



134th Annual Convention

November 4-6, 2016 • Lombard, Illinois

Welcome to the ISVMA Annual Convention! Convention is ISVMA's annual flagship event — an opportunity to provide a great service to its members and also a great opportunity for our members to support our association. Convention is the best value for high-quality continuing education and a great venue for connecting with colleagues from all over Illinois. Our Exhibit Hall provides opportunities to explore new relationships or reconnect with our industry partners. Visit our vendors and sponsors in the Exhibit Hall — they help to make convention affordable for all. A very special thank-you to our sponsors and vendors alike!

2016 Convention Speakers

- Jessica Antonicic, CVT, VTS (Anesth.)
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- Matt Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVS
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 - Kathy Cooney, DVM
- Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR
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 - Coleen Ellis, CT, CPLP
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- Nicole Lewis, CVT, VTS (ECC)
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- Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS
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- Vicky Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (Nutr.)
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Convention Host Hotel

Westin Lombard Yorktown Center
70 Yorktown Center
Lombard, IL 60148

Located just 30 minutes west of Chicago and steps from Yorktown Shopping Center, with plentiful shops, restaurants and evening activities, the hotel is easily accessible from all major expressways as well as O'Hare International and Midway airports. Complimentary parking

and covered garage parking for registered hotel guests are available on-site.

Call the Westin Lombard Yorktown Center directly at (888) 627-9031, and ask for the ISVMA room rate. Single/double \$119 (plus 11 percent tax). There is no charge for parking.

Special room rates end October 12, 2016, at 5 p.m. Reserve your room today!

Going Green

Registration Confirmations

All registrants will need to provide an email address to forward registration confirmations. The ISVMA respects your privacy and will not sell or forward your email address. Email addresses are for internal use only.

Convention Proceedings/Handouts and Annual Meeting

Handouts for educational sessions, wet labs and the annual meeting will be posted online for download and printing. Materials will be posted after October 7, 2016.

What Are My Options if I Am a Note Taker?

You should print off each session's proceedings/handouts before coming to convention, or you can download session proceedings/handouts to a flash drive or hard drive on your computer and bring the laptop to each session. *Please note: Attendees will only be able to access Wifi in the hotel lobby and in their hotel rooms.*

What Are My Options if I Prefer Printed Convention Proceedings?

Print copies of the convention proceedings, including all sessions, may be preordered for a cost of \$60. Last year's proceedings book was 500-plus pages. Check off your preference when completing the convention registration form on page 23. A ticket showing proof of purchase will be placed in your registration packet. Exchange your ticket for the printed proceedings in a three-ring binder at the convention registration desk area.

Thank you!

We couldn't do it without you.

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What if I Didn't Preorder?

A very limited number of printed proceedings will be available on-site. Order forms will be at the registration desk for delivery post-convention. An additional \$15 shipping/handling fee will be added to ordered proceedings for a total charge of \$75.

CE Opportunities

CE: What You Need to Know!

All educational sessions will take place at the Westin Lombard. Please note, the USDA sessions and all wet labs require preregistration.

How Many CE Hours Can I Earn?

Friday only – 6.0 hours

Saturday only – 8.0 hours

Sunday only – 6.0 hours

Full convention – 20 hours (Make sure to closely review the schedule to see if any CE will be held during meals, exhibit hall hours or in evenings.)

If you are unclear about how much CE credit you will receive based on the sessions you plan to attend, please contact the ISVMA convention desk for assistance. It is your ethical responsibility to attend the entire session of every CE hour for which you will receive credit.

USDA Accreditation Training Courses

There are no additional fees to participate in the training, and enrollment is open to all. However, preregistration by accredited veterinarians is mandatory for training credit. On-site/walk-in registration for training credit will not be permitted. Attendance will be ticketed and tracked. The class maximum is 60.

USDA Accreditation Program Training Sessions – Part of This Year's Convention

Under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) revised National Veterinary Accreditation Program, accreditation status expires every three years. As a requirement of renewal, each participating veterinarian must complete the mandated three hours or six hours of continuing education provided specifically by the USDA. The training/educational materials can be presented live or found online. When completed, the participating veterinarian receives credit for completing the necessary CE for renewal of his or her accreditation status.

Upon completion of each session attended, attendees will receive their certificates from the USDA representative for renewal of their accreditation status.

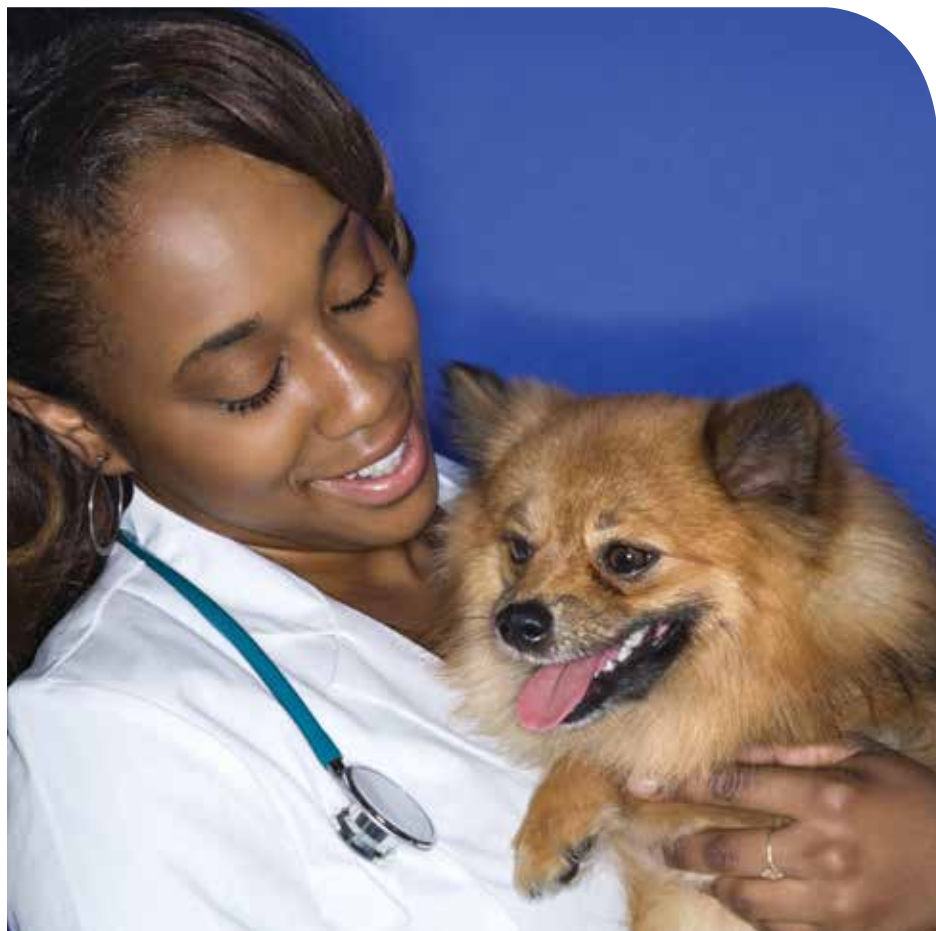
Training Sessions Being Offered:

- Module 2: Role of Agencies (state, federal, international) and Health Certificates
- Module 6: Exotic Avian Diseases
- Module 9: Interstate and International Health Certificates for Category 1 Animals

Each accredited veterinarian must supply his or her six-digit national accreditation number on the registration form to receive credit for attending. If you don't know your accreditation number, you can call the USDA office at (217) 547-6030 to obtain it.

