

February 2018



The Voice

Membership Meetings:

- Next Meeting: check the website: - www.mavt.net.
- Please contact the MAVT President if you wish to attend the meetings.
- *Check the MAVT calendar on the website for meeting dates, times & location.
- March Newsletter deadline, February 24th.

Individual Highlights:

- Board of Directors and Committee contact 2
- Job Opportunities 2 - 4
- Convention News 1, 4, 5
- Convention Sponsors 6
- Animals in the News 1



A publication of the Minnesota Association of Veterinary Technicians

MAVT: Business Meeting

The MAVT Convention Business Meeting will be, Saturday, February 17th, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: Mayo Civic Center, Rochester

Pre registration is required.



MAVT Convention - Rochester

MAVT's 43rd Annual Convention February 16th & 17th, 2018

MAVT registration/check-in desk, all sessions and the exhibit hall will be held at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester, MN. [Mayo Civic Center](#) 30 Civic Center Drive SE, Rochester, MN 55904-3701

****OPEN Board Positions ****
Secretary and State Representative (voting during the business lunch meeting on Saturday). If anyone is interested in running for this position please email president@mavt.net. You do not need to be present at the meeting to run for this position.

(More Convention News, see page 4.)

CE opportunities -

- [MVMA CE Calendar](#)
- [VetMedTeam](#) - Click on CE Catalog for listing of courses
- [VetFolio](#) - CE Resources
- [MAVT Calendar](#)
- NAVTA website - <http://www.navta.net/>

Vet Girl <http://vetgirlontherun.com/> If you're a veterinary nurse, veterinary assistant, OR veterinary nursing student, we want to hook you up with a 30% VETgirl discount! <http://vetgirlontherun.com/vetgirl-cvt-discount/>

Animals in the News – Can-do-Canines, provides dogs to assist Many areas of help to their companions. From detecting seizures, to hearing & mobility assistance, to autism. Check out their website: <https://can-do-canines.org/>



Board of Directors/Committee Contacts

President
Kristi Gorton
President@mavt.net

President Elect
Heather Holgram
President@mavt.net

Past President
Sarah Lemm, CVT
C 612-616-4385
President@mavt.net

Treasurer
Deb Stadvold, CVT
Treasurer@mavt.net
stads001@umn.edu

Secretary
Rian Ashmore
Secretary@mavt.net

**Membership/ Website
(name & address changes)**
Maureen (Moe) Parks,
CVT
Membership@mavt.net
website@mavt.net

State Representative
Meri DuRand
StateRep@mavt.net

**Certifications/MVMA
Liaisons**
Serene Abrahams, CVT
612-866-1125
Kim Horne, CVT
612-624-8760
Horne003@umn.edu
(Practice Act Committee)

Newsletter (articles/ads)
Debi Ylitalo, AHT
H 612-756-3326
aerobic_debi@yahoo.com

**Area Representatives -
Minneapolis**
Lyn Billings (Callander),
CVT, ASVDT
(W) 651-714-7366
(H) 612-306-0200
lyn@billingsclan.com

Northeast
Jessica Wenner-Kainz,
CVT
NortheastArea@mavt.net

Northwest
Debi Petersen-Ahrendt,
CVT
NorthwestArea@mavt.net

St. Paul
Leslie Epstein, CVT
lepstein1@comcast.net

Southeast
Tracey Heyder-Kitching,
CVT
SoutheastArea@mavt.net

Southwest
Casey Prochniak, CVT
SouthwestArea@mavt.net

Convention Planning
Co-Chairs: Jessica
Towley, Kim Horne and
Lori Koehler – CVTs
Convention@mavt.net

Practice Act Chair
Kim Horne, CVT
PracticeAct@mavt.net

Public Relations
Kelly Noyes, CVT
PublicRelations@mavt.net

Education
Darcy Mattson, CVT
W 651-968-6499
marxx006@umn.edu or
wick0202@umn.edu

Sponsorship
Chair: Kelly Noyes and
Danielle Korver



“...furthering my
knowledge and
competence...”



