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Class of 1940

Aaron P. Antroinen is retired and living in Richmond, Virginia. Dr. Antroinen was with the U.S. Bureau of Animal Industry from 1940-1945, and in general practice from 1945-1960, except from 1947-48, when he was involved with the Mexican-American Foot and Mouth Disease outbreak. He was with the U.S. Dept. of State in foreign service from 1960-75, from 1976-77 with Hawaiian Agronomies in Iran, during 1978-80 with the Entente Council in French West Africa, and from 1980-84 worked as foreign consultant. Dr. Antroinen and his wife, Gladys, have four children, David, Jeffrey, Mary Jo, and Barbara.

Lloyd L. Boxwell is retired and living in Cedar Falls, Iowa. He has three children, Roberta, Sandra, and Donald.

Ralph C. Hawk is retired and living in Clinton, Iowa. Dr. Hawk was involved with large and small animal practice. He is a retired member of the IVMA and the AVMA. He is also a member of the Moore Lodge. Currently, Dr. Hawk is developing a 31 lot subdivision on the north edge of Clinton. He and his wife, Donagene, have four children, Dennis, Shelden, Rebecca, and Raceal.

Eugene E. Moon is retired and living in Potosfield, Illinois. He is a member of the Central Illinois Association-Northern Illinois Association. He and his wife, Alice, have three children, Melinda, Margaret, and Stephen.

Melvin N. Nuckolls is retired. Dr. Nuckolls was involved for 1 1/2 years with the City Food and Milk Inspection, 1 1/2 years with the Federal Meat Inspection, and 3 1/2 years in the U.S. Army during World War II as a Captain of the Veterinary Corps. He is also a 50 year member of the AVMA, IVMA, the American Legion, and the Masonic Lodge. He and his wife, Arlene, have two children, Pamela and Jill.

H. Rex Puterbough is retired from 30 years of small animal practice. Dr. Puterbough wrote a book, 50 Smart Dogs, which was published in 1999. He has four children, Bill, Jim, Geoff, and Kip, 11 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

John G. Salsbury is retired and living in Bozeman, Montana. Dr. Salsbury was the president of the AHI in 1950, and received the Stange award from ISU in 1974. He was also the chairman of Salsbury Laboratories. He has two sons, Douglas, who received his DVM from ISU in 1967, and Craig a 1970 ISU graduate.

Doyle W. Simonsen is retired and living in Quimby, Iowa. Dr. Simonsen served on four school boards and as Trustee of the local hospital for 46 years and as past President of the Iowa Fertilizer and Chemical Association. He and his wife, Margaret, have six children, Ann, John, Mark, Karen, Kristen, and Kira.

Robert E. Storm is retired and living in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He and his wife, Ella, have two children, Allan and Lynne, and two grandchildren, Nathan and Kayla.

Edwin P. Taylor is retired and living in Buckingham, Pennsylvania. He has been active in the Rotary Club since 1944. He and his wife, Elsio, have three children, Dana, Robin and Allen.

Fred D. Wertman is retired and living in Johnston, Iowa. Dr. Wertman was in general practice in Carlisle, from 1940-61. He served as the Executive Director of the IVMA from 1961-85, and as the Executive Director of the AASP from 1972-1985. He was a member of the AVMA House of Delegates and served as Secretary of the AVMA Professional Liability Insurance Trust. Dr. Wertman has received an AVMA award and the IVMA Veterinarian of the Year award. He is also an Honorary member of Phi Zeta, and of the Honorary Society of Agriculture-Gamma Sigma Delta. He and his wife, Jo, have three children, David, Janet, and Carol.

Class of 1950
L. C. Allenstein is retired and living in Whitewater, Wisconsin after 49 years of general practice. He was also a professor at the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine from 1987 to 1995 and the vice-president of a bank for 37 years. He was a member of the AVMA, AABP, Academy of Theriogenology, and the National Academy of Practice. He has received numerous awards, including Wisconsin Veterinarian of the Year, Bovine Practitioner of the Year, the Stange Award, and Industry Man of the Year at the Dairy Expo. He and his wife, Marian, have three children: Steven, Scott, and Carla.

Lloyd L. Bates is retired and living in Union, Iowa. Dr. Bates was in general practice from 1950-81. He participated in school, church and local community activities. He was the President of the ISU Veterinary Medical Alumni Association for two years. His former associates were Dr. Ralph T. Strother (ISU, 1973) and Dr. Robert W. Carithers (ISU, 1956). He and his wife, Rosa, have two children, Judith and Beth.

