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From the President

Our 51st meeting holds as much promise as the very first meeting, held 3 years before Hawai'i became the United States' 50th state. From the beginning we've been an association that welcomed anyone interested in veterinary parasitology and this has led to a group that includes people from every aspect of veterinary medicine: academia, private practice, consulting, contract research organizations, pharmaceutical industry, nutrition industry, breed and producer associations, all levels of government, and from outside the US.

With this depth of experience, strength in knowledge and willingness to participate we represent the best veterinary parasitology has to offer. This was exemplified when the AAVP was contacted by the Editor of Horse Journal, Dr Eleanor Kellon. Many of her readers had e-mailed the Journal asking about a "new" parasite identified in horses. Dr Kellon requested our help and AAVP members volunteered their time to read, discuss, refute, provide feedback and review recommendations. This is the kind of service that helps us to fulfill our association's purposes:

"…to provide for the association of persons interested in the advancement of veterinary parasitology, for the presentation and discussion of items of common interest, and to further scientific progress by education and research in veterinary parasitology."

I'm honored to have been President of our Association, and have enjoyed this past year. This leadership role will be turned over to Dan

Snyder in Hawai'I and I look forward to his skills and ideas being used to continue the progress and professionalism of the AAVP.

Aloha,

Ann Donoghue , 2005-2006 AAVP President

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From the Secretary/Treasurer

The 51st Annual Meeting of the AAVP is fast approaching. All meeting functions, except the President's AVMA/AAVP joint symposium at the Convention Center, will be held in the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, 2255 Kalakua Ave, Honolulu, HI. Information regarding the meeting can be found on the AAVP website (www.aavp.org). Dr. David Lindsay, Program Chair, and the Program Committee have assembled an exciting scientific program that begins with the coccidiosis conference at 2:15 PM on July, 15th and ends at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, July 19th, with Dr. Ann Donoghue's President's Symposium on "The Effect of Parasites on Biocomplexity: Examples From Hawai'ian Wildlife".

Social events will be sponsored by Bayer on Saturday evening, Merial on Sunday evening, and Fort Dodge on Monday evening. AAVP will again host a luncheon for graduate students and post-docs on Sunday at noon to allow them to interact, to get to know each other better, and to elect a new student representative. The AAVP business meeting, President's address and awards presentations will be on Monday afternoon, July 17th at 1:30 PM. A listing of the Program titles, times and room locations will be posted on the AAVP website (www.aavp.org).

Meeting attendees who pre-register will receive a receipt and evidence of registration by email. Pre-registration deadline was June 5th. Please bring the receipt to the meeting as your evidence of registration and contact me if you have any questions about your pre-registration. Pre-printed name badges (if you pre-registered), the Proceedings book, and other meeting materials will be provided at the on-site registration table in the Ballroom Foyer just outside the Kaua'i and Maui Ballrooms on the second floor of the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel starting at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, July 15th.

For those who did not pre-register, you can register at the on-site registration table starting on Saturday at 12:00 Noon and all day on Sunday, 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, and half day on Monday, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM. On-site registrations and payments of dues can be made by cash, check or credit card. At the registration table, there will be several items for your action related to the meeting including: 1) the membership dues list (check to see if your dues are current; if not please consider paying at the meeting), 2) the membership mailing list (confirm that I have your correct mailing address, phone, fax and email numbers) and 3) a list of AAVP committees for those who would like to volunteer (AAVP needs your participation and energy).

For those members who are unable to attend the Hawaii meeting, the Proceedings book will be mailed to you after the meeting sometime in August. The 51st Annual Meeting of AAVP will be a special tropical event and I hope to see you in Hawaii.

Submitted by Alan A. Marchiondo, Secretary-Treasurer, AAVP. Phone: 816-364-3777; fax: 816-364-6021; email: alan.marchiondo@tevausa.com

Committee Reports

2006 AAVP Nominations Committee Results

Many thanks to committee members Dwight Bowman, Gary Conboy, Sidney Ewing, Jorge Guerrero and Karen Snowden for their speedy efforts to generate the excellent slate of nominees. The nomination process involved each committee member suggesting nominees for open positions of Vice President and two new members of the Nominations Committee. This list was then ranked by the committee and the final ballot was completed. Nominees were contacted and biographies collected.

The February newsletter included the final ballot information and biographies of the two nominees for Vice President and five for the

Nominations Committee. In early February, the official hard-copy ballot was sent out to AAVP members (366 domestic and 66 foreign for a total of 416). Ballots were addressed to me as Chair, Nominations Committee. Ballots were received by 29% of our membership (121 of 416 possible). Ballots were accepted into the final count through May 1, 2006. My honest and very reliable technician, Sara Mailen, independently verified vote counts for each position. A special thanks to everyone who agreed to run for AAVP offices and for those who did not win we hope you will consider running again.

