Antac* was nominated by SCAV member Freddie Zink, DVM, of Zink Animal Hospital in Piedmont, SC.



Jake, a four year old male yellow Labrador retriever, was inducted into SCAV's Animal Hall of Fame-Hero Category for his lifesaving work as part of the Palmetto State K-9 Search and Rescue Unit. *Jake* began his search and rescue training at 18 months of age and has since distinguished himself locating a missing man in the Jones Gap area of South Carolina in only three and a half hours in November 2004. In January 2005, *Jake* alerted his owner Patricia Diane Dumit with loud

barking at 3 am one morning. Patricia's husband Sonny, who suffers from extremely difficult to control diabetes, had nearly slipped into a

unconsciousness and was struggling to breathe. Amazingly, *Jake* had learned to recognize the symptoms and alert Sonny when his blood sugar is dropping too low. His barking that morning saved Sonny's life. *Jake* was nominated by SCAV member Walter C. Robinson III, DVM, MS, of the East North Veterinary Clinic in Greenville, SC.



Holly, a 13 year old female yellow Labrador retriever, was inducted into SCAV's Animal Hall of Fame-Companion Category for her exemplary service as a companion and friend to children and students throughout the Simpsonville area. She willingly and patiently stands while her owner

Steve Shrum, DVM, uses her to demonstrate how a physical is done and while students examine her, as well. She is also present at meetings of the Veterinary Explorers Group, which is a group of local high school students with an interest in veterinary medicine. She has patiently undergone exams, anesthesia and surgery for mass removals and even a dental prophylaxis so that these students can see a real surgery in action. In addition, *Holly* especially shines when she visits classes with children with special needs. These children are enchanted with *Holly* who's not afraid of their wheelchairs, who they can hug, lay on, talk to and sing to, when they may not even talk to each other. As the center of attention, she helps people of all ages make a connection with her and by extension with other people. She has donated blood more than 10 times to help other dogs undergoing surgery or emergency treatment. She has even been featured on the CBS Morning News in a feature on massage therapy. Despite being diagnosed with osteosarcoma more than a year ago, *Holly* has beaten the odds so far and continues to serve in her role as a treasured and beloved companion. *Holly* was nominated by Deborah Perzak, DVM, of Holly Tree Animal Hospital in Simpsonville, SC.

The Animal Hall of Fame winners were presented with a large medal medallion befitting their contributions during a special ceremony held at the Alabama Theatre in Myrtle Beach, SC, during SCAV's Southeast Veterinary Conference. In addition, their owners/stewards each received a plaque commemorating the achievements of their canine companions from Animal Hall of Fame Chair Patrick ("Greg") Brown, DVM, of the Sunset Animal Clinic in West Columbia, SC. The winner's achievements were described in detail by Dr. Brown, who illustrated their special achievements, unselfish and courageous accomplishments, affection, loyalty and companionship.

SCAV presents Hall of Fame Awards annually during the Southeast Veterinary Conference.

AVMFT News

Spanish language booklets available from AVMA



The AVMA has a Spanish language version of a children's coloring/activity booklet about dog bite prevention available to interested practitioners. *Fido – Friend or Foe* is no longer available in English but we have a limited supply in Spanish. The booklets were created with the help of State Farm Insurance several years ago to promote Dog Bite Prevention Week. If you have Spanish-speaking clients with children who would benefit from reading this booklet on how to be safe around dogs,

please contact Joanne Clevenger at JClevenger@avma.org or by phone at 847/925-6669 to arrange for a complimentary package while supplies last.

The AVMA also has a series of educational brochures available in English and in Spanish to support your health care recommendations. View them online at <http://www.avma.org/communications/brochures/allbrochures.asp>.

AVMA recognizes Canadian Veterinary Medical Accreditation Association (CVMA)

At its June 2006 meeting, the AVMA Executive Board recognized the accreditation process of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) Animal Health Technologist/Veterinary Technician Program Accreditation Committee (AHTVTPAC) as being equivalent to the CVTEA accreditation process. In return, the CVMA has approved a policy to recognize the AVMA CVTEA accreditation process.

