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From the President

Hawai'i!! The first time the AVMA has met in the 50th state (after 142 years). It's not all that easy or convenient to get there, flights are long; the time change from the eastern time zone is 6 hours. Even so, what a beautiful, wondrous place for a meeting of parasitologists!

The unique habitats of islands isolated by miles of water have been grand learning experiences for biologists, botanists, ecologists and yes, parasitologists. The isolation provides for unique experiments in evolution. Hawai'i's flora and fauna, like New Zealand's, evolved without terrestrial mammals. The ecological niches usually occupied by mammals were filled primarily by birds. The World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) met last October in New Zealand. And here we are in Hawai'i. For the AAVP/AVMA President's Symposium, we will take advantage of the evolutionary opportunities isolation provides with speakers discussing how parasites have, for good and bad, affected the biocomplexity of their environment and hosts. Parasitologists, ornithologists and ecologists that we would rarely have the opportunity to hear speak will be a part of our program.

The AVMA expects that this year's convention will have the highest attendance ever. This means that you shouldn't delay in making hotel or airline reservations. Our scientific sessions will be in the Sheraton Waikiki. Please try to make your reservations by 15 March to insure you have a reservation. Besides the Sheraton, there are many other hotels available within walking distance. You may wish to explore these for more economical rates.

The Executive Board had its mid-year meeting in February. This recently added board meeting has become important in refocusing and improving communications. We hope to do a better job of identifying association priorities and helping the committees meet association goals and needs. *(continued on page 2)*

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Looking forward to future meetings, our association has been invited to join the WAAVP at its international conference in 2009. The meeting will be in Calgary, Alberta, August 9 to 13, 2009. The membership will be asked to vote on this at the General Business meeting in Hawai'i. The AAVP Executive Board believes this would be an excellent opportunity and we highly recommend a yes vote. It does mean that meeting registration will be much higher than we are used to, but this is offset by more papers, more scientific sessions and outstanding opportunities for networking with parasitologists from more than 60 countries. Additionally, Calgary is the entrance to the fantastic Northern Rocky Mountains and Banff National Park, a great place for a summer family vacation.

Ho'olu komo la kaua (please join us) in Honolulu!

Ann Donoghue

From the Secretary/Treasurer

2006 Meeting

For the 2006 meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii, 15-18 July, the AVMA has selected the Sheraton Waikiki, 2255 Kalakua Ave, Honolulu, HI 96815 as the site with the exception of the President's Symposium on Tuesday morning, 18 July.
This year, AVMA has given AAVP two options to reserve hotel rooms through the AVMA Housing Bureau.

1. AAVP members can call the AVMA Housing Bureau at 800-424-5249 (US residents only) or +1-847-940-2155. Be sure to ask for the AAVP rooms at the Sheraton Waikiki and inform the agent that you are with the subgroup AAVP. You do not have to register for AVMA to secure a room. If you have difficulty with the agent on the line, ask to be transferred to Nancy (Ext. 6752) or Rocio (Ext. 6754). They will be glad to help you.

2. As in the past, AAVP members can complete the AVMA Housing Form and fax to 800-521-6017 (US residents only) or +1-847-940-2386. For your convenience, the AVMA housing form was previously emailed to the AAVP Listserve and was included in the February mailing. It will also appear on the AAVP website. .

Try to confirm your room reservation as early as possible to ensure that you get into this hotel. AVMA recommends that we now submit our lodging forms no later than **March 15**, so don't delay. Due to the great interest in Hawaii, AVMA wishes for AAVP to release our remaining rooms after this date. All meeting-related information will be posted on the AAVP website (www.aavp.org) by the end of February and will be included in the February mailing along with the AAVP meeting registration form and election ballot. For information on airline discounts, ground transportation and tours, please refer to the AVMA website (www.avma.org).

2006 Dues

The 2006 dues and new member application forms are attached to this issue of the Newsletter and are also available on the AAVP website (www.aavp.org). Dues status and reminders will be sent to members with the February mailing. Members who owe for past years are in jeopardy of being deleted from the membership list. If you have any questions about your dues status, please call or send me an email. Thanks to those members who have paid their dues.