THE WINNERS ARE:

Vice President: Susan Little

Nominations committee members: Tim Geary, Peter Schantz

CONGRATULATIONS!

Submitted by Patricia Payne, Chair, AAVP Nominations Committee.

2006 AAVP Awards Committee Results

Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist
John McCall has been selected as the 2006 Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist. His biography and photograph will be featured in the Proceedings of the AAVP Meeting. Congratulations to John for this honorable award!

Distinguished Service Award:
Raffaele Roncalli, AAVP Historian, has been selected for the 2006 Distinguished Service Award. His biography and photograph will be featured in the Proceedings of the 2006 AAVP Meeting. Congratulations Raff!

Intervet Graduate Student Award
Sheila Mitchell, of Virginia Tech University, has been selected as the recipient of the 2006 AAVP-Intervet Outstanding Graduate Student Award. Congratulations! Sheila will receive an honorarium of $1,000.00. In addition, she will give a 30-minute talk to kick off the student paper competition. Her abstract will also be part of the student paper competition that is sponsored by Bayer.

Young Investigator Travel Grant
The AAVP Awards Committee has selected the following eight students to receive a Student Travel Grant to offset expenses to attend the AAVP meeting in Minneapolis. Congratulations to the recipients! Each student will be presenting their abstracts as part of the scientific program and are entered into the Best Student Paper Competition as well. The Best Student Paper competition is sponsored by Bayer and a 1st and 2nd place

award is given with $500.00 and $300.00 honorariums given, respectively.

Alexa Rosypal, University of North Carolina
Aaron Harmon, South Dakota State University
Jeanne Howell, Washington State University
Martin Nielsen, Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Denmark
Heather Stockdale, Auburn University
Aaron Lucas, Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine
David Goodwin, Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine
Isabelle Verzberger, University of Prince Edward Island

Submitted by S.E. Marley, Chairman of the AAVP Awards Committee. Committee members include Jenifer Edmonds, Merijo Jordan, Alexa C. Rosypal and Andrew Peregrine.

51st Annual Meeting of the AAVP

Annual Meeting Program

Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, Honolulu, HI

Registration

Ballroom Foyer (Second Level)

- Sat, 15 July 2006, 12:00 Noon – 6:00 PM
- Sun, 16 July 2006, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Mon, 17 July 2006, 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Speaker ready room

Iao Needle/Akaka Falls Room (Second Level)

- Sat., 15 July 2006, 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Sun., 16 July 2006, 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Mon., 17 July 2006, 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Social Programs

Moloka'i Ballroom (Second Level)

Welcoming Reception – Bayer Health Care, Animal Health

- Sat, 15 July 2006, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Merial Ltd Social

- Sun, 16 July 2006, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Fort Dodge Animal Health Social

- Mon, 17 July 2006, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

AAVP Graduate Student/Post Doc Luncheon/Mixer

Hilo Meeting Room (Second Level)

- Sunday, 16 July 2006, Noon – 1:30 PM

President's AVMA/AAVP Joint Symposium

Hawai'i Convention Center, Room 309
(Corner of Kalakaua Ave & Ala Wai Canal)
Tuesday, 18 July 2006, 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM

The 51st Annual AAVP Meeting Sponsors

The American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (AAVP) gratefully acknowledges these companies for their support and sponsorship of the 2006 annual meeting.

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More on Hawaii

Ground transportation in Honolulu

Waikiki is ~20-30 minutes from the airport by taxi during non-rush hours and will cost ~$25.00-28.00. Taxi and chauffeured limousine services are available at all passenger terminals on the baggage claim level.

Airport Waikiki Express, 808-539-9400, is a direct service bus that stops at the Sheraton Waikiki. The cost to Waikiki via Airport Express is $8.00 one-way and $14.00 round trip. A maximum of two bags per person is allowed without charge. Airport Express operates 24 hours daily on schedules of every 25-30 minutes from 6:00-10:00 AM and every 20-25 minutes after 10:00 AM.

Beyond Waikiki Beach

By Jeffrey P. Mayor, Tacoma (Wash.) News Tribune

For those who want to explore beyond Waikiki Beach, the island of Oahu will not disappoint. The loop drive from Honolulu to the North Shore and then back along the Windward Coast is worth the cost of a rental vehicle. Even as crowded as Honolulu can be, you can still find some solitude. We explored and played on Punalu'u Beach, which we had all to ourselves, on a Friday afternoon in January. We watched the ocean spray shoot out of the Halona Blowhole, near Sandy Beach, on the island's east side.