Students

Students attending the ISVMA Convention are welcome in any of the sessions being presented. Students are required to pay wet lab fees.



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Exhibit Hall Highlights

Visit the Trade Show to learn about new veterinary products and solutions to your daily practice problems. Plus, plan to make your supply and equipment purchases at the ISVMA Convention to take advantage of exhibitor show specials. You are sure to find some great values! The hours are Friday, 9:15 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Annual Meetings/Bylaws Change Vote

Please plan to attend the ISVMA Annual Meeting on Saturday, November 5, from 7 to 8:15 a.m. Member attendance is important as the ISVMA Board of Directors will be presenting several Bylaw changes for member consideration. Hear the latest happenings at the ISVMA, meet the association award winners, and enjoy breakfast with your colleagues. In addition, be sure to attend the Welcome Reception from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Friday, November 4, as well as enjoy complimentary drinks and lunch on Friday and Saturday in the Exhibit Hall while you network with exhibitors and fellow attendees. Make sure to check if additional CE is being offered on the Exhibit Hall floor.

IVMF Silent Auction

The Illinois Veterinary Medical Foundation (IVMF) is again hosting a Silent Auction in the Exhibit Hall. Bidding opens in the Exhibit Hall on Friday, November 4, at 9:15 a.m. and closes at 7:30 p.m. Engage in a bidding war throughout Saturday, Nov. 5 during Exhibit Hall hours from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The auction will conclude at 1 p.m., and all winning bids will be finalized. Bidders need to be present to win and



to pick up items from the auction site. If the winner is unable to be in attendance, the item will go to the next highest available bidder.

Auction donations, which are tax-deductible as allowable by law, are welcomed. The IVMF is a 501(c)(3) charity. To make a donation, please contact the IVMF/ISVMA office at (217) 546-8381.

Additional CE Opportunity at Sunday's Luncheon

There is no cost to attend, but attendees must RSVP on the registration form.

Volunteers Welcomed

Seeking Moderators

The ISVMA welcomes dedicated volunteers. Enhance your convention experience, and moderate program sessions! Contact Sherrie Leezer at (217) 546-8381 or sherrie@isvma.org to find out how you can receive a rebate on your conference registration.

Confirmed exhibitors as of June 23, 2016

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Registration Information

Save on Registration Fees!

Option 1: Early bird discount

Substantial discounts are provided when your registration is received by September 30.

Option 2: Member pricing available to other veterinary medical association members

Are you coming from out of state and are currently a member of another state veterinary medical association? You can register for attendance at ISVMA member rates.

Option 3: Join ISVMA at pro-rated dues and pay to come to convention as an ISVMA member

Here's a savings deal that makes sense. Why pay to attend as a nonmember when you can attend as a member? Ask about pro-rated membership rates. Your membership benefits will extend far beyond the convention. Enjoy all the privileges of an ISVMA membership through June 30, 2017. The ISVMA membership year spans from July 1 through June 30.

DVM and CVT Student Members

For student members at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine or an Illinois school with an AVMA-accredited CVT program, ISVMA has created a one-time free convention registration pass for students. Late, or on-site, registrants will be charged a late fee. Payment is required for individuals choosing to attend any offered wet labs. Students are encouraged to be moderators but are not eligible for the moderator rebate if they are using their free convention attendance pass.*

**If students are using their free convention pass to attend the meeting, they can register by mail and write free on the amount due section of the registration form. Students must send a check for the fee to hold their spot but it will be returned uncashed when they attend convention. Or, students can contact ISVMA at (217) 546-8384 to complete their registration.*

Register by September 30 for Best Rates!

Register online at www.isvma.org, or complete and return the registration form included on pages 21-23. Payment by personal or business check, or VISA or MasterCard is required with completed form. Registrations received by September 30 via email, fax or

postage mail receive the early bird discount. Standard fees apply October 1 to 14. Registrations received on or after October 15 will be handled as on-site registration.

Cancellations must be requested in writing by email or fax by September 30 for a full refund, less a \$60 processing fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after that date. Substitutions are welcome. Please inform ISVMA in writing, and in advance, if you require special registration accommodations.

Convention Fees

- **Full convention attendance** – Each paid registrant receives access to all educational sessions, Exhibit Hall, President's Reception, breaks and lunches. Wet labs and any other special events that require an additional fee for each session.
- **Friday only** – Access to Friday educational sessions, breaks, ticketed lunch,

Exhibit Hall, President's Reception. Wet labs require an additional fee for each session.

- **Saturday only** – Access to Saturday educational sessions, Exhibit Hall, Annual Meeting breakfast, breaks and lunch. Join us for a reception to top off your evening. Wet labs require an additional fee for each session.
- **Sunday only** – Access to Sunday educational sessions, breaks and ticketed CE lunch, which requires preregistration to guarantee seating, but is included in the cost of convention. A nondenominational worship service is also included, although a count is needed for proper seating. Wet labs require an additional fee for each session.

No phone registrations will be accepted with the exception of students taking advantage of their free registration.



Senior Vet Program

Again this year, ISVMA will be presenting its annual Senior Vet Program, which runs concurrently with convention for veterinarians who have retired or chosen part-time or inactive status and no longer need CEs offered by the regular convention program.

On Friday, program participants will be driving to the Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences for a tour. It was founded in 1985 with a unique idea and an ambitious mission — to create a college preparatory

high school that prepares urban students for professions and careers in agriculture. Since then, CHSAS has captured national attention as the premier model for secondary agricultural education.

Please note on the registration form special pricing for senior veterinarians, who are retired, nonpracticing members and retired, life members of ISVMA, to allow them to take full advantage of the Senior Vet Program and/or the entire convention.

ISVMA Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, November 5, at 7 a.m. During this meeting, ISVMA members will be asked to vote on a multitude of bylaw changes, which all members will receive by mail prior to convention. Breakfast will be served and RSVPs are required. Please plan to attend this important meeting.



Special Events

ISVMA and University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine's Reception

Saturday, November 5, 7 p.m.

Join your fellow colleagues, friends and exhibitors for a pre-evening event in the ISVMA Exhibit Hall. All conference attendees and exhibitors are welcome to attend.

Sunday Morning Worship Services

Sunday, November 6, 6:45 a.m.

You are invited to join fellow conference attendees for a morning of worship and fellowship. Sponsored by Christian Veterinary Mission.

Dr. Sally Foote, "Polishing Up Your Low Stress Handling Skills" – Lunch & Learn

Sunday, November 6, noon

Ticketed event included in registration fee — see registration form.





Thank You to Our 2016 Convention Sponsors!

