

New Graduate Member Profile

Name: Jarrod Harney, DVM

Residence: Decatur, AL

What inspired you to pursue a career in veterinary medicine?

It has been life-long dream for me since I was a child.

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

Mixed animal. I love the variety of seeing anything from a litter of puppies to pulling a calf all in the same day.

Where did you study?

Mississippi State University.

Who is your role model/mentor?

My father, Dr. Rodney Harney, MD.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

Building relationships with my patients and clients.

How did you get involved with the ALVMA?

I wanted to be a part of a veterinary organization and be connected throughout the state.

What advice can you offer someone entering veterinary school?

Hard work pays off, persistence and pure stubbornness help.



What is the hardest part of your job?

Managing financially limited situations.

Where do you see yourself in five years?

Hopefully owning my own clinic.

Why would you recommend that someone join the ALVMA?

To have a network of veterinarians at their disposal.

How has being involved with the ALVMA helped you professionally?

It has helped me build relationships.

What is the last movie you watched?

Monsters University (with my two-year-old.).

When I'm not working, you'll find me ...

Spending time with my family, hunting or participating in church activities.

What is your simplest pleasure?

A bowl of ice cream.

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

Getting past the "young guy" persona.

What makes you laugh out loud?

My 2 year old son pretending to be a cowboy.

What book are you reading?

"The Reason for God" by Timothy Keller.

What was the most memorable part of your college experience?

The birth of my son just four weeks prior to taking National Boards.

What was the last song you sang?

Probably a church hymn.

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

I have always been interested in seeing the White Turf races in St. Moritz, Switzerland.

What accomplishment are you most proud of?

Graduating from vet school.

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

Raked leaves for a widow in my church.

