Greetings NCAB-AALAS!

Well, June was certainly a wet and wild month here in the D.C. Metro area; we may need to buy boats for transportation at this rate.

I just wanted to bring you all up to date on a few things. Please visit our website http://www.ncabaalas.org as it has been updated, tell us what you think. On the home page as you scroll down you will see a few eye-catching items.

It’s Seminar time and the Seminar Committee has put together a fun program for your enjoyment, we hope to see you there!

Next the Golf Outing is looking for a few good (or not so good) golfers who are looking to have an enjoyable day on the links. So grab your clubs and head on out Waverly Woods with the NCAB-AALAS gang.

2015 Awards time is here with a deadline of July 20th for nominations. We all know someone who is deserving of recognition and now is the time to do just that. Please consider putting forth someone for one of our awards.

Last but certainly not least, National AALAS and NCAB-AALAS both rely on volunteers to accomplish our goals. Sometimes that gets lost and we take for granted all of the effort that everyone puts forth to get us there. I would just like everyone to know how much your effort is appreciated and ask that when you talk to someone who is part of that effort that you give them a big thank you. I count myself lucky to be a part of this and the National organization and hope that you all feel the same.

And, sometimes you get to have a little fun….

Carolyn
2015 NCAB President
What has the AALAS Foundation been doing this year?

The Foundation continues to spread the word about the caring professionals who work with laboratory animals to help discover treatments and cures for diseases that affect people and animals. This year half-page, color ads will be placed in the USA Today newspapers 6 times. The ad will also have a QR code to direct people to our care.aalas.org web site for more information, www.care.aalas.org.

The Foundation is working on a mobile gaming app for kids, targeting middle school-aged kids. The app will replace the Whyville game and focus on quality animal care and use in research.

This year’s AALAS Foundation Reception at the National Meeting will be “Express your inner hero”. The Foundation will also be sponsoring an art contest to benefit the Foundation. Similar to the Horse Race and Cattle Drive held the past 2 years, we are calling all artists to decorate and 8 x 10” canvass using this theme. The specific about the contest are on the Foundation web page and the National meeting web page. https://www.aalas.org/national-meeting#.VaG5wflViM0

Another way to support the Foundation is to purchase a limited edition "Express Your Inner Hero" t-shirt! Order one today and help us get conversations going about all the SUPER HEROES working in biomedical research! The deadline to order is July 20th. All funds raised through the art contest entry fee and the sale of the t-shirts will support the AALAS Foundation and its public awareness mission.

If you purchased a “Celebrate the Mouse” pin at last year’s meeting, this year’s pin will have a purple tail to be associated with Alzheimer’s disease research. These pins help open the discussion about the use of mice in research critical to finding treatments for this terrible disease.

Pat Sikes (AALAS Foundation Board of Director) and I will be leading a Roundtable Discussion at the National Meeting entitled, “How to run an AREA Program at your branch or district meeting”. The Target audience will be people who are considering implementing an AREA program within their Branch or District meeting and need additional guidance from panel members and the audience. Eileen Morgan from NCAB will be one of our expert panelists, along with Lynell Dupepe, Cindy Kloster and Brian Ebert. The Roundtable will be on Thursday at 12:30, so please plan on staying for the entire meeting and join us.

And please remember, if you need any literature for public outreach activities, this can be requested from the AALAS Foundation free of charge.

Donna Goldsteen
AALAS Foundation Director-at-Large
Chair, Public Relations Committee
Co-Chair, Branch Relations Committee
In an effort to bring more recognition to those who excel in educating and training in the field of laboratory animal science, the Laboratory Animal Welfare Training Exchange (LAWTE) expanded its awards program and added five new ways to honor our industry’s hard working trainers. The awards were presented during the biennial conference June 10-12 in Madison, Wisconsin. The theme for the meeting was “The 4-I’s: Investment, Innovation, Implementation and Impact”. LAWTE partnered with the IACUC Administrators Association (IAA) to provide a value packed education for both trainers and IACUC Administrators! Conference attendees could choose between three learning tracks packed full of innovated ideas to bring back to the facility. There were also plenty of networking opportunities available during the Wednesday night social at the Madison Children’s Museum. It was an eclectic venue featuring a human size gerbil wheel, a two-story Hodgepodge Mahal climber and an art studio. It was as much fun to watch the gerbil wheel activity as it was to attempt to master the spin. The reception and awards banquet were held at the University of Wisconsin Pyle Center overlooking the beautiful Lake Mendota. LAWTE President Paula Clifford and Conference Program Chair Lisa Kelly and their team did an outstanding job of delivering a quality program.

**Founder’s Award** - Recognizes an outstanding educator/trainer in the field of laboratory animal science and/or regulatory compliance. An honorarium of $250, plaque and a lifetime membership to LAWTE was awarded to:

Dr. Stacy L. Pritt  
University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center  
Dallas, Texas

**Impact Award** - Recognizes an outstanding educator/trainer in the field of laboratory animal science that has a passion for teaching and encourages students to learn. An honorarium of $100, plaque and a 1 year membership to LAWTE was awarded to:

Diana P. Baumann  
Stowers Institute  
Kansas City, Missouri

**The LAWTE Top 3 Award** - Recognizes an individual, group or organization that has demonstrated outstanding achievement and excellence in the laboratory animal science training arena in three distinct areas since the last LAWTE meeting. A plaque was awarded to the following recipients:

**Top 3 Award for Training Performance** – The winner has demonstrated themselves to be an impactful, authoritative, and engaging speaker

Camelia Symonowicz  
Bristol Myers-Squibb  
Wallingford, Connecticut

**Top 3 Award for Training Development** – The winner has developed a powerful and influential online learning program or resource in the laboratory animal science field