ISVMA wishes to thank the companies below for their generosity in sponsoring the 134th Annual Convention. Please make sure to thank the representatives of these companies as you see them.

(This list is reflective of companies that had committed by May 30, 2016.)

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Convention Program

Friday, November 4
8-9 a.m.

Michael Dryden, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM

Challenges and Solutions to Flea Control

Over two decades of evaluating flea products in flea-infested homes in Kansas and Florida has provided some unique insights into the numerous issues that can be encountered when trying to eliminate an active flea infestation. Managing client expectations after a flea-control product is applied requires an understanding of the biologic and epidemiologic factors responsible for persistent flea infestations. This seminar will address those issues using a case-based approach.



Tom Schermerhorn, VMD, DACVIM

Cushing's Disease Is Hard to Diagnose

This talk will focus on aspects of diagnosis of canine hyperadrenocorticism that frustrate veterinarians, reviewing diagnostic challenges.



David Eshar, DVM, DABVP, DECZM

Radiology of Exotic Mammals – Tips and Cases

This presentation will provide a practical resource for veterinarians already seeing or wishing to add exotic mammals to their clinical practice, and the techniques to help overcome difficulties related to the traits and anatomy of these species.

Eric Moore, DVM

Pharmacology 101 – What Are We Treating Our Animals With?

This lecture will review the classes and actions of commonly used antibiotics in food-producing animals. With the increasing number of products on the market, it is important to understand the mechanisms by which antibiotics work.



Vicky Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (nutrition)

Management of Feline Lower Urinary Tract Disease

Feline lower urinary tract disease is the most common reason cats are relinquished to shelters. We will look at the most common causes and management options. Discussion will include feline idiopathic cystitis, the most frequently seen condition in cats, as well as struvite and calcium oxalate uroliths — removal and management.



Matthew Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVS

Fractures: When to Cut, When to Cast

Knowing which types of fractures are amenable to treatment by external coaptation is critical to ensure proper treatment selection. The wrong choice can lead to a poor prognosis for successful healing. A complete review is provided to help with clinical decision-making.



Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR

Creating Team Buy-in: The Organizational Chart

Even in practices that do not have an organizational chart, there is some loose understanding about whom to approach concerning certain issues or concerns. The organizational chart documents the preferred flow of communication so that issues are addressed, authority for certain positions is maintained, and communication is consistent across the entire team. Learn how to develop or review this chart to teach the team about communication flow within the practice.

Bianca Martins, DVM, MS, PhD

WET LAB – preregistration required

Ophthalmic Examination and Diagnosis in Small Animals

After an introductory lecture, this hands-on lab will focus on clinical ophthalmic examination in small animals. Participants will be able to practice detailed ophthalmic exams and diagnostics in dogs, including Schirmer tear test, applanation and rebound tonometry, slit-lamp biomicroscopy, vital stain diagnostics (fluorescein, Rose Bengal, Jones test, tear film breakup time), direct and indirect ophthalmoscopy.



9:30-10:30 a.m.

Michael Dryden, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM

Challenges and Solutions to Flea Control – continued



Tom Schermerhorn, DVM, DACVIM

Cushing's Disease Is Easy to Treat

This talk will focus on aspects of canine hyperadrenocorticism treatment that frustrate veterinarians, reviewing strategies used for effective treatment.



David Eshar, DVM, DABVP, DECZM

Husbandry and Medicine of the Sugar Glider

Sugar gliders have been included in the recent increase in ownership of small exotic mammals. This presentation will cover infectious, traumatic, neoplastic and metabolic conditions, as well as those related to diet and husbandry concerns.

Eric Moore, DVM

Pharmacology 101 – Are All Treatment Failures Antibiotic Resistance?

This lecture will examine common reasons for treatment failures as well as methods for evaluating judicious antibiotic use. A brief description of the types of antibiotic resistance and how we interpret laboratory diagnosis will be covered.



Vicky Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (nutrition)

Management of Canine Lower Urinary Tract Disease

Canines are susceptible to several different uroliths. We will discuss the two most common uroliths seen in dogs today: Magnesium ammonium phosphate (struvite) and calcium oxalate. We will look at prevalence, diagnostics, key nutritional options and nutritional management of these uroliths.



Convention Program

Matthew Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVS

Common Causes of Forelimb Lameness

Causes of forelimb lameness can often be challenging to diagnose. Three of the most common causes of forelimb lameness are reviewed, and strategies discussed for aiding in their diagnosis.



Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR

Creating Team Buy-in: Defining the Job

The job description is the cornerstone of any human resources or performance-management process, and the perfect place for the veterinary team member to create ownership of his or her position. Management should utilize team input to create these documents and then use the descriptions to produce a training program and performance evaluation system. Learn how to approach developing or revising job descriptions to include the team, and create a document that can provide a foundation for great performance.

Bianca Martins, DVM, MS, PhD

WET LAB – preregistration required – continued

Ophthalmic Examination and Diagnosis in

Small Animals



10:45-11:45 a.m.

Michael Dryden, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM

Ticks: What You Don't Know

Control of ticks and tick-transmitted disease can be difficult and frustrating due to multiple factors. Reports of product failures are common and resistance is often touted as the reason. However, various biologic and ecologic factors are actually responsible for most perceived control failures. These factors include tick species, change in distribution/density, prolonged life cycles, high reproductive capacity, inability to control wildlife hosts and client expectations of product performance.



Tom Schermerhorn, DVM, DACVIM

Taking the Long View of Canine Hypoadrenocorticism

This talk will focus on dogs with long-term Addison's disease, including possible clinical consequences of chronic hypoadrenocorticism and strategies for effective medical management over many years.



David Eshar, DVM, DABVP (Exotics), DEZM

GI Stasis in Rabbits – the Myths vs. the Reality

Pet rabbits are frequently presented for anorexia and reduced fecal output. This lecture will cover underlying causes and specific diagnoses, as well as treatment options for these frustrating cases.

Eric Moore, DVM

Veterinary Feed Directive Update and Other Possible Future Regulatory Updates

Keep informed on the latest developments in the implementation of Guidance 213 Veterinary Feed directive. This lecture will review the progression of the VFD and provide the latest interpretations of the responsibilities for veterinarians, feed mills and producers. We will also review current state laws that are being proposed around the nation.



Vickie Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (nutrition)

Dog and Cat Allergies

There are a variety of skin conditions that cause discomfort. We will discuss management of atopic dermatitis and adverse food reactions, including food allergies.



Matthew Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVS

Strange/Unusual Causes of Lameness

A review of some uncommon but important causes of lameness in dogs of which every veterinarian should be aware.



Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR

Creating Team Buy-in: Evaluating Performance

Veterinary team members want a performance evaluation system that allows leadership to retain the best performers and effectively terminate those who aren't pulling their weight. Whether implementing the first evaluation system in a practice, or revising one that isn't fulfilling its purpose, it's important to involve the team because they know what qualities they want in a co-worker. Learn how to solicit employee input to create a process that produces high performers.

Bianca Martins, DVM, MS, PhD

WET LAB – preregistration required – continued

Ophthalmic Examination and Diagnosis in Small Animals



1:15-2:15 p.m.