Dues and all correspondence to the Secretary/Treasurer should be addressed to:

Dr. Alan A. Marchiondo, c/o IVX Animal Health, Inc., 3915 S. 48th St. Terrace, St. Joseph, MO 64503-4711. Phone: 816-364-3777, Ext. 1375, Fax: 816-364-6021, email: alan_marchiondo@ivax.com.

The AAVP dues renewal and new member application forms also offer AAVP members the opportunity to subscribe to *Veterinary Parasitology* on-line. The subscription is a bargain at $30.00 per year. Ken Plaxton of Elsevier is in the process of finalizing the on-line registration process for those of you who have already subscribed. A separate announcement will be sent with the registration procedure. All AAVP members have been assigned a membership number that will be printed on your mailing label of the February mailing. Please make note of this number, as you will need it to access the on-line subscription of Veterinary Parasitology.

Address, Contact and Research Interest Information

Please update your address and contact information on the 2006 membership dues form. In addition, you may include your area(s) of research interest. Your information will be included in the membership directory of the 2006 Proceedings. The deadline for the proceedings is May 1st . You can also make changes to this information during the year by sending me an email or fax (816-364-6021).

Submitted by Dr. Alan Marchiondo, Secretary/Treasurer AAVP

Committee Reports

Nomination Committee

With the all-electronic newsletter distribution, the ballots will be sent as a separate hard copy mailing to each member of AAVP. The ballots will be a pre-addressed, pre-stamped, postcard format to make casting your vote as easy as possible. Watch for the ballot and return them to Patricia Payne, Chair, Nominating Committee, as soon as possible.

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Chair Nominating Committee,
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Manhattan KS 66506 - 5600
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The members of the 2006 AAVP Nominations Committee worked well together with great speed to generate the following slate of nominees for this year:

Vice President:
Lora Ballweber and Susan Little

Nominations Committee:
Michael Dzimianski, Timothy Geary, Ray Kaplan, Alexa Rosypal and Peter Schantz.

These members have graciously agreed to participate in this election process. Now it is up to you to **vote**! Ballots will be delivered by mail. Please mark your ballot and return it promptly.

Many thanks to the committee, Dwight Bowman, Gary Conboy Sidney Ewing, Jorge Guerrero and Karen Snowden.

Submitted by Patricia A. Payne, Chair, Nominating Committee AAVP

Awards Committee

The AAVP Awards Committee is responsible for soliciting nominations for the 2006 awards. The title and a brief description of each of the AAVP awards are provided below. Guidelines and instructions for nominations are outlined later in this newsletter. The Awards Committee will also administer the Travel Grant and the Student Presentation Competition. Members of the AAVP are encouraged to nominate a fellow colleague or a student for one of our society's awards. All nominations/applications and supporting documents should reach the Chair of the Awards Committee by 1 May 2006. Nominations received after this date will not be considered. The recipients of some awards will be announced prior to the meeting, and all awards will be presented at the annual meeting in Hawai'i.

A complete description of the awards, criteria for selection, and nomination procedures are outlined in this Newsletter. Please submit nominations to:

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The AAVP Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award

This is the society's most prestigious award. This is where we honor the outstanding contributions of an AAVP member to the advancement of veterinary parasitology. The names of past recipients in this category were listed in last year's program proceedings, and it is an impressive list.

The AAVP Distinguished Service Award

The AAVP Distinguished Service Award is given to recognize long terms of extraordinary service and commitment to the society. When given (not annually) the award includes a plaque and travel expenses to attend the annual meeting.

The AAVP-Intervet Graduate Student Award

This award is provided to honor a graduate student or a recent graduate for outstanding performance in graduate study in veterinary parasitology. The recipient will get center stage at the annual meeting and be given 30 minutes to present the highlights of his/ her research. The award consists of reimbursement of travel expenses, a plaque, and an honorarium. Many past recipients are now active AAVP members and contribute greatly to the success of our society.

The AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant

The travel grants are a competitive grant awarded to full-time DVM or undergraduate / graduate students enrolled in an accredited institution of higher leaning and pursuing studies in veterinary parasitology. Deserving post-docs who are within 5 years of their degree are also eligible for this award. Supporting documents, commitment of additional or matching funds from a sponsoring AAVP member, and submission of an abstract are needed for this award. Students applying for the travel grant are also eligible to compete for the Student Presentation Awards.

The AAVP Best Student Paper Presentation Awards

The awards are given to two undergraduate/graduate students who compete successfully in the Student Presentation competition. All students who submit applications for the AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant will be entered into the competition, unless there is a specific request to be excluded. Students who do not apply for the Young Investigator Travel Grant, but wish to compete for the Best Student Presentation Awards, should complete and submit the Verification of Student Status form. Judges at the meeting will use the checklist included in this newsletter to help rate the presentations. The awards include cash prizes.

Submitted by S.E. Marley, Chair, AAVP Awards Committee

2006 Meeting of the AAVP

Message from the program chair

We are going to have an outstanding program and I am looking forward to working with each of you. Dr. Ann R. Donoghue is putting together an exciting President's Symposium that will be held on Tuesday. I am arranging an AAVP symposium on "Coccidial Biology: Facts and Fiction" that will help kick-off the meeting on Saturday. We also hope to have a special presentation on anthelmintic resistance. Please get working on those abstracts, May 1, 2006 will be here before you know it.

David S. Lindsay, AAVP Program Chair

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Tentative schedule of events for the 2005 AAVP Annual Meeting

Saturday, 7/15
8 AM - 1:30 PM: AAVP Executive Board/Committee Chairs Meeting
12 - 7 PM: Onsite Registration
2 – 3:30 PM: Welcome and Opening Session
4 – 6 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions:
7 – 9 PM: Bayer Welcoming Reception

Sunday, 7/16
8 AM – 12 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions
12 – 1:30 PM AAVP Graduate Student/Post-Doc Luncheon/Mixer
1:30 – 3:30 PM: AAVP Symposium
4 – 6 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions:
7 – 9 PM: Merial Social Event

Monday, 7/17
8 AM – 12 PM: Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions
1:30 – 3:30 PM: AAVP Business Meeting/Presidential Address/Awards
4 – 6 PM: Fort Dodge Symposium
7 – 9 PM: Fort Dodge Social Event:

Tuesday, 7/18:
8 AM – 12 PM: AAVP/AVMA President's Symposium (at Convention Center).

The Program and Abstracts booklet and name badges will be available at the onsite registration table upon arrival. Proceedings books will not be mailed prior to the meeting even if you pre-register. Those AAVP members who do not attend the meeting will have their copy of the Proceedings book mailed to them after the meeting. The program chair will notify (via email) the designated author of each abstract to confirm when your abstract (day/time) is to be presented. Also, check the AAVP website for updates on the Program and meeting schedule.

Audiovisual capabilities

Electronic presentations must be used. There will be **no** Kodachrome slides (2 X 2) or overhead projectors available for use. All electronic files must be downloaded to the computer prior to the start of your session. Sessions may include up to 8 papers, so please plan to arrive early.

AAVP will provide computer equipment in each meeting room, so there is no need to bring a personal laptop. Current computer configurations for rented equipment are the following: Pentium III, 933 MHz, 256 RAM, 20 GB hard disk, Ethernet card, CD ROM Player, DVD Player, 3.5" floppy drive, 250 MB ZIP drive, Windows 98, Office 2000. Modems are not standard. Media that can be used are CD, 3.5" floppy, ZIP disk or memory stick/USB JumpDrive.

MS PowerPoint® is currently the only software supported for electronic presentations. If any authors wish to use other programs, we'll need to check with the AV vendor to determine availability and compatibility. Mac users: save your PowerPoint files so they can be run on a Windows based computer and PowerPoint program.