AALAS Learning Library  
Online Learning Committee  
Memphis, Tennessee

**Top 3 Award for Training Program** – The winning program must be supported by an AAALAC accredited animal facility and the Facility management must demonstrate a commitment to training. The training program must ensure proficiency by multiple avenues of assessment and emphasize the 3Rs in their training methods. And the last criteria is a demonstrated commitment to continuing education by encouraging AALAS certification and participation in outside training opportunities

Compliance & Rodent Clinical Care  
University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center  
Houston, Texas

**Poster Award Winners**

1st Place: Dotty Paquin for “A Survey on Animal User Training Programs Across Academia, Industry & Medical Centers”

2nd Place: Nilo Pebdani for “Global Standardization of Training”

3rd Place: Peter Vertz for “A Unique Variation on Providing Enrichment”
Come join us for the 2015 National Capital Area Branch Seminar

Keynote speaker: National AALAS President, Dr. Cindy Buckmaster

Featured topics include:
- Biocontainment and vaccine development in the Ebola crisis
- Bridging language gaps in your facility
- Care of Woodchucks in the laboratory
- Lab Animal Nutrition
- Recent Advances in Pain Management
- Lab Animal Contributions to Medical Discovery

Additional Activities
- Hands-on workshops
- Technician Fun Fair
- Scavenger Hunt
- Poster Presentations
- Learning Library
- Baltimore Zoomobile

Wednesday night’s banquet will thrill us with an exciting Murder Mystery! Watch for more information coming soon!!!
Come To Turf Valley for the 2015 NCAB Seminar August 25 - 27

Worried about the drive to Turf Valley in the morning to attend Seminar?

Dreading the drive home after even more?

Don’t worry! **Reserve a room at Turf Valley and relax!**

JOIN US FOR THE BANQUET ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Worried about being too tired to drive home after?

Think you might like to enjoy a cocktail & know you shouldn’t drive after?

Think you might want to hang out after the banquet with new friends?

Don’t worry! **Reserve a room at Turf Valley and enjoy yourself!**

**DON’T WORRY ABOUT THE DRIVE!**

**DISCOUNTED ROOM RATES AVAILABLE**

BOOK NOW!!

Book your hotel room online ([www.turfvalley.com](http://www.turfvalley.com)), call Turf Valley directly (410-465-1500) or call the reservations line (888-833-8873).

Provide NCAB Group Code (**27V3EO**) to receive the discounted room rate
NCAB Golf Tuesday August 25th 2015 at 9:00 am at

WAVERLY WOODS
Golf Club
WAVERLY WOODS Golf Club
2100 Warwick Way Marriottsville, MD 21104
Phone: 410-313-9182 Fax: 410-313-9168

GOLF OUTING INFORMATION

Outing Guests enjoy the following benefits:

- Bag Service
- Greens Fees
- Carts
- Range Balls and use of practice facilities
- Closest to the pin, Long Drive, raffles and lunch
- $5.00 Mulligan buy in

Rates and Starting Time: Tuesday 8/25/2015
9am Shotgun start $90 per person

The Basic Grill Lunch:
Hamburgers and Hot Dogs with Potato Salad & Cookies soft drinks and water and maybe an adult beverage

Contact: Frank Lynch 703.599.9259 flynch@pharmacal.com
Mark Smith 301.717.1341 lspms@aol.com
You don’t need a team to play. We can group you with other NCAB members. Please include name and contact information below.

Golfer/contact info:

1. ______________________________ email ______________________________

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You can pay through 123 signup website or send your check to:
NCAB
C/O Frank Lynch NCAB golf
P.O. Box 224
Frederick, MD 21705

Or pay on line:

https://www.123signup.com/register?id=pqpgf

Space is limited so please sign up today!

Cutoff date is 8-16-2015

DIRECTIONS TO WAVERLY WOODS

From the Baltimore Beltway:

Take I-70 west to Exit 83 – Marriottsville Road and go north (to the right). Travel 0.2 miles and turn right at Warwick Way. Proceed about 1/3 of a mile to clubhouse on left.

From Washington DC Beltway:

Take I-95 north to Route 32 west to Route 29 north to I-70 west and follow the “From Baltimore” directions.

From Frederick:

Take I-70 east to Route 40 east to first stoplight – Marriottsville Road. Turn left and proceed about 1 mile and turn right at Warwick Way (stone entrance feature for Waverly Woods). Proceed about 1/3 of a mile to clubhouse on left.
2015 NCAB AALAS SEMINAR: Basic Suturing Techniques Workshop

**When:** Thursday August 27, 2015, 9:00-10:00 AM OR 10:30-11:30 AM (Two 1-hour duplicate sessions)

**Presenters:** Evan Shukan, DVM, MPH, DACVPM, DACLAM & Brian Wilgenburg, DVM, MS, DACLAM

This will be a one-hour workshop teaching basic instrument handling, suture patterns, and knot techniques using surrogate materials (bananas, pigs' feet, etc.). The trainee will have the opportunity to practice hands-on techniques with an instructor.

**Target Audience:** Vet techs and animal care staff

**Cost:** $10.00 *(You must register for workshop to participate)*

**Space is limited!!!**

Contact Dr. LaTesa Hughes if you have any questions.  
[huheslj@mail.nih.gov](mailto:huheslj@mail.nih.gov); 301-402-3188
KEEP CALM
AND
SUBMIT YOUR NCAB
Seminar POSTER
ABSTRACT

Abstract Submissions due July 1, 2015

Visit the NCAB website www.ncabaalas.org for abstract instruction and submission form

Contact Daisy Khouri Saba dkhouri-saba@priorityoneservices.com or Doreen Reasinger dreasinger@bioqual.com for more information

Seminar dates are August 26-27, 2015 at Turf Valley
40th NCAB SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Wednesday, August 26th

USPHS Ebola Response Mission: Experiences of a Veterinarian in the Field, Temeri Wilder-Kofie, DVM, DACLAM, 1:30-2:30

This presentation will give a broad overview of the 2015 US Public Health Service Ebola Response Mission in an Ebola Treatment Unit in Monrovia, Liberia from a veterinarian’s perspective.

