

Veterinary Medical Alumni Association at Iowa State University

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Message from Dr. Diane Noll, DVM'82

A fondness for the history of our profession has given me such a window into the lives of our predecessors. Countless volumes of yesteryear discuss the nobility and necessity of the practice of veterinary medicine. And almost without exception, these authors mention the camaraderie and common values we share with our colleagues. These values ... and a diploma bind us forever.

Thus, the origination and need for an alumni association to bring us together when our lives and professions take us to faraway lands. We are blessed to have a highly successful Veterinary Medical Alumni Association at Iowa State, which works tirelessly to assist those within the profession from the very first year of vet school.

Students benefit from a Wellness Room, Café Cash, a food pantry, travel reimbursement for trips taken to educational-related events...and free membership in the VMAA. The fellowship and financial support to students are well received. These students will need their classmates and colleagues to guide them in those first years of entering the workforce and for the rest of their careers.

Our VMAA has developed a broad database of former students. As our class of 1982 was planning our 40th class reunion last year, the database proved far superior to the general database of lowa State. We also received help planning our weekend event and scheduling both school tours and receptions through the VMAA.

Please consider joining the VMAA...

- in order to stay connected with your colleagues
- in order to plan your next event with classmates
-and in order to give back to your profession by aiding the students.

Thinking that you don't need to belong to one more organization or add one more thing to your plate? Other than spending a mere \$50 per year, you have no obligation. The organization does the work for you. Just assist us in our work and watch the benefits roll out for yourself and the worthy students coming through the ranks. A few more things:



Check out our Facebook page for updates on the happenings of the VMAA....You will be encouraged by the gratefulness of the students for the benefits they receive. Be signed into your Facebook page and enter https://www.facebook.com/VMAAISU Stay tuned for event updates.

The 2023 Homecoming is slated for November 4.

Warm regards, Dr. Diane Noll, DVM'82

VMAA Executive Committee Member

Here is our spring lineup of quality clothing with our new VMAA logo. The store only stays active for 15 days, so don't delay in checking it out. **The deadline to order is April 24.** The estimated ship date is May 11.

https://www.siglershop.com/ISUVetMedAlumni/shop/home

Dr. Michael Westfall, DVM '79, with his VMAA jacket and little AZ Pup!

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