Michael Dryden, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM

Ticks: What You Don't Know – continued



Tom Schermerhorn, DVM, DACVIM

Targeted Review of Feline Diabetic Remission

This talk will review the concept of feline diabetic remission and summarize current treatment goals and strategies for achieving remission in diabetic patients.



David Eshar, DVM, DABVP, DEZM

Soft Tissue Surgery in Rabbits and Rodents – Tips

With the increase in popularity of exotic mammals, surgical procedures on these companion animals are becoming common practice. This lecture will give pointers on anesthetic and surgical techniques to maximize surgical success in these species.

Wesley Lyons, DVM

Animal Care and Well-Being: What's Best for the Animal?

This discussion looks closely at the Veterinarian's Oath in practice and the key differences in the ethics and science that drive care for companion animals versus today's farm animals. Changing FDA rules on antibiotic use in food animals is also expanding the role of veterinarians.



Vickie Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (nutrition)

Becoming a Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS)

Have you ever thought about becoming a VTS? Take your career to the next level in becoming a VTS. Currently, there are 12 specialties, with more to come. We will review the requirements to become a VTS, as well as the current recognized specialties.



Kathy Cooney, DVM

Understanding Animal Hospice

This lecture will discuss the history of the modern animal hospice movement, demonstrate current trends in the United States and abroad, and open up dialogue on how animal hospice is being defined today. Concepts and fundamentals of human hospice will be explored. Topics like suffering, disease education, natural death vs. euthanasia, and the bond-centered philosophy of care will be discussed.



Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR

Creating Team Buy-in: Proactive Client Service

Providing excellence can only be accomplished with "proactive" client service, where the team member is thinking two steps ahead to any issues or problems the client may experience. This also includes situations that may be wrongly interpreted by the client. Teach the team to take a proactive approach to pleasing clients.

Matthew Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVIM

WET LAB – preregistration required

Extracapsular Cranial Cruciate Surgery

This laboratory will be a complete exercise in the extracapsular treatment of cranial cruciate disease using the novel OrthoZip system. The lab will cover relevant surgical anatomy, inspection of the medial meniscus, partial medial meniscectomy, identification of isometric points of the stifle, and application of the OrthoZip system. Enrollment limited to 16.



2:30-3:30 p.m.

Michael Dryden, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM

Canine Heartworm Update

Dirofilaria immitis is a common and often life-threatening parasite. While infection is common, there are still many misperceptions concerning the life cycle and transmission of the mosquito-vectored disease. Additionally, numerous questions still arise concerning preventive performance and resistance, efficacy of the adulticide, and accuracy of the antigen tests pre- and post-treatment. This presentation will attempt to clear up misconceptions and provide insights into the changing aspects of heartworm infections in dogs.



Tom Schermerhorn, DVM, DACVIM

Can We Screen for Endocrine Disorders?

This talk will review the principles of disease screening as it applies to endocrine disorders of dogs and cats. The pros and cons of routine clinical screening of geriatric patients for endocrine disorders of the thyroid, adrenal and pancreas will be discussed.



David Eshar, DVM, DABVP, DECZM

Common Soft Tissue Surgeries in Rabbits and Rodents

The most common surgical procedures performed on companion exotic mammals utilize similar principles as canine and feline procedures. This lecture will discuss specific surgeries, and specific considerations with exotic species.

Wesley Lyons, DVM

On-Farm Cross-Fostering Decisions

This discussion will take a close look at the decisions veterinarians make in regards to cross-fostering piglets on-farm through a case study of over 160,000 sows, representing all major swine-producing regions. We will review why the decisions were made, and what the outcomes are.



Vickie Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (nutrition)

WET LAB – preregistration required

Implementing a Nutritional Consultation Program in Your Hospital

Nutritional counselors who understand and embrace clinical nutrition and demonstrate in-clinic behaviors consistent with that conviction will benefit their patients, clients, practice and profession. Learn how to implement a nutritional consultation program in your hospital. We will work through recommending a new diet, including how much to feed and how long a bag will last. We will also work through some real nutritional consultation cases. Bring a calculator to participate in this interactive workshop.



Convention Program

Kathy Cooney, DVM

The Hospice Consultation

Hospice care is rooted in physical and emotional support of our pet patient and emotional support of the caregiver(s). Laying the foundation for outstanding hospice care begins during the initial visit. This hour will breakdown the consultation into physical exam, discussion of the family's psychosocial needs, paperwork/forms, and setting communication parameters.



Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR

Creating Team Buy-in: Profit and Budget

Employees often wonder why they don't take home a bigger piece of the revenue "pie" made by the practice. Management knows the profit margin is tough to maintain, but often the team members don't have an understanding of how their work affects the size of the pie. Learn to teach the team how the budget divides the revenue, how much profit is really being made, and how it is used to further develop the practice and the team members.

Matthew Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVIM

WET LAB continued – preregistration required

Extracapsular Cranial Cruciate Surgery



4-5 p.m.

Michael Dryden, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVM

Canine Heartworm Update – continued



Tom Schermerhorn, DVM, DACVIM

Any Insulin for Any Patient? Why Not?

This talk discusses the pharmacology of insulin and its use in dogs and cats. The physiological basis for current insulin recommendations will be reviewed.



David Eshar, DVM, DABVP, DECZM

Exotic Small Mammals' Urinalysis and Urinary Diseases

Urinary tract disease in small exotics is often a missed diagnosis. This presentation will cover diagnostic protocols and treatments to address urinary issues in these species.

Wesley Lyons, DVM

Responsible Euthanasia Practices for Piglets – Today and Tomorrow

When farm animals become sick or injured, farmers and veterinarians are faced with two courses of action: treatment or euthanasia. In some cases, euthanasia may be the best option for the well-being of the animal and the food supply. This discussion will review approved methods of euthanasia for piglets on-farm and look into current studies of new methods.



Vickie Ograin, MBA, RVT, VTS (nutrition)

WET LAB – preregistration required – continued

Implementing a Nutritional Consultation Program in Your Practice



Kathy Cooney, DVM

The Multimodal Palliative Care Approach

Palliative care is integral in animal hospice. It provides comfort without cure and will continue from diagnosis of a life-limiting illness until death. In this hour, we will explore the multimodal approach for both emotional and physical needs of our pet patient. Attention will be given to common maladies in hospice, such as nausea, pain, anxiety and others.



Katherine Dobbs, RVT, CVPM, PHR

Creating Team Buy-in: Inventory and Fee Setting

Everyone on the veterinary team needs a basic understanding of how the inventory system works to avoid such problems as over-stocks and stock-outs. Fees are associated with inventory. In order for team members to confidently give estimates and charge for services, they must understand what goes into fee setting. Learn how to teach the team why the financial success of the practice depends on these vital functions.

Matthew Barnhart, DVM, MS, DACVS

WET LAB – preregistration required – continued

Extracapsular Cranial Cruciate Surgery



**Saturday, November 5
8-9 a.m.**

Philip Bergman, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Mast Cell Tumors: The Latest and Greatest (will run one and a half hours)

Mast cell tumors are extremely common tumors in dogs and are now beginning to be understood as a disease



entity in the cat. The diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic approach to mast cell tumors in dogs and cats will be presented. In addition, the latest in therapeutic and prognostic alternatives will be presented.