Animal Models of Ebola Virus, Nancy Twenhafel, DVM, Diplomate ACVP, 2:30-3:30

Animal Models of Ebola virus infections and how information is gathered for development of disease countermeasures or prevention.

A Strong Biosecurity Program Supports Strong Animal Welfare, Mandy Horn, MS, 3:30-4:30

Biosecurity, as mentioned in the current Guide, are measures taken to address known or unknown infections in an animal colony. In laboratory rodent colonies, biosecurity is most critical since large numbers of animals are usually housed closely together. Consideration should be given to a routine auditing process by management and others in assuring that best biosecurity practices are in place.

Building Bridges to Close the Language Gap, LaTesa Hughes, DVM, MS, 1:30-2:30

Successful communication is essential in all human interactions. It occurs when all parties understand the topic in the same way. In the laboratory animal science (LAS) community, personnel (from cage wash to investigators) are composed of people from diverse backgrounds and these differences in language, education and culture can sometimes hinder successful communication. In this session, we will discuss some of the differences that may present as barriers and how they can be tackled by implementing an English conversation club/class or incorporating various tools and tips when interacting with English Language Learners.
Husbandry Platform Sessions, Various NCAB Superstars, 2:30-3:30

In the tradition of NCAB’s popular Lunch and Learn series, these three team presentations will discuss: 1) the various types of supplements, how they are stored and how they are provided, and the benefits of providing these supplements; 2) use of a four-color signal flag system. This system allows users to communicate various room issues to the necessary department without having to waste time roaming the hallway looking for them; and 3) the unique housing, handling and enrichment of ferrets housed in ABSL2 and ABSL3 environments.

Developing an Animal Care Plan for a Non-Typical Species: Woodchuck, Karena Thek, MBA, CMAR, 3:30-4:30

Have you ever got the news that a non-lab animal typical species would be arriving at your facility? How are you going to house them? What are you going to feed them? How do you enrich them? Developing an animal care program for a species you never worked with can be challenging and stressful. This presentation gives pointers on how you can develop your plan while working through an example: the Woodchuck. Learn interesting facts about woodchuck behavior, enrichment examples and challenges you may face in housing these unique creatures.

Pain Management: Are We Doing the Best We Can? Patricia Foley, DVM, DACLAM, 1:30-2:30

This presentation will provide an overview of pain recognition and pain management, primarily from the viewpoint of an animal health and/or veterinary technician. Problems with commonly used strategies will be discussed, why researchers often don’t want to administer analgesics, different options available for assessing and managing pain, and some suggestions for improving pain management and thus animal welfare.

Surgical Models of Rat Vascular Catheterizations, Carole Blaser, BS, SRT, 2:30-3:30

Discussion of critical factors to understand when utilizing catheterized rats for research including: which vessel to use, what catheter material to use, what drug vehicle is compatible, what exteriorization is appropriate, and how to optimally maintain the catheter’s patency.
Thursday, August 27th

Role of Animals in Scientific and Medical Discovery, Wayman Cheatham, MD, FACE and Rene Hernandez, PhD, 9:00-11:30

This presentation will explore the role our animal partners have played in the development of treatments for common disease conditions.

The Mini-Pig in Radiation Research, Amandeep Kaur, DVM, PhD and Maria Moroni PhD, 1:30-2:30

This presentation will cover the importance of radiation research, available models to study radiation and develop medical countermeasures, advantages and challenges of the minipig as a where do we stand at the moment, and future prospects.

Got Blood? Safe Collection Limits for Lab Animals, Sara Hegge, DVM, MPH, DACVPM, 2:30-3:00

This presentation will cover current recommendations (or lack thereof) for blood collection volume limits and intervals for various laboratory animal species. Some calculations will be covered, including total blood volume and blood donation replacement volumes. Finally, elements CBC interpretation will be covered in regards to safety monitoring.

The Benefits of NCAB and My Professional Experience, Cindy Rhodes, 9:00-9:30

Get ready for some serious motivation as Cindy Rhodes discusses the profound effect NCAB AALAS has had on her professional development and how our organization can do the same for you!

Could Your Laboratory Diet be a Variable in your Research? Sarah Roberts, BS, 9:30-10:30

A review of diet types to make sure you are selecting the best to meet your study needs.

Mythbusters: Animal Watering Myths Exposed, Arnie Markwald, 10:30-11:30

A lighthearted but poignant look at Animal Watering ‘Myths’. This presentation will take a look at ‘myths’ surrounding animal drinking water, bottles/bags, flushing systems, recirculating systems, reverse osmosis, ‘Green’, carbon footprints, piping materials, chemical treatment, and many more.
Training on Standard Operating Procedure Updates: SOS for SOPS? Erin Weeks and Natalie Figueroa-Jones, 1:30-2:30

Most animal research facilities have standard operating procedures or SOPs. Other facilities may tag them as facility policies or just instructions for procedures. Regardless of the nomenclature, it’s these guidelines that dictate the day to day flow in a vivarium. These SOPs often change frequently. This near-constant flux presents a challenge: the lapse in time between a change in or addition of an SOP and the change in staff behavior. It is this lapse that can place a facility in noncompliance with AWA, IACUC, or AAALAC standards. In this session, we will discuss a few of the ways we met this challenge and ensured that our staff not only received the information as it was rolled out but also retained it.

Going Back to Nature: The Benefits of Wood Enrichment, Karen Froberg-Fejko, LATG, VMD, 2:30-3:00

For laboratory animals, a variety of wood enrichment products are available that will provide appropriate environmental enrichment and satisfy those same needs. A discussion of wood varieties will be defined and a review of species appropriate wood enrichments will be discussed highlighting safety considerations when selecting wood products.