As a result of the actions, the AVMA recommends that veterinary technician credentialing (i.e., licensing, registration, or certification) entities in the US recognize graduates of CVMA-accredited veterinary technology programs as eligible for credentialing. In turn, the CVMA will recommend that Canadian provincial licensing bodies recognize graduates of AVMA-accredited veterinary technology programs as being eligible for licensure. As always, eligibility for licensure/registration/certification of veterinary technicians is the purview of each state and provincial credentialing agency. A list of CVMA-accredited programs is provided at www.caahtt-acttsa.ca/ajvtv_programs.html. A list of all AVMA-accredited programs is provided at www.avma.org/education/cvea/vettech_programs/vettech_programs.asp.

Congress holds hearings on horse slaughter ban

Supporters and opponents of a proposed ban on slaughtering horses for human consumption gathered on Capitol Hill in late July for a round of hearings on the merits of the controversial legislation. With a little more than 200 co-sponsors in the House, the American Horse Slaughter Protection Act (H.R. 503) has strong bipartisan support. Many consider it to be a protective measure for the estimated 90,000 horses slaughtered for food annually in the United States.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. John Sweeney of New York, was one of several people testifying before the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection on July 25 about the legislation, which has failed to gain congressional approval since its inception in 2001. A second hearing was held July 27 before the House Agriculture Committee. "The time has come for this legislation to be considered. Not only do a vast majority of members of Congress support my efforts, but a majority of Americans do as well," Sweeney said.

The AVMA, American Association of Equine Practitioners, American Quarter Horse Association, and more than 140 other horse, animal health, and agriculture organizations say that, while well-intentioned, Sweeney's bill fails to address the welfare of the thousands of horses that, for various reasons, are no longer wanted by their owners.

Former AVMA president, Dr. Bonnie V. Beaver, explained to the House subcommittee that rescue and retirement facilities in the United States currently have a total maximal capacity of some 6,000 horses. It would be a daunting, and probably impossible, task to create enough facilities to house an additional 10 times that number of horses, Dr. Beaver observed.

"The (bill)," she said, "does not provide the financial support required to ensure that horses given up by their owners are adequately cared for, and inadequate funding has a huge potential to create opportunities for inadequate care."

The House Energy and Commerce Committee discharged the bill without a vote. The House Agriculture Committee amended the bill and voted 37-3 to report the bill to the full House unfavorably with a recommendation not to pass. The bill is scheduled to be taken up by the full House on Sept. 7, 2006. The Senate version, S. 1915, remains in the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

USDA proposes allowing more substances in organic livestock

The Department of Agriculture is proposing to permit additional substances, including those used in a number of medical treatments, in organic livestock production. The medical treatments permissible with limitations under the new rule would include administration of atropine, bismuth subsalicylate, butorphanol, flunixin, furosemide, magnesium hydroxide, poloxalene, tolazoline, and xylazine.

The amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances for organic livestock also would allow the use of peracetic acid for sanitation of facilities and processing equipment, calcium propionate for inhibition of mold in dry herbal products, and excipients in the manufacture of drugs. Excipients are inactive ingredients such as fillers, extenders, diluents, wetting agents, solvents, emulsifiers, preservatives, flavors, absorption enhancers, sustained-release matrices, and coloring agents.

The new rule would reflect recommendations from the National Organic Standards Board. The USDA also consulted with the Food and Drug Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The USDA did not accept the board's recommendation to extend withdrawal periods for drugs to twice the usual FDA requirements. The USDA also did not approve allowing the antimicrobial moxidectin for controlling parasites in organic livestock or allowing activated charcoal, calcium borogluconate, calcium propionate, kaolin pectin, mineral oil, or propylene glycol as veterinary treatments.

