

January 2016



The Voice

Membership Meetings:

- Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 19th. Please contact MAVT President, Darcy Mattson if you wish to join us.
- Check the MAVT calendar on the website for meeting dates, times & location.
- February Newsletter deadline, January 25th.

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MAVT: Upcoming Business Meeting

The next MAVT Business Meeting will be Tuesday, January 19th.
Area: Twin Cities
Time: 7 – 9 p.m.
Location: U of M.



ALL Members are welcome!

More MAVT Convention:

Equine Herpes Virus, Large Animal Reproductive Management, Beyond Floats and Wolf Teeth, Pain Control Options in Small Ruminants, Proper Rodent Handling and Safe Sample Collection Techniques, Cardiac disease, Exotic Animal Critical Care, and Exotic Animal Anesthesia are some of the offerings for the Large Animal and Exotic/Lab Animal topics.

For Technician Plus, there are sessions on Pet's-End-of-Life – How to Include Children, and Helping the Grieving

MAVT Convention Time! February 5 – 6, 2016

To be held at the **Minneapolis Hilton**
1001 Marquette Ave.

Online Registration: save when you register online by January 21, 2016.
www.mavt.net

Check out the line-up of Convention topics and “extra events” on our website: www.mavt.net – events – convention.

We are able to bring in an array of speakers for Small Animal General, Small Animal Advanced, Large Animal, Technician Plus and Exotic/Lab Animal topics. Sessions include: Canine Influenza Virus, Chronic Heart Failure, Feline Enrichment, Urine Trouble: Feline Male Urinary Obstruction, Dentistry, Transfusion Medicine, Nursing Care in the ICU, Stabilization Monitoring of the Critical Patient, and Treating the DKA Patient are a few of the offerings for Small Animal General and Small Animal Advanced topics.



Client. Also, offered are: The Battle against Compassion Fatigue, Signs of Suicide Recognition and Prevention, and Animal Cruelty Examination and documentation.

There are the Breakfast Sessions on both Friday and Saturday, from 7:00 – 8:30. Also, on Saturday, is the Annual MAVT Business Meeting – complete with door prizes (*Must pre-register, for some of these events.*)!!

Save money by registering online by January 21st.



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Chair: OPEN



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knowledge and
competence..."*



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/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
the specified date which is
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don't specify a specific
amount of time, your ad
will run for one month. If
you want to continue an
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don't need to resubmit,
just call or email your
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if your ad hasn't run in a
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wish to make changes.
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Or, phone #952-443-3019
(this is also the phone
number if you have
questions).



Job Opportunities:

Hutchinson Pet Hospital, Hutchinson, MN, SEEKING Enthusiastic, self-motivated people person to join our team. Technician must be a Certified Veterinary Technician with excellent skills. Part-Time position available; send resume to Hutchinson Pet Hospital, 760 Century Ave. SW, Hutchinson, MN 55350 or email tami@hutchinsonpethospital.com

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 naddersamaridvm@gmail.com.

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



Animals in the News -



Can Do Canines trains Assist

Dogs to help people in many areas of life.

Assist Dogs are for: hearing loss, mobility challenges, seizure disorders, Type 1 Diabetes, and Childhood Autism, to name a few. Check out their website: [www. Can-do-canines.org](http://www.Can-do-canines.org)

From BART – www.basicanimalrescuetraining.org



BART happenings:

- Jack was in Oklahoma talking with emergency response leaders, fire school, fire chiefs and various veterinary members.
- BART had a booth at the veterinary conference in Oklahoma.
- **BART in Iowa:**
 - *Trained IA Instructors on LA curriculum
 - *Dr. Amanda Steffen spoke to the IA Professional Fire Chiefs
 - *Dr. Janet Olson spoke to the IA HSEM Conference
 - *Jack spoke to the IA Volunteer Fire Chiefs
- Trained Johnson Co first responders in Iowa City (SA/LA)
- Dr. Amanda Steffen spoke to the ISU veterinary students
- Dr. Amanda Steffen spoke to the Polk Co Fire Chiefs Association





Minnesota Veterinary Medical Reserve Corps

Please note there are no upcoming REP trainings. *The Department of Human Services requires this training yearly for responders who participate in drills and exercises:*

> Check out the online option:

<https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/hsem/radiological-emergency-preparedness/Pages/rep-training.aspx>

This site also has many training videos at the bottom of the page, and I would encourage you to view these.

When you attend these trainings, please make sure you sign in as an MNVMRC member. Veterinarians and CVTs receive CE credits for this training.

Kathy Jorgensen, Unit Leader MNVMRC

MAVT Needs You!