Here are some suggestions for getting out and enjoying Oahu.

Climbing Diamond Head

An estimated 600,000 people make the climb up the Honolulu landmark each year. The trip to the 750-foot-high peak is 1.4 miles round-trip, takes about two hours and is a good family activity. Once you scale the final 99 steps, you'll get great views from a World War II-era bunker at the top.

For early risers, or those who haven't adjusted to the time difference, go early and watch the sun rise over the city. The top of the old volcanic cone makes a great spot to watch the sunset. But be careful – it's a dark descent after the sun goes down. Take a flashlight any time of day – you go through several tunnels.

Hiking early or late in the day will help you avoid the crowds. The park is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Other nearby hikes: Manoa Falls Trail is a short, 0.8-mile tromp that takes less than an hour to reach the namesake falls. Be warned that the trail, which follows Waihi Stream, can be muddy (take bug repellent). You can find a network of trails at the Hawaii Nature Center, including the Kanealole and Makiki Valley trails.

Round Top Drive
This drive offers something for those who want to do some trekking and are looking for good vistas of Waikiki Beach and downtown Honolulu.
There are plenty of pullouts that offer great views of the area, and the road winds through Puu Ualakaa Park and Honolulu Watershed Forest Reserve, which have hiking trails and views of 2,010-foot Mount Tantalus.
You can combine this drive with a trip to the Hawaii Nature Center. Programs at the center include guided interpretive hikes, nature adventures and conservation projects. The interactive nature museum also features Rainforest Walk, a guided excursion into the Iao Valley. Information: (888) 955-0104, www. hawaiinaturecenter. org.
Trip bonus: The nine-mile trip brings you right down to the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, also known as the Punchbowl. Thirty-seven thousand members of the armed services, including World War II correspondent Ernie Pyle, are buried there.
North Shore
Most noted for its world-class surfing, the North Shore makes a great day trip. There are several protected tide pool areas, great for letting the kids explore in the water. The Waimea Valley Audubon Center, although a little pricey, offers hikes, birding, places to picnic and the chance to see Waihi Falls.
If you're looking for lunch, I recommend Giovanni's Shrimp Truck, just outside of Kahuku. We preferred the scampi, loaded with garlic, and the lemon shrimp. No one in our group was brave enough to try the spicy shrimp, which came with a “no refund” warning. For a snack, try the shave ice at Matsumoto's in Hale'iwa.
General tips
If you're driving, make sure your navigator can spell fast. It's a mouthful trying to pronounce Kaipapau Point or Ke'eaumoku Street. By the time you get your mainland tongue through all those vowels, you've passed by.
Get your hands on as many free handout maps as you can. They don't all have the same details or mark the same roads. Spending a little time doing map work when you first get there will help you get around the island much easier. We didn't know where the “Magnum, P.I.” house was until we looked at about our fifth map.
Hide your valuables if you leave your car. We were reminded of this just about everywhere we went.
A tour of Pearl Harbor should be added to the list to see the Arizona Memorial and the USS Missouri.
Some basic ocean safety tips
·Swim in Lifeguarded Areas
·Never Swim Alone
·Don't Dive Into Unknown Water or Into Shallow Breaking Waves
·Ask a Lifeguard About Beach and Surf Conditions Before Swimming
·If You Are Unable to Swim Out of a Strong Current, Signal for Help
·Rely on Your Swimming Ability Rather Than a Flotation Device
·Look For, Read and Obey All Beach Safety Signs and Symbols
·If In Doubt, Just Stay Out!

Submitted by Tom Kennedy

Announcements

Email change – Secretary/Treasurer

Effective immediately, the email address of Dr. Alan A. Marchiondo, has been changed to alan.marchiondo@tevausa.com.

Future Parasitology meetings

Future meetings of the AAVP

52nd meeting in 2007 – Washington, DC
53rd meeting in 2008 – New Orleans, LA
54th meeting in 2009 – Seattle, WA
55th meeting in 2010 – Atlanta, GA
56th meeting in 2011 – St. Louis. MO

50th Annual Livestock Insect Worker's Conference (LIWC)

The LIWC will be held in Amarillo, TX on June 25-28, 2006. Meeting and social information are available on the LIWC website: http://www.wtamu.edu/gschuster/LIWC.htm.