The deadline for comments on the proposal was Sept. 15 by mail to Arthur Neal, Director of Program Administration, National Organic Program, USDA-AMS-TMP-NOP, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Room 4008-So., Ag Stop 0268, Washington, DC 20250; by e-mail to National.List@usda.gov; via the Web at www.regulations.gov; or by fax to (202) 205-7808. More information is available by contacting Neal at (202) 720-3252 or visiting www.ams.usda.gov/nop.

Continuity of Operations in a Veterinary College In the Face of a Pandemic

by *The Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC)*

As an SCAV member, you probably do not practice in a medical college setting; however, your clinic will still need a plan for continuing operations in the midst of a pandemic. While this article addresses the needs of veterinary medical colleges, SCAV hopes the information will be relevant to various veterinary practice or clinical settings. Veterinary medical colleges have many responsibilities, which include teaching clinical medicine to students and providing medical care to patients and research animals. They must be prepared and have a plan for continuing operations in the face of a pandemic by offering quality education and providing expected care to patients and research animals. The Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC) recently addressed this subject at their recent summer meeting, which was held in conjunction with the annual convention of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Pandemic Consequences, Social Distancing, CDC Recommendations

Dr. Marguerite Pappaioanou from the University of Minnesota began her presentation by addressing the consequences of a pandemic, social distancing, and CDC recommendations. Each pandemic is unique in its incubation period, mode of transmission, symptoms, age distribution, reproductive rate, and length of stages of the pandemic. There are several interventions to consider and implement when facing a pandemic. Those include: 1) isolation: the separation of ill persons with contagious diseases; 2) quarantine: the voluntary or compulsory separation of ill persons with Page 2 of 5 contagious diseases; 3) social distancing or contact interventions; including school closures with continuity in education, work closures with telecommuting, and cancellation of public gatherings; and 4) infection control or transmission interventions, implementing the use of face masks, cough etiquette, and hand hygiene principles.

Dr. Pappaioanou stressed that social distancing is one factor that veterinary medicine teaching hospitals may need to consider in the face of a pandemic, in order to increase the space between people and decrease the opportunity for transmission to occur. In many cases this step may buy time until a vaccine can be produced and delivered. Among the many social distancing implementations that the colleges could consider are: telemeetings in lieu of face-to-face meetings; the use of larger conference rooms; avoiding the use of public pens, computer desks and whiteboard markers; and staggering commuter times to avoid rush periods. Individuals can implement personal social distancing by avoiding hand shaking and lunchroom rush periods.

Continuation of Education in Face of a Pandemic, Distance Learning

Dr. Theresa Bernardo from Michigan State University addressed the continuation of education in the face of a pandemic and the use of distance learning. A pandemic, depending upon the specific disease, could affect 25% of the population with a 50% mortality rate. There could be 30 to 40% or more of the institution's employees and students off work and away from the veterinary medicine teaching hospital for as much as a month or more. Many people may be voluntary quarantining themselves, feeling ill, caring for affected family members, or grieving.

Veterinary medical colleges should consider creating a telecommunications network and have it ready to implement. A telecommunications network could be used in many ways. Telecommunications would serve as a social network to help inform employees, students, and animal owners about what is currently happening; deliver advice for disease spread intervention; and offer consolation and support in dealing with the pandemic. A telecommunications network would provide the college with a resource to continue their missions of education, service, and research. A well developed plan would provide organization and deliverability of the curriculum to students, help students master the material, and provide evaluations and assessments of progress and, if needed, even provide certification and degree credentials. This distance education could provide the students with knowledge, skills, aptitudes, books, journal articles, coursepacks, PowerPoint presentations, web site links, chat rooms, discussion boards, teleconferencing, and videoconferencing.

