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President's Message

Greetings from the snow pile!

Hope you were among the lucky ones that made it to our kick-off meeting at the Baltimore Aquarium. Wow! What a great evening. There were lots of new faces and Dr Whitaker and his staff were very welcoming. Larry and his Program crew put together a great evening of food and fun.

Plan to join us in March for our monthly meeting at the American Red Cross to hear Dr. Annika Paukner's presentation on her findings that were recently published in Science. Annika is a NIH research fellow studying hand-raised Rhesus infants and Capuchin monkeys at the NIH Animal Center. She is a neuroscientist looking at behavioral disorders affected by varying rearing conditions. The April meeting should be excellent, too. Re-scheduled from February, Dr .Ofelia Olivero will speak on animal models used in the study of cancer, a condition that has touched us all. Mark your calendars for BioReliance once again. We won't let a little snow keep us from hearing this very timely subject.

Please make checking the NCAB website a weekly habit because there will be a lot of upcoming education opportunities. The Education and Workshop Committees are busy pulling together sites, trainers and activities for all members. The Technician Branch Representative (TBR) posted an AALAS quiz during Tech Week with a good amount of activity and interest in prizes to be awarded. These opportunities will fill up past so keep checking for announcements.

Awards, who doesn't like a little attention. You can self-nominate or have someone nominate you for the NCAB Awards. Check out the award criteria for the Charles D. Durbin Award for technicians, the Dr. William I. Gay Award for trainers, the Richard L. Pierson Award for supervisors and managers, and the Dr. Joseph R. Held Award for clinical or facility veterinarians. All the information is available on the NCAB website. Scholarships are available for animal care technicians that are working on certification exams: ALAT, LAT, LATG, and CMAR. If you need some help to cover the costs of your exam registration and manual packages apply for the NCAB scholarships.

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If you hadn't already figured it out, the NCAB website is a clearing-house of information for all things NCAB. Check it out.

www.ncabaalas.org

See you in March.

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7th Annual Lab Products Animal Technician Award



A laboratory animals best friend is a healthy, caring Animal Technician

Lab Products, Inc. is pleased to announce the 7th **Annual Lab Products Animal Technician Award Program**. This program is designed to reward a deserving animal care technician from each of the 8 AALAS Districts and Canada with the opportunity to attend their first National AALAS Meeting. One award recipient is selected yearly from each of the 8 AALAS Districts and Canada. The award is limited to animal care personnel, with at least one year of laboratory animal care experience, that have never attended a National AALAS Meeting. The recipients of the Lab Products Animal Technician Award will each receive an award recognition plaque; airfare, hotel and registration for the National AALAS Meeting; one year membership to National AALAS and \$350 to cover incidentals while attending the AALAS Meeting. For more information write Lab Products, Inc., P.O. Box 639, Seaford, DE 19973, or see the award description and nomination information on CompMed or Techlink.

Award Benefits: (participation, recognition, public speaking, and decision making).

- This award will:
- 1) Allow a deserving animal care worker from each of the 8 AALAS Districts and Canada to attend a National AALAS Meeting for the first time.
 - 2) Publicly recognize the recipient at a social function of the AALAS membership.
 - 3) Encourage the recipient to speak at a Branch Meeting on their experiences at AALAS, thereby allowing them to gain experience in public speaking and to promote the AALAS experience to other technicians.
 - 4) The recipient will serve as a member of the Lab Products Animal Technician Award Selection Committee for the next year. This will allow them the experience and involvement in a decision making process that will affect their peers.

Award Selection Committee:

- 1) Nominees for this year's awards should be submitted to Lab Products, Inc. An Award Selection Committee will then consider all nominations and select one nominee from each of the 8 AALAS Districts and Canada to receive the award.
- 2) The 2009 Award recipients will form the Award Selection Committee for selection of the 2010 Award Recipients.

Award Selection Criteria:

- 1) Nominee must have a minimum of 1 years work experience in a laboratory animal facility.
- 2) Nominee must be a working supervisor, animal care worker or animal health technician. (Managers, Assistant Directors. etc. are not eligible).

- 3) The nominee must be someone that actually performs hands on animal care work or works in the cage wash area.
- 4) The nominee must be someone that would not be eligible for travel funds (from the University, Institution or Company) to attend a National AALAS meeting.
- 5) This award is intended to provide deserving animal care technicians with the opportunity to attend their first National AALAS Meeting. Therefore, only nominees that have never attended a National AALAS Meeting will be eligible.

