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William J. Zimmermann

May 7, 1924 - December 28, 1987

To find a more loyal and dedicated researcher and educator than Dr. William Zimmermann would be a monumental task. These traits not only applied to his work, but also to family and friends as evidenced in his everyday life. Dr. Zimmermann’s work in the field of veterinary parasitology, especially regarding trichinosis and toxoplasmosis, was highly respected by his colleagues. But for all his accomplishments in the scientific world, he had an incredible modesty and unpretention about him. Dr. Zimmermann was always available to answer questions or solve problems; in fact, I think he was happiest when helping other people. His 30+ years of experience in academia were a precious resource that was shared by all and used countless times.

The approach of spring brings many cherished memories of Dr. Zimmermann to mind. Everyone at the Veterinary Medical Research Institute has benefited from Dr. Zimmermann’s generosity and bountiful gardens. I feel extremely lucky to have known and worked with Dr. Zimmermann, and I will forever be striving to reach the level of excellence and humanity he has set.

— Denise Warriner VM III
Alumni Days

The ISU Veterinarian staff is planning a 50th anniversary celebration in conjunction with Alumni Days. Past editors and business managers will be honored at a luncheon at noon on Saturday, June 4th in the Alumni Room at the Veterinary College. All who have worked on the ISU Veterinarian in the past are encouraged to attend this celebration.

For reservations, send name and a check for $5.00 per reservation to:

Marsha Mitchell,
Coordinator Alumni Reunion
ISU Veterinarian
College of Veterinary Medicine
Iowa State University
Ames, IA 50010

Class of 1918

Ross C. Bailey: retired from general practice in 1982, having practiced veterinary medicine for 64 years. Dr. Bailey and his wife, Louise, (deceased 1981) have two sons, James and Robert, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Early in his career, Dr. Bailey practiced in Henderson and Bancroft, IA and cared for Army mules and horses during infancy service in World War I. In 1926, he moved to Atlantic, practiced veterinary medicine and opened a feedstore, manufacturing feeds under the Star Brand trademark. Dr. Bailey practiced with his son, Dr. James Bailey (ISU '46) from 1946 to 1956. He has been active in the United Presbyterian Church, the Atlantic American Legion Post #43 and the Atlantic Lions Club of which he was a charter member.

Class of 1928

Kenneth L. Bullis: is now retired. He was a Professor Emeritus at the University of MS, Amherst. He and his wife, Katherine M., now live in Sarasota, FL. Dr. Bullis is a member of the AVMA, MAVMA, AAAP, Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, Kappa Sigma, Masons, Elks, Rotary Club (Paul Harris Fellow) and United Church of Christ. He received the Stange Award in 1984.

Dale W. Glascock: is retired and living in Sun City, AZ with his wife Ivo. Dr. Glascock started his veterinary career in the Havelock/Danbury, IA area where he was a general practitioner until 1940. Following that, he worked for Mid-USA, working his way up to inspector in charge of the Chicago and Omaha areas. He was with this company for thirty years. He served on the AVMA Council of Public Health and Regulatory Veterinary Medicine from 1960-1970.

Gen. Tussell McNellis: is retired after spending thirty-three years in the Army Veterinary Corps. He also worked for the US Food and Drug Administration, United Fruit Co. in Cuba and as Director of Iowa Meat Inspection Service. General McNellis and his wife, Grace, have three children: John (ISU V. Med. ’59), Joan and Jane. He is an honorary member of the AVMA and is the only ISU graduate to serve as Chief of the Army Veterinary Corps as B. General.

Louis Mersch: died on Sept. 10, 1987. He is survived by his wife LaVerna, his daughter Roberta, and five sons: Dr. Robert Mersch, Wallace Mersch, Dr. Donald Mersch, Dr. Alan Mersch, and Dr. Stephen Mersch. After graduating, Dr. Mersch moved to New York City, then moved to Fairfax, MN and established a practice there in 1931. He was a member of the State of Minnesota Veterinary Medicine Examiners Board and of the AVMA and MVMA. He retired from practice in 1964, then moved to Menominie, WI where he was executive vice president of the Bank of Menominie. In 1985, he retired from banking and moved to Hutchinson, MN.