How to Keep the VTH Operating, Care of Patients and Maintaining Research

Dr. Bennie Osburn from the University of California, Davis addressed how veterinary teaching hospitals will operate in the face of a pandemic. The hospitals serve a vital role in maintaining and monitoring animal, human and environmental health during a pandemic. Veterinary teaching hospitals provide many essential services, such as diagnostic laboratory services (including livestock and poultry disease control), ensuring safety of foods of animal origin, protection from diseases common to animals and humans, recognizing and disseminating knowledge, providing clinical services for the care of patients with life-threatening diseases, care of university-owned animals, and the discovery, application, and dissemination of knowledge.

The U. S. has so far been spared many of the major disease epidemics leading to human fatalities, animal losses, and catastrophic economic downturns. There have been many wake-up calls, including 9/11, the British Food and Mouth Disease outbreak, Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, Exotic Newcastle Disease, and Avian Influenza in Asia, Europe, and Africa. Veterinary medicine teaching hospitals must take steps now for potential pandemics. Proper planning, training, and coordination with state, federal and local government agencies must occur to ensure disease control, critical patient care, and dissemination of knowledge. Administrators need to identify, train, and establish a chain of command of core personnel who understand the effects on faculty, staff, students, and animal owners. Assignments must be clearly understood and cross-training is essential to assure flexibility and coverage in the face of large absenteeism in the hospital. Essential services such as purchasing and shipping of supplies, delivery and receipt of specimens, refuse disposal, and information input and retrieval need to be addressed and planned for in the face of social distancing and quarantines.

Internal and external communications for the veterinary medicine teaching hospital must be developed and emergency procedures and policies implemented in the face of a pandemic. The hospital may serve as the central college operations post and be connected with central university-wide communications. Contact lists should be updated continuously, including all staff and student telephone numbers and email addresses. Staff and students should know the central telephone number to call to obtain information and a telephone call tree for each unit or department should be established. The university and college web sites should post the most current pandemic information.

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*Carolina Wildlife Care Invites You To Participate In
South Carolina's 1st Conference on Wildlife Rehabilitation*

“Coming Together for Wildlife”

**Ndoki Lodge at Riverbanks Zoo
Columbia, S.C.**

November 4th and 5th, 2006

Approved for Continuing Education: 4 hours

Carolina Wildlife Care announces the state's first conference on wildlife rehabilitation! The inaugural event, “Coming Together for Wildlife”, provides wildlife rehabilitators, veterinary professionals, wildlife biologists, and wildlife enthusiasts from SC and neighboring states an opportunity to share ideas and knowledge to benefit the wildlife, our environment, and the growing field of wildlife rehabilitation.

Whether you rehabilitate at home, provide medical assistance, or assist in wildlife care at a center, this event has something to inspire everyone working with wildlife. With fourteen sessions planned, the conference will expand your knowledge of various species of wildlife, their diets, medical treatments, housing and more.

The conference is sponsored by Carolina Wildlife Care, SC's largest and most comprehensive center for wildlife rehabilitation and education, and co-sponsored by the South Carolina Association of Veterinarians and Riverbanks Zoo and Gardens.

The conference will be held in Ndoki Lodge- a spectacular meeting area lined with windows allowing you to experience the beautiful charm of Riverbanks throughout each session (www.riverbanks.org). In the background, conference participants can see elephants coming to the edge of a watering hole, meerkats playing in the dust, or even gorillas emerging from a distant forest. Between sessions, take a break to feed the giraffes or simply observe the magnificent hundred-year-old Galapagos turtles nearby. Spend the weekend learning about the wildlife native to South Carolina, while being immersed in the splendor of wildlife from throughout the world!

“*Coming Together for Wildlife*” is an exciting event taking wildlife rehabilitation in South Carolina to the next level. Please plan on being a part of this memorable and unique learning experience!

REGISTRATION

- For a copy of the conference registration form, go to www.carolinawildlife.org
- Registration forms postmarked by September 18th qualify for early registration discount. After September 18th, please add \$10.00 to the registration fee.