Presentation format

Each speaker has a 15-minute time slot. It is recommended that you plan your oral presentation to be delivered over 12 to 13 minutes to allow time for questions at the end of your talk.

Abstract format

All typing should be fully justified, single spaced, 12 pt Arial and left and right margins set at 1.25 inch. The title should be bolded and in lower case, the authors' names and affiliation should be capitalized not bolded.

The title and the abstract content are both important components.

The TITLE should be short, concise and indicative of the content of the abstract.

The AUTHORS' NAMES (initials plus family name) and AFFILIATIONS (institute, city, state/country) follow the title. Use an asterisk (*) after the name of the person who will present the paper and superscript the author's affiliation if more than one institution is involved.

Insert an open space between the institutions and the body of the abstract.

The CONTENT of the abstract should be a single paragraph without tables that starts 1 line after the title without indentation and which contains a concise statement of: 1) the problem under investigation, 2) the experimental methods used, 3) the essential results obtained, and 4) the major conclusions. The text should cite quantitative data from representative experiments or summary data. Do not state: "the results will be discussed." Italicize all scientific names.

Abstracts should not contain tables etc., and should not exceed 300 words (not including title or authors names and institutions).

Example 1:
Serologic detection of *Angiostrongylus vasorum* infection in dogs. I. VERZBERGER*, J. SHEPPARD, G. CONBOY. ATLANTIC VETERINARY COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, CHARLOTTETOWN, PE CANADA.

Angiostrongylus vasorum, French Heartworm, is a metastrongylid parasite causing potentially fatal cardiovascular disease in dogs and wild canids in various regions of the world. In North America, there is a single endemic foci in the eastern part of the Avalon Peninsula in Newfoundland, Canada.

Example 2:
Experimental *Cystoisospora canis* (syn. Isospora canis) infections in beagles and mice. S.M. MITCHELL[1]*, S. CHARLES[2]. [1]DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES AND PATHOBIOLOGY, VIRGINIA TECH, BLACKSBURG, VA, AND [2]BAYER HEALTHCARE ANIMAL HEALTH, SHAWNEE MISSION, KS.

Canine coccidiosis caused by *Cystoisospora canis* or members of the *C. ohioensis* complex can be a serious intestinal disease in young dogs. Much of the parasitology literature indicates that experimentally infected dogs are resistant to clinical coccidiosis.

Abstract submission

Submit abstracts as an MS Word® document (.doc extension) to David S. Lindsay by e-mail lindsayd@vt.edu by May 1st, 2006. Please also indicate whether you want to participate in the student paper competition and provide the presenter's email and phone number.

Submitted by David Lindsay, AAVP Program Chair

The AAVP Newsletter and our young members!

The AAVP Newsletter Committee would like to include a section focusing on our student members. This will hopefully provide an extra incentive for them to join our society and it will advertise the talent we have among our members. In each newsletter, we will highlight those individuals near or at the completion of their DVM, MS or PhD. The committee requests submissions of a brief narrative resume, a summary of research findings and plans for the future. A personal advertising campaign like this would of course not be complete without a picture. So send in that passport photo or a picture while on the job so that everybody recognizes you at the next meeting or when you go for that job interview. In short, we encourage everybody within the AAVP to promote his / her student by sending us:

- a short, three paragraph, narrative resume including the topic of the graduate research and plans for a career in parasitology.
- a picture.

Let's make this work!!!

Respectfully Submitted, Patrick F. Meeus

AAVP AWARDS Guidelines and Application Forms

Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award

Criteria for Nomination - This is an award that honors contributions to veterinary parasitology that are widely recognized internationally as significant and important to the understanding and control of parasitic diseases of animals.

