#### **April 2016**







#### Membership Meetings:

- Next Meeting: Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>; 7 p.m.
- Please contact President Sarah Lemm if you wish to attend the meetings.
- \*Check the MAVT calendar on the website for meeting dates, times & location.
- May Newsletter deadline, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

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# **MAVT:**Business Meeting

The next MAVT Business Meeting is Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.



## More on MAVT Certification:

Not yet a graduate of an AVMA accredited Program?

 You may view the current list of AVMA accredited schools on the MVMA website: www.mvma.org.

## Accredited Schools/Programs

details.

 Are you looking for more information about the VTNE? Check out MVMA's website, or visit www.aavsb.org for

### Minnesota Veterinary Technician Certification -

### Veterinary Technician Certification Requirements

To become a Certified Veterinary Technician in Minnesota, candidates must submit an application for Minnesota Certification, be a graduate of an AVMA accredited Veterinary Technology program, and have a passing score on the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE). There is a \$60.00 Certification fee.

have you met all the requirements? Apply for certification at MVMA.org, Vet Techs tab. You may either apply online, or download the form to mail to the MVMA at:

MVMA 101 Bridgepoint Way, Ste 100 South St. Paul, MN 5507



Information has been sent out to Program Directors at the area colleges. There will be five (5) \$1,000 scholarships up for award. Look for further announcements on our MAVT website:

www.mavt.net and/or in future editions of the newsletter.





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### **Job Opportunities:**

**AEVS, Affiliated Emergency Veterinary Service and Animal Emergency and Referral** Center, Twin Cities have ongoing openings in: Triage Technician, Veterinary Technician and Customer Service Representative. For more information and application download, please check out their website: www.aevs.com and http://aercmn.com/aboutus/employment/

For more Job Opportunities see page 3.

### **How to Place a Job Ad**

Job ads may be UP TO 75 don't specify a specific 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 back cover of each issue. There is no charge. If you

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:**

Lakes Veterinary Hospital is a small animal practice looking for a part-full time VetTech, who is self-motivated and punctual. Applicants should have good communication and phone skills, detailed orientated, computer competent, and a team player. Tech must be able to work some Saturdays and some Wednesday evenings. They must also be able to remain calm in a fast paced environment. Familiarity with Cornerstone and inventory management a plus but not required. Salary based on experience; benefits; for further information or to submit a resume with cover letter email <a href="mailto:naddersamaridvm@gmail.com">naddersamaridvm@gmail.com</a>.

**Growing, newer Metro Pet Hospital,** small animal practice seeks a PT veterinary technician potentially transitioning to FT in the spring. CVT or vet assistant with surgery experience (convenient Minneapolis location). Send resume to metropetah@gmail.com

University of Minnesota Veterinary Medical Center, if you are a credentialed veterinary technician and looking for a challenging position, the U of M VM Center on the St. Paul campus has a number of opportunities you may be interested in: Emergency, Wards, After-hours Dispensary, Intensive Care Unit, Dermatology, and Shift Supervisor. To see more detailed information about these positions and to apply, visit the U of M online employment website: <a href="http://www1.umnedu/ohr/employment">http://www1.umnedu/ohr/employment</a>

Stillwater Veterinary Clinic, is seeking a FT CVT to join our team. We've been a part of the St. Croix Valley for over 40 years providing a full range of high-quality, compassionate care for dogs and cats (digital radiology, ultrasound, and inhouse complete blood count and serum chemistry platforms; also, offer surgery, hospitalization and wellness plans) Competitive compensation and a comprehensive benefit package (health and dental insurance) and a 401k plan. Please email your resume to Raeana Rice at ricex302@umn.edu. Check out our website: www.stillwaterveterinaryclinic.com or call #651-439-3200 (ask for Raeana).

**Dr. Eric Bohl**, DVM, LLC, New Richmond, WI, opening for a Vet Tech – Receptionist, looking for an experienced, accountable and mature person for Mixed Practice located 40 miles east of St. Paul, located in a great community; phone: (715)246-0625, (715)248-7808; check out our website: <a href="https://www.dvmvet.com">www.dvmvet.com</a>,

**Rum River Veterinary Clinic**, Anoka, wanted experienced CVT, FT position available; call: 763-421-6995, FAX Resume to 763-421-8168, or Email: <a href="mailto:RUMRIVERVET@aol.com">RUMRIVERVET@aol.com</a>

**Edinburgh Pet Health Center**, Brooklyn Park, MN, AAHA accredited practice is expanding and need the help of another FT CVT. We value our staff & utilize their skills, knowledge and experience fully; competitive compensation and benefit

