



Membership Meetings:

- Next Meeting: Monday, August 8th; 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.
- September Newsletter deadline, August 25th.

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MAVT: News from NAVTA Business Meeting

The next MAVT Business Meeting is Monday, August 8th, 7:00 p.m., Area: Metro, Location: Globe University, Woodbury, room #106. *September Board Meeting: Saturday, September 10th, 10 a.m.*



ALL Members are welcome!

13th Veterinary Technician Specialty Recognized by NAVTA

August 16th, 2016 - Albert Lea, Minnesota: The National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA) announces the thirteenth veterinary technician specialty academy to the veterinary technology profession. The Academy

of Veterinary Ophthalmic Technicians (AVOT) has been recognized as an official specialty by NAVTA. The AVOT joins the existing twelve NAVTA recognized veterinary technician specialties: dentistry, anesthesia/analgesia, internal medicine, emergency & critical care, surgery, equine, zoology, behavior, clinical practice, nutrition, clinical pathology and dermatology. *(continued on page 4)*



MVMA – Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association:

Are you a Relief Veterinary Technician?

MVMA wants you to know:

We want the MAVT membership to know that the MVMA now has a Relief CVT list on our website. If you are a CVT and do Relief work, you can list yourself on our CVT

Relief List page that is available to MVMA members, in the "members only" area at MVMA.org. The link to add your information to our CVT Relief list is: https://mvma.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mcform&view=form&id=14504. You will need to log in first.

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Job Opportunities:

**AEVS, Affiliated
Emergency Veterinary
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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/about-
us/employment/](http://aercmn.com/about-us/employment/)

For more Job Opportunities
see page 3.

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



Job Opportunities:

Maryland Avenue Pet Hospital is a busy small animal practice in Saint Paul, seeking a FT/PT Veterinary Technician. Our technicians are utilized in all aspects of the veterinary practice. Starting wage is \$15-\$18/hour depending on experience (2+ years of experience, required. Benefits include CE and vacation.

Duluth Veterinary Hospital, We are currently looking for a full-time veterinary technician to work in a fast-paced, 3-doctor, small animal practice. Your skills will be highly utilized in radiology, anesthesia, surgical assistance, dentistry, lab, client interaction/education and animal handling. Please contact Joanne or Denise or send resume' and cover letter to: Duluth Veterinary Hospital 2015 London Rd. Duluth, MN 55812; phone #218-728-3616.

KITTY KLINIC, located at 3447 Lyndale Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN 55408; ph.: 612-822-2135 We currently have a part time Veterinary Technician position open in our busy feline only practice. We are seeking a motivated candidate to join our staff immediately!! This position is a great opportunity to utilize your skills as a veterinary technician. Please contact Nancy Hennen, CVT if interested. You may leave a message at 612-822-2135 or send an email to: nooknorth@comcast.net

Silver Lake Animal Hospital, an AAHA-Accredited small animal hospital in the east metro suburbs, is looking for immediate FT CVT. New graduates pending certification welcome. We are looking for an individual who is self-motivated, professional, has excellent communication skills and strong technical abilities, and also embodies a team approach. Please e-mail resume and cover letters to silverlakeanimal@qwestoffice.net or Fax Attn to: Dr. Frost or Lora Z. @ (651) 748-1902

Heritage Animal Hospital, Maple Grove, is looking for 2 FT or PT CVTs. We are a 3-doctor, small animal practice that specializes in cats, dogs and pocket pets. We are looking for someone who is self-motivated, works well alone and with others, a positive attitude, and has client/patient well being in their best interest. We offer medicine, surgery, boarding and grooming. Duties: in-patient and out-patient appointments, anesthesia, surgery dentistry, lab and pharmacy skills. Benefits include paid CE, uniform allowance, 401K and vacation. Salary depends on qualifications. Contact: Katrina Craidon, CVT - Heritage Animal Hospital, 12624 Bass Lake Road, Maple Grove, MN 55369; phone #763-559-7387, email: Katrina@heritageanimalhospital.com

Bluffs Pet Clinic, in Red Wing, MN, is looking for a Full time Veterinary Technician. We are a busy AAHA Accredited,

small animal, 3 doctor practice that provides traditional medicine as well as eastern medicine and acupuncture. Ideal candidate will be energetic, outgoing, and have excellent customer service skills. Schedule consists of 4 day work weeks and rotating Saturdays. Benefits include medical, 401K, vacation, holiday, and more. Please email resume to kaya@bluffspetclinic.com.

Crow-Goebel Veterinary Clinic, Cloquet, MN Busy dog/cat practice with 4+ 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. Wage is dependent on experience. Submit resumes by mail, fax or email. Crow-Goebel Veterinary Clinic, 1108 Scanlon Way Cloquet, MN 55720/ Ph: (218) 879-5356; Fax: (218) 879-1874 Email: cgvcresumes@gmail.com

South 71 Veterinary Clinic, a mixed animal practice with 8 veterinarians, 10 FT technicians, 1 part time technician, 1 office manager, and several part time employees; located in central Minnesota. Willmar is our main location with satellite clinics in Benson and Granite Falls. We currently have 2 FT CVT openings. Must have a good work ethic, be able to work weekends and on call on a rotating schedule. Most of the hands on work with the animals is small animal; large animal product knowledge and skills are a must; and must be able to handle pressure due to our very busy schedule. Job skills: Laboratory, Surgical, Nursing, Client Communications, Radiology, etc. Salary: Negotiable. We do working interviews. Contact Information: A resume is required - email, fax or mail - no phone calls, please. South 71 Veterinary Clinic, Laurel DuVall - Office Manager, 4119 Abbott Drive, Willmar, MN 56201; FAX #:320-235-0115.

