



MEET THE VETS

When it comes to the wellbeing of our pets—furry, feathered or finned—we trust only those veterinarians who will treat them like the valued family members they are. Turn the page to meet some of the area's leading DVMs, who specialize in creature comforts.

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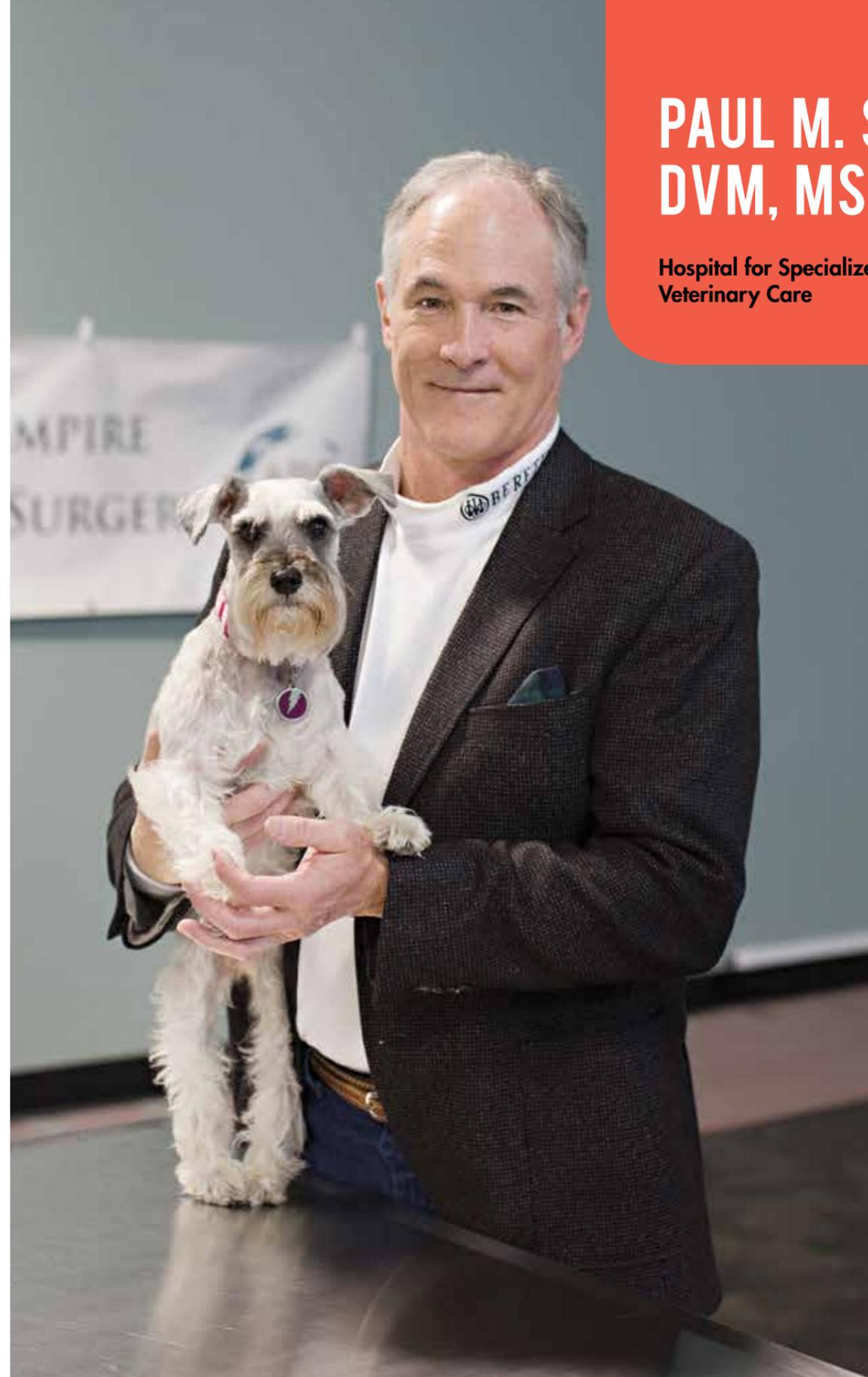
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Our vision ... Since serving as the Surgical Chair at the prestigious The Animal Medical Center in New York City, Dr. Shealy has envisioned developing a multidisciplinary veterinary specialty center equipped with the state-of-the-art equipment and staffed with veterinary specialists who are the best in their field to serve the region and beyond.