C. J. Bierschwal is now retired and living in Columbia, Missouri. After leaving ISU, he went on to receive an MS from University of Missouri and joined the faculty there. During his career, he served as a member of the Founders Committee, a Charter Diplomate to the American College of Theriogenologists, and a colonel in the USAR. He has been a member of the AVMA, the Missouri Veterinary Medical Association, and the Society for Theriogenology. His honors include the Distinguished Faculty Award, the Alumni Faculty Award, the Norden Distinguished Teacher Award (twice) and the ISU Stange award. He has two daughters, Beverly and Betsy, with his wife Beryl.

Leo J. Cahalan spent 43 years in large and small animal practice before he retired in Logansport, Indiana. He and his wife, Betty, have been blessed with five children: Marilyn, Patty, Tim, Carol, and Tom. In addition to being active in Boy Scouting, Leo has served as the president of the NW Indiana Veterinary Medical Association, the president of the County Park Board, and the president of the Parish Pastoral Council.

Herschel Chudomelka is nearing retirement, but still owns a large animal practice in Ozark, MO. Dr. Chudomelka is a member of several professional organizations.

Alfred W. Cooper is retired and living in Seymour, Iowa. He has enjoyed 20 years on the school board and 10 years on the board of city council. He and his wife, Barbara, have four children: Bruce, David, Neil, and Jane Allen.

Rollin J. Cowles III is retired and living in Burlington, Iowa. Dr. Cowles was a sergeant/major, AUS from 1942-46, and a lieutenant in the Veterinary Corps from 1950-1954. He was in general practice from 1950-76, and was the Administrator of the Des Moines County Health Center from 1976-86. Dr. Cowles is also involved with many outdoor and community activities like the Boy Scouts, Community Action Organization, S.E.I.A. Comm. for the Homeless, Crime Commission, Area Agency on Aging, Responsible Senior Volunteer program, IA Health Systems Agency, County Mental Health Board, American Square Dance Assoc., Rail-To-Trail Assoc., Appalachian Trail Conference, and the American Hiking Assoc. and Sierra Club. Dr. Cowles is also the Chairman of the County Senior Citizens Center, of the S.E.I.A. U.N. org., and of the Planned Parenthood of Des Moines County. He has served three terms on the school board, has received the ISC. Alumni Merit Award, and the IA Governor award in 1998. Dr. Cowles is also a chair and member of the Midwest Small Animal Association and a member of the IVMA through the 1960’s and 70’s. He and his wife, Betty, have six children, R.J., Catherine, Anastacia, Christina, David, Molly, and ten grandchildren.

R. R. Dappen is retired and living in Story City, Iowa, after 30 years of general prac-
Bud Ruebke is retired and lives in Rogers, Arkansas with his wife Viola, with whom he has four children, Cecil, Greg, Mary, and Ann. After leaving ISU, he went on to receive his MS from the State University of Montana in Bozeman. He worked for the USDA as the leader of a group of Federal scientists who developed U.S. standards assuring that all licensed veterinary biologies containing bacteria are efficacious.

Robert E. Misner is currently retired and spends 6 months of the year in Belmond, Iowa and 6 months in Yorktown, Virginia. Dr. Misner was active in city government and the AVMA. He and his wife Eleanor have two children, Robert B., and Deborah Smith.

Max G. Pool lives in Creston, Iowa with his wife, Ariene Mae. He was a large animal practitioner in Mt. Ayr, Iowa for 22 years before retiring in 1973. He then owned and operated a farm near Albia, Iowa for 10 years, before moving to their farm in Creston. Dr. Pool has three daughters, Jean Ann Bernhardt, Sharon Kay Smally, and Sharmin Sue Bak.

Kenneth H. Randolph is now retired and living in Lost Nation, Iowa after a career in general practice. He is a lifetime member of AVMA and IVMA, as well as a member of the EIVA. He has been very involved in his community, serving on Lost Nation’s City Council, Business Association, and Booster Club and as a member of the American Legion and the Masonic Consistory Shrine, O. E. S. He is an Honorary Chapter Farmer of FFA and a deacon and lifetime elder of the Presbyterian Church. He has received the IVMA President’s Award and the Melvin Jones Award from the Lost Nation Lions Club. He and his wife Carmaleta raised two daughters, Joylene and Jody, and one son, Kerry.