Laboratory Animal Allergens, Richard Cluck, BS, LATG, 1:30-2:30

Rat and mouse urinary proteins are the cause of allergens and the most significant occupational disease that affects workers within the lab animal community. This presentation is designed to discuss the effects on personnel, impact on the industry and discuss equipment and procedures that can be utilized to alleviate or diminish the effects of the allergens.
2015 NCAB Seminar Registration Form

Please register online at www.NCABAALAS.org with secure online payment (or mail/fax this form to address below). National AALAS membership cannot be used in place of NCAB membership. NCAB AALAS memberships are based upon calendar year (Jan 1 to Dec 31); membership enrollments paid with seminar registrations will apply to 2014.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name________________________________________Title_____________________________________

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Are you a current National AALAS member (circle one)?   Yes   No   Don’t Know

Referred by (new NCAB members only)

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2014 NCAB/AALAS Seminar
PO Box 224
Frederick, MD 21705-0224
Fax: 301-695-7651

Sign up online at www.NCABAALAS.org at secure site
Volunteers needed for the Award Committee to help select deserving candidates for recognition. If interested please contact Lisa Secrest at Lsecrest@priorityoneservices.com

NCAB Nomination deadline

July 20th

Charles D. Durbin
• $300 & plaque
• Animal Caretaker

Technician Award
• $400 & plaque
• Veterinary or Animal Health Technician

Richard L. Pierson
• $500 & plaque
• Supervisor or Manager

William I. Gay
• $400 & plaque
• Trainer

Joseph R. Held
• $500 & plaque
• Clinical or Facility Lab Veterinarian

Nomination deadline
July 20th
2015 NCAB AWARD GUIDELINES

The National Capitol Area Branch of AALAS (NCAB) offers five awards during the annual seminar meeting. The deadline for nominations is **July 20, 2015**. Nominees must be an NCAB member.

**Charles D. Durbin Award (Animal Caretaker)**

The **NCAB Durbin Award** recognizes an individual for their outstanding performance in providing animal husbandry care to enrich, enhance or improve the lives of laboratory animals. An honorarium of $300 and a plaque will be presented to the recipient of this award.

The following award qualifications will be considered in the final selection:

1. Daily contact with animals of one or more species in the form of handling, feeding, watering, and changing bedding, etc.
2. Demonstrated positive attitude toward the welfare of animals
3. Has reduced or eliminated distress or created other benefits for the animals in their care
4. Demonstration of outstanding individual work performance, positive attitude, and team work
5. Number of years as a member of NCAB
6. Number of years of experience in the lab animal field
7. AALAS certification level
8. Individual accomplishment
   - i.e.: Memberships, presentations, posters, volunteer activities, etc.

**Technician Award (Veterinary/Animal Health Technicians)  New Award – name TBD**

The **NCAB Technician Award** recognizes an individual for their outstanding accomplishments in the delivery of veterinary and technical services to enhance the health and well-being of laboratory animals. An honorarium of $400 and a plaque will be presented to the recipient of this award.

The following award qualifications will be considered in the final selection:

1. Daily contact with animals of one or more species in the form of veterinary care and technical services.
2. Contribution to the laboratory animal field at the institutional level through identification and implementation of new or improved techniques in the care of animals
3. Demonstration of outstanding individual work performance, positive attitude, and team work
4. Ability to provide innovative approaches to animal care problems
5. Number of years as a member of NCAB
6. Number of years of experience in the lab animal field
7. AALAS certification level
8. Individual accomplishments
   - i.e.: Memberships, presentations, posters, volunteer activities, etc.
Richard L. Pierson Award (Manager or Supervisor)

The **NCAB Pierson Award** recognizes an individual for their outstanding accomplishments in administration, management, or the support of programs relating to the care, quality, or humane treatment of animals used in biomedical research. An honorarium of $500 and a plaque will be presented to the recipient of this award.

The following award qualifications will be considered in the final selection:

1. Demonstrated managerial or administrative leadership that contributed to the improvement of animal welfare
2. Demonstrated managerial or administrative leadership that inspires employees to improve job performance
3. Demonstrated specific achievements that have benefited the workplace, NCAB or AALAS
4. Demonstrated positive attitude toward the welfare of animals
5. Ability to provide innovative approaches to animal care problems
6. Number of years as a member of NCAB
7. Number of years of experience in the lab animal field
8. AALAS certification level
9. Individual accomplishment
   - i.e.: Memberships, presentations, posters, volunteer activities, etc.

Dr. William I. Gay Award (Trainer)

The **NCAB Gay Award** recognizes an individual for their outstanding contributions to the field of laboratory animal training and education. At least one letter of support must come from a person who has received training from the nominee. An honorarium of $400 and a plaque will be presented to the recipient of this award.

The following award qualifications will be considered in the final selection:

1. Dedicated to promote and advance the field of laboratory animal science through training and education
2. Demonstrated participation in developing, improving, implementing or providing training and education programs
3. Ability to provide effective up to date training information and techniques
4. Ability to train diversified groups of people
5. Involvement in the generation and/or training of standard operating procedures
6. Demonstrated promotion of technician and management certifications
7. Participation in other organizations such as LAWTE, AALAS, or ATD
8. Number of years as a member of NCAB
9. Years of experience as a trainer
10. Years of years of experience in the lab animal field
11. AALAS certification level
12. Ability to provide innovative approaches to animal care problems
13. Recognition by peers and co-workers
14. Individual accomplishment
   - i.e.: Memberships, presentations, posters, volunteer activities, etc.
The **NCAB Held Award** is intended for Clinical or Facility Laboratory Animal Veterinarians. The award specifically excludes director 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 NCAB branch. An honorarium of $500 and a plaque will be presented to the recipient of this award.