Hutchinson Veterinary, Hutchinson, MN; FT CVT desired for our expanding practice. New grads welcome, experience a plus. We are 1 hour west of the Twin Cities in a growing city of 14,000 with associated amenities - great parks, schools, trails, and lakes. We are an established clinic with full diagnostic capabilities. Our Technicians get to use the training they have received. Benefits, PTO, 401k, bonus incentives and signing bonus! Send resume to animaldr@hutchtel.net or call Katie at 320-587-4044.





News from NAVTA *(continued from page 1)*

"The NAVTA Veterinary Technician Specialties give veterinary technicians an option for career advancement by taking their skill set to a veterinary technician specialist level by mastering an advanced skill set and education in a specific area driven by their passion," stated Ann Wortinger, BIS, LVT, VTS (ECC, SAIM, Nutrition), Chairperson of the NAVTA Committee on Veterinary Technician Specialties (CVTS). "We are thrilled to have an increasing number of veterinary technicians seeking this level of specialization, as well as an increasing interest in recognition in various areas of veterinary medicine."

"The AVOT's mission is to advocate ocular health while advancing the knowledge and practice standards in the field of ophthalmology. The Academy operates under the guidance of NAVTA and the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (ACVO) to foster yearly continuing education, professional development, and networking with industry partners.", says Natalie Herring, LVT, President of the AVOT.

The NAVTA Committee on Veterinary Technician Specialists was formed in 1994 and is recognized by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). The Committee provides guidelines to the veterinary technician organizations to facilitate the formation of a specialty and assists the Academies throughout their years while in existence. Academies develop pathways and advanced standards that candidates must complete and maintain in order to be awarded the designation of Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS) in their specific discipline.

The National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA), is a non-profit organization that represents and promotes the profession of Veterinary Technology. NAVTA provides direction, education, support and coordination for its members. Incorporated in 1981, NAVTA is the national organization devoted exclusively to developing and enhancing the profession of veterinary technology. For more information about NAVTA and the Veterinary Technician Specialties, visit their website at www.navta.net.

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**CE (from July “The Voice”):
MVMA Academy Seminar
Nutrition and Internal Medicine
September 15, 2016 • 9:00 am – 4:30 pm
Seminars**

8:00 – 9:00 am - Registration and Continental breakfast
9:00 – 10:00 am **What Foods These Morsels be –
Nutritional Assessment**

This presentation will summarize the AAHA Nutritional Assessment Guidelines and the ACVN iterative process for nutritional assessment of patients.

10:00 – 10:15 - Break

10:15 – 11:15 **Phood for Nephrons –
Nutrition and More for CKD**

Nutrition is an important part of management of patients with chronic kidney disease. This presentation will focus on nutritional management of patients with chronic kidney disease including dietary strategies and pharmacologic therapy aimed at maintaining nutritional condition, modifying progression of kidney disease, managing uremic gastroenteritis, modifying metabolic derangements, treating neuroendocrine imbalances, and managing comorbidities.

11:15 – 12:15 **Meals for Wheels - Nutrition and Osteoarthritis**

This presentation will present information on preventing and treating osteoarthritis in dogs with some information in cats. Prevention of osteoarthritis involves decreasing risk of developmental orthopedic disease.



12:15 – 1:15 pm - Lunch

1:15 - 2:15 pm **Reactions by Consumers -
Adverse Food Reactions**

Pet owners are more aware of adverse food reactions since the melamine/cyanuric acid associated renal failure issue. This presentation will discuss adverse food reactions including immunological and nonimmunological causes with emphasis on managing inflammatory bowel disease.

2:15 - 3:15 pm **IBD Integrative Therapies**

Reactions by consumers: Integrative therapy for IBD. Diet and pharmacological therapy are the mainstay of treating dogs and cats with inflammatory bowel disease. There is a growing body of evidence for complementary and integrative medicine therapies in treating inflammatory bowel disease. This presentation will focus on these therapies.

3:15 – 3:30 - Break

3:30 - 4:30 pm **RAW or WAR - Homemade and
Raw Food Diets**

This presentation will discuss potential advantages and disadvantages of homemade diets including raw food diets and handling pet owners that wish to feed homemade and raw food diets

Animal in the News –



Living with a New Reality Natalie Regenscheid & Hearing Assist Dog Nadia

Natalie Regenscheid of St. Peter, Minn. was born with severe hearing loss, but she admits that over the years she's had a hard time acknowledging she has a disability.

"I thought I was fine," Natalie explains. "I've lived with this my entire life-I know how to take care of myself."

As Natalie prepared to graduate college and strike out on her own, however, her parents encouraged her to seek out help and suggested Can Do Canines. Natalie was not fully convinced. She worried an assistance dog might make others stare and she wouldn't be able to live a normal life.

After applying to Can Do Canines and being partnered with Hearing Assist Dog Nadia, however, she's found that couldn't be further from the truth.



From NAVTA's website: www.NAVTA.net

What's the difference between a Society and an Academy?

A **Society** is for individuals interested in a specific discipline of veterinary medicine that must represent a distinct and identifiable specialty, supported by an existing veterinary specialty.

An **Academy** designates veterinary technicians receiving recognition as a specialty and is restricted to credentialed veterinary technicians, who must complete a formal process of education, training, experience and testing to qualify.

Up next month: Academies approved by NAVTA.

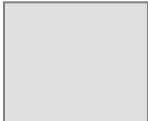
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