Nomination Process: (Nominations must be RECEIVED BY June 16, 2010)

- 1) Nominations are to be submitted by letter, detailing the Technicians' work history, accomplishments, community involvement, and describing how this travel award will benefit the technician and their facility. AALAS/CALAS Branch membership, and involvement in branch AALAS/CALAS activities, will be considered in the award selection.
- 2) Supporting letters are encouraged and will be considered, but are not required.
- 3) Send nominations to:
Attn: Awards Selection Committee
Lab Products, Inc.
P.O. Box 639,
Seaford, DE 19973
Ph. 800-526-0469
Fax 302-628-4309
- 4) Award recipients will be notified by August 2, 2010.

Award Recipient Requirements:

- 1) After attending the National AALAS Meeting, the award recipients must present a paper at their next annual Branch or District AALAS meeting on how the AALAS Meeting experience affected them.
- 2) Award recipient agrees to attend the Lab Products, Inc., Tuesday night social during the National AALAS Meeting for a formal award presentation.
- 3) Award recipient agrees to be a judge for the selection of the next years award recipients.

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
JUNE 16, 2010**

NCAB Program Update

Hello NCAB!

It is with great enthusiasm that I update you on this year's Program activities! We kicked off the year with an evening at the National Aquarium in Baltimore. Dr. Brent Whitaker, a veterinarian at the Aquarium gave a fantastic presentation on the animal care program. His presentation was followed by a meet-and-greet with food and beverages. Then the membership was treated to free access to the Aquarium exhibits with no other visitors! With the overwhelming interest in and attendance at this meeting, the Aquarium certainly established itself as a prime candidate for future NCAB functions! Special thanks to Pres. Deb Lust, Pres.-Elect Chris Hart, Treasurer Ed Czarra, and Nancy McCormick for their assistance in making this a successful event.

For those who could not make it to Baltimore, we are planning an exciting year for the membership. Mother Nature won the battle for February's meeting, but Father Time talked her into letting us re-schedule. The February meeting has been re-scheduled for April 15th at Bioreliance. Dr Ofelia Olivero of the NIH will speak on an interesting animal model of human cancer. On March 11th, we will meet at the American Red Cross. Our speaker, Dr. Annika Paukner will discuss non-human primate behavioral research in her presentation: "Monkey business – developmental and comparative perspectives on social cognition." In May at MedImmune, Dr. William Watson will speak with us about chimpanzee retirement.

We are currently working on plans for the June picnic and November banquet. There are no planned monthly meetings from July-October. The NCAB Seminar is in September and National AALAS is in October. So, what about July and August? Not to worry! This year, we want to try something different. We are looking at several group networking opportunities for members. Ideas thus far have included white water rafting, paintball, bowling tournament, amusement park trips, and more!

Remember that this is YOUR organization and your input is highly valued. In fact, each of the topics already scheduled was recommended by NCAB members. Please contact us with your ideas for future activities and/or if you would like to offer your assistance. Finally, remember to monitor the NCAB AALAS website for the latest updates on program activities. It is our pleasure to serve you, the members of AALAS's best branch!

Sincerely,

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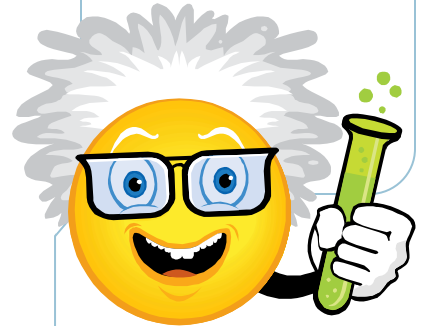


Public Relations

The NCAB AALAS Public Relations Committee has many activities planned for this year. Here are some great opportunities for you to volunteer.

Montgomery County Science Fair

The Montgomery County Science Fair to be held at the University of Maryland on Saturday March 20, 2010 needs volunteers. ScienceMONTGOMERY provides the Fair for all public, private and parochial school students, grades 6 through 12. This is an easy and fun way to support our future science students. NCAB members have volunteered as judges for many years. It is a lot of fun and very rewarding to promote science for our youth. Won't you join us? Please sign up directly at the Fair website: <http://www.sciencemontgomery.org/>



Global Race for the Cure

NCAB AALAS is forming a group to walk together to Champion the *Susan B. Komen Global Race for the Cure* 5 K on Saturday June 5, 2010 in Washington DC. We will meet on race day and participate as a group. We would love to have you join us. You can register individually at: http://globalrace.info-komen.org/site/PageServer?pagename=hq_gr_homepage or search using 'Global Race for the Cure.'