The following award qualifications will be considered in the final selection:

1. Daily contact with laboratory animals of one or more species in the performance of clinical veterinary medicine
2. Participation in organized laboratory animal medicine science, such as AALAS, ACLAM, etc.
3. Participation in additional training/teaching for animal care and/or technical staff as well as public education or outreach groups or programs
4. Accomplishments, contributions and innovations in the field of laboratory animal care and medicine
5. Educational background such as internship, residency, post graduate degree, board certification, etc.
6. Number of years as a member of NCAB
7. Years of experience working as a Clinical veterinarian
8. Years of experience in the lab animal field
9. Demonstrated positive attitude toward the welfare of animals
10. AALAS certification level
11. Ability to provide innovative approaches to animal care problems
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2015 NCAB Award Nominations

INSTRUCTIONS:
To be eligible for an award, application must be complete and submitted by July 20, 2015. Any member of the laboratory animal science industry may recommend or support a worthy candidate. The recipient will be recognized at the plenary session on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 during the NCAB seminar. It is expected that the candidate will accept the award in person.

Complete applications should address the award criteria and include:
1. Nomination form
2. Signed letter of recommendation
3. Two or more signed letters of support
4. Applicant’s resume not a requirement but helpful

Submit your complete application package by email to:
NCAB Awards Chair - Lisa K. Secrest: Lsecrest@priorityoneservices.com

SECTION 1: AWARD TYPE

Award (Check one): Submission Date: _______________________ Received Date: _______________________
☐ Charles D. Durbin Award (Animal Caretaker)
☐ Technician Award - New award - name to be announced ((Veterinary/Animal Health Technicians)
☐ Richard L. Pierson Award (Manager or Supervisor)
☐ Dr. William I. Gay Award (Trainer)
☐ Dr. Joseph R. Held Award (Clinical/Facility Laboratory Animal Veterinarian)

SECTION 2: NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee's Name: ______________________________________
Street Address: ______________________________________
City / State / Zip: ___________________________ / _______ / ____________________________
Phone Number: ___________________________

SECTION 3: EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Current Employer: ________________________________ Years Employed: __________
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Responsibilities at this job: include animal species and types of work performed:
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SECTION 6 PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPATION

Check all that apply

☐ NCAB  Number of Years: ____ Type of Involvement: _____________________________

☐ AALAS Number of Years: ____ Type of Involvement: _____________________________

☐ LAMA Number of Years: ____ Type of Involvement: _____________________________

☐ LAWTE Number of Years: ____ Type of Involvement: _____________________________

☐ AVMA Number of Years: ____ Type of Involvement: _____________________________

☐ ILAM Graduation Year: ____ Type of Involvement: ☐ Participant ☐ Team Leader ☐ President

☐ Other Organization Name ___________________________ Number of Years: ____

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Other Professional Activities:

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SECTION 7 RECOMMENDATIONS/LETTERS OF SUPPORT

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Greetings and Happy Summer to all! Summer is in full swing at national AALAS as they make their way toward the annual meeting in Phoenix, Arizona. Housing, registration and workshops are open (https://www.aalas.org/national-meeting#.VaY4Ifn9Wap) so visit the national meeting home page for a full description of the meeting and links to registration. Early registration ends at the end of the month; prices increase August 1, so register now!

Just announced: National AALAS Election results
AALAS is pleased to announce the 2015 election results. Congratulations and thank you for your service to your association.

Vice President-Elect: Dr. Jennifer C. Smith  
Secretary/Treasurer: Mr. Brian E. Gillman  
At-Large Trustee position 1: Ms. Laura Mistretta  
At-Large Trustee position 2: Ms. Lisa Secrest  
District 1 Alternate Trustee: Ms. Kathleen Reinhard  
District 3 Trustee: Dr. Larry Shelton  
District 4 Trustee: Dr. Tonya R. Hargett  
District 5 Alternate Trustee: Ms. Stacy R. Cantrell  
Alternate At-Large Trustee Position 1: Ms. Andrea Gay  
Alternate At-Large Trustee Position 2: Ms. Katherine Marshall

Congratulations to the District 3 members elected to National AALAS positions this year!

District 3 Branches

Summer plans are well underway for the District 3 AALAS Branches as well. The Greater Virginia Branch (GVB) of AALAS held its third annual Seminar and Vendor Show on June 3 at the Richmond International Raceway. Highlights of the event included presentations by USDA and OLAWS’s Drs. Carol Clarke and Brent Morse (respectively) on “Social Housing: A Balance between Regulation, Animal Health & Welfare and Practical Application” and by the Caring Canine Service Dogs of Virginia on “How Animal Programs are Supporting the Commonwealth.” The next GVB AALAS meeting is scheduled for August at a location TBA.

As summer advances, NCAB AALAS is approaching our Annual NCAB Educational Seminar at Turf Valley! For a great offering of educational opportunities close to home, be sure to register for the NCAB Annual Seminar. More information is available in this newsletter and on the website (http://www.ncabaalas.org/ncab-seminar).

Check your local branch websites to find out what’s planned for the coming year.
Laboratory Animal Science Professional (LASPro)

Now in its third year of publication, LASPro is a lively magazine targeting the broad range of laboratory animal science professionals. This publication offers practical information on management, occupational safety, facility design, technical procedures, and much more. This magazine is published quarterly in March, June, September and December, with electronic digest updates during other months of the year. The national staff is seeking articles for this new magazine. If you are interested in submitting an article, please contact the staff at laspro@aalas.org. Digital copies of all issues are available on the AALAS website at https://www.aalas.org/publications/las-pro/digital-editions#.VaZCs_n9Wao.

Institute of Laboratory Animal Management (ILAM)

The Institute for Laboratory Animal Management (ILAM) is an AALAS educational program developed to provide instruction in management concepts that is applicable to the laboratory animal science industry and to enhance communication, team building, and networking among colleagues with mutual interests.

Scholarship applications are now being accepted for ILAM 2016. Want to attend next year? Check out the ILAM scholarships from Ancare and LAMA.