Job Opportunities:

Animal Humane Society
is looking for a Veterinary
Technician; a few openings
are available. Contact:
Heather Hawkins,
Recruitment Specialist
Animal Humane Society
763-489-2252
hhawkins@animalhumanesociety.org
www.animalhumanesociety.org

See page 3 for more Job
Opportunities.

How to Place a Job Ad

Job ads may be UP TO 75
words, and may be edited
for length or clarity. Email
addresses count as three
words. Any ads received
after deadline will be held
until the following
month. Deadline is 5:30
pm on the specified date
which is listed on the front
page of each
issue. There is no

charge. If you
don't specify a specific
amount of time, your ad
will run for one month. If
you want to continue an
additional month, you
don't need to resubmit,
just call or email your
request. Please resubmit
if your ad hasn't run in a
couple of months or if you
wish to make

changes. Ads sent to the
PO Box may be delayed,
so please send them
directly to: Debi Ylitalo –
8725 Columbine Road,
#46182 Eden Prairie, MN
55344; email:
aerobic_debi@yahoo.com

Or, phone #612-756-3326
(this is also the phone
number if you have
questions).





Job Opportunities:

Cloquet, MN 55720 Ph) 218-879-5356, Fax) 218-879-1874
Email) cgvcresumes@gmail.com

Pine Cone Pet Hospital - Hiring a veterinary technician that will fit our small vibrant and fun veterinary practice in central MN. Detail oriented and comfortable working closely with clients and teammates. Personable communication skills are very important. Experience with laboratory, anesthesia, computers and clients desired, but willing to train for this position if good fit. Please call Dr. Brown at 320-258-3434, or email resume to pcphteam@gmail.com.

Bush Lake or France Avenue Pet Hospitals - Our small animal practice located in Bloomington, MN is seeking a Full Time Veterinary Technician, certification is preferred but not necessarily required depending on the candidate and experience. Newly certified technicians strongly encouraged to apply. Looking for a detail oriented, team player, willingness to learn, ability to multi-task when pace is fast. Responsibilities will include all aspects of veterinary medicine, including receptionist and cleaning duties. Must have some computerized clients records experience. We offer a competitive hourly wage with a raise after the probationary time. Benefits after probationary period include health insurance, vacation pay, simple IRA, employee pet discount. E-mail cover letter, resume and phone number to: csorvari@franceavepethospital.com

Access Veterinary Care - Hiring awesome CVTs for a new clinic in the Crystal/Minneapolis area with an affordable focus. Looking for CVTs that want to maximize their skills, take leadership, have a voice, be treated with respect and enjoy a diverse client base. Come join our walk-in and urgent care center. No two days will be the same! More info is available at www.MyAccessVetCare.com/employment. Please send a cover letter and resume to info@MyAccessVetCare.com.

The Marshfield Clinic Health system is opening a new Vet Lab in St. Louis Park, MN and we are seeking motivated veterinary professionals to join our team. We offer Full-Time benefits including medical, dental, retirement, paid-time off and much more. This position is 36 hours per week and shifts could be scheduled M- Saturday from 7a.m – 7 p.m. We will look at both experience and new graduates of a vet tech program. To apply go to: <https://www.marshfieldclinic.org/careers> or contact Karla McGuigan at m McGuigan.karla@marshfieldclinic.org for further details.

Crow-Goebel Veterinary Clinic is a busy dog/cat practice with 5+ doctors seeking a motivated, dependable, creative and skilled CVT with strong multi-tasking ability to join our fun-loving team. Looking for someone with outstanding client communication skills and the ability to perform all the duties of a CVT. Clinical experience is preferred, however, not required. No nights. No weekends. Full-time consists of 9.5 hour shifts 4 days per week (preferred). Or, part-time position possible, 9.5 hour shifts 3 days per week. Day off varies. Benefits: Paid vacation and personal time, retirement benefit with company match, uniform allowance, continuing education allowance, pet services and product discount. Submit resumes by mail, fax or email. Crow-Goebel Veterinary Clinic, PA 1108 Scanlon Way

The **St. James Veterinary Clinic** in St. James, MN is expanding and has a need for a full time C.V.T. for our 2 Doctor mixed animal practice. Responsibilities will include all aspects of veterinary medicine including some receptionist and cleaning duties; hourly wage, with a raise after the probationary time, a discount on vet work for your pets. Some Saturdays required. Please send resume via email: stjamesvet@centurylink.net or mail: 33 6th Ave. S. St. James, MN 56081. Phone: 507-375-4441.