Relay for Life

Anyone interested in forming or being on a NCAB AALAS team for one of the Relay for Life events please contact Molly Romick at 240-472-4764 or rmckgsgrl@aol.com

Sally Ride Festival

Sally Ride Science is focused on supporting and sustaining students' natural interests in science and technology. Their intent is to bring science to life and show kids that science is creative, collaborative, fascinating and fun. Sally Ride founded this organization to inspire young women in the field of science. The Sally Ride Festival supports a day of hands-on science activities for 5th – 8th grade girls. NCAB AALAS needs volunteers to support the booth and share your enthusiasm and knowledge. Although the dates are not set for the 2010 festival it is generally in April or May at a local University setting.



If you are interested in volunteering to support any of these events please contact Molly Romick, 240-472-4764 or rmckgsgrl@aol.com or Eileen Morgan at 301-451-0384 or morgane@od.nih.gov. Also, NCAB has educational materials and handouts available for distribution if you are speaking to students or participating in student career day or other science events.



TBR Notes

International Laboratory Animal Technician Appreciation Week Wrap-Up

I hope all of you have a very happy and enjoyable Tech Week 2010! This week was designed to acknowledge and recognize the critical role, Animal Technicians play in the research for cures to disease, identification of medicines/treatments and a better understanding of life processes. On behalf of the entire NCAB AALAS Council, I hope you all found a way to celebrate how much you contribute to the success of biomedical research.

To add some spice to this year's Tech Week, I created a trivia challenge and more than 250 of you answered the call and several of you stood out as lab animal science trivia geniuses! Now for the Tech Week Challenge winners!



Gift Certificate Winners

- Monday's winner = Rachel Gray (USAMRICD – Edgewood, MD)
- Tuesday's Winner = Adeline Govekung (Priority One Services – Bethesda, MD)
- Wednesday's Winner = Yvonne Gonzales (SAIC – Frederick, MD)
- Thursday's Winner = Dienes Quinonez (Macrogenics – Rockville, MD)
- Friday's Winner = Patricia Long-Bradley (FDA – Laurel, MD)

Each of you will be receiving a \$25.00 Gift Certificate in the near future – Congratulations!

While the following individuals did not win a gift certificate their genius cannot be ignored – they all scored 100% on the Tech Week Challenge Trivia Quiz and deserve some kudos for knowing a lot of stuff about our career field:

- Marjorie Fortman (HHMI – Ashburn, VA)
- Yanira Manzanarez (Macrogenics – Rockville, MD)
- Amanda Miller (Charles River – Bethesda, MD)
- Jay Noor (NIH NIAID – Rockville, MD)
- Kim Volkert (SoBran Inc – Bethesda, MD)



Due to the recent snow storms plaguing the Washington DC area, the random drawing for the AALAS Exam Study Bundles has been delayed until our next meeting. Each of you who took up the challenge will be eligible to win.

How did you celebrate Tech Week 2010? We want to know – please send in your stories, pictures or videos to share. On behalf of NCAB AALAS, I will be submitting an article to National AALAS outlining how NCAB is the best Branch in AALAS and we know how to party!

TBR Notes cont.



Training Workshop Volunteers

I am looking for a few experienced individuals to help me put on a half day workshop in April/May on how to design, develop and deliver winning abstracts and posters. Have you won a poster contest at Branch or National Meetings? Share your experiences and expertise and help other technicians who may not know how to submit their topic abstract or build the perfect poster. If you are interested in helping this training event, please contact Elton Machholz (elton.machholz@crl.com) or David Mallon (dmallon@priorityoneservices.com) to sign up! More details on the workshop date/time/location will be forthcoming.

AALAS Learning Library News

NCAB ALL Licenses Available - Each year NCAB AALAS sponsors a group account through with the [AALAS Learning Library](#) (ALL). The purposes of the ALL is to provide technicians an on-line learning resources as they prepare for and take the ALAT, LAT & LATG examinations. The ALL also provides some excellent modules on IACUC, safety, training and management topics – allowing ALL users to quickly accrue CEU's needed to maintain or establish Registry status for the certification level they hold.

The NCAB AALAS ALL group still has open licenses. If you do not have an account already, consider signing up for one through NCAB AALAS. They are available on a first-come-first-serve basis to all NCAB AALAS Branch members.

To learning more about the ALL please go to <http://www.aalaslearninglibrary.org>. To request a free ALL account through NCAB AALAS, please e-mail Elton Machholz (elton.machholz@crl.com) to get enrollment instructions.

New ALAT Courses Available – The ALL has been updated with new ALAT examination modules and content outlined in the newly revised ALAT Manual. Here's the current release notes from the ALL web site:

The 2009 version of the ALAT Manual Courses 1 through 17 are now online. These courses can easily identify as 2009 is in the title of the new courses, and they will be in a different series than the old courses. More courses will be launched as they are ready and all 2009 ALAT Manual courses should be available by mid February.

Please note that the audio files are now being added to courses already online. During this process, you may view a course in which audio is available on some pages but not others. The files will be added as quickly as possible so please check back later in the day or the following day if you wish to listen to the audio as you view the pages of the course.

Workshop Committee

NCAB Workshops provide a great opportunity for small group learning both to advance your knowledge and for fun. This year's committee includes Joanne Smith, Barton Weick, Johnetta Gray, and Erika Wiltrout. We welcome new members to the committee if any of you are interested in planning and coordinating workshops for your peers. Our next meeting will be in early March, location and details to be announced, probably in Bethesda or Rockville.

Dates for this year's workshops haven't been set yet -- keep an eye out for e-mail messages and check the NCAB website for updates and registration information. We hope to present 4-6 workshops and to vary the locations somewhat to include members in different areas. Last year's Zebrafish workshop, Primate quarantine and livestock workshop, and Resume writing workshop were very well received. Anesthesia, Anatomy, Enrichment, Transgenic basics, and other topics are being considered this year.

Please look for the committee members at the regular NCAB meetings and feel free to share your ideas with us.



We recently unearth some pictures of our membership from the 1980's!
Can You Identify These NCAB Members?



In Memoriam—Dr. Albert E.(Gene) New Past NCAB President



Former Head of the National Cancer Institute's Laboratory Animal Medicine Program, Dr. Albert Eugene "Gene" New, 74, veterinarian and laboratory animal science pioneer, trusted colleague and mentor, died February 7 at his home in Rockville, MD. Cause of death was a fatal heart attack, following an entire day of assisting neighbors in digging out their homes during the Blizzard of 2010.

Dr. New was born, 1935, in Kenneth, Kansas and raised on the family dairy farm until he attended Kansas State University. It was there that he received a Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine. Upon graduation in 1960 he was commissioned into the U.S. Air Force Veterinary Medical Corp and served at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX. In 1962, Dr. New was among the first six veterinarians to enter the Laboratory Animal Medicine Program at the School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB in San Antonio and ultimately obtained a Master's degree in laboratory animal medicine from Texas A&M. His distinguished military career included establishing the first research veterinary activity in the Navy and serving as the veterinarian for Miss Baker, the first monkey to survive space flight at the Naval Aerospace Medical Research Institute in Pensacola, FL. He then served a 3-year tour in Taipei, Taiwan at the Naval Medical Research Unit-2 (NAMRU-2) during the Viet Nam conflict, which involved an assignment into Da Nang for collecting research data used in studying disease prevention for our soldiers.

In 1973 he transferred from the Air Force taking a position in the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps at the National Institute of Health (NIH) as head of the primate quarantine unit. In 1976 Dr. New became the head of the National Cancer Institute's laboratory animal medicine program. Dr. New played key roles in establishing the National Cancer Institute's (NCI) policy on animal care and use, which strongly influenced the NIH-wide intramural policy on centralized animal care facilities on the NIH campus.

Dr. New received numerous honors and awards during his many years serving as a veterinarian in the U.S. Air Force and Public Health Service and held a long list of organizational positions. Among them a past-president of the National Capital Area Branch of the American Association of Laboratory Animal Science (NCAB/AALAS), past-president and a Diplomate of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM).

Following retirement in 1986 from the Public Health Service, Dr. New became the executive director of the American Association for the Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC). AAALAC accredits animal care and use programs at academic and biomedical research institutions. He retired from AAALAC in 1996 and continued to serve in his field as a consultant in laboratory animal science to numerous research organizations including the Federal Drug Administration, the Red Cross and the Biomedical Research Institute.

In the prime of his retirement years and enjoying life, Gene loved the outdoor life of wood-cutting and grooming trees, that he often referred to as "playing with his big boy toys" at their rural property in Jefferson, MD. When at their Lake House, Gene could not wait to entertain everyone with jet ski rides, boat trips, cookouts, and bon fires. Never to forget the annual 4th of July gatherings where he would amaze everyone with the largest display of fireworks he could find for hours of entertainment. He was always on the go and full of hours of advice, but most of all he was truly happy and loved his family and friends.

Gene is survived by his beloved wife of 52 years, Deena, his three loving children, Shelly Rance of Laytonsville, MD, Cheryl New of Frederick, MD and Jeff New of Gaithersburg, MD. His son-in-law, Don Paul Rance and daughter-in-law, Annie New. His brother James Rex New of Oklahoma. Six remarkable grandchildren Brian Taylor, Geoffrey and Lindsay Rance, Michelle New, Kevin Wallace and David New.

May his positive outlook on life and his happy smile be our inspiration and memory.

Congratulations to Our Newly Certified Members!!

ALAT

Jessica Fry—McConnell Group
Kristina Howard—Charles River
Lindsey Schwartz—McConnell Group
Myan Turk—Priority One
Jason Williams—McConnell Group

LAT

Ashley Fancher - SAIC
Luke Keener—Priority One
Charity Provard—McConnell Group
Kendra Smith—Charles River
Erika Weaver—McConnell Group
Philip White—Charles River
Tiffanie Whitty—McConnell Group
Desta Yalew—Charles River
Katie Zeleski—Charles River

LATG

Joanne Gilman—McConnell Group
Adeline Govekung—Priority One
Merritt Newman—McConnell Group



Institutional Membership

The Institutional Membership Program is an important resource of support providing the NCAB with the opportunity to continually expand its educational programs. In addition to a number of Technician Scholarship awards given each year, the enthusiasm generated through our Workshop Programs have allowed us to increase the number of workshops, as well as expand the content. In 2010, our educational programs will be offered to an ever increasing audience of laboratory animal scientists, as well as other interested groups as to the benefits of biomedical research and the commitment that all members of AALAS have to humane animal care and use.

NCAB/AALAS would like to thank all of the Research Institutions and Companies who make up the Institutional membership.

For Institutional membership information for 2010, please contact:
 Frank Lynch, flynch@pharmacal.com
 Institutional Membership Chair

Member Institution	Year	Member Institution	Year
AAALAC International	1997-2009	Dudick Inc.	2009
Ace Animals, Inc.	2000-2010	DustControl, Inc	2009
Acorn Industrial Products Inc.	2009	Edstrom Industries, Inc.	1981-2009
Advanced Bioscience Labs	1999-2009	Elm Hill Labs Inc.	2009
Airnet Express	2006-2010	ENV Services	2006-2010
Allentown, Inc.	1979-2009	Environmental Tectonics Corp.	2009
ALN Magazine/Vicon Publishing Inc.	2004-2009	E-Z Anesthesia/Euthanex Corp.	2004-2009
Alpha Genesis Inc.	2009-2010	FDA/CBER	1984-2010
Alternative Design	1994-2010	George Washington University Medical Center	1982-2009
American Red Cross	1998-2009	Georgetown University	2009
Americans For Medical Progress	2001-2009	Getinge USA	1991-2009
Ancare Corporation	1984-2009	Girton	1994-2009
Anderson's/Bed-o-Cobs	1992-2009	Harlan	1981-2009
Animal Specialties and Provisions LLC	2007-2009	HDR (CUH2A)	2004-2009
Aquaneering Inc.	2009-2010	Hilltop Lab Animals Inc.	1983-2009
Arts-Way Scientific	2004-2009	Howard Hughes Medical Institute	2007-2009
Avant Garde Scientific, Inc.	1991-2009	Innovive, Inc.	2007-2010
Bio Medic Data Systems Inc.	1997-2009	Instech Solomon Labs	2007-2009
Biocon Inc.	1979-2009	Johns Hopkins University	1983-2009
Bioqual, Inc.	1983-2010	Lab Products, Inc.	1978-2009
BioReliance Corporation	1979-2009	Labex of MA	2009
BioSAFE Engineering - WR 2	2009	Labrepc, Inc.	2004-2009
Bio-Serv, Inc.	1994-2010	Lenderking Caging Products	1990-2009
Bridge Laboratories	2004-2009	Liberty Research	2009
Britz & Company	1996-2009	Life Science Products, Inc.	1982-2009
Carter 2 Systems Inc.	2003-2009	Locus Technology, Inc.	2000-2009
Charles River	1978-2010	Lomir Biomedical Inc.	2001-2009
Clear H2O Company	2006-2009	Louviere, Stratton, Yokel, LLC	1988-2009
Clordisys Solutions Inc.	2006-2009	Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute	2009-1010
Coastal Scientific, Inc.	2000-2009	Lynx Product Group	2002-2009
Colonial Medical Supply	2002-2010	Macrogenics, Inc.	2004-2009
Covance Laboratories, Inc.	1978-2009	Marshall BioResources	1996-2010
Covance Research Products	1978-2009	Matrix Scientific, LLC	2009-2010
Crist Instruments Co. Inc.	2009-2010		

Institutional Membership cont.

Member Institution	Year	Member Institution	Year
Medimmune, Inc.	1995-2009	Taconic Farms, Inc.	1991-2009
Millbrook Breeding Labs	2005-2009	Tecniplast USA	2001-2009
MNX – Global LifeSciences Logistics	2009	The Jackson Laboratory	2008-2009
Myrtle's Rabbitry Inc.	1997-2009	The McConnell Group Inc.	2003-2009
New Year Tech, Inc.	2003-2009	The Scale People	1993-2009
NIH/Division of Veterinary Resources	1979-2009	Thoren Caging Systems, Inc.	1989-2009
NIH/National Eye Institute	2003-2009	Topaz Technologies	2008-2009
NIH/National Institute of Allergies and Infectious Diseases	1984-2009	Total MRO, LLC	2002-2009
NIH/National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research	2004-2009	Transportech	2004-2009
NIH/National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism	2004-2009	Tuttnauer	2000-2009
NIH/National Institute on Drug Abuse	2001-2009	Unifab Corporation	2009-2010
NIH/NINDS/AHCS	1996-2009	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences	1995-2009
NIH/Office of Animal Care and Use	1989-2010	University of Maryland Central Animal Resource Facility	1985-2009
NIH/Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare	2008-2009	University of Maryland Veterinary Resources	1982-2009
NIH/Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center Animal Care Program	2001-2009	University of Maryland-ANSC College Park	2008-2009
NLS Animal Health	1992-2009	USAMRMC/Animal Care and Use Review Office	2006-2009
Northeastern Products Corp.	1999-2009	VetEquip, Inc.	2000-2009
Nuaire Inc.	2000-2010	ViraTek Inc.	2006-2009
Pharmalac Research Laboratories, Inc.	1978-2009	Visi-Line	2008-2009
Porter Creek Instruments, LLC	2004-2009	VWR International	2009
Primate Products, Inc.	1998-2009	World Courier Inc.	2004-2009
Priority One Services	1994-2009	WRAIR-NMRC	1981-2010
Purina Mills LabDiet	1992-2010	Zeigler Brothers Inc.	1995-2009
Quality Lab Products, Inc.	1998-2009		
Quip Laboratories Inc.	1989-2009		
Rees Scientific Corporation	1994-2009		
Roe Biomedical Products LLC	2009		
SAIC-NCI Frederick	1983-2009		
Sanitation Strategies	2007-2010		
Schlyer Machine Division of Audubon Machinery	2006-2009		
Scientists Center for Animal Welfare	1999-2009		
Shepherd Specialty Papers, Inc.	1983-2009		
SJN Inc.	1995-2010		
SoBran Inc.	2002-2010		
Southern Research Institute	1991-2009		
Spray Master Technologies	2009		
Spring Valley Laboratories, Inc.	1984-2009		
Steris Corporation	1993-2009		
Suburban Surgical Co. Inc.	1988-2009		
Systems Engineering	1989-2009		



NCAB Awards

The National Capital Area Branch of AALAS offers four awards during the annual seminar meeting. Nominees must be an NCAB member. These awards are as follows:

Charles D. Durbin Award

The technician selected for the Annual NCAB Durbin Award shall be a person whose primary responsibility is the feeding, handling and care of laboratory animals. An honorarium of \$300.00 and a plaque will be awarded to the recipient of this award.

The following criteria will be considered in the final selection:

- ◆ Number of years as a member of NCAB
- ◆ Number of years of experience in lab animal field
- ◆ Daily contact with animals of one or more species in the form of handling, feeding, watering changing bedding, etc.
- ◆ Demonstrated positive attitude toward the welfare of animals.
- ◆ Proven ability to work well independently as well as with co workers.
- ◆ Demonstrated performance in completing animal care related duties, as well or better than the expected level of performance for the facility.
- ◆ AALAS certification level
- ◆ Ability to provide innovative approaches to animal care problems.
- ◆ Recognition by peers and co workers

Richard L. Pierson Award

The technician selected for the Annual Pierson Award shall be a person whose duties and responsibilities include daily contact with animals in the conduct of technical, supervisory and / or managerial duties. An honorarium of \$500.00 and a plaque will be awarded to the recipient of this award.

The following criteria will be considered in the final selection:

- ◆ Number of years as a member of NCAB
- ◆ Number of years of experience in lab animal field
- ◆ Daily contact with laboratory animals of one or more species in the performance of technical duties such as: treatments, specimen collection, necropsies, surgical manipulations or operating diagnostic equipment.
- ◆ Scope of direct working supervision over personnel responsible for the care and feeding, technical and the general welfare of animals.
- ◆ Demonstrated attitude, contributions, performance level and innovative approach toward the betterment of animal care.
- ◆ Ability and effectiveness to provide technical training and direction for co workers.
- ◆ Ability to provide innovative approaches for resolution to animal care problems.
- ◆ Recognition by peers and co workers
- ◆ Individual accomplishments such as memberships, presentations, posters, volunteer, etc.

NCAB Awards cont.

Dr. William I. Gay Award

The individual selected for the Annual Trainer Award shall be a person whose duties and responsibilities include providing training for individuals that have contact with animals and provide husbandry and technical animal care. One letter of support must come from someone who has received training from the person nominated. An honorarium of \$400.00 and a plaque will be awarded to the recipient of this award.

The following criteria will be considered in the final selection:

- ◆ Number of years as a member of NCAB
- ◆ Level of AALAS certification
- ◆ Number of years of experience in lab animal field
- ◆ Number of years experience as a trainer
- ◆ Lectures, workshops and presentations (to include trade meetings)
- ◆ Ability to provide effective up to date training information and techniques.
- ◆ Ability to train diversified groups of people.
- ◆ Involvement in the generation of standard operating procedures.
- ◆ Promotes and teaches individuals for AALAS certification.
- ◆ Membership and involvement in other organizations such as LAWTE and LATA

Dr. Joseph R. Held Award

This award is intended for Clinical or Facility Laboratory Animal Veterinarians. The award specifically excludes directors of animal programs. The nominee will have sustained superior clinical performance, achieved recognition for a single accomplishment or contribution, or provided exemplary service to the Branch. All nominees must be members of NCAB AALAS. An honorarium of \$500.00 and a plaque will be awarded to the recipient of this award.

The following criteria will be considered in the final selection:

- ◆ Number of years working as a Clinical Veterinarian
- ◆ Educational background such as internship, residency, post graduate degree, board certification, etc.
- ◆ Ability to work well with others as a mentor and as a colleague.
- ◆ Daily contact with laboratory animals of one or more species in the performance of clinical veterinary medicine.
- ◆ Participation in organized laboratory animal medicine science, such as AALAS, ACLAM, ect.
- ◆ Participation in additional training / teaching for animal care / technical staff as well as public education / outreach groups and programs.
- ◆ Accomplishments, contributions and innovations in the field of laboratory animal care and medicine.
- ◆ Recognition by peers and co workers

NCAB Award Application 2010

I. Award

Date submitted: _____

Check award:

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Joseph Held Clinical Vet Award _____

II. Personal Data:

Name of person being nominated _____

Job Title _____

Current Employer _____ Years: _____

Address: _____

Telephone : _____

III. Certification Data:

AALAS (Highest Level Achieved): Level: _____ Date: _____

Other (Explain): Level: _____ Date: _____

Other Educational Information: _____

IV. Professional Participation:

NCAB/AALAS Member: _____ Years: _____

National AALAS Member: _____ Years: _____

Other Organizations: _____ Years _____

Awards Received: _____

Publications/Presentations: _____

V. Employment Data:

Responsibilities at current employment, animal species experience (additional sheets may be added if necessary) :

VI. Previous Employment:

Employer, date of employment, job title, animal species experience (additional sheets may be added if necessary):

VII. Recommendations / Letters of Support: Lab Animal Related Supervisor and/or Head of Department

Please address items from the Suggested NCAB "Guidelines". Please refer to candidate as he or she in the body of the endorsement. (Should be written on a separate document's)

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**NCAB - AALAS
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EXAM Scholarship Application**

Personal Data

Date Submitted _____
Name _____
Address _____
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Telephone Work # _____ Home # _____

Scholarship Application Level

Please check one

ALAT _____ **LAT** _____ **LATG** _____

Present AALAS certification level _____ Certification Date _____

Educational Data

Check highest level completed

Grammar School _____ High School _____ College _____

College Attended _____

Degree Achieved _____

Other Educational information _____

Professional Participation: *One Year as an NCAB member required*

NCAB / AALAS Member _____ Years _____

National AALAS member _____ Years _____

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AALAS Participation _____

Publications / Presentations _____

Employments Data

Responsibilities of current position, animal species, number of animals, etc. Additional sheets may be added as necessary.