AALAS Foundation Activities

The AALAS Foundation provides a number of public outreach materials, including handouts, posters, and games, such as “Piecing Together Research” (developed with Americans for Medical Progress), which challenges students to put together puzzle pieces revealing how animal research contributed to treatments for various diseases. In previous BOT SPOTs, we highlighted the “We Take Care of Our Animals so…” Consumer Product Safety Posters and the Biomedical Research Progress poster series. These posters highlight the role that animal research plays in advancing biomedical research and may be ordered from the AALAS Bookstore at https://www.aalas.org/store/list#.VaZF9Pn9Wao along with other education and outreach materials. A list and descriptions of available outreach materials may be found at http://aalasfoundation.org/public_outreach.html. To learn more about the AALAS Foundation and the volunteer opportunities available through the Foundation, contact the National AALAS office, or District 3’s Donna Goldsteen who is a member of the Foundation Board of Directors.
"Express Your Inner Hero"

T-Shirt Campaign to Support AALAS Foundation

The AALAS Foundation is excited to announce the launch of its "Express Your Inner Hero" t-shirt campaign! Only 4 days left to order!! Get your order in by July 20th!

"Super Heroes" is the theme for the AALAS Foundation's Appreciation Reception, sponsored by Charles River, and the "Express Your Inner Hero" art contest - all to be held at the 2015 National Meeting in Phoenix. We think wearing one of these exclusively designed t-shirts is a terrific way to engage conversation and inform the public about the SUPER work AALAS members do working with animals in research.

Click here for more information and to order one (or more) of our "Express Your Inner Hero" t-shirts. Help us spread the word about all the HEROES working in laboratory animal science!

The funds raised from this campaign will help support the AALAS Foundation's mission to inform the public about all of the compassionate, caring, and HEROIC professionals and animals working in the field of biomedical research.

2015 AREA Program – Tour Guide Volunteers Needed!

The AALAS Foundation is seeking volunteers to assist with this year’s Animal Research and Education Awareness (AREA) Program, sponsored by Pfizer, to be held at the 2015 AALAS National Meeting in Phoenix.

How Can You Help?

1) Tour guides are needed to lead small groups of students on a tour of the National Meeting exhibit hall during the "scavenger hunt" portion of the program;

2) The Tour Guides will also participate in small group discussions about career opportunities and the care and use of animals in research during the SHARE portion of the program.

When?

The AREA Program will take place p.m. during the AALAS National Meeting at the Phoenix Convention Center, in Phoenix, Arizona. (Tour Guides will need to be available from 8:30 am until 1:30 pm)

How Do You Sign Up to Volunteer?

Visit https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1N5WDzETMAMbqtqisKtV0MjyQwDQFZ53ob-aSxc12sYso/viewform to sign up.

Questions? Contact AALAS Foundation at foundation@aalas.org
**Silent Auction Branch Challenge:**

The AALAS Foundation is doing the Branch Challenge again this year! Each item donated to the silent auction on behalf of an AALAS branch will receive an entry to win a **$50 Amazon Gift Card**. The more items you donate, the better your chances for winning! Get your branch excited about contributing items that are unique or special to your location and membership.

Here’s a link to use for the 2015 Silent & Live Auction Contribution form [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dEd1Nl9TVjZrWHJvaW9pQjhZX3dGSVE6MQ](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dEd1Nl9TVjZrWHJvaW9pQjhZX3dGSVE6MQ)

Any questions or comments you have about this can be addressed to foundation@aalas.org. We’ll make sure you get an answer in a timely manner. If you already have your item, please take a photo and send it to foundation@aalas.org. We will post it to our Facebook page and generate some excitement for every item donated!

The AALAS Foundation is continuing its successful large print ad campaign with ads published in USA Today in five major markets across the country. Look for these ½ page color ads and share them with your friends and family! Additional ads will run in July, October and November. Each ad contains messaging which honors the professionals and animals working in laboratory animal science and direct readers to the www.care.aalas.org website. These ads have a circulation reach of approximately 300,000 subscribers, in addition to newsstand readers.

AALAS Foundation’s latest public outreach campaign: “Celebrate the Mouse” was launched at the National Meeting in San Antonio. This campaign continues this year, with Alzheimer’s Disease being the focus. “Celebrate the Mouse” pins –featuring a white research mouse with its tail curled into a purple Alzheimer’s awareness ribbon – will be given away to all National Meeting attendees making a $5 or more donation at the Foundation Booth.

The AALAS Foundation has a growing presence on Facebook and Twitter and they are continuing to publish their e-newsletter highlighting current events and upcoming activities. Check them out online and support the social media sites. While you’re there, consider donating to the Foundation and their public outreach efforts. It’s not just a donation; it’s an investment in your future!

**AALAS Learning Library**

Those of us who have used the AALAS Learning Library (the ALL) for educational purposes know what an excellent resource it is, and now, the ALL has been formally recognized by two organizations outside our AALAS family. A HUGE thank you to the ALL staff and committee volunteers who have contributed to the success of the Library and who continue to enhance its offerings.

The ALL was recently awarded not one, but TWO, prestigious awards in the same week. The American Society of Association Professionals awarded a Power of A Silver Award, honoring associations that exemplify how the association industry and professionals are essential to a stronger
America and World. The Laboratory Animal Welfare Training Exchange also awarded the ALL with a Top 3 Award for training development.

Other ALL news includes the recent introduction of five new courses and additional RACE Continuing Education credits. New courses include Thermography, PET/SPECT, Introduction to Chinchillas, Small Ruminant Anesthesia and Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching (in the US Mandates and Guidelines series).

The AALAS Learning Library now has 17 new courses approved by AAVSB for RACE CEs. Check out the RACE-approved courses track in the Animal Care and Use Courses Library to review the 29 total courses available to help meet your state's continuing education requirements.