Summary of Reported Animal Rabies Cases

January 1–July 31, 2006

COUNTY	DISTRICT	REGION	ANIMAL	DATE REP.	COUNTY	DISTRICT	REGION	ANIMAL	DATE REP.
ABBEVILLE	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	05/09/06	RICHLAND	PALMETTO	3	CAT	06/05/06
ABBEVILLE	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	06/15/06	YORK	CATAWBA	3	RACCOON	05/30/06
ABBEVILLE	UPP SAV	1	BAT	07/18/06					
ANDERSON	APP 1	1	RACCOON	02/27/06	CLARENDON	WATEREE	4	BOBCAT	05/04/06
ANDERSON	APP 1	1	RACCOON	03/06/06	DILLON	PEE DEE	4	CAT	04/06/06
ANDERSON	APP 1	1	SKUNK	04/14/06	FLORENCE	PEE DEE	4	RACCOON	03/07/06
ANDERSON	APP 1	1	RACCOON	05/03/06	FLORENCE	PEE DEE	4	CAT	07/11/06
ANDERSON	APP 1	1	CAT	06/14/06	SUMTER	WATEREE	4	FOX	07/18/06
ANDERSON	APP 1	1	CAT	07/26/06					
EDGEFIELD	UPP SAV	1	CAT	05/25/06	AIKEN	LOW SAV	5	RACCOON	06/06/06
EDGEFIELD	UPP SAV	1	DOG	06/16/06	AIKEN	LOW SAV	5	RACCOON	06/28/06
GREENWOOD	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	02/28/06	AIKEN	LOW SAV	5	RACCOON	07/11/06
GREENWOOD	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	06/01/06	BAMBERG	EDISTO	5	RACCOON	05/02/06
GREENWOOD	UPP SAV	1	CAT	06/05/06	BAMBERG	EDISTO	5	FOX	06/05/06
GREENWOOD	UPP SAV	1	SKUNK	07/14/06	BARNWELL	LOW SAV	5	RACCOON	06/02/06
LAURENS	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	01/04/06	ORANGEBURG	EDISTO SAV	5	CAT	01/13/06
LAURENS	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	01/31/06	ORANGEBURG	EDISTO SAV	5	RACCOON	03/28/06
LAURENS	UPP SAV	1	CAT	02/24/06					
LAURENS	UPP SAV	1	CAT	04/05/06	BERKELEY	TRIDENT	7	FOX	04/28/06
LAURENS	UPP SAV	1	FOX	04/18/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	01/06/06
SALUDA	UPP SAV	1	RACCOON	02/10/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	CAT	01/13/06
SALUDA	UPP SAV	1	SKUNK	07/18/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	01/25/06
SALUDA	UPP SAV	1	FOX	07/26/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	02/08/06
					CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	02/15/06
CHEROKEE	APP 3	2	CAT	07/27/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	02/22/06
GREENVILLE	APP 2	2	HORSE	01/18/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	03/20/06
GREENVILLE	APP 2	2	FOX	05/25/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	04/18/06
SPARTANBURG	APP 3	2	RACCOON	04/26/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	FOX	04/21/06
SPARTANBURG	APP 3	2	FOX	05/22/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	05/08/06
SPARTANBURG	APP 3	2	FOX	07/14/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	CAT	06/05/06
UNION	APP 3	2	RACCOON	02/22/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	06/06/06
					CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	06/08/06
CHESTER	CATAWBA	3	SKUNK	01/11/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	FOX	06/13/06
CHESTER	CATAWBA	3	CAT	06/05/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	FOX	06/27/06
CHESTER	CATAWBA	3	RACCOON	06/06/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	06/29/06
FAIRFIELD	PALMETTO	3	RACCOON	04/04/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	CAT	07/19/06
LANCASTER	CATAWBA	3	RACCOON	01/03/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	07/19/06
LANCASTER	CATAWBA	3	RACCOON	01/23/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	07/21/06
LANCASTER	CATAWBA	3	RACCOON	03/20/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	07/24/06
LEXINGTON	PALMETTO	3	RACCOON	03/14/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	07/26/06
LEXINGTON	PALMETTO	3	RACCOON	05/12/06	CHARLESTON	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	07/28/06
LEXINGTON	PALMETTO	3	FOX	06/26/06	DORCHESTER	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	02/21/06
NEWBERRY	PALMETTO	3	SKUNK	03/06/06	DORCHESTER	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	05/22/06
RICHLAND	PALMETTO	3	RACCOON	02/28/06	DORCHESTER	TRIDENT	7	RACCOON	05/24/06
RICHLAND	PALMETTO	3	FOX	05/06/06	DORCHESTER	TRIDENT	7	FOX	06/09/06
RICHLAND	PALMETTO	3	FOX	05/11/06					
RICHLAND	PALMETTO	3	RACCOON	05/26/06	BEAUFORT	LOW COUNTRY	8	RACCOON	03/08/06
					COLLETON	LOW COUNTRY	8	BOBCAT	03/28/06
					HAMPTON	LOW COUNTRY	8	FOX	03/17/06
					JASPER	LOW COUNTRY	8	RACCOON	07/11/06