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package commensurate with experience. Work with us in our modern hospital, with excellent clients; we were honored to receive a 2014 Super Service Award from Angie's list in recognition of our top-notch service. Send your resume to contact@edinburghpets.com

Excelsior Animal Hospital, FT CVT for a 3 doctor practice in the western suburbs of the Twin Cities; great benefits package (uniforms, PTO, medical/dental, SIMPLE Plan, Pet Care Fringe) plus \$500 signing bonus (after successful completion of 90 day introductory period); 5-day work week (Mon. – Fri.), experience preferred. Contact Dr. Patricia Keyes or Jessy, practice manager @ 952-474-1106/FAX 952-474-6058; email questions or resume to

excelsioranimalhospital@gmail.com

Woodlake Veterinary Hospital, AAHA accredited hospital serving our clients and community for over 50 years; 3 doctor, service-focused practice. We are searching for a Veterinary Technician Student and a Veterinary Technician. The Veterinary Technician position salary is DOE, receive discounted veterinary care, paid time off, full benefits package and ample continuing education opportunities. Phone: 612-861-7461 or woodlake@nvanet.com.

South Metro Animal Emergency Care in Apple Valley, MN is looking for Full-time experienced CVTs for our Night/Weekend/Holiday Emergency Service or Daytime Internal Medicine& Surgery Service. The ideal candidates will be self-motivated and be able to work in a fast paced environment. Competitive Wages and great benefits! Full job description posted at: <a href="http://smaec.com/available-job-positions/">http://smaec.com/available-job-positions/</a> Email resume to Annette@smaec.com.

Country Doc Veterinary Clinic, Pine River, is seeking a FT CVT; paid vacation and hourly rate range from \$13 - \$18/hour, depending on experience. We are located just north of the Brainerd Lakes area. Call 218-851-9996, for more info.

Maryland Avenue Pet Hospital, St. Paul, is a busy small animal practice, with growing clientele; looking to expand our practice to offer a wider variety of services. We are seeking a FT Veterinary Technician; utilized in all aspects of the veterinary practice. Includes some Saturdays; starting wage \$12 - \$18/hour, depending on experience; benefits include CE and vacation. New graduates and students are encouraged to apply. Please email resume to: ccah@qwestoffice.net



(More job opportunities on page 4)

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**SPARTA Small Animal Veterinary Clinic**, Sparta, WI, is seeking a FT CVT to join our team; an established two doctor general practice. Need to be proficient in radiology techniques, laboratory procedures, dentistry and routine veterinary care. Must be self-motivated, efficient, have the ability to multitask, and work well in a team setting; provide proof of state certification or have the ability to become certified within 6 months of employment. An interest

in canine rehabilitation and/or animal behavior is a

plus. New graduates are encouraged to apply! Please

submit cover letter, resume and references to: Sparta

Small Animal Veterinary Clinic – Attn.: Laura Graves, Practice Manager, 1701 W. Wisconsin St., Sparta, WI

54656; FAX: 608-269-4965, or email: spartavetclinic@centurytel.net

Camden Pet Hospital, Minneapolis, looking for FT CVT; this is a full-time position with full benefits package, we compensate for experience! We are a busy three-doctor veterinary hospital, looking for an intelligent, focused, detail and team-oriented CVT to help us grow. Please reply via email and include: Cover Letter (with what special talents you bring to our team), Complete resume, and wage requirements. Email: apply@camdenpet.com

**South Hyland Pet Hospital**, Bloomington, is an AAHA Accredited practice dedicated to serving people and pets with caring hearts and caring hands. Our practice has grown rapidly; we are in need of a FT CVT to join our team; full benefits. Visit our website: <a href="https://www.SouthHyland.com">www.SouthHyland.com</a>; to apply - <a href="http://goo.gl/kUkGvi">http://goo.gl/kUkGvi</a>

Hutchinson Pet Hospital, Hutchinson, is seeking enthusiastic, self-motivated people person to join our team. Must be a CVT with excellent skills; PT to FT position available. Send resume to: Hutchinson Pet Hospital 760 Century Ave. SW, Hutchinson, MN 55350; or email: <a href="mailto:tami@hutchinsonpethospital.com">tami@hutchinsonpethospital.com</a>

Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital, is seeking both an experienced FT Veterinary Technician (CVT preferred) and Veterinary Assistant. The Technician is able to perform a variety of responsibilities (blood draws, place catheters, anesthesia, dental, radiology and more). Please email your resume and cover letter to Jenny and Jessica, Practice Managers at: <a href="mailto:ighorders@tds.net">ighorders@tds.net</a>, check out our website at <a href="mailto:www.ighvet.com">www.ighvet.com</a>