Anthony W. Riepma is retired and living in Amarillo, Texas. After twenty years in the US Army Veterinary Corps, he retired in 1973 as a Lt. Colonel. He went on to work for the USDA Food Safety Inspection Service from 1973 to 1998. He has one daughter named Linda.

Henry J. “Bud” Ruebke is retired and liv-
ing in Ada Minnesota. He graduated with a Master's degree in 1950 after receiving his DVM in 1943. He and his wife, Jerry, have a daughter named Linda Lou and a son named Dan.

Roland Winterfield holds the position of professor emeritus of avian medicine at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. His entire career has focused on avian diseases and included work in research, extension, diagnostics, and teaching. Over the years, he has been active in AAAP, PSA, WVPA, and the Indiana State Poultry Association. He worked as an industry consultant and spent time as an adjunct professor of poultry science at the University of Florida. His wife, Patricia, is deceased, and he has three children. Roland Jr. is a cardiologist in Chicago, Phil is an engineer in Silicon Valley, and Mary is a teacher in California.

Class of 1960

Frederick Daniel Branco is retired and living in Washington, Missouri. He worked in a small animal clinic in Kansas City and at the USDA in Oklahoma and Minnesota. He then became a pastor for the United Methodist Church for 14 years. He and his wife, Shirley, have two sons, David and Stephen, and six grandchildren.

James L. Carpenter is a diagnostic pathologist living in Stratford, Wisconsin. Dr. Carpenter and his wife, Grace, have 6 children, Beth, Lynn, Mark, Todd, Jill and Kent. They also have 7 grandchildren. Dr. Carpenter has served as the Clinical Director and then Director of Pathology at Angel Memorial Animal Hospital, as well as Assistant Pathologist at Harvard Medical University, and Instructor at MIT. He has complete over 80 professional publications and received the Mary Mitchell Humane Award three times. He is a member of AVMA, ACVP, and the U.S. & Canadian Academy of Pathologists.

Robert Challoner is retired and living in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. He is a member of AVMA, Wisconsin VMA, and Northeast VMA. He and his wife Sandra have three children - Laurel, Craig, and Scott.

Walt Christensen holds a regulatory position for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Fort Worth, Texas. He is the regional director in the Animal Care division. Since graduating, he has enjoyed twenty years in large animal practice (after two years in the army), two years as a real estate broker, and 16 years at the U.S.D.A. He was honored in 1992 by the Secretary of Agriculture. His family includes wife, Yunhui, and children, Clark, Dana, Chad, and Dean and David Forshee.

James R. Collins was associated with the Dixon Veterinary Hospital (in Illinois) from graduation until his retirement in 1999, where he primarily worked in Bovine Reproduction and Embryo Transfer. Among his former practice partners, five were ISU graduates. Dr. Collins also served two years in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps from 1962-1964. Besides being a certified specialist of the American Embryo Transfer Association, Dr. Collins was also past-president of the American Embryo Transfer Association and the Mississippi Valley Veterinary Medical Association. During his career, Dr. Collins served on numerous civic, church, and bank boards of directors. He is married, has three children, and two grandchildren.

Dwight B. Coulter is retired and resides in Athens, GA. Prior to retiring, Dr. Coulter was Associate Dean for Academic Affairs of the University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine for 8 years. He joined the faculty there in 1972 after being on the ISU College of Veterinary Medicine faculty for 10 years. He is past-president of Phi Zeta and the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges. He is currently an officer at Trinity Lutheran Church in Athens, GA. Dr. Coulter is married and has two sons.

Dean Harmon is a mixed animal practitioner living in Humboldt, Iowa. He is on the Church Board of Trustees, a bank board member, and a member of the Cattlemen and Pork Producers Association. He and his wife, Jan, have two sons, Mike and Rick. Duane Hauser is retired as of May of 1999 and living in Corona, California. He is a
William G. Hicks is a small animal practitioner, living in Janesville, Wisconsin. For the past fifteen years he has worked as a private practitioner in two AAHA small animal hospitals. Prior to this, he worked as a mixed practice veterinarian. Dr. Hicks is a member of the Cayman Island Veterinary Association. His wife, Justine, is a retired special education teacher, and his son lives on the family farm.

