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Membership Meetings:
• Next Meeting: Saturday September 10th; 9:30 a.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.

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From our MAVT website: www.mavt.net
Continuing Education Information

MAVT: Business Meeting
The next MAVT Business Meeting Saturday, September 10th, 9:30 a.m., Area: Metro, Location: Starbucks in Roseville.

October Board Meeting: Monday, the 10th, Location: TBD. ALL Members are welcome!

VET TECH Week Events
Vet Tech Appreciation Week is here!
Events have been planned for Minneapolis, Saint Paul and South East areas.

Minneapolis area is being held on Saturday, October 22nd, at Globe University, 10 a.m. Saint Paul area is being held on Saturday, October 15th, 9 a.m., at Old Chicago in the Apple Valley Conference Center.

South East area is being held on Sunday, October 23rd, 10 p.m., at LTS Brewery, Rochester. See page 5 for more details.

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News from NAVTA
Academies approved by NAVTA:
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.

Job Opportunities:
The St. James Veterinary Clinic in St. James, MN is expanding and has a need for a full time C.V.T. for our 2 Doctor mixed animal practice. Responsibilities will include all aspects of veterinary medicine including some receptionist and cleaning duties; hourly wage, with a raise after the probationary time, a discount on vet work for your pets. Some Saturdays required. Please send resume via email: stjamesvet@centurylink.net or mail: 33 6th Ave. S. St. James, MN 56081. Phone: 507-375-4441. See page 2 and 3 for more opportunities.
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**How to Place a Job Ad**

Job ads may be up to 75 words, and may be edited for length or clarity. Email addresses count as three words. Any ads received after deadline will be held until the following month. Deadline is 5:30 pm on the specified date which is listed on the back cover of each issue. There is no charge. If you don't specify a specific amount of time, your ad will run for one month. If you want to continue an additional month, you don't need to resubmit, just call or email your request. Please resubmit if your ad hasn't run in a couple of months or if you wish to make changes. Ads sent to the PO Box may be delayed, so please send them directly to: Debi Ylitalo – 8725 Columbine Road, #46182 Eden Prairie, MN 55344; email: aerobic_debi@yahoo.com

**Job Opportunities:**

- **TLC Veterinary Hospital** – CVT Full-time or Part-time position available. Come and join our fast paced and quickly growing Veterinary hospital in the East Metro. Qualified applicants will hold a current Certification on Veterinary Technology. Applicants must be respectful, dependable and hardworking. Please email resumes to: tlc@tlcveterinaryhospital.com

**NW MINNESOTA (THIEF RIVER FALLS):** Full-time, Part-time CVT needed immediately for exclusive small animal clinic in NW Minnesota. Clients receive quality but gentle care for their companion animals and enjoy engaging with staff. No evenings or weekends. Experience preferred and technical skills eagerly utilized but confident new grads considered. Salary with benefits based on experience. Call Paul Burnett at 218-681-6511 or e-mail resume to paul.burnett.1234@gmail.com. See page 3 for more Job Opportunities.
Job Opportunities:

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.

Stone Mountain Pet Lodge is a full service pet care facility in Blaine (2 locations) and Brooklyn Park (opening Dec. 2016). We are accepting application now for Pet Care Technicians. We invite and encourage Vet Techs to apply for these positions. We currently employ 6 CVT’s as Pet Technicians and Lead Pet Care Technicians. Full-time and Part-time position available. Health insurance, vision and dental insurance, Simple IRA and PTO available for Full-time positions. Vet Techs are a valuable part of our pet care team. You can find more information at: http://10.0.0.124:8888/stonemountainpetlodge.com/employment/index.php
News from NAVTA (continued from page 1)

Academies approved by NAVTA:

**The Academy of Veterinary Technicians in Anesthesia and Analgesia** - promotes patient safety, consumer protection, professionalism and excellence in anesthesia care and pain management. The Veterinary Technician Specialist in Anesthesia and Analgesia is there to provide your pet with exceptional care before, during and after a procedure.

**The Academy of Veterinary Behavior Technicians** - promotes excellence in the discipline of veterinary behavior medicine. Veterinary Technician Specialists with behavior certification will demonstrate superior knowledge in scientifically - and humanely - based techniques of behavior health, problem prevention, training, management, and behavior modification. The AVBT will advance the skills of veterinary technicians within the discipline of animal behavior and further their recognition as critical components of the veterinary behavior team in creating, maintaining, and strengthening the human-animal bond.