The Hospital for Specialized Veterinary Care includes..... specialists in surgery, internal medicine, oncology, and neurology.

New to our team ... Surgeon W. Tom McNicholas DVM, DACVS, recently joined the surgery practice.

Services include.... diagnostic imaging (CT scan, MRI), ultrasound, endoscopy, intensive care, chemotherapy, physical therapy/rehab, and general, orthopedic and neurological surgery.

Looking ahead ... Planned expansion of the existing campus in the first quarter of 2015 will provide needed space for new technology and additional specialists.

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**A common and preventable
pet ailment is ...** skin cancer. Skin
tumors are the No. 1 malignancy in
dogs. Many types of skin cancer can
be cured with early intervention. Every
lump and bump should be documented
and aspirated if recommended by a
veterinarian.

**One recent innovation in animal
medicine is ...** monoclonal antibodies
for the treatment of B cell and T cell
lymphoma in dogs. These will be game
changers in how we treat lymphoma
and overall remission times. Clinical
trials show these drugs improve
remission times greatly with very little
side effects.

You'd never guess that ... I led a
bicycle trip across France with a group
of elementary children during the 1998
World Cup. I will also readily admit
that I'm a huge beer snob—with craft
beer and my own homebrew.

**If I were an animal, I would be
...** my dog Pixie, a 2-year-old Golden
Retriever! I'd get to hang out with my
wife all day as she works from home
and play until I drop with my kids when
they get home from school.

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**I wish more of my patients'
owners would ...** invest in
pet insurance. Nothing is more
heartbreaking than having to make a
life-altering decision based on financial
constraints.—Alexander Hill

I keep my own pets healthy by ...
frequent routine blood work, urinalyses,
flea control and heartworm prevention—
and lots of love and cuddles.
—Cara Ann Hammons

**One recent innovation in animal
medicine is ...** MLS laser therapy,
a drug-free, painless and noninvasive
treatment that quickly relieves pain,
reduces inflammation and speeds
healing to help pets return to their
favorite activities.—Alexander Hill