David Williams, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Pancreas – Historical Background and Introduction

This presentation will provide a basis of information on the pancreas to allow for better understanding of pancreatic abnormalities.



Tina Wismer, DVM, DACVT, DABT

Managing the Mystery Poisoning Patient

This session will discuss the management of the patient that presents with acute onset of severe clinical signs with no known history of exposure to a specific toxicant. The presentation will include patient assessment, treatment, differential diagnoses of common presenting clinical signs (i.e., tremors) and diagnostic procedures which may be helpful.



Suzett Hexum, DVM

Module 2: Role of Agencies (State, Federal, International) and Health Certificates

This module reviews the state, federal and international agencies that an accredited veterinarian may interact with and the services these agencies provide. Participants learn how to accurately complete health certificates for animals traveling domestically or internationally. Written guidelines for the completion of 11 USDA-APHIS and VS forms and their continuation sheets are provided.



Nancy Loes, DVM

Supplements: For Pets and People!

The interest in nutritional supplements has increased dramatically. This presentation reviews timely supplements highlighting safety and quality as well as research supporting claims and efficacy. Participants in this seminar will learn how to evaluate nutritional supplements, understand the rationale for their use in a balanced regimen and expand their knowledge of practical and clinical applications.



Anne Barger, DVM, MS, DACVP

Urine Luck: A Thorough Review of Urine Sediment

This talk focuses on the microscopic component of the urinalysis; techniques and clinical significance of structural components will be reviewed.



Karen Wernette, DVM

Getting the Story: Understanding Client and Patient

In human medicine, it's been estimated that 75-95 percent of the information needed by physicians to make a correct diagnosis comes from the patient-reported medical history. Being able to elicit and understand the story is essential to building the veterinary-client relationship, assessing the animal's condition and gathering the medical history.



Ronald Riegel DVM

Laser Therapy in 2016

Laser therapy provides a noninvasive, drug-free and safe treatment for a wide variety of common conditions by reducing pain and inflammation and accelerating the healing process. "Photobiomodulation" — the science of laser-tissue interaction, and laser's known mechanisms of action are explained. Included is a review of recently published laser studies and how their results contribute to the success and understanding of laser therapy.



9:30-10:30 a.m.

Philip Bergman, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Mast Cell Tumors, continued

Lymphoma – How Do I Treat? (Will run one and a half hours)

Lymphoma is the most common tumor of the cat, and one of the most common tumors of the dog. The diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic approach to this tumor will be discussed. Particular emphasis will be placed on the various treatment protocols available, as well as options for rescue chemotherapy in dogs and cats.



David Williams, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency

This lecture will cover current thinking on EPI, addressing symptoms, diagnostic tests, treatment options and prognosis.



Tina Wismer, DVM, DACVT, DABT

ABCDs of Rodenticides

This session will cover anticoagulant, bromethalin, and cholecalciferol rodenticide toxicosis in companion animals, including mechanisms, effects, diagnosis and management.



Suzett Hexum, DVM

Module 6: Exotic Avian Diseases

The first part of this module addresses two very important diseases of birds — avian influenza and exotic Newcastle's disease — and their potential impact on the U.S. economy. Clinical signs associated with these diseases and specific biosecurity measures to implement are included. In the second part of this module, veterinarians progress through an interactive scenario where one of these diseases is potentially introduced into the United States through the pet bird industry. Veterinarians will learn the process of reporting a possible exotic avian disease and the chain of events that occur in a foreign animal disease investigation.



Nancy Loes, DVM

Probiotics: Healthy from the Inside Out

Probiotics (beneficial microorganisms) are increasingly recommended for the management of diarrhea (including that often associated with antibiotics) and to support the immune system. This presentation reviews definitions, modes of action and benefits of products, medical indications and assessment of product quality.



Convention Program



10:45-11:45 a.m.

Philip Bergman, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Lymphoma – continued



David Williams, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Pancreatitis

This session will present the most current ideas on all aspects of pancreatitis, including clinical signs, diagnosis, treatment and prognosis.



Tina Wismer, DVM, DACVT, DABT

Common Household Hazards

This session will discuss some of the more common household products to which pets may be exposed. Relative toxicity and management of toxicosis to items such as birth control pills, chocolate, detergents and pennies will be covered.



Suzett Hexum, DVM

Module 9: Interstate and International Health Certificates for Category 1 Animals

This module highlights the importance of health certificates for traveling pets, discusses the potential for disease spread associated with travel and emphasizes these points through a canine influenza scenario. The planning steps and regulation resources for properly completing a companion-animal health certificate are presented through a variety of interactive animations and a scenario. Since errors can lead to travel delays or entry refusals, mistakes commonly made when completing health certificates are highlighted to help minimize these problems in real-life situations.



Anne Barger, DVM, MS, DACVP

Renal Disease: Diagnosis Using the Minimum Database

The emphasis of this seminar will be on components of the CBC, clinical chemistry and urinalysis, and the interpretation of results to diagnose renal disease. A discussion of SDMA will also be included.



Karen Wernette, DVM

Non-Verbal Communication

Roughly 80 percent of all communication between individuals is nonverbal and is generally involuntary. Being able to identify basic nonverbal behavior allows us to recognize when we are being effective, when something is missing, and what to do about it.



Ronald Riegel DVM

WET LAB – preregistration required

Laser Therapy Practicum and Hands-on

This interactive session focuses first on the practical use of laser therapy, including identifying the conditions that benefit from laser therapy, understanding and calculating proper dosing, and learning proper application techniques and principles.



Amelia Woolums, DVM, MVSc, PhD, DACVIM, DACVM

How Does the Immune System Do It? Review of Inflammation and Inmate Immunity

A brief overview of the adaptive immune system, which provides memory for improved responses in the future, is activated in all animals, with some features that are unique to cattle.



Nancy Loes, DVM

The Diagnosis You Are Missing: Arthritis in Cats

Although awareness and understanding of arthritis in cats is increasing, it remains a much under-diagnosed and untreated condition, compromising the animal's quality of life. This presentation reviews incidence, symptoms and risk factors for arthritis in cats as well as a multi-modal approach to an overall management plan to minimize pain and increase joint comfort in the feline patient.



Anne Barger, DVM, MS, DACVP

Fecal Cytology – There's a Lot to Diagnose in Poop!

Techniques and cytologic features of infectious, inflammatory and neoplastic disease of the distal GI tract will be reviewed.



Karen Wernette, DVM

Breaking the Silence: Discussing Medical Errors with Clients

Adverse outcomes are part of veterinary practice. How can our communication work a little better? Steps for responding ethically and constructively with clients will be presented.



Ronald Riegel DVM

WET LAB continued – preregistration required

Laser Therapy Practicum and Hands-on

Participants will continue with an opportunity to operate a therapy laser, to experience what a patient feels, and to work with and understand various contact and non-contact treatment applicators and their proper use.