Other AALAS News and Updates for District 3

Last month, the AALAS Board of Trustees (BOT) met in Memphis for the summer meeting immediately preceding the annual Leadership Summit. During the day-long meeting, the BOT reviewed organizational progress, updated the organizational objectives, heard exciting plans for a path forward for the Ben Cohen Branch Educational Fund, received updated financial and other committee reports and voted on some issues before them.

Highlighted below are some of the recent events and accomplishments:

AALAS continues to be financially sound. AALAS has worked with various organizations to emphasize the importance of national meeting and conference attendance as a professional development opportunity for our membership in the government workforce.

The BOT has transitioned to online voting ballots, travel forms, and other resources helping to further increase organizational accuracy and efficiency.

The online volunteer form continues to receive submissions. The flyer provides an overview of volunteer opportunities within AALAS and the AALAS Foundation, and provides a link to the “Get Involved” page of the website to learn more and to complete the volunteer form.

The AALAS online Webinars have been extremely successful and AALAS plans to continue offering these educational resources. RACE-approved AALAS webinars have been produced monthly. An estimated 1,000 to 3,000 people attend each one, as many sites use them for group training. Webinars “Easy Ergonomic Tactics” was held on May 14, and “Compassion Fatigue and Compassion Satisfaction in the Workplace” was the June topic. The July webinar is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15 with a topic of “Animal Rights Extremism Overview.” Webinars are available for purchase after the presentation date, so even if you cannot attend, you and your organization may benefit from these educational presentations.
Review and update of existing AALAS Learning Library courses continues, and the Online Learning Committee recently launched the new courses listed above under information on the ALL.

In addition to the public outreach information described above, the AALAS Foundation staff has attended several meetings to spread the word about biomedical research and careers in laboratory animal science. Plans are underway for the Phoenix AREA program with 120 students recruited representing five Phoenix area schools. There are an additional 300+ students on the waiting list. AALAS Foundation staff and AALAS staff have identified a mobile game application developer, Magic Software, to develop an educational mobile game application for middle school age students. Staff is currently in preliminary discussions with the app developer to firm up the game concept.

AALAS staff have also attended, represented and promoted AALAS at various branch and association meetings around the country.

The Government Relations Committee (GRC) has been busy drafting responses to various petitions impacting the laboratory animal science community, including “Petition to Define Alternatives to Procedures That May Cause Pain or Distress and To Establish Standards Regarding Consideration of These Alternatives” the petition to “Develop Specific Ethologically Appropriate Standards for Nonhuman Primates in Research.” The GRC has begun networking with similar committees from other organizations such as APV, ASLAP and ACLAM to develop group responses as appropriate.

There were 3 standard grants and 2 small grants awarded to applicants for the 2015 GLAS awards with grants totaling $84,153.

Advertising is continuing to be on the decline for both print and on-line despite our many efforts. The main response for the reduction in advertising is “marketing budget cuts” within the company.

ILAM was held May 3-7 at the Holiday Inn, University of Memphis/Fogelman Conference Center. Kathleen Ronald, with Seaktacular!, was the Opening Speaker on Sunday and provided an exciting start for the week. There were 47 participants who completed the year 1 class of which a record 8 students ran for class president. There were 51 who completed the year 2 class and were presented the certificates at the banquet.

2015 has started off well for certification. As of May 1, we have processed 878 applications, which is 2% more than 2014. 745 technicians took the certification exams. 580 individuals earned their certification.

AALAS membership at the end of April 2015 was 13,709, an increase of 1.9% compared to April 2014.

In other official business, the BOT voted on a number of action resolutions, to include:

- Voting on the 2021 National Meeting location
• Sunsetting the Professional Development Coordinating Committee (this committee has fulfilled its purpose and ongoing course development has been rolled into the Online Learning Committee)

• Sunsetting the Global Partners Advisory Council (it was replaced with a Global Exchange meeting to be held annually during the AALAS National Meeting and comprising the international groups that have an official liaison with AALAS, Global Partner members, and the AALAS-FELASA working groups)

• Approving a new affiliate organization

• Restructuring the Government Relations Committee to facilitate their mission and networking with other organizations

• Approving 2016 committee chairs

• Approving 2015 national award and Charles River Prize winners

The next Board of Trustees meeting is in October, 2015, immediately before the national meeting. During that time, the trustees will review committee reports, consider any proposed action resolutions, and address any new business. If there are any issues that you would like us to address with the BOT, please let us know about these issues prior to September 30th so that we are aware of them in plenty of time before the meeting.

The AALAS leadership is excited to be financially strong and moving forward with innovative plans and initiatives, including public education and outreach projects. To learn how you can be involved, contact your District 3 Trustees, Shannon Stutler, Larry Shelton or Alternate Trustee, Chris McNickle.

Is there someone in your organization that has recently achieved his or her AALAS certification?
Recognize and congratulate them in the newsletter!
Congratulations to the BRIGHTEST Stars in the AALAS skies!!!

LAT
Dalia Benetiene, Bioqual, Inc.

LATG
Nouhou Ndam, Bioqual, Inc.

LAT
Mayra Chavez, Priority One Services, Inc.

LAT
Leigh Hostetler, MedImmune

ALAT
Fabian Paz, Bioqual, Inc.

LAT
Shannon Uzelac, SoBran, Inc.

LAT
Mark Jackson, Charles River

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Haylee Hollenbeck, Charles River

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Mark Steinmiller, Charles River

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Tyrone Perry Williams, Charles River

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Deva Masing, Charles River

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Karen Feliciano, Bioqual, Inc.

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Kelly Ferguson, SoBran, Inc.

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Catherine Green, SoBran, Inc.

LAT
Priscilla Nimako, SoBran, Inc.

LAT
Tina Taylor, Charles River

LAT
Kimberley Tice, Charles River

LAT
Dawn Fox, Charles River

LAT
Amy Wells, SoBran, Inc.