Previous Employment

Provide previous employment information regarding animal species, number of animals, etc. Additional sheets may be added as necessary.

Endorsements

Attach at least two letters of recommendation from a supervisor, manager , veterinarian and / or director.

Closure date for applications : August 30, 2010

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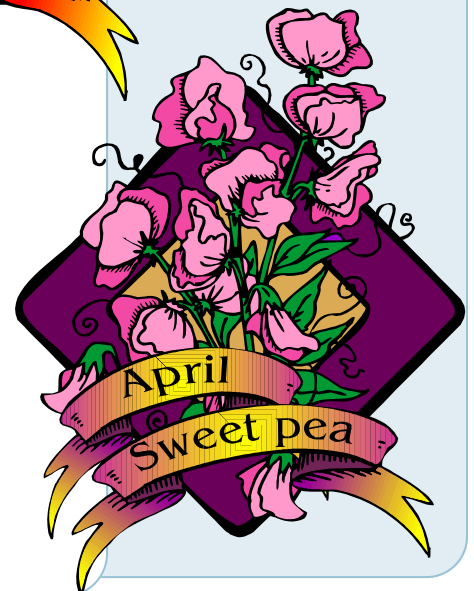
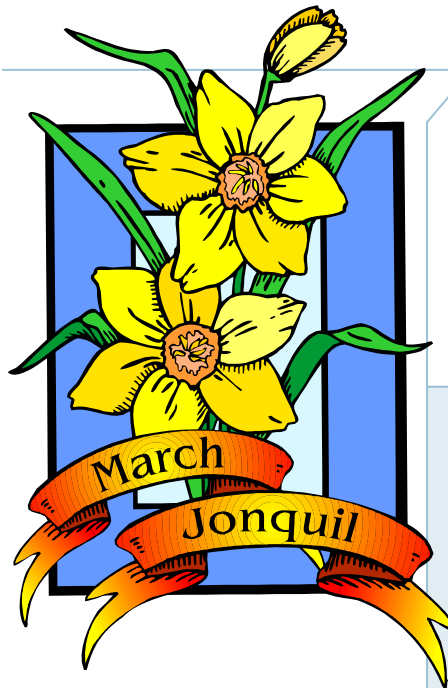
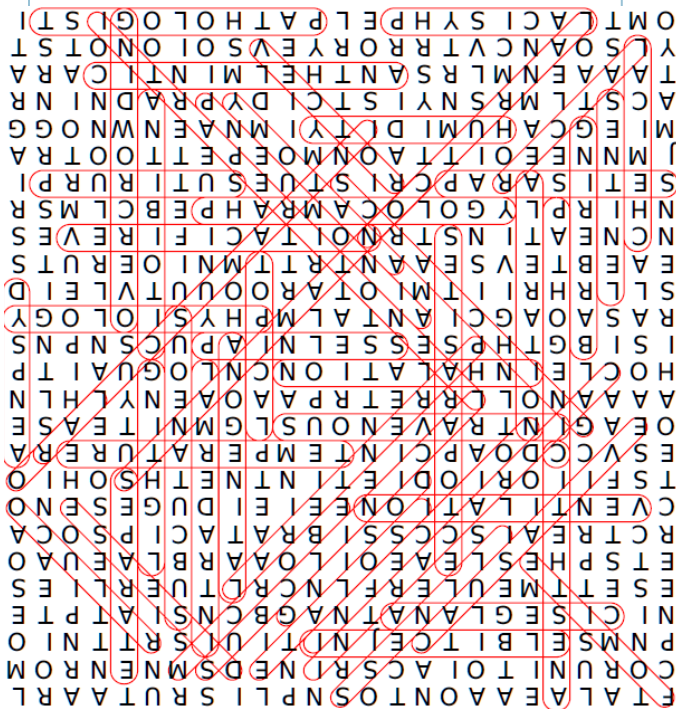
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