Noon-1 p.m.

Lunch – Senior Vet Roundtable

This interactive session will feature successful, seasoned veterinarians sharing their “pearls of wisdom” — information they feel has been critical for them in their many years of practice. Sign in at the session to obtain an hour of practical, informative CE while you eat your lunch!

1:15-2:15 p.m.

Philip Bergman, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Top 10 Recent Advances in Veterinary Oncology

Many clients with pets expect the same level of care from their veterinarians as they expect for themselves from their physician. This is especially true for clients with pets that have cancer. In order to provide this level of care, one must understand and employ the recent advances in medical, surgical and radiation oncology that will be presented in this discussion.



David Williams, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Diagnosis of Chronic Small Intestinal Disease

This lecture will discuss clinical signs and appropriate diagnostic tests for small bowel disease.



Tina Wismer, DVM, DACVT, DABT

Toxic Plants

This session will cover common toxic plants found in the indoor and outdoor environment. Tips to help identify plants will also be covered.



Amelia Woolums, DVM, MVSc, PhD, DACVIM, DACVM

How Does the Immune System Do It?

Review of Inflammation and Innate Immunity



Jessica Antonicic, CVT, VTS (anesth.)

Monitoring Anesthesia

This session discusses the basic anatomy of the organ systems that we monitor while a patient is under anesthesia, as well as normal and abnormal values. We will discuss some common complications, and how to interpret the values we see on the monitors.



Anne Barger, DVM, MS, DACVP

Cytology of Cutaneous Masses

This seminar will emphasize the cytologic findings of the most common dermal and subcutaneous masses.

This is a heavily image-based discussion.



Larry Oxenham

Improved Patient Care Through Lawsuit Protection and Prevention for Veterinarians

This course teaches proven and effective strategies to prevent and protect against lawsuits, allowing veterinarians the peace of mind necessary to focus on improved patient care. You will learn how to maintain focus on improved patient care rather than lawsuit defense, how to structure your practice for lawsuit protection and prevention and how to implement legal structures that will reduce liability insurance costs.



Kenneth Waller, DVM, MS, DACVR

WET LAB – preregistration required

Abdominal Ultrasonography

This three-hour wet lab will use live animals to demonstrate ultrasonography techniques. Attendees will participate in four hands-on stations focusing on different abdominal organ systems. Enrollment limited to 16.



2:45-3:45 p.m.

Philip Bergman, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Feline Interactive Oncology Cases

This highly interactive and case-based lecture will explore in depth four actual feline oncology cases. The cases will start with a signalment and history, and then discussion will ensue concerning generation of a problem list followed by diagnostic options. We will then explore the various therapeutic options with side effects, costs and anticipated outcomes.



David Williams, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Treatment of Chronic Small Intestinal Disease

This lecture will discuss the most current and efficacious treatments, as well as prognosis, for small bowel disease.



Tina Wismer, DVM, DACVT, DABT

Toxicology of Human Medications

Common medications such as ibuprofen and acetaminophen will be discussed, along with ADHD and cardiac medications.



Amelia Woolums, DVM, MVSc, PhD, DACVIM, DACVM

How Does the Immune System Keep It Going? Review of Adaptive Immunity

A brief overview of how the innate immune system, which protects immediately, is activated in all animals, with some focus on features that are unique to cattle.



Convention Program

Jessica Antonic, CVT, VTS (anesth.)

Local and Regional Analgesia

This lecture covers the different local and regional blocks we can perform on our patients to prevent wind-up and provide analgesia. The presentation will provide information on blocks including but not limited to dental blocks, ring blocks, and local and incisional blocks; benefits and risks will also be covered.



Anne Barger, DVM, MS, DACVP

Evaluation of the Peripheral Blood Smear

This talk will focus on the microscopic components of the blood smear and emphasize the importance as it relates to thorough evaluation of the CBC.



Larry Oxenham

Improved Patient Care Through Lawsuit Protection and Prevention – continued



Kenneth Waller, DVM, MS, DACVR

WET LAB – continued

Abdominal Ultrasonography



4-5 p.m.

Philip Bergman, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Gaining on Pain – An Oncologist's Approach

The majority of human patients with advanced cancer experience pain. Veterinary patients with cancer are also highly likely to experience pain, but as veterinarians it may be harder to determine which of our patients are in pain, and further the severity of that pain. In this lecture, we will discuss the different histologic types of cancer commonly associated with pain as well as discuss a variety of analgesics available, followed by some actual veterinary cancer cases.



David Williams, DVM, PhD, DACVIM

Skinny Old Cats – An Update

There are numerous conditions that lead to weight loss in old cats, and most are readily identified.

However, in some patients this is not the case. We now know that up to 40 percent of cats over 12 years of age have an enteropathy that leads to nutrient malabsorption, often without other sign of GI disease. This talk will illustrate our current knowledge of what is going on and what we can do to manage the problem.



Tina Wismer, DVM, DACVT, DABT

Toxicology of Veterinary Medications and Insecticides

What happens when the dog eats all of its own prescription? What can occur when the owner applies the wrong flea control? Common veterinary pharmaceutical exposures will be covered.



Amelia Woolums, DVM, MVSc, PhD, DACVIM, DACVM

Review of Immune Stimulants to Support Bovine Health

A brief overview of different immune stimulants that have been used in cattle and other species, with discussion of how they are thought to work.



Jessica Antonic, CVT, VTS (anesth.)

Pain Management

This session will discuss what pain is to our patients, how to recognize signs of pain and reasons to treat pain, as well as some helpful pain scales that can be implemented in any practice. Multimodal analgesia and its benefits will be covered as well as individual drugs on the market we can use to treat acute as well as chronic pain.



Anne Barger, DVM, MS, DACVP

Getting the Most from Your Patient's CBC

This seminar will focus on the laboratory data of a CBC rather than (or in addition to) the microscopic component. A systematic approach to reviewing the laboratory data will be covered.



Larry Oxenham

Improved Patient Care Through Lawsuit Protection and Prevention – continued



Kenneth Waller, DVM, MS, DACVR

WET LAB – continued

Abdominal Ultrasonography



5:15-6:15 p.m.

Merck CE reception – Joseph Hahn, DVM

Preregistration required

Smart Devices and Your Practice: Veterinary Reference Apps and Added Value Ideas

Attendees will learn ways to maximize use of smart-phones and tablets in daily practice, both in the exam room and behind the scenes. *Hors d'oeuvres will be served.*



Sunday, November 6 8:15-9:15 a.m.

Michelle Rosenbaum, VMD, DACVD

What's New in Canine Atopic Dermatitis? Part 1

New advances in the pathogenesis and diagnosis of canine atopic dermatitis will be shared, including the importance of cytokines and the skin barrier.



Power of 10 Class

If We Only Knew Then What We Know Now...

We invite recent graduates and veterinary students to join the ISVMA Power of 10 group of not-so-recent graduates (2007-2013) to discuss their transition from student to doctor as they provide insight into career firsts — successes, failures and all-around eye-opening experiences. We would love to share our war stories and answer those questions that you've been afraid to ask!

