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1997- Stange Awards for Meritorious Service Bestowed on Three Alumni

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The Stange Award for Meritorious Service in Veterinary Medicine was instituted by the Awards Committee of the College of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University in 1970. The award is named in honor of Dr. Charles Henry Stange who entered the curriculum at Iowa State College in 1903 and graduated with the class of 1907. He became the third dean of the Veterinary Division of Iowa State College in 1909 and continued in this position until his death on May 26, 1936. The Stange Award is the highest award offered to the alumni of Iowa State University and recognizes persons who have made outstanding professional achievements in the areas of education, government, industry, practice, or other professional endeavors in veterinary medicine. The recipients for 1997 are Dr. Dale W. Longtin, Class of 1958, Dr. J. Kenneth Roach, Class of 1961, and Dr. Gabor K. Vajda, Class of 1961.

Dr. Dale W. Longtin has made significant contributions to the veterinary profession through service in numerous professional organizations. Over the past thirty years, Dr. Longtin has been extremely active in the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) and the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). He has served in various leadership positions at both state and national levels in these organizations. Dr. Longtin has also served as president of the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association and has held each office in the progression to the president’s position, serving in executive leadership for six years. He has served in similar positions, including the presidency, over a 20-year span on the executive board for the Eastern Iowa Veterinary Medical Association. In addition, Dr. Longtin has served on the dean’s advisory council for veterinary medicine and on administrative search committees. He has acted as a liaison between Iowa State University and the Iowa Legislature and was awarded the Alumni Recognition Medal in 1995 to acknowledge his significant contributions to the University.

Dr. J. Kenneth Roach currently owns two small animal practices in Sioux City, Iowa, and is known for his expertise as a diagnostician and surgeon. His skills and achievements were recognized by his fellow practitioners who named Dr. Roach “Iowa Veterinarian of the Year” in 1995. Dr. Roach is a leader and supporter of the Siouxland Area Humane Society where he provides professional guidance, gratuitous medical services, and education to school children regarding the humane and proper care of animals. Dr. Roach has also served in numerous leadership positions with his local Rotary chapter and is very active in the Rotary international exchange program. Dr. Roach has been active in the Sioux City sight dog program and has taken a leadership role in an annual charity auction that raises thousands of dollars for disadvantaged families in the community.

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Dr. Gabor K. Vajda has made numerous contributions to the veterinary profession in the areas of industry and practice. Dr. Vajda pioneered the development of a cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) program for animals and helped develop a new model of Resusci-Dog, which is used around the country to teach veterinary CPR courses. Dr. Vajda, an expert in the areas of reproduction and infertility, has written several journal articles on the use of frozen canine semen and is currently owner of the Canine Semen Bank of Arizona and hospital Director of Northern Animal Hospital in Phoenix, Arizona. Dr. Vajda is also active in the American Animal Hospital Association and served as the national president in 1991-92. During his time as president, he traveled the world sharing his vision of the veterinary profession, a profession he feels is shaped by a strong commitment to healing, integrity, high ethical standards, and a love for all creatures.

SCAVMA Clinical Sciences and Carl J. Norden Distinguished Teacher Awards

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For what is believed to be the first time, a faculty member in the College of Veterinary Medicine has won both the SCAVMA Clinical Sciences Award and the Carl J. Norden Distinguished Teaching Award simultaneously. Dr. Karen Kline was presented with both of these awards at the Spring 1997 Awards Ceremony held in Benton Auditorium. Dr. Kline is currently an Assistant Professor of Small Animal Medicine in the Veterinary Clinical Sciences Department at the College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Kline received her DVM from The Ohio State University in 1989. She is board certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (Neurology) and works with many neurology cases in the Iowa State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Dr. Kline is a member of the team of teachers who instruct students in the sophomore surgery class and the junior clinical medicine course. She is also instrumental in helping senior students learn the intricacies of nervous system disorders seen in the clinics. Dr. Kline has a sincere interest in helping students learn, and winning both of these prestigious awards in the same year points toward her level of excellence as both a clinician and as an instructor at the Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine.