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## President's Message

Hello,

I hope that this letter finds you, your family, and your friends safe and healthy, especially in the light of the tragedy of Katrina. We offer our deepest condolences for our friends and colleagues in their loss. There are no words to express their loss and suffering, both physically and emotionally.

Separately, I hope that many of you were able to make it to the IVBM meeting in Minneapolis this past July. It was very well attended by people from all over the world, with a lot of good response to the many varied sessions. I definitely want to thank the entire planning committee that spent MANY MANY hours in planning this large event.

The meeting next year will be in HAWAII! I don't know about all of you, but I got excited when AVMA announced that the convention was slated for a tropical island. I hope that many of you will also attend. Remember – it should be a tax write-off! Based on the survey results (see inside), we are adding a "How I Treat" session to our meeting which, as a reminder, is a joint meeting between AVSAB and ACVB. Don't

forget to submit a scientific paper or respond to the call for this new section for consideration. The submission information is included inside.

We have begun an active publicity "campaign" to help promote our organization and veterinary behavior as a whole. Plans include posting general public information on our website, providing more avenues for our members to easily promote AVSAB, and have more of an active voice in the realm of veterinary behavior. We will keep you up to date on the progress. If you are interested in helping in this area, or any other areas of AVSAB, please contact me at [mjbain@ucdavis.edu](mailto:mjbain@ucdavis.edu).

And an early reminder...AVSAB is electing new officers at the next meeting. If you are interested in running for a position and take an active role in this organization, please contact me. If you are interested in a particular position, you can also contact the current board member for specific information. Board member positions include: President-elect, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and 2 Member-at-large.

Please take care,  
Melissa

## It's that time of year again!

In order to prevent interruption of your AVSAB newsletters and AVSAB listserv participation, membership dues must be received by December 31, 2005. There is a membership form on page 19 of this newsletter and one can also be printed from the AVSAB website, [www.avsab.us](http://www.avsab.us). Fees are listed on the renewal form. Please direct all membership questions to Lisa Radosta DVM at [avsabe@yahoo.com](mailto:avsabe@yahoo.com).

# Thank You to Our Sponsors for the 2005 AVSAB Meeting!

*We would like to thank our sponsors for the 2005 International Veterinary Behavior Medicine meeting and the AVSAB/ACVB combined meetings. Without their assistance we would have had a meeting that was nowhere near the quality which we had achieved. Thank you also for all the attendees to the meeting who took advantage of what these companies had to offer. Please take the opportunity to say thank you to the representatives of these companies when you have contact with them in your practices for their support of veterinary behavior medicine.*

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# International Veterinary Behavior Meeting a Rousing Success

This year's AVSAB scientific sessions were coordinated jointly with the ACVB and the International Veterinary Behavior Meeting committee. This was the fifth biannual meeting of the IVBM and the first to be held in the United States. By all accounts the meeting was a tremendous success. There were over 50 scientific papers, 19 posters, a breakfast terminology workshop and over 15 sponsors. Our exhibit area provided an opportunity to meet our sponsors and to

view the posters, as well as to eat, drink and even win a few prizes. Thanks to all who have helped make this year's meeting such a success from our sponsors and volunteer committee members to our speakers and poster presenters. Special thanks to Sagi Denenberg for his audiovisual assistance, Daniel Mills, Emily Levine and Andrew Luescher for their work in preparing the proceedings; and to Petra Mertens for receiving and organizing the onsite deliveries of the

boxes and boxes of supplies. Additional copies of the proceedings will be available in book and CD format from Purdue Press. We hope to have the information soon about the location of the 2007 International Veterinary Behavior Meeting and hope many more of you will plan to attend.

*Gary Landsberg DVM, DACVB*

*Deba Horwitz DVM, DACVB*

## AVSAB Member Survey Results

*THANKYOU to the 90+ people for taking time to respond to our on-line survey. Here are some results:*

### General

- 48% have been members 5 or less years
- 99% of members responding to the survey will definitely renew
- Majority of member (77%) are not board-certified or a resident
- Overall satisfaction with AVSAB: 83% very satisfied or satisfied

### Expectations of AVSAB

- 52 people see AVSAB as a source of behavior information and networking;
- 17 people expect AVSAB to be a source for Veterinary Continuing Education
- 15 members want AVSAB to promote Veterinary Behavior to the general public and 14 expect AVSAB to do the same within the profession

### How members found out about AVSAB

- 22% from a colleague or friend
- 21% from veterinary school
- 18% from information given at a lecture or meeting

### Newsletter

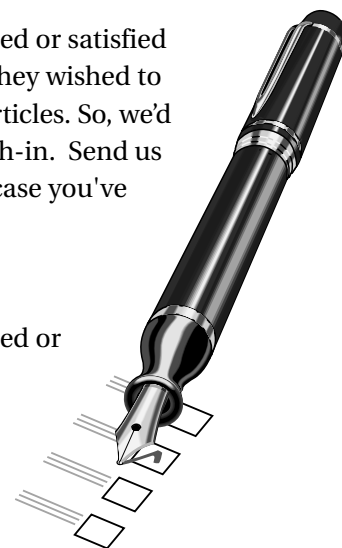
- Satisfaction: 74% very satisfied or satisfied
- 18 respondents stated that they wished to have more case reports or articles. So, we'd like to remind you all to pitch-in. Send us a write up of an interesting case you've treated.

### Listserv

- Satisfaction: 78% very satisfied or satisfied
- 97% of members read the listserv
- 73% of members have posted

### Meeting

- 76% of member attended at least 1 meeting (and 18% have attended 8 or more) This includes 27 members (out of 43) who have been members for 5 or fewer years who have attended at least one meeting. It's nice to see that we're getting new members attending as well as the "regulars."
- 62% want a "How I Treat..." (coming to Hawaii)
- 55% want to continue with Scientific Research
- 55% want Panel Discussions
- 15% want to continue with Student Research Project



# Call For Papers

## Joint AVSAB/ACVB Paper Session AVMA Annual Meeting • Honolulu, HI • July 2006

The AVSAB/ACVB joint scientific veterinary behavior meeting will be held on July 16-17th, 2006 in conjunction with the AVMA in Honolulu, HI. Scientists and practitioners from all related disciplines are encouraged to submit abstracts for consideration. These may be in the form of original (unpublished) research results, case studies or scientific reviews.

Final presentations will be in the form of full spoken papers, spoken short communications and posters. Speakers of full and short presentations will receive complementary registration for the conference including published proceedings.

### **Submission and review procedure:**

All submissions should be completed on the official submission form available at: [www.avsab.us](http://www.avsab.us)  
*The committee is not responsible for papers submitted incorrectly and therefore not reviewed.*

All submissions will be triple reviewed anonymously. Each paper will be evaluated according to its scientific merit (see guidelines below for different types of submission), originality and interest to the discipline.

Submissions are due **December 1, 2005** and authors of all submissions will be notified of the outcome of the review process by **January 30<sup>th</sup> 2006**. Authors of accepted submissions will be expected to produce a full publication in accordance with the guidelines provided, by the due date of April 1st 2006 in order for the work to be published in the proceedings. In the case of work destined for journal publication elsewhere, authors may emphasize the basis of the topic with brief details of the methods and key experimental findings in order to limit the risk of jeopardizing publication through prior publication. Full experimental results should however be presented at the meeting. Assistance with English will be available to those for whom English is not their first language.

### **Awards Information:**

Continuing with the tradition started in 2005 there will be awards granted for outstanding research by a veterinarian in an ACVB approved residency or training program\* and by a veterinary technician. The winner of the award is determined based upon the anonymous reviews of the abstract submitted for consideration for presentation at the ACVB/AVSAB Scientific Paper Session.

Premier Pet Products will be sponsoring the second annual RK Anderson ACVB resident's award for the highest scoring paper submitted. The SVBT will be sponsoring the second annual SVBT award for the highest scoring technician paper submitted. The award is open to professional members of the SVBT.

*\*Veterinarians in an ACVB approved residency or training program that wish to have their paper considered for the award must present a full spoken paper. Short communications and posters will not be considered for the award. The abstract must contain sufficient information regarding the hypothesis, materials and methods, data, data analysis, results and discussion to permit evaluation of the scientific merit of the research, although final data, data analysis, conclusions and discussion are not required. The abstract must be at least two pages, but not more than three pages in length (see official form and directions at: [www.avsab.us](http://www.avsab.us)).*

# Cover sheet for all submissions to the AVSAB/ACVB

## Scientific Veterinary Behavior Meeting

*Please use one cover sheet for each submission.*

**Please note:** author name and address details should NOT be included in the accompanying abstract. References to institutions or other items, which might lead to the identification of the authors, must be anonymous, e.g., “subjects were recruited from the clinic of the first author” or “subjects were recruited from clinic X”, may be appropriate.

**Name of presenting author (this need not be the same as the first author of the final work):**

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**Check One (this is mandatory):**

- Veterinarian    ACVB diplomate    Other practitioner  
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**Co-workers involved in the work and addresses**

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**Please indicate the formats you would consider for this presentation:**

- Full spoken paper (25 minutes)  
 Short communication (10 minutes)  
 Poster presentation

Please attach your abstract to this document giving the title and substantive text only. Your abstract must be typed in at least size 10 font and fit on a single side 8.5 x 11 page. ACVB residents submitting abstracts for consideration of the resident award must submit a two to three page abstract typed in at least size 10 font on two to three single side 8.5 x 11 pages. The abstract should include title, hypothesis, materials and methods, and sufficient data, data analysis, results and discussion for evaluation of the research project. Identifying information such as reference to a particular institution, practice or state should not be included in the text of the abstract.

Please e-mail this document to Elizabeth Shull (eashull@aol.com) or send an electronic file or hard copy to Dr. Elizabeth A. Shull, Appalachian Veterinary Specialists, 215 Center Park Dr. Ste. 650 Knoxville, TN 37922

# Guidance for Submissions

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The committee would like to encourage submissions from both practitioners and academics working either directly in the field or in related fields of interest, which can contribute, to the development of the discipline.

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## Full Papers

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These might represent substantial pieces of research, theoretical reviews or case series; in all cases the hypothesis being investigated must be stated clearly.

Provide a few sentences to place the work in context but devote the majority of your abstract to the methods and results.

You should include a brief conclusion at the end of your abstract.

### **Full papers will be evaluated on the following criteria:**

Originality and / or relevance of work to the field of veterinary behavior medicine, and the clarity and significance of hypothesis being tested. Scientific rigor, including statistical assessment in the case of experimental work, clarity of analytical method used in theoretical or case reviews etc. And finally whether the conclusions are justified by the results and their potential significance

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## Short Communications

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These might be more appropriate for less substantial pieces of work including preliminary studies, brief discussions of points of theoretical interest, practical tips and individual case reports of importance.

It is important to emphasize the relevance of this work in your abstract and its potential impact for extending our knowledge within the discipline.

### **Short communications will be evaluated on the following criteria:**

Originality of work within the field of veterinary behavior medicine, relevance of work to the field of veterinary behavior medicine, intellectual content of work, and potential implications of work to the field.

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## Poster Presentations:

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These may be used for presentations relating to any of the above topics, but should be amenable to visual presentation as a single poster. In order to insure that posters receive the full attention of delegates, a dedicated poster session will form part of the conference. This will give authors the opportunity to expand on the work if they so desire.

### **Posters will be evaluated on the following criteria:**

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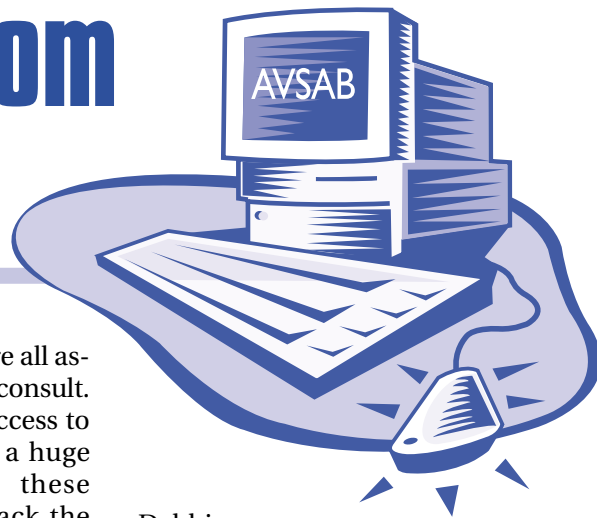
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**Application Deadline is April 1, 2006**

# Interesting Posts from the AVSAB Listserve



Interesting Posts on the AVSAB Listserve  
The AVSAB listserve is a valuable means of communication between us colleagues interested in clinical behavior. This discussion group is for the benefit of the members of our organization, and all aspects of clinical behavioral medicine and psychology are fair game for this forum.

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## Topic: The Business of Behavior—Getting a History Form in Advance

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Dear Group, I generally require that the behavior history form be faxed or emailed to me 48 hrs prior to the appointment. Since I often do behavior housecalls this gives me time to prepare, assemble handouts, stock my briefcase with treats, headcollars, etc. If the clients put down a credit card number and sign the disclaimer that says they will be charged a penalty if less than 24 hrs. cancellation occur, getting that long form in advance is even more important. So...what do you do when the client expects you to help them with their pet's problem and decides the form is too long, too complicated for them, or they just can't get it together to fill it out? They expect you to come to the appt. and they have every intention of paying you for your time. They just don't want to deal with the Hx form! Do you still conduct the consult and fill the form out on site? Do you see this non-compliance as a sort of adult ADD and just do the best you can under the circumstances? It seems to me that veterinary no-shows are commonplace for regular veterinary medical care visits, but isn't working on behavior problems difficult enough without getting history forms in advance? I recently did not go to an appointment because I never got the form returned to me. The owner was disappointed because his dog was showing aggression toward the pool guy

and the gardeners and they were all assembled there for the supposed consult. How does one have enough success to live in a gated community in a huge house on acres with all these maintenance people and yet lack the skills to fill out a history form on their pet that has this terrible problem that they want fixed immediately? Maybe one of you has a solution that works as far as the history form. Let's hear your two cents!

Steve  
Steve Feldman  
Thousand Oaks, CA

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## Reply

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I do consults in the office and I don't schedule the appointment until I receive the history forms. I have not had to take deposits because luckily I have a very low no-show rate. I had a much higher no-show rate when I scheduled the appointments at the owner's request with the understanding that they would return the forms before the appointment. The same people that wanted the ASAP emergency appointment were the same people who couldn't fill out the forms, or show up for the appointment.

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## Reply

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I generally require that the behavior history form be faxed or emailed to me 48 hrs prior to the appointment. I send out the history form and have them bring it with them, I do not require it to be faxed or mailed back. Then we go over it together.

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## Reply

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MY situation is a little different here since we are a university and charge a flat fee for our consults. But when I did private consults, I would either reschedule the appt or charge the client by the hour including the time it takes to go back through the history form. It often means the client pays significantly more for the consult because of the extra time.

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## Reply

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Steve, I rarely don't get the forms back. I call people a week ahead of the appointment and remind them what I want before the appointment if I had not received it by that point. Then a couple of days before the appointment I remind again. Very rarely do I need to do more than that. I have only had 1 case in the last 2 years that didn't get the forms back

to me- the person's fax had broke so I received the forms at the appointment, and it was a noise phobic dog. I do not take credit cards or deposits prior to the appointment. I will not see an aggression case without the forms prior to the appointment. If an owner complained (none have so far) then I would explain that no knowledge of the aggression puts me more at risk for being bitten. Hope to see you in Minneapolis!

Marsha Reich DVM, DACVB  
Silver Spring, Maryland

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### Reply

We have several people at WSU that have attended the Bayer training for Veterinary Communication, and they came back with an interesting response to this question for us. It has to do with literacy in America. It made us question if clients who seemed interested in an appointment, but never filled out their form, could actually read the form and write the responses. We have gotten a few forms where we questioned whether people really read some of the questions appropriately due to their answers. At WSU we have elected to preserve people's integrity and offer them other options if there seems to be a mismatch like you are explaining.

Julia Brannan  
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### Reply

I do my behavioral referral appointments in the office. All cases are booked and scheduled by my staff, and as per regulations in Ontario, I do not discuss the case (or talk) with the pet owner, until they arrive for their visit (and officially become my client). Since I also have a companion animal general practice out of the same office, it is particularly important that I do not speak to referred or potential clients until they arrive at the clinic and are entered into the referral or general practice stream. At one point, 5 years ago we had one average at least one behavior case "no-show" a week. We now take a credit card at the time of booking and advise that we will charge \$50 for missed appointments if the client does not cancel one

full business day in advance. Those who do not want to give a credit card number can send a check for \$50 dated for the consultation date and we will book when the check arrives. In addition, I use an extensive intake history form and require that the forms returned at least one business day before the appointment. As with Laurie, our staff advise those that are reluctant that we can take the full history during the consultation but to plan for an extra half hour in fees at least. If these forms do not show up on time then WE cancel the appointment. Now everybody fills out the forms in advance and everyone shows up or cancels (except for rare emergency same day rebookings). The only exception is on those rare occasions where for "some reason" we book without a credit card number or check and sure enough those are the only no shows we occasionally now see.

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### Reply

I do now take a deposit which they lose if they do not cancel 48 hours before. I have rarely had to keep it and it has really cut down on the "no shows". In fact, I take a credit card to hold the appointment as the deposit, but I do not accept credit cards in the office and that has not been a problem.

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### Reply

I require that the client bring the form with them and do not require advanced mailing. I do not like to read histories

prior to seeing the client because I do not wish to get tunnel vision based on what I've read, and waste time if the owner cancels. I allow the owner to give the history during the consultation which allows me to formulate a true diagnosis with the help of the free-roaming pet. I often go through the forms but only because I've insisted the client fill it out. One of our receptionists will call the day before the appointment to ensure they received the form, remind them of the consult, and to remind them to bring their pet. For me, the forms are so that the client can organize their thoughts and doesn't have to fumble through my questions, to uncover other problems (eg. owner-directed aggression), and for future reference. I don't take deposits but rarely have no-shows.

Gerry  
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### Reply

To add to this... At the time of our initial consultation, We ask our clients to maintain a brief journal of their pet's progress over the next month. We also ask for them to submit a brief synopsis of their progress with their pet one month following the consultation, in preparation for a follow up consultation ( included in the initial fee.) Clients are extremely enthusiastic about this at the initial consultation. We contact them in 4 weeks time and request that they submit a note ( or essay if they so choose ) by email, fax or reg mail. Upon receipt, we arrange a follow up appointment in hospital if they live locally, or by phone if they live farther away. This is where we have our most difficulty ( relative to all other aspects ) in client compliance. It does not seem to matter whether they have made progress with their pet or not, but my perception is that it is related to their commitment to resolving their pet's problems. How do others handle this component of their consultations?

Thanks,  
Shelley Breadner, DVM Saanichton  
*(continued on page 7)*

# Fear Based Aggression

## Terri A. Derr, DVM

Duke was a 10 month old neutered male mixed breed terrier presented for aggression towards strangers. When he was about 3 weeks old his dam had to be euthanized for medical reasons; His present owner, Ms. T, acquired Duke at that time.

Duke was a high energy, nervous, and active puppy. He lived alone with his female owner, but her adult children often came to visit. Previously OK with family members, Duke had lately snapped at them if handled roughly. For several months he had barked at and retreated from strangers; if they approached he piloerected. He growled if strangers attempted to touch him. He had never growled or snapped at Ms. T, but she felt his behavior had been worsening and was concerned that he might bite her. Duke's had snapped at children as they chased him when he escaped from the back yard. He had never made contact when snapping. His owner had tried both reassuring him and yelling at him when he growled, but that hadn't helped. Nor had obedience training-his obedience instructor recommended using a pinch collar but his owner was reluctant to do so.

During the behavior consultation we ignored Duke while we reviewed his history. A 54 item personality screen highlighted Duke's tendency to growl, and then snap, when physically handled or when interacting with strangers, especially children. During the history review Duke was nervous and exploratory. He avoided looking at me, and at first did not approach me. Several times he jumped up on his owner as she sat in her chair, but got down when she pulled his leash. After 15 minutes he came to me to solicit petting, and responded with tail wagging when I stroked his chin and talked happily to him. I did not observe piloerection, and he did not

growl. He remained nervous and kept moving around the exam room for the duration of the consultation.

Duke's history and pattern of responses can be consistent with either conflict-related aggression or fear based aggression. Conflict-related aggression is less likely when the problem first appears before social maturity (usually about 18 months of age). History and observation in Duke's case support a diagnosis of fear response to strangers (barking, growling, retreating, and piloerection) which will escalate to snapping. His unfortunate early life may have been a risk factor for poor socialization and an impaired ability to deal with novel situations.

The treatment for fear aggression is a desensitization and counterconditioning program, but I wasn't sure Ms. T or her family could effectively undertake desensitization at this time. First, I wanted to see an overall decrease in Duke's anxiety level, and an increase in his owner's confidence in handling him.

Ignoring bad behavior (rather than punishing it) and rewarding Duke for being calm, relaxed, and obedient were the cornerstones of this program. Initially, no one in the family was to ask Duke to do anything he didn't want to do. If Duke growled at someone, that person was to do nothing but walk calmly away. (If there was a safety issue, Duke could be handled by a drag line attached to his collar or head halter.)

I explained "Nothing in Life is Free" ("No Free Lunch" or "Learn to Earn," where all interactions with the dog are preceded by the dog obeying a simple order) and advised all family members to follow it.

We fit Duke with a Gentle Leader and a drag line, with instructions that it should be worn at all times except when his owner is gone or asleep. At these times, Duke should be in his kennel.

Duke was not to be forced to approach strangers. Ms. T agreed to discourage visitors to her home temporarily. On walks, if a person approached she was to turn and walk the other way, or cross the street if possible. If she must pass, she would walk briskly without tightening the leash too much, acting nonchalant as possible. Duke's behavior, no matter what it was, was to be ignored.

I discussed the possibility of using psychotropic medication if we see no improvement by the 3 week recheck. I also recommended Ms. T contact a training school which uses more positive methods if she wants to continue obedience school.

I cautioned Ms. Winslow that we cannot expect 100% improvement. Duke will always be likely to snap or even bite in certain circumstances, and it will be her responsibility to keep people safe from him, especially children.

One week after the consultation I called the owner. She had been able to avoid strangers, and NILIF was progressing well, but she was having trouble getting the GL on and off-Duke showed no aggression, but was too quick and wiggly for her. I recommended leaving it on all the time for a while, being sure not to leave the drag line on when she was not present.

After three weeks, Duke returned for a recheck appointment. Ms. T felt there had been significant improvement in his behavior. He wore his Gentle Leader and was calm to the point of somnolence in the exam room. He approached me quickly, sniffed me thoroughly, wagged his tail appropriately, then laid down for the remainder of the appointment. He eagerly took treats from me.

Ms. T had been able to follow most of the instructions recommended at Duke's first appointment. After our first phone recheck, Duke wore the GL for 8 days. When he de-

veloped a sore on the bridge of his nose the GL was removed for several days. Now Ms. T could put it on with only a bit of trouble. The sore had healed nicely. I refit the GL and we practiced putting it on and taking it off, using Duke's favorite treat.

Duke was so calm with the GL on that rewarding calmness was easy. He continued to be extremely hyper without it, but even so Ms. T had been able to reward him for calmness with treats, petting, and massage.

Avoidance of strangers had gone very well. Only one visitor had come to Ms. T's home, and Duke was so friendly to her as to be "obnoxious". There was no piloerection, or growling. They have had great success with turning the other way when strangers appeared on walks. We discussed using a desensitization program for approaches by strangers, but Ms. T was satisfied with Duke's behavior at this point and preferred to simply continue with the present program of behavior modification.

(AVSAB Listserve from page 5)

## Reply

I see patients on a housecall basis only which I find very helpful to me and much appreciated by clients. (I used to see them at two local hospitals). The questionnaire is mailed out to them and I ask for a return date a few days in advance of the appointment time, so I have a chance to a) make sure they are still planning on coming in and b) get a general impression of history etc. I do not take any deposits, and have had very little problem with no-shows once I have received the questionnaire back. The consult fee I charge, as I explain to the owners, covers the initial consult fee and a 1/2 hr recheck time within the first three months after I see the pet for the first time. This "credit" can be part of a longer second visit obviously and I make sure to tell the client that beforehand. Also, I tell them that the initial consult fee includes "reasonable telephone follow-up time" for the first 3 months. At the initial appointment, we schedule a tel time (the client calls me) about 2-4 weeks after the

initial appointment, and then once that has been completed, schedule further times based on what the owners/I are/am comfortable with. I encourage the owners to email/fax me first with any reports prior to the tel times so I can make best use of my tel time with them. I also tell clients that they are more than welcome to call me with any questions/concerns etc that cannot wait till scheduled follow-up tel. times. I have learned SO much from these follow-up calls, and I find them very helpful for clients. After the 3 month period is up, I charge for my time. I do not push the owners to call me after the initial follow-up. If they miss the call, I will call them to see what is up—I always assume they have "forgotten." BUT I do find that those that forget are least likely to schedule any more tel times, and I do not pursue after that. I am looking forward to Minneapolis!

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# Searching PubMed for Journal Articles

By Ann Viera

PubMed (<http://www.pubmed.gov>) is free. About 4000 biomedical peer-reviewed journals are indexed back to the mid-1960's.

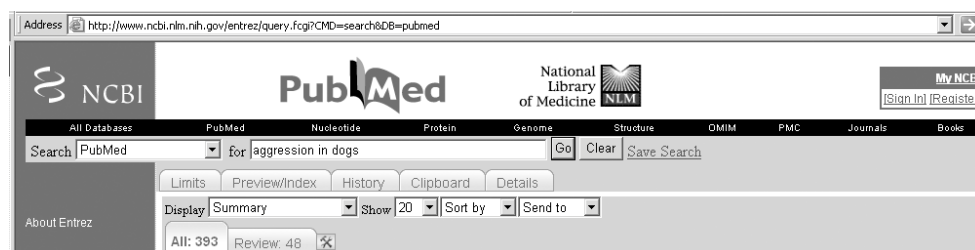
New this year is a current awareness feature called Save Search which will provide automatic notification by email of new articles on topics of your choice. It is also possible to get the full contents of journals or articles by particular authors.

Here's how it works, using the topic aggression in dogs:

Once the search strategy is typed in and the GO button selected, the Save Search link appears just to the right of the search box in blue text (see screen shot below).

Clicking on Save Search will take you to MyNCBI, a free service to use to store search strategies. Results from the search strategies you save will be sent automatically by email, just follow the directions when registering for MyNCBI.

Our National Library of Medicine is constantly improving PubMed (our tax dollars at work). Another enhancement this year is spelling help. See in the ex-



ample above on the last line: "Did you mean." It offered me the correct spelling of aggression when I spelled it wrong (on purpose) in the search box.

To learn more about searching PubMed effectively there are several options:

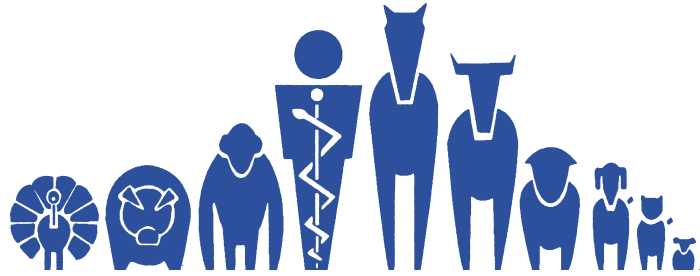
- 1) Take the Tutorial, read the Help/FAQ pages. These are listed on the left in the blue bar on the PubMed main page:
- 2) Download a copy of the guide to searching PubMed for veterinarians in .PDF to keep beside your computer:

<http://www.lib.utk.edu/agvet/veterinary/pubmed.pdf>

- 3) Look for the National Library of Medicine booth at conferences. Usually the veterinary librarian in the nearest

state to big conferences will be on hand in the National Library of Medicine booth to answer questions. He/she may even be offering CE at the conference. Contact him/her about visiting your local veterinary meeting to offer CE at a regional conference. A list of veterinary libraries, which also can be used to find a library offering document delivery, is at [http://duke.usask.ca/%7Eladd/vet\\_libraries.html](http://duke.usask.ca/%7Eladd/vet_libraries.html).

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## AVSAB STUDENT CHAPTER SERVICE AWARD

The American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior is inviting submission of applications for a Student Chapter Service Award. This award will honor the student chapter that demonstrated the highest number of club meetings, educational activities, and individual involvement.

AVSAB student chapters should submit a detailed list of activities that the club and / or its members organized and attended between July 1, 2005 and June 1, 2006, including the following categories:

- 1) Behavior meetings that the club organized  
(e.g. field trips, lectures, wet labs for students and veterinarians)
- 2) Behavior meetings that club members attended  
(e.g. continuing education seminars at veterinary meetings, training seminars)
- 3) Community outreach and Public education organized by the club or its members (e.g. volunteer activities, fund raisers, open house booth, training classes)
- 4) Volunteer activities of club members in the area of animal behavior  
(e.g. shelter programs, wildlife centers, pet visitation programs, grief counseling, open house booth, fund raisers)
- 5) Behavior research projects conducted by club members.
- 6) Other relevant activities of the behavior club or its members.

The application must include the name and address of the chapter president and faculty advisor.

Send applications to:

Dr. Petra Mertens  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Department of Small Animal Clinical Sciences  
315 Veterinary Teaching Hospital  
1352 Boyd Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55108

Merte006@umn.edu  
Office: (612) 625-0227  
Fax: (612) 624-0751

Submission deadline: June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006

# Call For Presenters: Inaugural “How I Treat...” Session

At The Joint AVSAB/ACVB Annual Meeting  
AVMA Convention Honolulu, HI • July 2006

The AVSAB/ACVB veterinary behavior meeting will be held on July 16-17th, 2006 in Honolulu, HI. This year we will be introducing a moderated “How I Treat” section, in addition to the scientific paper sessions. Practitioners from all related disciplines and at all practice levels are encouraged to submit abstracts for consideration.