Please consider becoming a part of our Team! Go to the MAVT Booth to find out what positions are up for re-election this year.

- ALL Committees are open for recruitment.
- Nominate a fellow Veterinary Technician for one of the positions, or consider one for yourself!
- Consider being an Area Rep.



SAVE THE DATE!

VETERINARY TRAINING & CONSULTING, INC. WEBINAR SCHEDULE FOR 2016!

CPR for the Veterinary Technician

January 18, 2016, 6PM Pacific

Webinar Course Description: This one hour interactive CPR webinar

teaches veterinary technicians and assistants to effectively recognize and treat cardiac arrest during the critical first minutes in a veterinary practice. The Recover initiative will be discussed along with more advanced techniques such as intravenous drug administration and defibrillation. Register now to save your seat!

<http://www.anymeeting.com/PIID=EC52DB8880473Ahttp://www.anymeeting.com/PIID=EC52DB8880473A>

UPCOMING WEBINARS! REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

DENTISTRY 101: EXAMS, CLEANING, & CHARTING, OH MY!

Instructor:: Mary Berg, BS, RVT, RLATG, VTS (Dentistry).

CE: 1.5hrs RACE CE

February 8, 2016, 6pm Pacific

Want to stay ahead of the game and be the first in your clinic to hear about webinars being offered by Veterinary Training & Consulting, Inc? Join me on Facebook!

NEW DRUGS & OLD TRICKS: UPDATES TO ANESTHETIC & ANALGESIA OPTIONS!

Instructor: Tasha McNerney, BS, CVT.

CE: 1 hour RACE CE

March 7, 2016, 6pm Pacific

Are you a member of a Veterinary Technician Organization?

Check your organization email for a special discount code on any live webinar presented by VTAC, Inc!

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Dear Supporters of Christian Veterinary Mission,



We will be having our 25th MNCVM Prayer Breakfast, to be held February 5, 2016. In celebration of our 25th year, we are planning a special program with the following features:

- We are inviting all the veterinarian speakers of those 25 years to be with us to participate in the program. Of course some cannot come but we hope a good number can.
- We are asking all the speakers whether they can come or not to prepare a short or long paper entitled "How has my involvement with CVM changed my life".
- We have been assured that **Dr. Kit Flowers**, Executive Director of CVM will join us and be our featured speaker. Kit and Jan were CVM Missionaries to the Maasai people for 5 years. When Dr. Ray Dayton was killed in a road accident while a missionary to the Maasai, God called Kit to take Ray's place. Later, in 1993, Kit replaced Dr. Leroy Dorminy, CVM Founder & Director. Under Kit's leadership, CVM has grown rapidly.
- CVM will have a booth at the meeting; Kit will be available there to give opportunity to interact with him.

Some of you may have missed the news that Dr. Jenny Aldridge has agreed to be my co-state rep. for MN. Jenny has very successful small animal practices in and around Savage MN.

We are informing those on our mailing list early so when it comes to who goes where in a practice, this Breakfast is a valued choice. Having Kit come with his busy schedule is a real sacrifice on his part. Jenny and I are praying the Breakfast attendance will surpass any previous one as an affirmation to CVM and Kit. We look forward to seeing you at the Minneapolis Hilton located at 1001 Marquette Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55403 on February 5, 2016, at 7:00am.

Blessings,

Dr. Tom Wanous wanoust@aol.com

Dr. Jenny Aldridge momewe@integra.net

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Take the Leptospirosis Risk Assessment at LEPTOEQINNOVATOR.com and review your horse's risk factors with your veterinarian. For every completed risk assessment, Zoetis will donate \$1 to A Home for Every Horse.

Leptospirosis is a costly and under diagnosed bacterial disease that can pose devastating health risks to horses.

Exposure to *Leptospira* is common nationwide.

Horses can become infected with leptospires through contact with urine from wildlife, cattle or dogs. Standing water and rainfall can pose an increased risk.

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- It's been estimated that up to 70% of all ERU (Equine Recurrent Uveitis) cases are associated with *Leptospira*.
- \$2.1 BILLION: the estimated economic impact of leptospiral-associated ERU in the U.S., including the cost of diagnosis, treatment and loss in horse value due to visual impairment or blindness.
- Up to 13% of equine bacterial abortions in endemic regions are caused by *Leptospira*.
- \$102 MILLION: the estimated losses from leptospiral-associated abortions in Thoroughbred horses in Kentucky from 1993-2012.

*Currently, there are no vaccines available with USDA-licensed label claims against equine abortions, recurrent uveitis or acute renal failure due to *L. pomona*.



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