Class of 1967

Joseph W. Denhart: worked in a mixed animal practice in Shenandoah, IA with Dr. R. E. McGraw, Jr. (ISU ’57) for twenty years. Since October, 1987, he has worked at Vet-A-Mix, Inc. in Shenandoah, and in the spring will return to ISU to work on a Master’s degree in Veterinary Pathology/Toxicology. Dr. Denhart has been active in community affairs. He has been chairman of the local chapter of the Red Cross and was a member of the Everly Brothers Homecoming Committee. He currently serves on the Board of Directors and the Ambassadors and Agriculture Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, on the Board of Directors of the United Way, and on the Advisory Committee to the Superintendent of Schools. He and his wife, Julie, have two sons, Jason (17) and Joshua (13).
Class of 1938

Myron S. Arlein: is retired from practice. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Veterinary Medical Society of N.Y.C., President of the N.J.VMA and was a staff member at Angel Memorial Animal Hospital in Boston, MA. Dr. Arlein also served as a Lieutenant-Colonel in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps. He and his wife, Helen, have two sons, Robert (40) and Paul (38).

Wayne Binns: is presently retired. During his career in veterinary medicine he served on the Local Board of Health, acted as president of both the State and Intermountain Veterinary Associations, and participated in the Red Cross Hospice. Dr. Binns won a State Honor Award in 1958 and a Superior Service Award in 1962. His family includes his wife, Lucille, and two children, Ralph W. Binns and Anne B. Taylor.

Elliott A. Butler: practiced in Lenox, IA for three years after graduation, then served as a Captain in the U.S. Army. He practiced in Council Bluffs from 1947-1967 and served as an Iowa State Veterinarian from 1968-1977. He is a member of the AVMA and IVMA, served on the Board of Supervisors of Pottawattamie County from 1979-1983, and has been chairman of the Pottawattamie County Board of Health since 1980. An active member of his community, Dr. Butler is an elder in the Presbyterian Church, a member of the YWCA and a member of the Omaha-Council Bluffs Metro Board. He won the 1977 Farm Bureau Award and the 1978 Livestock Conservation Award, and is an Iowa State Honorary Swine Producer. He and his wife, Elizabeth DeVoe have three children: Dennis (48), Elliott A. II (44), and Kathy Butler Box (46).

Charles Henry Cunningham: is a Professor Emeritus in the Department of Microbiology and Public Health at WI State U. Before joining the faculty at Michigan State in 1945, he served as an assistant professor at the University of Maryland from 1938-1942, and as an associate professor at the University of Rhode Island from 1942-1945. Dr. Cunningham is a member of numerous veterinary and scientific organizations, including the AVMA (Honor Roll Member 1983; Research Council 1951-1959), the MVMA, the American Journal of Veterinary Research (Editorial Board 1951-1975; Advisory Board on Veterinary Specialties 1972-1977), the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Board of Medical Microbiology (certified in Public Health and Medical Laboratory Virology 1963). He has traveled extensively and has presented lectures, seminars and papers at various international meetings. Dr. Cunningham's honors include the Michigan State University Distinguished Faculty Award (1973) and the ISU College of Veterinary Medicine Stange Award (1977). He and his wife, Thelma, (ISU '38 Home Ec) have four children: Mary (44), Ann (41), Joan (39), and John (deceased).

John C. de Holl: has been retired since 1974. Before retirement, Dr. de Holl was in a small animal practice in Birmingham, Alabama from 1938-1949. From 1949 until retirement, he worked in Meat Inspection for the USDA. Dr. de Holl has authored a book, "Encyclopedia of Labeling Meat and Poultry Products." He and his wife, Marian, have four children: John, Robert, Paul and Jan.