Annual Meeting of the American Society of Parasitologists (ASP) & 11th International Congress of Parasitology (ICOPA XI)

The ASP will hold its annual meeting jointly with the British Society of Parasitologists in conjunction with the ICOPA XI in Glasgow, Scotland, August 6-11, 2006. Meeting information is available on the web at www.icopa-xi.org.

55th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH)

The annual meeting of ASTMH will be held on November 12-16, 2006 at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Atlanta, GA. Information about the annual meeting can be obtained by contacting ASTMH Headquarters at http://www.astmh.org.

Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD)

The annual meeting of CRWAD will be held December 3-5, 2006 at the Chicago Marriott, Downtown Magnificent Mile. Scientific program and registration information can be obtained at http://www.cvmbs.colostate.edu/microbiology/crwad/index.htm.

21st International Conference of the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP)

The WAAVP 2007 International Conference will be held in Ghent, Belgium on August 19-23, 2007. Scientific program information is available on the meeting web page: http://www.waavp2007.be.

CRWAD Student Competition in Parasitology

AAVP continues to support the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD) student competition in Parasitology and Immunoparasitology. The first place winner of the student competition receives a $50.00 honorarium, a $100.00 voucher to defray travel to the annual AAVP meeting, and a 1-year complementary student membership in AAVP. The 2005 winner was John Schaefer, Ohio State University, for his presentation entitled "Preliminary observations of antibiotic efficacy associated with different means of experimentally infecting dogs with *Ehrlichia canis*"
Congratulations to John!
Submitted by Alan Marchiondo

The AAVP Newsletter and our young members!

The AAVP newsletter committee would like to include a section focusing on our young / 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. Three times a year, with every newsletter, we will be highlighting those individuals near or at the completion of their MSc or PhD. Each time we will publish a brief narrative resume, a summary of their research findings and their plans for the future.
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!!!

Submitted by Patrick F. Meeus-

2006 AAVP

Please use this form as a reminder for the payment of dues to the AAVP for 2006. The 2006 dues year runs from September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2006. Please complete the form and mail to the address below. Please pay your dues promptly. The success of the AAVP is at least in part dependent on its fiscal survival. Emeritus members: no dues are necessary; only address updates.

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Area of Interest_____

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New Membership application

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARY PARASITOLOGISTS
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The objectives of the AAVP and its requirements for membership (Articles II and III of the AAVP Constitution) are:

Objectives: "The objectives of the organization shall be to provide for the association of persons interested in the advancement of veterinary parasitology, and for the presentation and discussion of items of common interest, and to further scientific progress by education and research in veterinary parasitology. This association is organized exclusively for scientific and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution, the Association shall not carry out any other activities not permitted to be carried out by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code."

Membership: "Section 1: Members shall consist of those individuals qualified by background, education and interest in veterinary parasitology. Section 2: New members, except honorary and emeritus, shall be admitted by the Secretary-Treasurer with approval of the Executive Committee, after filing application for membership to the association. Section 3: Honorary membership shall be awarded by the Association to persons who are not members of the Association in recognition of outstanding and sustained achievements in veterinary parasitology. Candidates for honorary membership shall be recommended to the awards committee by any member. Nomination for honorary membership shall be made by the Awards Committee to the membership and election shall be majority vote at the annual meeting. Honorary members shall not be eligible to vote and shall not be assessed dues. No more than two (2) honorary members shall be elected in any one year period. Section 4: Upon retirement a member may become an emeritus member on approval of the Executive Committee of a written request to the Secretary-Treasurer for such status. Emeritus members shall retain voting rights but shall not be assessed dues. Section 5: Forfeiture of membership will occur where dues are not paid for at least two consecutive years. A member who has forfeited membership by nonpayment of dues must reapply for membership. Section 6: Expulsion of a member may occur if a motion for expulsion is presented by the Executive Committee at the annual meeting and passed by four-fifths (4/5) of the members present and voting. The member is to be informed in writing of such a motion at least two months in advance of the annual meeting at which the motion is to be presented. Section 7: The Executive Committee may annually invite any firm, association, corporation, institution or subdivision thereof, to become a corporate associate member, for financial support of the Association."

Should you wish to become a member of the AAVP, please provide the following information and send this form and a check or cash (regular membership **$30.00**; student membership $10.00, **U.S. currency only**) payable to the AAVP, to the Secretary-Treasurer at the address given below. **The 2006 dues year runs from September 1, 2005 to August 31, 2006.**

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AAVP Newsletter Deadlines for Submissions

Newsletter	Deadline
October 2006	September 22, 2006
February 2007	January 19, 2006
June 2007	May 25, 2006

Please contact the editor with questions regarding these dates.