Jessica Pritchard, VMD, DACVIM

CIRDC: Teaching an Old Dog New Tricks

A review of the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical signs and presenting complaints related to the pathogens causing CIRDC in dogs, with a focus on pathogens and what they may mean to our practices. We will discuss interpretation of diagnostic tests, and treatments available for CIRDC in dogs and their appropriate uses.



Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS

Navicular Syndrome – Old Problem, New Insights

Navicular Syndrome has been recognized for decades, but it continues to be a major challenge for practitioners and horse owners. Recent advances in imaging have revealed part of the problem may be that this disease isn't as straightforward as originally thought. This presentation will discuss how these advances have affected our understanding of navicular syndrome and the implications for treatment and prognosis.



Nicole Lewis, CVT, VTS (ECC)

How Am I Supposed to Breathe with No Air?

This lecture will address the anatomy of the respiratory system, types and recognition of respiratory failure and treatment with supplemental oxygen. We will also discuss complications associated with oxygen therapy.



Marty Przybylski

Financial Foundations for Veterinarians

These lectures will cover financial concerns of importance to veterinary professionals, including loan repayment, personal financial planning, business planning and ownership concerns.



Joy Gendusa, CEO

Is Your Website Flushing Away Your Leads?

It's 2016 and your website IS your practice — that perception IS reality in the digital age. So how can you ensure that your website not only looks good and represents you, but first and foremost, is an effective marketing tool for booking more appointments? Easy — we'll show you. Join PostcardMania Founder/CEO Joy Gendusa for this jam-packed seminar, and you'll be able to:



- Identify the elements of the website that are optimized for lead capture
- Make the correct changes to your website to capture more leads
- Grow your veterinary practice with minimal marketing investment

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Michelle Rosenbaum, DVM, DACVIM

What's New in Canine Atopic Dermatitis? Part 2

In part 2, advances in the multimodal treatment of canine atopic dermatitis will be presented, with an emphasis on newer therapies such as oclacitinib, sublingual immunotherapy and topical lipids.



Coleen Ellis, CT, CPLP

Pet Hospice and Anticipatory Grief to a Peaceful Ending for Pets and Their People

These sessions will discuss the value of the extended care program, especially from a client retention aspect. Attendees will hear about how to make this final walk with veterinary clients one that is positive in nature, even given the event, and one that will have families returning as clients and business evangelists.



Convention Program

Jessica Pritchard, VMD, DACVIM

Feline Respiratory Disease Update

This presentation will review the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical signs and presenting complaints related to agents of upper respiratory disease in cats. A special focus will be paid to appropriate use of and interpretation of diagnostic tests available for upper respiratory disease in cats. Both traditional and new treatments and interventions for cats with chronic and acute upper respiratory tract disease will be discussed, along with options for disease prevention.



Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS

Laminitis

Laminitis has been the focus of many recent research efforts but remains a common and devastating condition. This presentation will review what we know about the pathophysiology of this disease, including major risk factors. Prevention and treatment strategies will also be discussed.



Nicole Lewis, CVT, VTS (ECC)

Transfusion Medicine

This lecture will discuss the basics of transfusion medicine, including criteria for giving a transfusion, what types of transfusions to administer, transfusion procedures and transfusion reactions.



Marty Przybylski

Financial Foundations for Veterinarians – continued



Joy Gendusa, CEO

Is Your Website Flushing Away Your Leads? – continued

10:45-11:45 a.m.



Michelle Rosenbaum, DVM, DACVIM

Introduction to Monoclonal Antibody Therapy: A New Therapeutic Approach for Canine Atopic Dermatitis

Biotherapeutics, such as monoclonal antibody therapy, are on the horizon as a major breakthrough in disease treatment in companion animals. The science behind monoclonal antibody therapy and an introduction to a new immunotherapeutic will be presented.



Coleen Ellis, CT, CPLP

Pet Hospice and Anticipatory Grief – continued



Jessica Pritchard, VMD, DACVIM

Update on Immune-Mediated Hemolytic Anemia in Dogs

This presentation will review the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical signs, and presenting complaints related to primary and secondary IMHA in dogs. A discussion of treatment options, methods of tapering medications and monitoring protocols will be discussed.



Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS

Osteochondrosis in the Horse

Osteochondrosis (OC or OCD) is one of the most common developmental orthopedic diseases diagnosed in the horse. This presentation will provide a review of this condition as well as an overview of current research in the field, and how these findings may affect diagnosis and treatment in the future.



Nicole Lewis, CVT, VTS (ECC)

WET LAB – Blood Typing and Crossmatching

Learn how to properly type/crossmatch blood, and determine crossmatch safety.



Marty Przybylski

Financial Foundations for Veterinarians – continued



Joy Gendusa

Is Your Website Flushing Away Your Leads? – continued



Noon-1p.m.

Lunch and Learn

Sally Foote DVM, CFBC-IAABC

Polishing Up Your Low Stress Handling Skills

Pre-registration required (no added cost). Tips and more detailed information on the importance of reward delivery, rates, handling skills, and human body language with its influence on patient behavior will be addressed.



1:15-2:15 p.m.

Michelle Rosenbaum, DVM, DACVIM

Updates in Dermatology – What’s New in 2016?

Veterinary dermatology is constantly evolving, and new and more effective treatments are being discovered. This presentation will share new treatments and information on demodicosis, flea control, dermatophytosis, alopecia, otitis and food allergy.



Coleen Ellis, CT, CPLP

The Pet Owner of Today and Pet Companionship

Pet owners of today are even more vested into their pet care than ever. They want to be responsible pet owners and know that they are giving their loved pets the best care possible. In this session, attendees will learn the Ten Tenets of Companionship for every clinic to adopt.



Jessica Pritchard, VMD, DACVIM

Canine Leptospirosis: A “Re-emerging” Zoonotic Disease?

This presentation will review the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical signs, and presenting complaints related to leptospirosis in dogs. A special focus will be given to interpretation and appropriate use of diagnostic tests for leptospirosis, as well as treatment and prevention options.

Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS

Recent Advances in Equine Osteoarthritis

Osteoarthritis continues to be a major cause of loss-of-use among equine athletes. This presentation will review the pathophysiology of this complex disease and discuss the evidence available for various treatment modalities.

Nicole Moore, CVT, VTS (ECC)

Triaging Without Fear

This lecture will discuss emergencies that are seen in your GP practice and how to initiate lifesaving treatment. This will include safely obtaining diagnostics, interventional lifesaving procedures and what criteria require the transfer of care.

Allen Cannedy, DVM

What Is Our Pipeline Carrying?

This lecture will focus on what our profession is doing to provide diverse individuals to accommodate the changing needs in the veterinary profession.



Terry Stezco and Maureen Mulhall

ISVMA Legislative Update

This interactive discussion will cover recent legislative concerns in Illinois, including ramifications for veterinary medicine and possible responses.