Jack H. Gregory: is a retired small animal practitioner. Dr. Gregory is a life member of both the Greater St. Louis VMA and the Missouri VMA. He and his wife, Grace, have four children: twins, Gary and Ned (48), Kim (45), and Susan (30).

Chester E. Guthrie: is retired. He and his wife have six children. He has been active in local and state organizations and is a member of the AVMA. He served as President of the Connecticut VMA and helped found the Fairfield County VMA.

Leland S. Hughes: is retired after spending 18 years in a rural general practice, five years in the Veterinary Corps and 15 years as a supervisor for the Food Safety and Inspection Service. He and his wife, Mildred, have three children: Lee Edward Hughes (45), Beth Andert (43), and Zylpha V. Gregerson (40).

Andrew Koostra: has retired from general practice in Bowling Green, KY. His family includes his wife, Hagar Heedleson Koostra, and his son, a farm manager, Kent A. Koostra.

Frank E. Linn: is retired from practice. He and his wife, Ann, have three children. Annette is teaching in Littleton, CO; James is on the police force in Iowa City and has two daughters; Rebecca Linn Stahle has two sons and lives in Minnetonka, MN. Dr. Linn is a past IVMA President and was active in local, area and state organizations.

Jon A. McCurdy: retired from practice in 1976. He had been in the army for seven years and was a Professor of Anatomy at Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine from 1946-1976. He and his late wife, Helen, have three children: Jon (45), Alan (43), and Marji (40).

Alyce M. Mcdermid: is retired from a small animal and zoo animal practice. He was President of the Wisconsin VMA in 1954 and was the Mayor of Middleton, WI from 1957-1963. He and his wife, Jeanne (ISU Home Ec '38) have four children;
Michael (46), Linda (42), Margeaux (36), David (27).

W. Marks: is mostly retired from general practice in Emmetsburg, IA. He moved to Emmetsburg in 1941 after practicing for three years in Everly, IA. Dr. Marks and his wife, Elfriedo, have three children: Del (ISU Journalism), Terry (ISU Forestry), and Margo, a Kansas City school teacher and three stepchildren: Pete Henrikson (ISU DVM '72), Mark Henrikson, also an ISU grad, and Stephanie Henrikson, an art teacher. Dr. Marks is a member of IA Lakes VMA, and IVMA life member and a past member of the AVMA. Dr. marks is on the Local Board of Health and was active in Hospital Board and church.

Walter E. Merritt: is a retired veterinarian who was active in mixed practices in several states. Dr. Merritt practiced for a short time with his son, Walter E. Jr. (Texas A & M '64). Dr. Merritt and his wife, Grace, have three children: Walter E. Jr. (55), Sandra (53) and James (51).

Raymond A. Minor: retired in 1974 and is now living in Rockaway, OR. He spent twenty years in commercial work with Norden Laboratories in Lincoln, NE and fifteen years in a mixed practice. His wife, Helen, (ISU '39) and he have four children: Dr. John R. Minor, also a veterinarian, Dr. Paul J. Minor, a dentist, Mary Sutton, and Martha Wittnibel.

Leonard A. Moen: worked for the Bureau of Animal Industry for four years, the U.S. Army for four years, a large animal practice at Dunnel, MN, for four years, and another practice at Trimont, MN for 32 years. He and his wife, Luella, have two children, Douglas A. Moen, an internal auditor at Med Center's Health Maintenance Organization in Minneapolis and Marcia L. Hierseman, an LPN instructor at the Minnesota Technological Institute. Dr. Moen was active as a school board member for six years and participated on the church council for six years. He is a past president of both the Kiwanis and Trimont Booster Club, and spent four years on the board of directors for the State Bank of Butterfield, MN.