Procedure for Nomination - Solicitation of nominations for the award will be announced annually in the AAVP Newsletter. Any member of the AAVP may nominate a candidate by forwarding a letter of nomination describing the candidate's worthiness for the award and a copy of their CV to the Chair of the Awards Committee. The nominator should arrange for 3 letters to be written in support of the nomination by members of the AAVP and sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee. Only 3 letters of support plus the letter of nomination will be considered by the Awards Committee. To expedite the process and to ensure that all of the letters of support arrive prior to the **1 May 2006** deadline, it is recommended that the nominator assemble the entire package of information in support of the nominee, including the 3 letters, and send everything in one mailing to the Chair of the Awards Committee.

Selection - All documents provided in nomination of the candidate will be forwarded to all members of the Awards Committee. The selection of a recipient will be made by written ballot based on evidence of the nominee's contribution to the advancement of veterinary parasitology.

The Award - The recipient will be honored at the annual meeting of the AAVP and will receive a plaque and a $1500 monetary award provided by Merial. The AAVP will provide reimbursement of expenses necessary for the recipient to attend the Association's annual meeting.

Distinguished Service Award

Criteria for Nomination -

1. The nominee shall be a member in good standing of the AAVP.
2. Nomination of candidates for whom service to the AAVP is conducted normally or routinely, such as those involved in holding an office in the Association, will not be accepted.

Procedure for Nomination - Solicitation of nominations for the award will be announced annually in the AAVP Newsletter. Any member of the AAVP may nominate a member by forwarding a letter of nomination to the Chair of the Awards Committee describing the candidate's service to the Association. The nominator should arrange for 3 letters to be written in support of the nomination by members of the AAVP and sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee by **1 May 2006**.

Selection - All documents provided in nomination of the candidate will be forwarded to all members of the Awards Committee. The selection of a recipient will be made by written ballot based on evidence of the nominee's level of service and long-term commitment to the AAVP.

The Award - The award consists of an engraved plaque specifically recognizing the awardee for their extraordinary service to the AAVP. The AAVP will provide reimbursement of expenses necessary for the recipient to attend the Society's annual meeting.

AAVP-Intervet Graduate Student Award

Criteria for Nomination -

1. Nominations are limited to graduate students enrolled in or those who have completed their MS or PhD degree within the previous 12 months.
2. The award is made based only on research carried out during a student's graduate (MS or PhD) program.
3. Preference will be given to nominees that are enrolled in or have received their degree from a North American institute at the time the award is given; however, students from universities outside of North America are eligible for nomination and receipt of this award.
4. The student's graduate program **must be** in veterinary parasitology.

Procedure for Nomination - Solicitation of nominations for the award will be announced annually in the AAVP Newsletter. Any member of the AAVP may nominate a student by forwarding a letter of nomination to the Chair of the Awards Committee.

1. A letter of nomination from an AAVP member in good standing describing the candidate's excellence in graduate studies and research.
2. A copy of the student's *curriculum vitae*.
3. Reprints of pertinent publications as a result of the student's graduate research.
4. Arrange for 3 letters to be written in support of the nomination by members of the AAVP.

Only 3 letters of support in addition to the letter of nomination will be considered by the Awards Committee. In the case where the nominator is not the candidate's graduate supervisor, one of the letters of support must be obtained from the candidate's graduate supervisor. To expedite the process and to ensure that all of the letters of support arrive prior to the **1 May 2006** deadline, it is recommended that the nominator assemble the entire packet of information in support of the nominee, including the 3 letters, and send everything in one mailing to the Chair of the Awards Committee.

Selection - All documents provided in nomination of each candidate will be forwarded to all members of the Awards Committee. Preference will be given to graduate students from North American institutes; however, students from universities outside of North America are eligible for nomination and receipt of this award. The selection of a recipient will be made by written ballot based on evidence of excellence in graduate course work, graduate research, and graduate research publications.

The Award - The award consists of reimbursement by the AAVP of expenses necessary for the recipient to attend the annual meeting of the AAVP, an engraved plaque, and a monetary award of $1000 provided by Intervet.

AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant

1. Applicant must be a full-time graduate/undergraduate/DVM student enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning or a post-doc who is within 5 years of their terminal degree (MD, PhD, or DVM).
2. Only a student/post-doc presenting a paper (abstract) at the annual meeting of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (AAVP) is eligible.
3. Funds must be applied to travel to the AAVP meeting held during the year of application.
4. The applicant must be sponsored by an active, full member of the AAVP. The sponsor's signature is required on the application.
5. A YITG will be awarded only when funds equal to the amount requested from the AAVP are available from another source(s) for support of applicant's travel. The source(s) of matching funds and the signature of the person authorized to commit funds are required.
6. The total amount of funds requested by an applicant in a single year will be matched by the AAVP up to a maximum of $500.00.
7. An estimate of the total cost of travel to and from the AAVP meeting must be provided.
8. The total number of awards each year will depend on the availability of funds, number of applicants, and location of the meeting.
9. The completed application form with all necessary signatures, the one page letter of support from the AAVP member sponsoring the student/post-doc, and a copy of the abstract to be presented at the meeting must be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee.
10. Selection of awardees from applicants fulfilling all of the above-mentioned requirements will be judged primarily on two criteria: (1) the written and apparent scientific quality of the abstract; and (2) the one-page supporting letter explaining and documenting the significance of the research to be reported by the student/Post-doc and indicating why the student/post-doc is deserving of this award.

YOUNG INVESTIGATOR TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

(please type)

Applicant's Name:

Department:

University or Affiliation:

Address:

E-mail Address:

Telephone:

Name of Applicant's Sponsor:

Title of paper to be presented at the AAVP meeting:

Estimated cost to attend meeting: $

Amount requested from AAVP: $

Amount of matching funds: $

Total from both sources: $

Source of matching funds:

Signature and title of person authorized to commit matching funds:

Signature: Title:

Applicant's Signature:

Sponsor's Signature:

THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY (1) A SUPPORTING LETTER FROM AN AAVP MEMBER WHO IS SPONSORING THE APPLICANT AND (2) A COPY OF THE ABSTRACT OF THE PAPER. BOTH SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CHAIR OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE.

American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists

Verification of Student Status

Title_____

Authors_____

Presentor_____

Institution_____

Certification of Student Status

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Name Title

_____

Signature Date

_____

Institution

The Awards Committee will offer two awards for a student's presentation of their own research at the annual meeting of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists. The awards in 2005 will be $500 and $300. Judging will be based on the criteria listed on the AAVP Student Presentation Check List.

THIS FORM SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CHAIR OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE.

AAVP STUDENT PRESENTATION AWARD CHECK LIST

NAME_____ **ABSTRACT NO.**_____

	Max. pts.	Score
SUBJECT:	**20**	_____
◆Does the literature review adequately focus on the problem?		
◆Is the problem/hypothesis clearly stated and pursued?		
◆Is the problem of scientific importance?		
IMPACT:	**20**	_____
◆Is the experimental design appropriate?		
◆Are the controls adequate?		
◆Are the techniques well adapted to the problem?		
◆Are the data generated adequate?		
◆Is maximum use made of the experimental unit?		
METHOD:	**40**	_____
◆Is the analysis appropriate?		
◆Are the results well presented?		
◆Are the results interpreted correctly?		
◆Are the conclusions logical?		
◆Are there novel applications for the results?		
DELIVERY:	**20**	_____
◆Is there eye contact, clear delivery, lack of mannerisms?		
◆Are the slides legible with appropriate use of fonts and color?		
◆Is the time limit observed?		
◆Are questions adequately answered?		
TOTAL	**100**	_____

COMMENTS:

Biographies

Nominees for Vice President

Lora Rickard Ballweber

Education: B.S., University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY (Animal Science), 1980; M.S., University of Wyoming, (Parasitology), 1982; M.S., Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR (Veterinary Science/Epidemiology), 1989; D.V.M., Oregon State University and Washington State University (W.O.I. combined program), 1992.