College spokespersons should be appointed and well trained in media and public relations. The college's public relations officer should be a part of the standardized emergency management system and field incoming calls. Regular updates to animal owners and the community will help establish credibility and show compassion. Certain inquiries may need to be referred to state or federal information officers. Veterinary colleges and the universities in general need to prepare for the short-term and long-term effects on parents, students, staff, visitors, clients, and the broader animal industries and community.

Slides from Drs. Pappaiouanou's, Bernardo's, and Osburn's presentations can be found at www.aavmc.org This article has been provided by The Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC). For additional information about this article, contact Mike Chaddock, director of communications, 202-371-9195, mchaddock@aavmc.org.

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Part or full time Associate needed for well established small animal practice in Rock Hill, SC. Our goal is to provide the best possible veterinary medical care in a compassionate, caring atmosphere. We try to treat owners as our friends and patients as our own pets. We are looking for a long term associate to improve our practice and community. Rock Hill has small town charm with proximity to a large city. Great place to raise a family. We offer competitive salary/benefit package. Contact Mike Ferguson at 803-324-7585, 803-327-7886, or mikeferguson@comporium.net.

A new low-cost spay/neuter vet hospital will be opening in Anderson County. The target opening date is January 2007. The position would include performing surgeries and vaccines. Salary is \$50 per hour. Must possess a veterinary degree and be licensed in South Carolina. Surgical experience preferred. Please call Lisa Williams at 803-221-5777 for more information.

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Strong coastal hospital Beaufort, SC

AAHA certified 6 veterinarian small animal hospital in beautiful quaint community. Some exotics. Excellent management team; veterinarian to technician ratio 3:1. Great team, new building with 5 exam rooms, in house lab, IDEXX, Ultrasound, Tonopen, full dental, anesthesia machines, iso-fluorene and EKG. Beaufort is a region steeped in rich history and scenic, natural beauty. This beautiful coastal quaint community has a population of 50,000. With its moss-draped oaks and historic homes, Beaufort is a terrific place to call home. Located just a few miles west of the Atlantic Ocean, Beaufort is a jewel along the Southeastern seaboard. An ideal place to raise a family, retire or relax, The Lowcountry features a wide range of amenities, combined with a laid-back atmosphere that makes every day special. Fresh ocean breezes, friendly

people and centuries of history make Beaufort a unique place to live. Generous compensation, production, benefits, continuing medical education stipend, vacation, 401K and relocation expenses. For more information, please call Victoria Travis, MS at 888-468-5737 or email resume to Victoria@travisandassociates.com, or 303-632-1553 (fax). All inquiries are confidential.