Earl C. Ritter: is retired. He has been a member of the AVMA for fifty years and is an IVMA and FlaVMA member, a member of the V.F.W., American Legion, Rotary, Elks and Moose. He and his wife, Florene have two children, Jack (46) and Sue (42).

Ralph E. Ruggles: has been retired from small animal practice for nine years. He was active in AAHA, serving on the Executive Board for 23 years, as secretary for eight years, as treasurer for ten years and as president form 1951-1952. He was president of the Mississippi Valley Veterinary Association in 1955, president of the Moline Rotary Club in 1971, and served in the Chamber of Commerce for six years. He and his wife, Ilia, have four sons.

Calvin A. Swick: passed away very suddenly in January 1988. He was a retired USDA meat inspector. He built and operated a meat packing plant and was active in the Retarded Citizens Movement. His family includes his wife, Bobbie, and their three children: Craig, Carolyn, and Danny.

Vale U. Thomson: is retired from practice. He practiced in Gravity, IA from 1938-1942 and served in the Army Veterinary Corps from 1942-1946. He practiced in Clearfield, IA from 1946 until his retirement in 1984. Dr. Thomson is a member of the AVMA, IVMA, and SWIVMA. He and his wife, Mona, have two children, Joann, a nurse in Cave Creek, AZ and John (ISU DVM '67).

Benjamin F. Ward: has been retired from practice since 1985. He served in the army from graduation until 1946. He worked in private practice in Alton, IL until 1956 and in St. Louis, MO until his retirement. He and his wife, Marian, have seven children: Julie Depinto, Carolyn Williams, Bonnie Higgins, Diane Gastronova, Stephen Ward, Cindy Holland and Nancy Lucas. They have nine grandchildren.

James J. Ahern: is active in general practice in Malvern, IA. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1958-1960. He and his wife, Karen, have three children: Stephanie (26), Jim (24), and Michele (21).

Ted D. Bek: is in regulatory medicine as the Export Coordinator for the North Central Region. Dr. Bek practiced large animal medicine for ten years and constructed houses for three years before joining the USDA in 1971. He is president elect for the National Assn. of Federal Veterinarians. He and his wife, Sunni, have four sons: Jeff and Joel Bek, and John and Rob Hunt.

John D. Berthelson: is employed by Smith Kline Animal Health Products. He and his wife, Marilyn, have five children: Julie (35), Joel (30), Philip (25), Mark (32), and Karen (27). Dr. Berthelsen has been a member of the Nebraska VMA, IVMA, AVMA, AASP (past president), Industrial Vet. Med. Assoc. and has served as an Extension Veterinarian.

Robert R. Billiar: has his own small animal practice in South Sioux City, NE and has been active in the community. He is married and has four children: Jeff (32), Dr. Tim (31), Dr. Suzanne (30) and Sam (28).
John D. Clark: is a small animal practitioner and has been active in local veterinary organizations. He has traveled for three years with the Institute of Cultural Affairs. He is owner and president of Orangewood Animal Hospital in Phoenix, AZ and has been active in the local community. He and his wife of 32 years, Nancy, have three children: Lauren (26), who holds a masters in Architecture, Lisa (24), holds a BS in Geohydrology, and David (21), who is working towards a BA in Communication.

Francis W. Copeland: is active in general practice with Darrell D. Sampson (ISU DVM '66). He has two children, Rod W. and Jane Ann.

Paul E. Ehrig: practiced in Reinbeck, IA from graduation until 1969 when he began farming and retired from active practice. He is a member of the IVMA. Dr. Ehrig and his wife, Janice, have three children: Debra (26), Barry (24) and Melinda (21).

Lowell R. Fahmi: is active in a mixed practice. He is a member of the AVMA, ASBP, and NDVMA (Board of Directors). Dr. Fahmi is the president of the Zion Lutheran Church Council of Glenn Ullin, ND and serves on the Board of Directors of the Marion Manor Nursing Home in Glenn Ullin and has served on the Glenn Ullin School Board. He and his wife, Corrin, have two children, Brad (25), who is married and has one son, and Yiris (22), a nursing student.