Professional Experience: Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant, University of Wyoming, (1980-1982); Teaching and Research Assistant, University of Florida (1982-1984); Graduate Research Assistant, Oregon State University (1985-1989); Teaching and Research Assistant, Washington State University (1989-1991); Wildlife Research Intern, Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, Glen Rose, TX (1991-1992); Research Associate, Oregon State University (1992-1993); Assistant Professor, College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University (1993-1998); Associate Professor, CVM-MSU (1998-present).

Research Interests: Wildlife parasitology, gastrointestinal nematodes of ruminants/camelids, epidemiology of *Giardia*/*Cryptosporidium*.

Memberships/Committees/Service: Editorial Boards, *Veterinary Parasitology* (2004-present), *Veterinary Forum* (1995-present), *American Journal of Veterinary Research* (1998-2000); Guest Editor, *Veterinary Clinics of North America: Food Animal Practice* (2006). Committees and Advisory Groups, American Association of Veterinary Colleges, International Affairs Committee (2005-2008), International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council, Veterinary Committee (2000-present), Veterinary Group, Conservation Breeding Specialist Group's (CBSG) Science Network (1997-present) Southern Conference on Animal Parasites Second Director (1997-1998), First Director (1998-1999), Vice-President (1999-2000), President (2000-2001); American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists, Publications Committee (1993 - 1998, Chair, 1995 - 1998); Education Committee (1994-1997, 2002-2006), Newsletter (1995 - 1997), Constitution/Bylaws (1999 - 2001, Chair 2001), Nominating Committee (2001 - 2004); American Society of Parasitologists, Nominating Committee (1999 - 2000).

Awards/Honors: Research Faculty Award for the College of Veterinary Medicine, Offices of the Vice President for Research and the Vice President for Agriculture, Forestry, and Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University (2005); Dean's Pegasus Award for Teaching/Academia, College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University (2000); Pfizer Award for Research Excellence, College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University (1996); Oregon State University College of Veterinary Medicine Award for Research Excellence, Senior Veterinary Student (1992), Wildlife Award, College of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University (1991); Ralph and Isabel Leader Pathology Award, College of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University (1991), Pfizer Veterinary Scholarship Award, College of Veterinary Medicine, Oregon State University (1991), Salisbury Scholarship Award, College of Veterinary Medicine, Oregon State University (1991), American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists Graduate Student Award (1987), American Society of Animal Science Scholarship Award (1980), University of Wyoming Honor Book Recipient in Animal Science (1980).

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Susan E. Little

Education: Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 1985-1989, BS (Biology); Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, 1989-1993, DVM; University of Georgia, Athens, GA, 1993-1996, PhD (Veterinary Parasitology)

Professional Experience: Professor and Krull-Ewing Endowed Chair in Veterinary Parasitology, Center for Veterinary Health Sciences, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK 2005-present; Associate Professor, Department of Infectious Diseases, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 2001-2005; Assistant Professor, Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 1996-2001; Wildlife Veterinarian, Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 1993-1996.

Research Interests: Ectoparasites, ticks and tick-borne diseases, ehrlichiosis, borreliosis, diagnostic and clinical veterinary parasitology.

Memberships/Committees/Service: American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists; American Veterinary Medical Association; American Society of Parasitologists; Wildlife Disease Association; American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians; Southeastern Society of Parasitologists; American Society of Rickettsiologists. AAVP: Newsletter Editorial Board 1997-2001, Newsletter Editor 2001-2005, Education Committee 1997-2000, Chair 1998-1999, Education Committee 2004-present, Nominating Committee 2000-2001; ASP: Nominations Committee 1998-1999; WDA Program Co-Chair 1999; Southern Conference on Animal Parasites Program Chair, 1997; Equine Cyathostome Conference Program Co-Chair, 1998; Companion Animal Parasite Council, Executive Board Member, 2005-present; *Veterinary Parasitology*, Editorial Board, 2004-present; *Veterinary Therapeutics*, Editorial Board, 2003-present; *American Journal of Veterinary Research*, Editorial Board, 2001-2004; *Journal of Wildlife Diseases* Assistant Editor, 1999-2004.

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