Shelter Medical Director

The newly expanded Board of Directors of the Greenville Humane Society is seeking a Veterinary Medical Director to update and maintain all aspects of shelter animal health protocols. The shelter receives animals from public and municipal sources. All adoptees are spayed or neutered, requiring applicant to have or develop early neuter techniques and surgical efficiency. Applicant will oversee euthanasia training, medical staff training, and shelter health maintenance. Long term goals of the Board of Directors include a low-cost public spay/neuter program. Facilities are state-of-the-art and less than 2 years old. Salary is negotiable. Benefits package included. Contact Debra Scott at debras@greenvillehumane.com or Dr. Steve Shrum at animalhh@bellsouth.net.

Veterinarian needed in a progressive, full service, rapidly growing small animal practice located near Charleston, SC. Interested veterinarians must be client oriented and committed to practicing the highest quality of medicine and surgery. This three doctor practice operates from a well designed, well equipped 3,700 sq. ft. facility and is supported by fifteen staff members. Our office hours run Monday through Fridays and half-day on Saturday. No emergency calls. Signing bonus offered and salary is based on experience. For further information, please contact Lakeside Animal Hospital (843)761-4920 or email at doggerman@homexpressway.net.

The Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Columbia, South Carolina is seeking a licensed veterinarian for its spay/neuter clinic. Interested individuals must be innovative and enthusiastic about promoting animal welfare and the need to curb pet overpopulation. Competitive salary, benefits and working hours. Mail resumes to: HSPCA Attn: Executive Director, 121 Humane Lane, Columbia SC, 29209.

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Love surgery? Hate overhead? Love having evening and weekends totally free? Hate the idea of over 30,000, mostly healthy and adoptable animals being euthanized annually in a 9 county southern region? Can you do 25 spay/neuters per day (maybe even 35?) We are a non-profit high-volume, low-cost, high quality Spay/Neuter Clinic opening in Ridgeland, SC January 2, 2007. We are mentored by the Humane Alliance www.humanealliance.org and you'll be working in a new, 4200 sq.st., purpose-built, well-equipped building. Based on statistics and other Humane Alliance mentored clinics, we will need to hire a second veterinarian by the end of 2007.

Wouldn't you like to be the first? Rural community with close proximity to Savannah, Hilton Head and Charleston. Board certified, SC license. Additional training with Humane Alliance prior to opening. Competitive salary and benefits. Be part of the solution to end pet overpopulation. It CAN be done!

Call (843) 363-6911 or email: info@snac1.com
Barbara F. Greenstein, Pres.
SNAC: Spay/Neuter Alliance & Clinic.

P.S. You will be working with a dedicated Board that strongly believes that its function is setting policies and procedures, and fund-raising NOT interfering in the day to day operation of the Clinic. We are hiring a staff as dedicated as we are. A great veterinarian is our first priority. Come join us!

Animal Emergency Clinic, P.A. Position Available

The Animal Emergency Clinic (www.aecgreenville.com) is located in Greenville, South Carolina (www.greenville.chamber.org). We are an after-hours, 4 DVM, emergency clinic sharing a building with a 10 DVM, referral specialty practice (www.upstatevetspecialists.com). Our 40+ staff members work as a team and we are looking for an experienced DVM to join our team. Minimum of 3 years experience wanted, emergency/critical care experience preferred. Candidate must be able to multitask, delegate, and work quickly. The position requires the candidate to work 7 days a week, every other week, splitting the shifts with your partner DVM. Clinic hours are: Monday-Friday 6pm-8am and 24 Hours Saturday-Sunday and Holidays. Salary is based on production (\$75,000-\$150,000). Benefits are competitive and include health insurance, IRA with company match, and a CE allowance.



Contact Information: Please direct all inquiries to our Hospital Manager, Rana Sargent at:
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Obituaries

In Memoriam

The SCAV office learned that **Dr. Schuler** from Mt. Pleasant died in June. Dr. Schuler was SCAV President in 1974 and Veterinarian of the Year in 1978.

Dr. Edward Barnett of Lexington, SCAV member with a solo practice in Lexington, died suddenly in July.