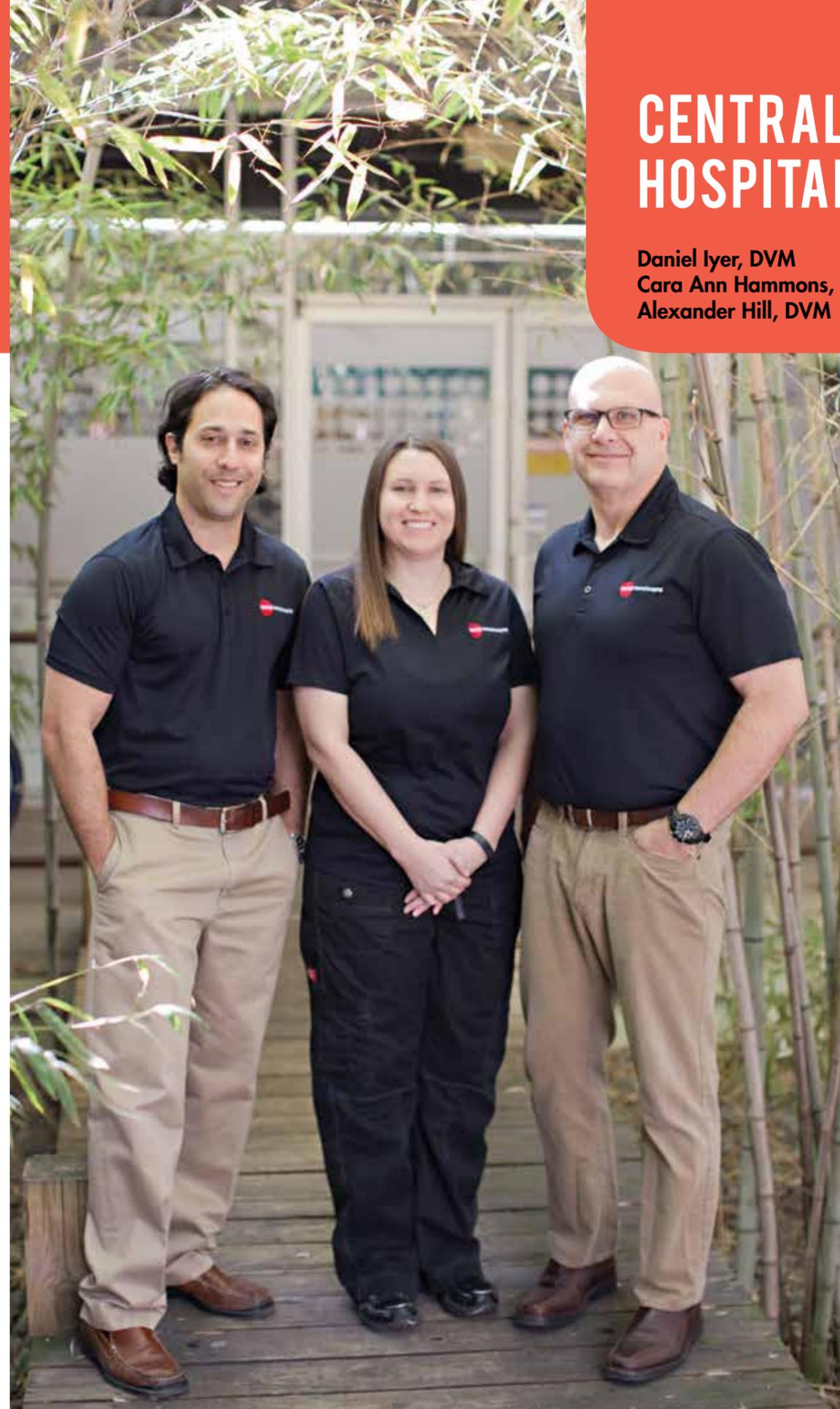
Our new favorite products are ...
Feliway pheromone therapy and the
Furminator deshedding tool.
—Cara Ann Hammons
Apoquel, a safe and effective treatment
for chronic skin allergies.
—Alexander Hill