Make it Mankato! Come join our veterinary technician team at **Minnesota Valley Pet Hospital!** A busy, 5 doctor small animal practice located in Mankato, MN. Looking for a full time CVT to join our team of outstanding technicians who are vital to the care of our patients and their owners. Well equipped, progressive hospital, that has been serving the south central Minnesota community for over 40 years! Comprehensive benefit package with health care, 401K, PTO, CE, even birthday treats! Check us out at mnvalleypet.com. If you are interested, please feel free to send your resume to: Miriam Feist - 505 Madison Avenue, Mankato, MN 56001, or to mvph@hickorytech.net

Hudson Pet Hospital is a fast-paced small animal practice in Hudson, WI. We are looking for an experienced Veterinary Technician (but will consider all applicants). The position is full-time with the possibility of part-time. Job responsibilities include: great communication skills; ability to multi-task; blood draws/IV catheter placement; urinalysis and cytology; anesthesia and surgical monitoring; dental cleanings; animal restraint; and the ability to work independently or in a team environment. Contact: jenny@hudsonpethospital.com

River Hills Pet Care Hospital in Mankato, MN, is seeking a FT CVT with competent technician skills. Candidate must work independently and in a team environment to provide quality customer service and patient care. Submit resume to rhpch@hickorytech.net or call 507-388-4500.

Heritage Animal Hospital, Maple Grove, MN, is looking to hire an energetic and self-motivated full time Certified Veterinary Technician to join our fast paced 3-doctor small animal practice! Our practice is very technician led; candidates must have strong typing and oral communication skills as well as attention to detail and be able to multi-task. If you are looking for more pay, more medicine and more diagnostics while working in an energetic work environment with a great team, then this the place for you! Benefits include paid CE, uniform allowance, 401K, and vacation. Salary is very competitive but depends on qualifications. Please e-mail resume with references to email listed. Katrina Craidon, CVT; Heritage Animal Hospital, 12624 Bass Lake Road, Maple Grove, MN 55369; Phone: 763-559-7387; katrina@heritageanimalhospital.com

More Job Opportunities on page 4.

More Job Opportunities:

Mille Lacs Veterinary Clinic is seeking applicants for a FT CVT position for the Foley and Milaca clinics. Looking for a friendly, motivated individual dedicated to providing excellent care. We provide a great work environment and have excellent clients. Benefits include vaccination and holiday pay, retirement, paid time off for CE, a CE stipend, MAVT membership, and health insurance. CVT or working on certification required. Please send cover letter and resume to: mlvc.drochelle@qwestoffice.net

New Richmond Veterinary Clinic, WI, a Technician needed for busy 2 doctor small animal practice in New Richmond, WI. FT or PT available; experience preferred but willing to train the right individual. New grads encouraged to apply. Send resume to nrvetclinic@gmail.com subject: RESUME. www.nrvetclinic.com

Kenwood Pet Clinic, Fun Minneapolis clinic looking for a FT Veterinary Technician to join our team. One to three years of experience preferred, but new graduates welcome. Team-oriented and self-motivated candidates please email your resume to: anne@kenwoodpetclinic.com

Broadway Robbinsdale Animal Hospital is looking to add two Veterinary Technicians to their team. Candidates should come with a positive attitude and be great team players! Technicians rotate through surgery, lab and office appointments. Some Saturday mornings required. Salary and benefits commensurate with experience. Please call 612-522-4387 to set up an interview, or fax resume to 612-522-4389 attn: Jo Baker.