Kenneth Hook is retired and living in one of the finest communities in the US, Ames, Iowa. Dr. Hook and his wife, Sara (recently deceased), have two children, David and Sue Ann. Dr. Hook worked for the USDA Veterinary Services for 27 years. He became Associate Deputy Administrator during the hog cholera eradication and brucellosis eradication programs.

Donald D. Kerns is retired from small animal practice and living in Wauneta, Nebraska. Following graduation he worked as a mixed animal practitioner in California for fifteen years and a small animal practitioner for the following twenty-five years. Dr. Kerns and his wife, Dorothy, have a son, John Thomas, and a daughter, Janet.

Edward C. Mather is working as the Interim Director of the National Food Safety and Toxicology Center at Michigan State University. Since graduating he has worked in private practice in Wisconsin and held various faculty positions at the University of Missouri, where he received his Ph.D. He has also been a member of the AVMA and the National Academy of Practice. He is a Stange Distinguished Alumnus, a Michigan State University Honorary Alumnus, and a Diplomate for the American College of Theriogenologists. He and his wife Mary have a son, Brent, and a daughter, Katherine.

Gary L. Mallo is recently retired and living in Elgin, Illinois. Dr. Mallo and his wife, Penny, have four children, Michael, Jane, Paul, and Kate. Kate is a veterinary student at NC State. They also have 3 grandchildren. Dr. Mallo practiced in Skokie, Illinois and then returned to ISU as a graduate student. He became an instructor of small animal medicine for which he received the Norden Teacher Award in 1968. He then returned to practice in 1969. He received the Veterinary Economics Hospital of the Year Award in 1977.

W.J. McEniry is a mixed animal practitioner, living in Ashton, Illinois. He has held many association positions including President of ISVMA 1997, Delegate to AVMA 1980-92, Chairman of House Advisory 1991, and Treasurer of AVMA 1993-99. He and his wife Alicia have three children, Kelly, Mike, and Pat.

Charles Carl Meshek, Jr. was a small animal veterinarian at the Northwest Veterinary Hospital from 1961 to 1997, which he planned and built. Through the course of his career, Dr. Meshek was named Iowa Veterinarian of the year by the IVMA in 1984, and was member of the IVMA Executive Board. He was a member of several committees, including committees on Public Relations, IVMA/ISU Communications, and the Small Animal and Judicial Committees. He served

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as president of the Greater Des Moines Veterinary Medical Association. Dr. Meshek died on October 23, 1999. He is survived by his wife Janice, their two children, and five grandchildren.

Kenneth H. McKenzie is retired from general practice in Burke, South Dakota. He was active in several organizations including the local school board, the AVMA, the South Dakota VMA, American Association of Bovine Practitioners, Society for Theriogenology, and the American Association of Swine Practitioners. Dr. McKenzie also served as president of the Interstate VMA. He and his wife, Marolis, have six children, Kim Renee Wipf, R.N., Dr. Mark K., M.D., Kenneth M., a welder, Dr. Jaquelyn Kay, M.D., Dr. Matthew J., M.D., and Dr. David A., M.D.

James Terry Palmer practices veterinary medicine at Quad County Veterinary Clinic in Wellman, IA. He sits on the Wellman Co-op Telephone Board for his 38th year, and was president for the last 20 years. Dr. Palmer is also member and former president of the Wellman Rotary, and the Washington County Cattlemen. He remains active in his church, and is a member of EIVMA, IVMA, and AVMA. He is married and has two sons and a daughter.

Duane Ratliff is retired from active practice and is currently the track veterinarian at Hoosier Park. He also owns and operates Valley View Golf Course in Middletown, Indiana. In addition to veterinary activities, Dr. Ratliff has been involved in several golf organizations, church activities, and Quarter Horse organizations. He is currently involved in team roping. He and his wife, Donnetta, have two children, Michelle and Jim, and five grandchildren.

Lowell H. Roberts is presently a veterinarian for the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service. He is a member of the National Association of Federal Veterinarians and the AVMA. He and his wife Kay reside in Yakima, Washington, where he is a member of the local school board and Lions Club. They have one daughter, Elizabeth, and two sons, Richard and Christopher.

Sterling L. Schelkopf is currently a consultant for swine and cattle in Creston, Nebraska.

Roger L. Schladetzky is retired from large animal practice and is currently living in Bellevue, Iowa. He is a member of the Jackson County Veterinary Medical Association, the Eastern Iowa Veterinary Medical Association, IVMA, AVMA, the Belheluve Rotary Club, and church council. He is presently chairman of the Jackson County Conservation Board. Dr. Schladetzky and his wife have on daughter, Brenda, and two sons, Brian and Robert.