**Safety Call, and Pet Poison Helpline**, now hiring! Website for full positions descriptions: <a href="https://www.petpoisonhelpline.com">www.petpoisonhelpline.com</a> and <a href="https://www.safetycall.com">www.safetycall.com</a>

Immediate Full and Part time CVTs to do all Veterinary Technician duties and work with both Horses and Small Animals for Medicine, Surgery and daily maintenance. Skills included are TCVM Acupuncture, Digital X-ray, Ultrasound, Equine Dentals, Endoscopy, Surgical and Therapy Lasers, Chem Analyzers, cultures and laboratory testing including EIA Lab. It is currently a 1+ Veterinarian Practice 96 miles west of Minneapolis. Many of these things can be learned and I seed a motivated individual that likes to get things done. Benefits will include Health Insurance and Retirement assistance. Receptionist skills and compassionate people and animal skills are necessary. Some emergency work may be needed. Saturday mornings shared work hours. Email: <a href="mailto:buckeqal@mvtvwireless.com">buckeqal@mvtvwireless.com</a> or call Dr Alex at 320-212-8827c 967-4412w



WILLOW PET HOSPITAL, Austin, MN, has an immediate opening for a full time CVT. Looking for the best of the best - a self-motivated, energetic person committed to practicing compassionate quality medicine. Our hospital is fully equipped and modern including digital x-ray, digital dental x-ray and ultrasound. Contact: <a href="mailto:info@willowpethospital.com">info@willowpethospital.com</a>

Animal Medical Center, Hutchinson, MN, We are seeking a FT CVT to join our busy, progressive, state of the art mixed animal veterinary practice. Job duties include: lab work, anesthesia, dental prophylaxis, radiology, patient monitoring, surgical assistance, and client education. Applicants must have excellent communication skills, highly motivated and team orientated. We offer excellent wages & benefits. Please email your resume to <a href="mailto:animaldr@hutchtel.net">animaldr@hutchtel.net</a>.



### MAVT Certification & Recertification - Transferring Credentials From Another State

If you are currently certified in another state and are seeking certification in Minnesota, the following information must be received by the MVMA office.

- Application, including application fee
- Copy of diploma or official transcript from an AVMA accredited program
- VTNE score
  - o To request a score transfer from the AAVSB, visit www.aavsb.org
- Letter of good standing from the state(s) in which you are currently certified
  - To request this letter, please contact the organization that currently handles your credentials and request a letter to be sent to the MVMA at 101 Bridgepoint Way, Ste 100, South St. Paul, MN 55075.

#### Minnesota Horse Expo

The Minnesota Horse Expo runs from Friday, April 22 through Sunday, April 24 at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds. A maquette of the proposed Dan Patch sculpture will be on display at the expo, and Dan Patch Project organizers will sell shirts, sweatshirts and mugs to raise funds for the project.

In addition, the Dan Patch Historical Society will give presentations about the famous pacer at noon on Friday, April 22 and 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 23.

More information about the expo can be found at <a href="www.mnhorseexpo.org">www.mnhorseexpo.org</a> and more info about the Dan Patch Project can be found at <a href="www.danpatchproject.org">www.danpatchproject.org</a>



Two presentations highlighting Dan Patch and M.W. Savage will also be given during the expo by Dan Patch Historical Society Vice President George Augustinack, charter member Will Williams, city of Savage Mayor Janet Williams, and Lundin. The presentations will be Friday, April 22 from noon to 12:55 p.m., and Saturday, April 23 from 4 to 5 p.m. Both presentations will be in the Cattle Barn Speaker Arena.

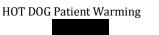
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#### Partners for Healthy Pets Preventive Care Workbook Webinar

Preventive Pet Healthcare: Your Guide to Becoming a Practice Champion is a workbook developed by your peers, designed for you. It's your guide to lead a step-by-step process to increase the emphasis on preventive healthcare in your practice. It includes tips from getting support from your practice leadership to developing effective ways to roll out plans to the entire staff. You can use this workbook to help your team become aligned on your practice's philosophy and speak with one voice. Let this workbook be your roadmap to making a difference with your patients, clients, practice, team and you. Go to <a href="https://www.NAVTA.net">www.NAVTA.net</a> and watch the webinar to get your program started!

Animals in the News – Alisha Srock is a 25-year-old living with cerebral palsy, as well as a new-found sense of independence thanks to her canine partner, Maverick. Because of him, Alisha can live on her own and go to college with peace of mind. You can read her story in her unsolicited, heartfelt letter at: www.can-do-canines.org

**BART** – has been busy training the Minneapolis and Chisago Fire departments.

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