Roger M. Hogle: is Associate Dean, ISU College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Hogle practiced in LaPorte City, IA and Durant, IA from 1958-1963. He joined the faculty of ISU in 1963 and received his MS in 1967. Dr. Hogle is a Diplomate, American College of Veterinary Microbiologists, and a member of the IVMA and AVMA. He and his wife, Sharon, a real estate broker, have three children: Kim (ISU '81), is employed at the ISU Library; Jeff is a student at the University of Wyoming; and Jane is a nurse at Mary Greeley Medical Center.

Gifford S. Jacobsen: is a regulatory veterinarian for the USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Services. He is presently the area veterinarian in charge, Wisconsin, APHIS, Veterinary Services. He previously served as Veterinarian in charge for South and North Dakota, New Mexico and Louisiana. He is a member of the Wisconsin VMA and National Association of Federal Veterinarians. Dr. Jacobsen received a Masters Degree in 1975 from the University of Wisconsin in Poultry and Veterinary Science. He and his wife, Donna, have two children, Sherman (19) and Stacy (16).

Robert G. Ketter: is active in a solo mixed animal practice in Traer, IA. He and his wife, Betty, have three children.

Howard O. Koch: is active in a general practice in Oswego, IL. He and his wife, Helen, have two children, Lea Ann (28) and Brian (23). Dr. Koch has been a 4-H leader for ten years, served one year as President of the Illinois Quarter Horse Association and has served as National Director of the American Quarter Horse Association.

Herbert A. Lederer: is active in an 8 doctor small animal practice. He is a past member of the Board of Directors, Chicago Veterinary Medical Association, former member and President of the District 96 School Board and a former member of the YMCA Advisory Committee. He and his wife, Dolores, have 3 children: Robert (29), James (27), and Ann (23).

Dale Longtin: is active in an AAHA-certified mixed practice with Glen Barrington (ISU '54) and Donald Fick (ISU '64). He and his wife, Midge, have three sons and two grandchildren. Dr. Longtin is a member of the Order of the Knoll, Sustaining Member of the Quadrangle Society, on the Dean's Advisory Committee to the Veterinary College, and is active in other Iowa State Organizations and AVMA, IVMA, AAHA, Muscatine Red Cross and St. Mathias Parish.

Dale R. Nelson: is an associate professor of Food Animal Medicine and Surgery at the Department of Veterinary Clinical Medicine, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL. He and his wife, Alberta, have three children: Julie (24), Kristen (23) and Jeffrey (16).

Gilbert K. Okey: is in small animal practice at Hillchester Hospital for Animals, Hillsdale, IL, with Ronald Kolar (Illinois '60), and Scott Hendrickson (Illinois '76). With his wife, Audrey, he has two sons: Tim (30) and Jeff (28). Tim is Vice-President and National Sales Manager for Jack Niklaus sports wear and Jeff is an actor in San Diego, CA. Dr. Okey is active in the AVMA, Illinois VMA and is director of Emergency Vet Services Ltd. of Lisle, IL.

Kenneth Rayner: has a mixed animal practice in New London, IA where he and his wife, Marianne, live. Kenneth is a member of the South East Iowa VMA, Eastern Iowa VMA, and IVMA.

Bruce D. Rosenquist: is a professor at the College of Veterinary Medicine at Columbia, MO. He and his wife, Annette, have two children; Jill (25), and Eric (9). After graduation, Dr. Rosenquist spent two years in the U.S. Public Health Service, four years in small animal private practice in IL, four years in graduate school in MO where he received his PhD. He teaches virology and does research on bovine respiratory viruses and bovine interferon at the U. of MO.

Gerry Sandbulte: has owned his own small animal practice in Burlingame, CA since 1969. He
has been married to his wife, Mary, since 1979.