<http://www.broadwayrobbinsdaleanimalhospital.com/>

Animals Inc. Vet - We are searching for a full-time veterinary technician to join our growing team. We are a very busy 4 location practice in central MN. If you enjoy being fully utilized in a busy, fast-paced, yet fun work environment we want you! We offer competitive wages and an awesome benefit package. CVT preferred but not required. Interested? Contact Heidi via email at heidi@animalsincvet.net



More Convention News –



** OPEN AREA REPRESENTATIVE POSITIONS **

Southeast and Minneapolis. **If anyone is interested please email Meri Durand StateRep@mavt.net for more information. This position could also be shared if more than one person is interested.**

Breaks/Exhibitors Hall

Use break times between lectures to visit the Exhibitors Hall and remember to thank our sponsors for their support.

Exhibitor Hall hours are:

Thursday, February 15th, Noon - 5:30 pm
 Friday, February 16th, 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
 Saturday, February 17th, 8:00 am – 11:00 am



More Convention News (continued) –

Registration Desk- Registration packets including name badges, convention program, and special event tickets can be picked up at the registration desk located at the Mayo Civic Center, Rochester MN, at the corner of the Ballroom Lobby South and Lobby West.

The registration desk will be open for registration, packet pickup and at the door registration:

Thursday, February 15th - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Friday, February 16th - 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Saturday, February 17th - 7:00 AM to NOON

Proceeding Notes - All registrants will have access to the 2018 Proceedings online where you will be able to view, print and download lecture notes prior to and after the convention. **On

line proceedings for the 2018 Convention can be accessed using the following link **

<http://mavt2018.conferencespot.org/> login: username: MAVT2018 password: Mayo! No CD or paper proceedings will be provided.

Continuing Education Card - MAVT will provide CE Forms with your registration materials.

These forms have space for you to check off the seminars you attend and add up the hours earned for re-certification. Be sure to fill out the form and keep it in your CE File for verification when you renew your veterinary technician certification.

For additional information on [continuing education guidelines](#):

<https://mvma.memberclicks.net/assets/docs/CVT/2017%20ce%20guidelines.pdf>.

(NOTE: Saturday sessions are 1.25 hours and are equal to 1.25 CE credits,

Friday sessions are 1.0 hours and are equal to 1 CE credit. Any sessions that are

considered Non-Scientific according to MVMA guidelines are noted with a (NS) after the session title.)



MAVT Booth - Be sure to stop by MAVT's booth right next to our registration desk in the Ballroom Lobby South.

Schedule of Sessions - For full schedule of session topics, times and events, please see the [2018 MAVT Session Schedule](#): <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dgRrb1E1G4qAacLDIHeWpiGKWGMoiCxP/view>



Technician of the Year - **Nominations CLOSED for 2018 Technician of the Year **

Nominations closed January 26, 2018. Each year MAVT gives this award to a Veterinary Technician

who has gained the recognition of a doctor, co-worker, friend or even a family member for being a hard worker, going beyond the call of duty or just being there when needed. The nominee must be a

Certified Veterinary Technician and a current member of MAVT in good standing. New this year voting (MAVT members only) will be electronic with the winner announced at the 2018 Convention.

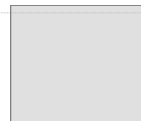
Volunteer – Minnesota Veterinary Medical Reserve Corps: still time to register for the PER 220 course (Emergency Response to Domestic Biologic Incidents). We will host 2 deliveries of the course in March: 19-20 in St. Paul and 22-23 in Alexandria. Questions, contact: Kathy Jorgensen DVM, MPH, DACVPM; Unit Leader/Coordinator Minnesota Veterinary Medical Reserve Corps coordinator.mnvmrc@gmail.com

Stop by the exhibitor booths and thank our MAVT convention sponsors.

Silver Sponsor



Platinum Sponsor



Minnesota Association of
Veterinary Technicians
PO BOX 580194
Minneapolis, MN 55458-0194

PHONE:
(612) 442-4331 or
(612) 442-4336 or
(612)756-3326

FAX:
N/A

E-MAIL:
aerobic_debi@yahoo.com

We're on the Web!
Visit us at:
www.MAVT.NET

MAVT VOICE

Minnesota Association of Veterinary
Technicians
(Attn.: Debi Mahoney)
PO BOX 580194
Minneapolis, MN 55458-0194

**MAVT
MEMBER/GUEST**