ACLAM
Dr. Theresa Meade, Charles River

ALAT
Tyler Dowling, SoBran, Inc.

ALAT
Catherine Green, SoBran, Inc.
INSTRUCTIONS:
A complete scholarship application includes:
1. Application form
2. Two signed letters of recommendation/support
Submit your complete application either by email or in a single envelope to:
   NCAB Awards Committee
   Lisa Secrest, Chair
   6600 Fleet Drive
   Alexandria, VA 22310
   Lsecrest@priorityoneservices.com

SECTION 1: SCHOLARSHIP TYPE

Award (Check one): Submission Date: ______________ Received Date: ______________
☐ ALAT
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☐ AR (Animal Resource module of the CMAR)

SECTION 2: NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee’s Name: ______________________________________
Street Address: ______________________________________
City / State / Zip: ______________________________ / ________ / ____________________________
Work Phone: _______________________________ Cell/HomePhone: _________________________

SECTION 3: EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

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☐ ILAM  Graduation Year: _____ Type of Involvement:  □ Participant  □ Team Leader  □ President

☐ Other  Organization Name ______________________________________  Number of Years: ______

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Join us in congratulating these individuals on their recent promotions!

MedImmune is proud to announce:
Stephanie Oldham promoted to Associate Scientist I
Leigh Hostetler promoted to Research Animal Technician II
Carlos Gonzalez promoted to Research Animal Technician II
Keith Howard promoted to Animal Husbandry Technician III
Christian Rivera promoted to Animal Husbandry Technician III
Michael Ford promoted to Animal Husbandry Technician II

Priority One Services is proud to announce:
Nicole Leake promoted to Veterinary Technician I
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2015 NCAB Individual Membership Update-

A reminder to renew your membership or enroll as a new member as soon as possible. Membership cost is only $20 and your membership supports our organization and its efforts, but also enables you to participate in workshops, special events and receive a discount on your registration cost for the Annual Seminar. Membership for 2015 is only good through Dec 31st 2015 so enroll or renew now to benefit from an entire year of your membership cost.

If you or a staff member at your company achieved AALAS certification in 2014/2015, and have not already received a FREE membership, please take advantage of this opportunity and enroll them ASAP, again for FREE!

To renew/enroll an AALAS 2014/2015 achiever, please complete the 2015 Membership form, which may be found at www.NCABAALAS.org, under the Membership link. In addition to this form, you will also need to scan a copy of the AALAS Pass Certificate (only the official certificate from AALAS is accepted). Please scan both documents to NCABMembership@yahoo.com.

You may renew/enroll your membership using two methods:

1) (Preferred) Sign up at www.123signup.com, this electronic process is quick and easy and allows for credit card payments and checks. Check details are entered and the actual check is mailed to the PO Box address below with a list of the associated memberships.

2) Complete the PDF Membership form and mail to the PO Box address below with a check. Checks are to be made payable to NCAB/AALAS.

As many companies have moved towards payment utilizing a Purchase Order, when entering the staff members into 123SignUp, please record a note that states you will be paying by this method and leave the balance as due. You will then need to send an email to NCABmembership@yahoo.com notifying the committee that you need an invoice including the number of memberships the invoice should cover. An invoice will be generated by our Book Keeper and sent to you for payment. Checks and associated employee information should then be mailed to:

Individual Membership NCAB/AALAS
PO BOX 224
Frederick, MD 21705

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Individual Membership Committee at NCABmembership@yahoo.com.
NCAB AALAS utilizes a web-based membership directory, and we encourage you to keep your membership profile up-to-date. Your personal email is used to access your membership profile, which is password protected. Update your profile as needed with job information, certifications, mailing address, etc. This allows our directory to be accurate and up-to-date, so that you will receive all NCAB communications. If you need any assistance accessing your membership profile, please contact the NCAB Membership Chair at NCABmembership@yahoo.com.

Membership includes on-line subscription to NCAB Newsletter, registration discounts for workshops and NCAB annual seminar, monthly meeting socials, etc.

MEMBERSHIP DUES are $20.00 per calendar year

WAIVER of fee if you have received your certification (ALAT, LAT, LATG, CMAR) within six (6) months of application. To receive a complimentary one (1) year membership, send a copy of your certification along with this completed form. NCAB/AALAS will only accept the certification that has been sent to you from the National AALAS office.

Your email (required): ________________________________________________________________

Name: ___________________________________________ Title: Select

Job Title: __________________________ Company: _______________________________

Mailing Address: _______________________________________________________________________

City: ______________________ State: _______________ ZIP Code: ________________

Address Type: Select Phone (requested): ___________ Fax: _______________________

Education Level: Select AALAS Certification: Select

Are you a current AALAS member? Yes Referred by (new members only) _______________________________

Membership Dues – 2015 $20.00

01.01.15 through 12.31.15

Register online at www.NCABAALAS.org with secure payment (VISA, MasterCard, Check*)

Mail checks (made out to NCAB/AALAS) with completed forms to:

NCAB/AALAS
Individual Membership
PO Box 224
Frederick, MD 21705

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   P.O. Box 224
   Frederick, MD 21705
Todd Matejovich, Institutional Membership Chair
E-mail: todd@totalmrollc.com

Enclose $150.00 for Institutional Membership annual dues (January 1 - December 31, 2015). This includes two individual memberships. Please return the application and payment to the address above. Provide credit card information or make check payable to NCAB/AALAS.

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The two individual assigned as Institutional Representatives will be added to the NCAB list Serv roster. The list Serv is used to provide NCAB members with meeting notices, and newsletter information.

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Organized in 1961, the National Capital Area Branch (NCAB) of the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science is the local affiliate of the AALAS. NCAB has grown into a major educational organization promoting improvements in the humane care and use of laboratory animals and the advancement of laboratory animal science. The NCAB serves the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia.

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