**Eugene H. Scallon:** is the owner of Animal Medical Center in Covina, CA where he practices with Dr. W. H. Patlogar (CO '73). He and his wife, Eileen, have four children: Mike (29), Jim (28), Mary (25), and Anne (17).

**Russel Schelkopf:** is operating a swine breeding facility in Kingston, IL. He is a member of the AVMA, ILVMA, Illinois University Foundation Board of Directors, AASP, AABP. He and his wife, Bernice, have three sons: Michael (34), Charles (32), and Steven (26).

**Donald P. Shannon:** is active in a large animal practice in Houghton, IA. His associates are Mark Muchna (IL ’82), and Gary Riordan (ISU ’84). He and his wife, JoAnn, have four children: Steve, a CPA in Denver; Sharon, an RN at a Burlington, IA hospital; Cindy, an RN in Madison, WI; and Sue, a junior in high school. He has served as President of the Southeast Iowa Veterinary Association for ten and a half years.

**Gene H. Swenson:** is currently Manager, Clinical Res. and Dev. with the Animal Science Division, Monsanto Company, St. Louis, MO. Following graduation, he spent ten years in large animal practice in northern Illinois. He then attended the University of Missouri for two years and received a M.S. in veterinary microbiology in 1970. He has been in applied research in animal health pharmaceutical R&D for the last 18 years with Merck, American Cyanamid and Upjohn prior to joining Monsanto in 1958. He and his wife, Marilyn, have six children and nine grandchildren residing in California, Wyoming, Michigan and Massachusetts.

**AI K. Takayama:** is a small animal practitioner in Honolulu, HI.

**John R. Tobola:** is actively involved in a mixed practice in Jackson, MN with Dr. David Fell (ISU ’70). He and his wife, Marjorie, and RN, have two children: Cloy, 24, is Youth/Education Director, Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Bismark, ND. Erica, 20, is a junior at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, ND. Dr. Tobola is a member of VMA, MVMA, church council, AF&AM, Jackson Chamber of Commerce Director, and MVMA Preconditioning Committee.

**Roger Van Prooien:** is active in small animal practice. He and his wife live in Hazelhurst, WI. He is a member of the Northern Wisconsin VMA, Wisconsin VMA, Minnesota VMA, Minnesota Academy of Veterinary Medical Practitioners and is President of the Izaak Walton League of America.

**Thomas H. White:** is a full-time farmer and a half-time veterinary practitioner with associates Joseph A. Jedlick (ISU ’79), and John W. Hallberg (ISU ’82) in Cascade, IA. He served on the Cascade City Council from 1960-1966, on the Dubuque County Board of Health from 1966-1975, and was active as a 4-H club leader from 1980-1984. He and his wife, Betty Jane, have six children: Philip (27), Tom (26), Kathy (25), Jeff (23), Nick (22), and Mike (20).

**Fred J. Wood:** is active in a large animal practice specializing in bovine embryo transfer in Osceola, IA. He and his wife, Barbara, have four children: Rick (29), Cindy (27), Tim (26), and Jim (25). Dr. Wood has been President of the Iowa Limousin Cattle Assn. for 3 years, has served 17 years on the Osceola Water Board, 4 years on the City Council, and was the recipient of the Osceola Community Service Award in 1985.

**Mark Francis Young:** is a large animal practitioner and an animal production instructor. He received a M.S. at Texas A&M in 1964. He then was in Bangladesh from 1964-1966 and has been an instructor at Texas A&M since 1960. Dr. Young has seven children: Mark (31), Jollen (29), Clenton (27), Alisa (16), Lou (14), Joshua (12), and Curtis (11).

**Earl De Zeeuw:** is active in a mixed practice in Orion, IL with one associate, Gary Kampmann (MO ’41). He is a member of the AVMA and the IL State VMA. He and his wife, Lila, have 3 children: Delilah (32), Tim (27), and Tod (23).