

New Graduate Member Profile

Name: Jeremy Deaton, DVM

Residence: Auburn, AL

What inspired you to pursue a career in veterinary medicine?

When I was eight years old, I wanted to become a veterinarian, a mortician, and a pastor and I've always pursued those three things.

What type of veterinary medicine do you practice and why did you choose it?

Mixed animal practice because you never know what will walk, run or crawl through the doors.

Where did you study?

Auburn.

Who is your role model/mentor?

Dr. Dougie Macintire was my inspiration and role model.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

The diversity of the medicine that I practice.

How did you get involved with the ALVMA?

Through my education at Auburn.

What is the hardest part of your job?

Being on call seven days a week.



What advice can you offer someone entering veterinary school?

Buckle up and hold on tight, those years will be the happiest times of your life.

What was the last song you sang?

George Jones' "He Stopped Loving Her Today".

What do you feel is your biggest challenge just starting out?

Being on my own at a new clinic straight out of vet school.

Where do you see yourself in five years?

Still working in my hometown running the clinic, being the county coroner and trying to balance time with Hannah and Dakota.

Why would you recommend that someone join the ALVMA?

The ALVMA keeps me updated on current events and issues arising in veterinary medicine across Alabama, the US and the world.

How has being involved with the ALVMA helped you professionally?

It has provided me with resources I need as a new practitioner.

What is the last movie you watched?

The Blind Side.

What was the most memorable part of your college experience?

My friends.

Where would you go if you could go anywhere? Why?

El Golfo de Santa Clara Mexico because it is the most beautiful place in the world and I'd love to go and live there when I retire one day.

If you were stranded on an island, what three things would you want to have?

My bible, my family, some water and I think I'd be set for life.

What is your simplest pleasure?

Quiet time drinking coffee and reading my newspaper.



What accomplishment are you most proud of?

Accomplishing all three of my career goals; a licensed veterinarian, a licensed mortician, and a licensed youth minister.

If you could meet anyone (dead or living) who would it be and what would you ask them?

God, and what were you thinking when you made my wife?

What do you think has been the most significant change/advancement in veterinary medicine in the last five years?

The adoption of the One Health strategy.



What five adjectives best describe you?

Crazy, insane, energetic, compassionate, family man.

What makes you laugh out loud?

Most of what comes out of my mouth.

What book are you reading?

None currently, I don't have time!

Professionally, if you could change something, what would it be?

I would have pursued an MPH along with my DVM.

When was the last time you did something for someone else and what was it?

I washed my Godson's clothes so he didn't have to.

I still want to learn...

how to perform dorsal laminectomies in practice.



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