**The Academy of Veterinary Clinical Pathology Technicians** - created to advance the area of and promote excellence in the discipline of veterinary clinical pathology. **Contact:** Barbie Papajeski, MS, LVT, RLATG - avcpt.vts@gmail.com

**The Academy of Veterinary Technicians in Clinical Practice** - modeled after the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners, this academy has developed three initial species-specific categories: canine/feline, avian/exotic and production animal. The academy's credentialed veterinary technicians provide comprehensive, multidisciplinary care. Candidates are expected to demonstrate expertise in a range of clinical disciplines within their species specialty. **Contact:** Liza Rudolph, LVT, CVT

**The Academy of Veterinary Dental Technicians** - gives the technicians the opportunity to expand their knowledge and their professional value by becoming a credentialed specialist in the field of animal dentistry. For information, please contact avdtsecretary@gmail.com.

**The Academy of Dermatology Veterinary Technicians** - The purpose of ADVT is to promote excellence through specialization in the discipline of veterinary dermatology by demonstrating an advanced proficiency of dermatologic procedures, working with the veterinary team and client to advocate superior patient care, and providing cutting-edge continuing education.

**The Academy of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Technicians** - has a goal of certifying Veterinary Technicians to assure the veterinary profession and the public that AVECCT certified technicians possess the knowledge and experience needed to work effectively in a well equipped and staffed emergency or critical care facility.

**The Academy of Equine Veterinary Nursing Technicians** - mission is to advance the education and professional recognition of credentialed equine veterinary technicians who display excellence in, and dedication to, providing superior nursing care to equine patients.

**The Academy of Internal Medicine for Veterinary Technicians** - a group of technicians from varied backgrounds who have come together to realize the formation of a new specialty organization specifically for veterinary technicians working in Internal Medicine. Sub-specialties include: small animal medicine, large animal medicine, cardiology, oncology and neurology.

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Veterinary Technician Week October 2016 Events:

St. Paul Area Veterinary Technician Week Event

Speaker: Sarah Lindeman, CVT from Veterinary Behavior Specialties of Minnesota  
Topic: "Everyday Behavior Concepts and Solutions for Veterinary Technicians"  
CE Credits: 3  
Date: Saturday, October 15th; Time: Registration 9:00 - 9:30 Lecture 9:30 - 12:45 (with a 15 minute break)  
Venue: Old Chicago in Apple Valley Conference Center  
14998 Glazier Ave., Apple Valley, MN 55124  
Lunch: Served after Lecture  
Meal: Pizza Pasta Buffet (ask about our Gluten Free options when registering)  
Space will be limited.  
RSVP HERE By October 7th [http://goo.gl/AJ0nHc](http://goo.gl/AJ0nHc)  
This event is FREE for MAVT Members. Non-Member fee is $35 paid at the door by cash or check.  
Any questions please contact Danielle at stpaularea@mavt.net

Minneapolis Area Veterinary Technician Week Event

Speaker: Heather Holmgren has been a CVT for 18 years and has earned VTS in both Emergency and Critical Care and in Clinical management. She has had many years’ experience in emergency medicine and has a passion for teaching.  
Topic: CPR: A Team Approach, Respiratory Distress  
CE Credits: 3 hours of Interactive CE, Sponsored by MAVT  
Date: Saturday, October 22nd; Time: 10:00 a.m., CPR: A Team Approach; 12:00 p.m. Respiratory Distress  
Lunch: 11:30 a.m., provided (and included) by Jimmy Johns  
Location: Globe University 8089 Globe Dr, Woodbury, MN 55125  
Please RSVP to Minneapolisarea@mavt.net  
For questions or concerns please contact Lyn (612)306-0200  
Free to MAVT members and $30 for non-members. Well worth the drive!!! See you there!

Southeast Area Tech Week Event

Please join MAVT in celebrating veterinary technicians!!!  
Speaker: Maria Nellessen  
Topic: Practical Uses of Dentistry in Veterinary Clinics  
CE: 2 credits  
Date: Sunday, October 23rd; Time: 1pm  
Location: LTS Brewery 2001 32nd Ave NW, Rochester, MN, 55901  
Food and Beverages will be provided.  
RSVP by Thursday 10/20 to Tracey Kitching at tkitching@argosy.edu or 651-846-3420  
This event is FREE for MAVT Members. Non-Members $35
From NAVTA’s website: www.NAVTA.net

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**The Academy of Veterinary Nutrition Technicians** - created to develop and support the area of veterinary nutrition, develop the knowledge and expertise of veterinary technicians to become certified in the field of nutrition and endorse technicians as a vital part of the veterinary nutrition profession.

**The Academy of Veterinary Surgical Technicians** - encourages experienced surgical technicians to enhance their education and training by pursuing a surgical specialty. AVST will provide a standardized route through which technicians may qualify for a national examination to become a VTS (Surgery).

*Contacts*: Teri Raffel, CVT - raffelteri@gmail.com; Heidi Reuss-Lamky, LVT, VTS (Anesthesia) - frzbdogmom@aol.com.

**The Academy of Veterinary Zoological Medicine Technicians** - created specifically for veterinary technicians working in zoological medicine. The AVZMT offers the opportunity for zoo technicians to demonstrate excellence in the field.

Up next month: Societies