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Michelle Rosenbaum, DVM, DACVIM

The Four-Step Approach to the Itchy and Over-Grooming Cat

This presentation will describe the approach to the pruritic and over-grooming cat, with emphasis on the four-step approach of ruling out mites, flea allergy and infection first, then performing a proper food-elimination diet and finally managing the atopic cat. New information on diagnostic clues, physical exam, patterns of disease, secondary pyoderma, elimination diets, allergy testing/immunotherapy and anti-pruritic alternatives to glucocorticoids will be discussed. Allergy imitators that need to be ruled out in non-responding cases will be presented.



Convention Program

Colleen Ellis, CT, CPLP

Keeping a Client Despite the Loss: Communication Techniques Every Clinic Should Know

Attendees will learn techniques that will be immediately applicable in private practice, including nonverbal communication, what are the most healing words to say to a family during the time of loss, and how to deliver bad news to a family and guide them through to euthanasia or natural death, with memorable rituals.



Jessica Pritchard, VMD, DACVIM

When Life Gives You Lyme(s) – Addressing Seropositive Dogs in Your Practice

This presentation will review the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical signs and presenting complaints related to Lyme disease in dogs. A discussion of several algorithms for treatment, vaccination, and future testing in dogs that are Lyme positive will be included, as well.



Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS

Diagnosis and Treatment of Limb Deformities in Foals

Anyone who works with foals understands the frustration of dealing with flexural and angular limb deformities in this population. Early appropriate intervention is the key to the best outcome in these cases. This presentation will review the pathophysiology of limb deformities as well as treatment recommendations.



Nicole Moore, CVT, VTS (ECC)

Cardiology Basics

This lecture will discuss cardiac exams, identifying ECG abnormalities, emergency treatment of heart failure, canine and feline heart disease, and goal-directed therapy.



Allen Cannedy, DVM

The Benefits of Diversity in Veterinary Private Practice

This presentation will provide information on ways to promote and support diverse populations and their needs in the veterinary profession. Tips on ways to attract and retain clients from different racial and cultural backgrounds will be presented and discussed.



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For veterinarians:

College: _____

Year of graduation: _____

- DVM owner
- DVM industry
- DVM associate
- DVM retired
- DVM faculty or academic
- DVM other

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College: _____

Year of graduation: _____

- DVM student
- CVT student

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- Guest
- Practice personnel
- Other

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Part 3

Special needs

Please check this box if you have a disability or limitation that would require special arrangements. We will contact you to discuss accommodations.

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Part 4

Method of payment

_____ My check is enclosed _____ Bill my credit card

- Visa
- MasterCard

Card number: _____

V-code (on card back): _____ Expiration date: _____

Cardholder name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registration fee \$ _____

Wet lab fee(s) \$ _____

Total for extras \$ _____

Total due \$ _____

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Registrant's first and last name: _____

2016 Annual Convention Pricing

DVM Registrant		Early (On or before 9/30)	Standard (Before 10/14)	Late (On or after 10/15)
ISVMA member	Full convention/two days	\$440	\$550	\$615
	One day only	\$280	\$390	\$430
Nonmember	Full convention/two days	\$625	\$675	\$750
	One day only	\$445	\$495	\$550
CVT Registrant				
ISVMA member	Full convention/two days	\$215	\$300	\$325
	One day only	\$155	\$255	\$285
Nonmember	Full convention/two days	\$265	\$350	\$375
	One day only	\$215	\$265	\$315
ISVMA Member Specials				
DVM Retired <i>(Applicable for non-practicing, retired and life members ONLY.)</i>				
	Full convention/two days	\$250	\$335	\$370
	One day only	\$155	\$250	\$290
2015 and 2016 Graduates				
DVM	Full convention/two days	\$275	\$375	\$425
	One day only	\$180	\$290	\$345
CVT	Full convention/two days	\$200	\$275	\$325
	One day only	\$140	\$235	\$275
Practice Personnel				
	Full convention/two days	\$215	\$300	\$325
	One day only	\$155	\$255	\$285
Student				
DVM Student	Full convention/two days	\$75	\$100	\$125
	One day only	\$45	\$65	\$85
Veterinary Technician Student	Full convention/two days	\$75	\$100	\$125
	One day only	\$45	\$65	\$85
Guest				
	Full convention/two days	\$150	\$200	\$250
	One day only	\$90	\$130	\$170

Special Events

There are no additional fees for the following, however you must indicate your attendance. A ticket will be issued allowing your participation.

Friday, 11/4/16		
Noon: Lunch in Exhibit Hall	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
11:15 a.m.: Senior Vet Program	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
5 p.m.: President's Reception in Exhibit Hall	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
Saturday, 11/5/16		
7 a.m.: Breakfast/Annual Meeting (RSVP required)	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
Noon: Lunch in Exhibit Hall	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
7 p.m.: UI Alumni Reception	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
Sunday, 11/6/16		
6:45 a.m.: Worship Service	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend
Noon: Lunch and Learn CE (RSVP required)	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend

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Registrant's first and last name: _____

Registration Fees

Wet Labs and Ticketed Events

• Additional fees will be charged to cover costs of supplies, equipment, etc. As indicated, labs include supporting lectures. A ticket will be issued in your registration packet for all paid wet labs/ticketed events

Mark all that apply:

Friday, 9:30-11:45 a.m.

Ophthalmic Examination and Diagnosis in Small Animals

(max. 20 registrants)

- \$225 early
 \$275 standard
 \$325 late

Friday, 1:15-5 p.m.

Extracapsular Cranial Cruciate Surgery

(max. 16 registrants, DVM only)

- \$395 early
 \$450 standard
 \$495 late

Friday, 2:30-5 p.m.

Implementing a Nutritional Consultation Program in Your Hospital

(max. 30 registrants)

- \$30 early
 \$35 standard
 \$40 late

Saturday, 9:30-11:45 a.m.

Use of Therapy Lasers

(max. 40 registrants)

- \$50 early
 \$60 standard
 \$70 late

Saturday, 1:15-5 p.m.

Abdominal Ultrasonography

(max. 16 registrants)

- \$300 early
 \$345 standard
 \$395 late

Smart Devices and Your Practice

(max. 40 registrants)

- \$25 early
 \$30 standard
 \$35 late (includes hors d'oeuvres)

Sunday, 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Blood Typing and Crossmatching

(max. 20 registrants, CVT only)

- \$65 early
 \$75 standard
 \$85 late

USDA Accreditation Sessions

- Pre-registration mandatory to receive accreditation education hours
- No CE granted toward USDA accreditation for walk-in registrants
- USDA accreditation CE certificates will be distributed on-site only
- A ticket will be included in registration packet for attendance

Saturday, 8-9 a.m.

Module 2: Role of Agencies (state, federal, international) and Health Certificates

Saturday, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Module 6: Exotic Avian Diseases

Saturday, 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Module 9: Interstate and International Health Certificates for Category 1 Animals

My USDA Accreditation Number is : _____

The Extras

A ticket will be issued in the registration packet for those that are paid.

Purchase a paper copy of the convention proceedings \$60

A \$15 shipping and handling fee will be added to ship a printed copy of the proceedings anywhere in the United States.

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Please mark the day(s) you will be in attendance. Thank you!

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Friday/Saturday Saturday/Sunday Friday/Sunday

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