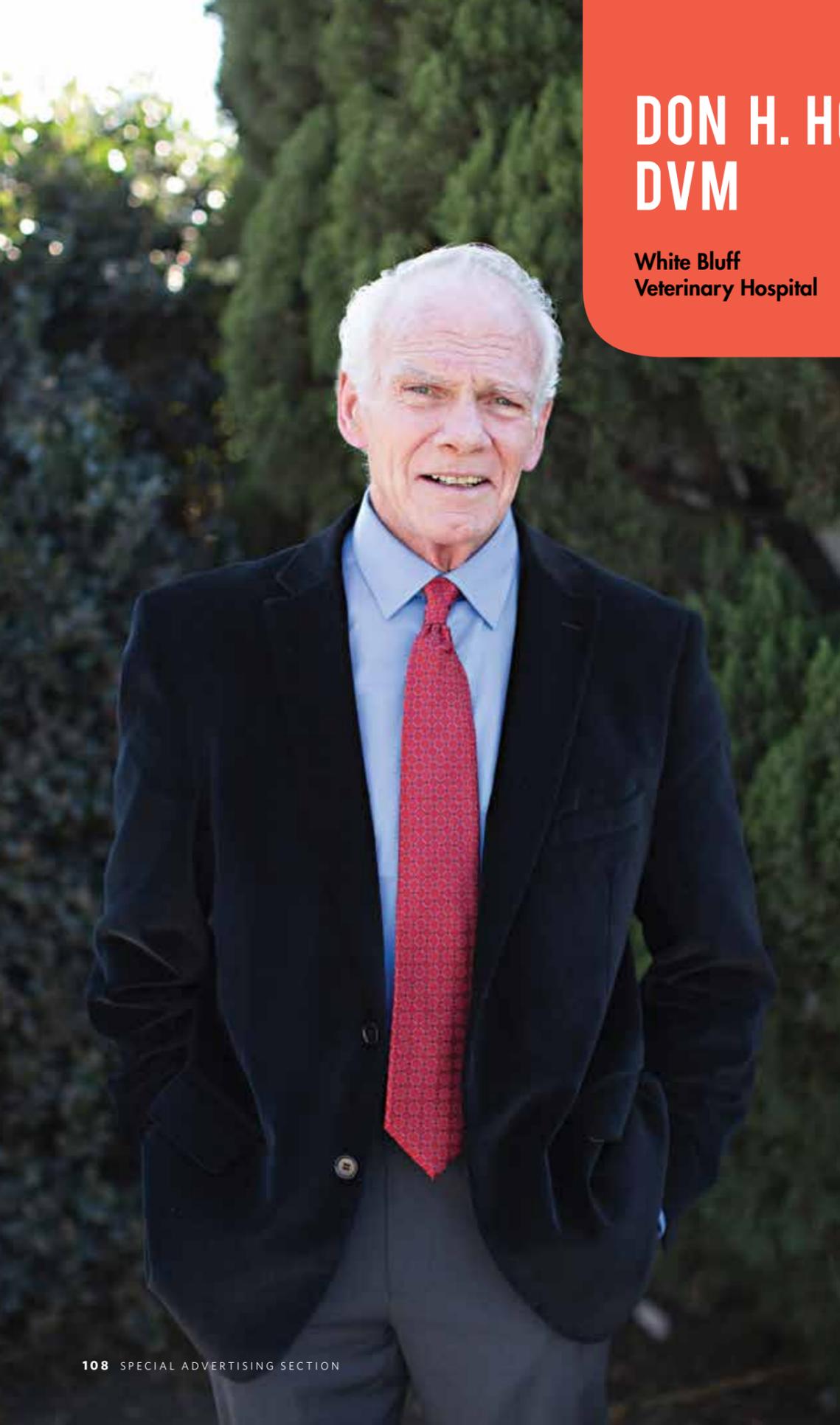
**When it comes to my pets, I
splurge on ...** pet food.—Daniel Iyer

You'd never guess I ... love to
garden. I have flowers, flowering
trees, bushes and all the birds that they
attract.—Alexander Hill

**I love practicing in Savannah
because ...** of the weather, the people
and the parks.—Daniel Iyer

**When I am not at the office, I
...** play guitar and bass, listen to vinyl
records, go to live music shows and
work out at the gym.
—Cara Ann Hammons





