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VMAA at ISU Bestows Distinguished Service Award

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The Board of Directors of the Veterinary Medical Alumni Association (VMAA) at Iowa State University voted unanimously to award the Distinguished Service Award to Ms. Joan Kluge. Ms. Kluge has served the VMAA as an administrative assistant since March, 1991. Joan has been responsible for helping organize annual alumni receptions at the American Veterinary Medical Association convention, the North American Veterinary Conference, the Western States Veterinary Conference, and the Central Veterinary Conference. In addition, each year she helps plan and organize the Stange Awards presentation event and Homecoming celebration. Ms. Kluge organized and managed the sale of Gentle Doctor pins as part of a fundraising project which raised over \$30,000 to renovate the F. K. Ramsey Alumni Room. In 1996, she compiled financial and other data required by the state of Iowa as a prerequisite to awarding a certificate of incorporation to the VMAA. Subsequently, this data was used to successfully obtain recognition as a tax-exempt corporation from the Internal Revenue Service. Joan has vigilantly worked to support the best interests of alumni association members and donated many unpaid hours in pursuit of that goal.

Previous recipients of the award were Dr. Paul Eness in 1986, Dr. Lorraine Hoffman in 1987, Dr. Robert Carithers in 1988, Dr. George Daniels in 1989, Dr. William Hoefle in 1990, and Dr. James McKean in 1992. The Distinguished Service Award includes a cash award of \$1,000 from the VMAA. ♦



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