Roy A. Schultz is currently an independent national and international swine consultant from Avoca, Iowa. He received his M.S. degree in veterinary microbiology from ISU in 1981, and he is an ABVP certified diplomate in swine health management. Dr. Schultz is a past president of AASP, ISU Veterinary Alumni Association, FNAWS, and IVMA Foundation. He has also been a Howard Dunne Lecturer and Award winner, the U.S. swine practitioner of the year in 1986, and a Stange award winner. Dr. Schultz is active in many professional and nonprofessional organizations, and he has many publications in local, national, and international journals. He and his wife, Jan, have two sons, Gary and Kent, and one daughter, Kathy. Gary received his DVM from ISU in 1985.

Charles W. Sprugel is semi-retired, continuing to work in a mixed practice. Dr. Sprugel and his wife, Gladys, have two daughters, Vicki and Beth. Dr. Sprugel has accomplished numerous achievements and received many honors.

Everett Dean Stocker is retired from general practice and currently residing in Albia, Iowa. He is a member of IVMA and AVMA, and is very active in his local community. He is the school board vice-president, Chamber of Commerce president, president of the church board, the Monroe County Historical Society vice-president, and the Rotary president. He is also a recipient of the Monroe County Hall of Fame 4-H Alumni Award. He and his wife Mary have five children, daughters Diane Meyer, Carol Stocker, and
Nancy Langstraat, all ISU graduates, and sons Dan and Norman; both are UNI graduates.

Forrest E. Trafton is retired and living in Ottumwa, Iowa. Since graduating he has been involved in several organizations including the United Way and the Wapello County Board of Health. He has also been the president of the Ottumwa Rotary Club and director of various service clubs. His hobbies include memberships in an RV club and a wood carving club. He has a son, Dan and a daughter, Nancy Jo.

Allan L. Trapp is a retired veterinary pathologist living in Lansing, Michigan and Columbia Falls, Montana. His family includes Joyce, Kathy, John, Bill, and Caryn. Dr. Trapp has worked at Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Wooster Ohio Research, and 26 years at Michigan State University in teaching, diagnostic lab, and some research. He is a member of the AAVLP and AVMA.

Robert L. Treinen is employed by the USDA-FSIS in Marshalltown, IA and lives in Ackley. Prior to joining the USDA in 1992, Dr. Treinen was in general practice in Ackley. He is married to wife Sharon, a 1960 graduate of ISU. Their children Ann and David are both ISU graduates, and their daughter Carol graduated from the University of Iowa in 1992.

Charles E. Whiteman is retired, living in Fort Collins, Colorado. He and his wife, Helen, have four children, Linda, Charles, David, and Frederic. Dr. Whiteman graduated from Kansas State and went on to receive his PhD in veterinary pathology from ISU. He was also a member of the Air Force Veterinary Corps., taught at Michigan State University, and was a member of the veterinary pathology team at Colorado State University. His memberships include Phi Kappa Phi, Gamma Sigma Delta, Sigma XI. He has published two manuals: Avian Disease Manual and Swine Disease Manual.

Kenneth M. Wilcke is a semi-retired practitioner living in Walcott, Iowa. He served in the U.S. Army from 1962-1964. He has been a member of EIVMA, IVMA, and AVMA since graduation and has held offices in all three organizations. He received the Stange Award in 1999. He also has been active in various local church committees, the Walcott Community Club, the American Legion, and served on the town council, planning and zoning, and economic development committees. He and his wife Ruth have two children, Robert who lives in Jacksonville, Florida and Monica living in Eldridge, Iowa. His associates, all ISU graduates, are Gregory Garvin (ISU, 1978), Douglas King (ISU, 1983), Grant Allison (ISU, 1984), and James Berger (ISU, 1988).

Byron K. Winter has been living and working in a general mixed animal practice for the past 40 years in Seward, NE. He has held various positions on the board of education, city council, and the Kiwanis Club. He is also the president of the administrative council for the Methodist Church and a life member of 4-H and FFA. He has also been a member of the Nebraska and Iowa Medical Associations for 40 years. He has attended ten international veterinary meetings. His wife, Glenna, is deceased and he has a daughter, Cynthia, and three sons, Bruce, Robin, and David, and a total of 11 grandchildren.