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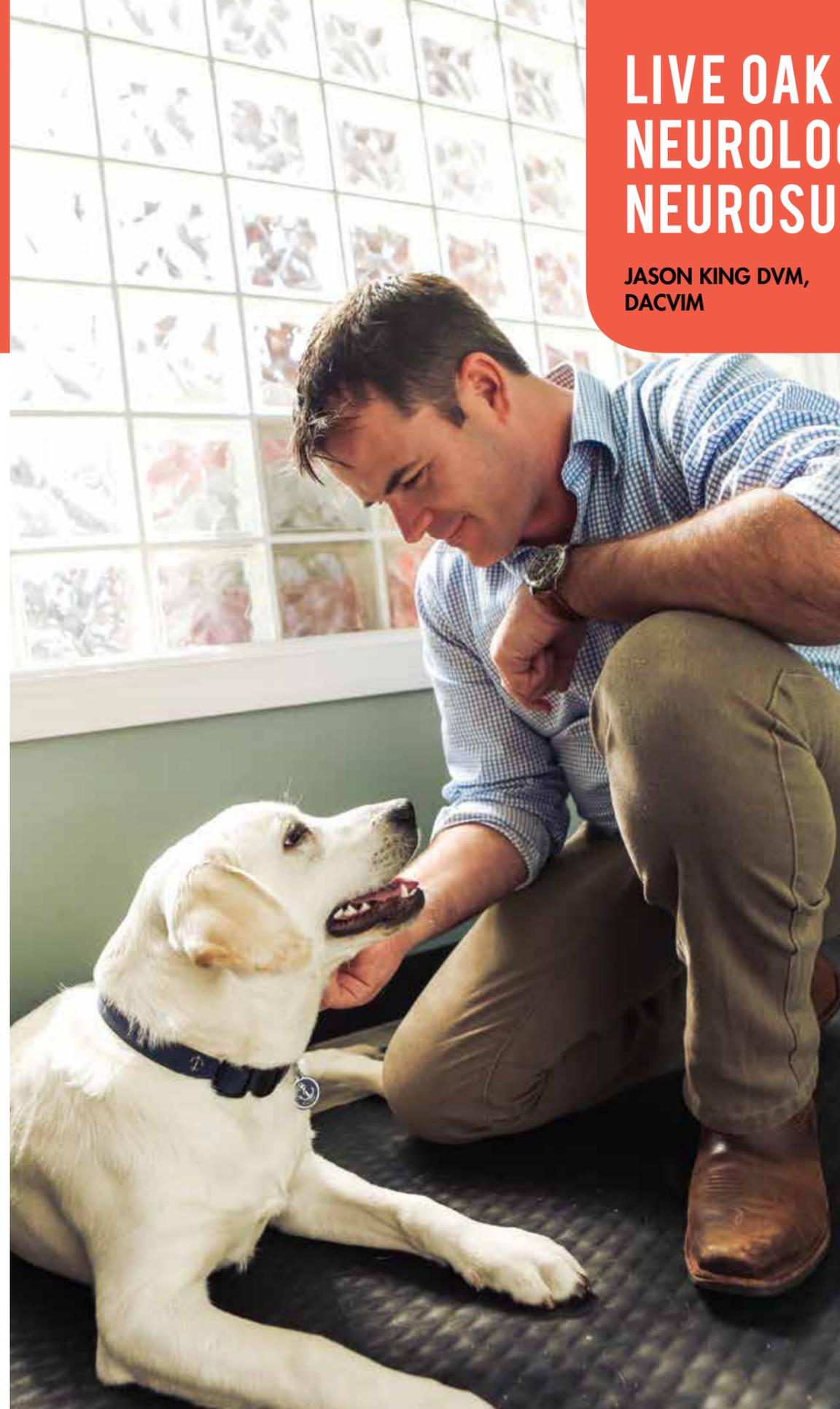
I am proud of the fact that ...
I have been the sole veterinarian and owner at White Bluff Veterinary Hospital for more than 40 years.

A common and preventable pet ailment is ... gastrointestinal ailments associated with diet and the ingestion of undigestible materials—with hair and grass being the most frequent offenders.

I love my hospital because ... it's unique. We have indoor/outdoor runs that are heated and air conditioned. Each dog staying with us for boarding or hospitalization can be inside or outside at their leisure, which allows for maximum comfort and reduces the risk of transmitting contagious diseases. In 42 years of operation, we have never had an outbreak of kennel cough, the most common transmitted disease of dogs found in enclosed hospitals or boarding kennels. We also offer convenient drop-off service. An attached apartment allows for a live-in attendant, which is great for security and around-the-clock observation of our patients and boarding guests.

I give back to the community by ... caring for animals that weren't fortunate enough to have owners who can afford veterinary services.

If I were an animal, I would be ... a cat. They epitomize the phrase "don't sweat the small stuff."



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One recent innovation in animal medicine is ... MRI imaging for brain and spinal-cord disease. We have the newest and most advanced veterinary-only MRI magnet in the region. It's amazing how much detail you can see with this machine!

I love practicing in Savannah because ... it's close to my family and close to my heart. I grew up in the Lowcountry. Savannah is big enough to have everything I need or want, but still small enough for people to say "hello" on the street and say "thank you" when you hold the door for them.

My new, favorite pet product is ... a brain-support supplement for dogs. Dogs can get a disease that's incredibly similar to Alzheimer's. When my dog developed this condition, it gave me a few more months with my best friend.

My pets ... make me laugh all the time. They make me feel young.

When I'm not in the office, I ... love being outdoors. Fishing and kayaking are two of my favorite hobbies.

You'd never guess that I ... was a brewmaster in a restaurant before I went to vet school.