Several presenters will be chosen to present on treatment elements of the same type of case. Presentations will be approximately 10 minutes and will focus on a specific element of case management (e.g. client education, specific behavior modification tips and techniques, medication selection or unique training protocols). Presenters will also be asked to provide a written summary of their treatment plan for the proceedings. This portion of the meeting may be taped and transcribed for AVSAB members. Presenters will receive complementary registration and published proceedings for the conference.

Submission and review procedure:

All submissions should be completed on the official submission form available at: [www.avsab.us](http://www.avsab.us)

The committee is not responsible for papers submitted incorrectly and therefore not reviewed.

All submissions will be triple reviewed anonymously.

Presenters are asked to provide a brief summary of the treatment methods they use for the behavior problem on which they wish to present (selected from the list below). Emphasis should be given to details of the treatment plan that the presenters wish to share with their colleagues, such as; behavior modification recommendations (e.g. specifics on how to perform systematic desensitization and counter-conditioning rather than just the recommendation to desensitize and counter-condition); medication choices; unique training protocols; adjunct therapies; and/or methods of owner education. Each submission will be evaluated according to its scientific merit, originality and interest to the discipline

Submissions are due December 1, 2005 and authors of all submissions will be notified of the outcome of the review process by January 30<sup>th</sup> 2006. Authors of accepted submissions will be expected to produce a full publication in accordance with the guidelines provided, by the due date of April 1st 2006 in order for the work to be published in the proceedings.

Cover sheet for all submissions to “How I Treat...” session at the AVSAB/ACVB Veterinary Behavior Meeting

Please use one cover sheet for each submission.

Please note: author name and address details should NOT be included in the accompanying abstract. References to institutions or other items, which might lead to the identification of the author, must be anonymous.

Name of presenting author:

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Postal address:

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Electronic mail address:

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Topic: Check One (Use a separate form if submitting to present on more than one topic):

- Canine Thunderstorm/Noise Phobia ?
- Feline Fear (The cat that hides under the bed) ?
- Canine: Aggression to Unfamiliar Dogs (On-leash) ?

Please attach your abstract to this document giving the title and substantive text only.

Your abstract must be typed in at least size 10 font and fit on a single sided 8.5 x 11 page.

PLEASE NOTE: The actual number of presenters and topics to be presented will be determined by the organizing committee based on time available and submissions accepted by anonymous review.

Please e-mail this document to Elizabeth Shull ([eashull@aol.com](mailto:eashull@aol.com)) or send an electronic file or hard copy to Dr. Elizabeth A. Shull, Appalachian Veterinary Specialists, 215 Center Park Dr. Ste. 650 Knoxville, TN 37922

# MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING OF THE AMERICAN VETERINARY SOCIETY OF ANIMAL BEHAVIOR

July 16, 2005 • Minneapolis, MN

In attendance were Drs. Melissa Bain, Sharon Crowell-Davis, John Ciribassi, Lisa Radosta, Kathy Meyer, Laurie Bergman, and Petra Mertens.

**I. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Bain at 5:44 pm.**

**II. Dr. Sharon Crowell-Davis was welcomed and thanked for accepting the position of past-president, which was vacated by Dr. Lynne Siebert.**

**III. The minutes were approved as circulated.**

#### **IV. Treasurer's report**

- a. Dr. Lisa Radosta, treasurer, reported. The 2005/06 budget is attached to these minutes.
- b. The budget reflects expenses and income for the 2006 meeting based on the 2004 numbers.
- c. Any profit from 2005 IVBM/ACVB/AVSAB meeting will be split among the parties, estimate \$2000 to \$3000 income to AVSAB, which is not included in the estimated budget.
- d. No longer banking with Suntrust; accounts will be transferred to Wachovia.
- e. CD may be split into various CD accounts when it is transferred
- f. Membership is not growing, AVSAB is losing members. There was difficulty collecting dues this year, people did not seem to notice it in the newsletter, well over 100 members did not renew. Currently have 290 members; purged 114.
- g. Currently do spend money shipping back copies of AVSAB newsletters to new members, there was discussion about e-mailing PDF files of newsletters to new members or directing them to the AVSAB website.
- h. Budget numbers project that we go electronic in January 2006 but we still must pay for Craig's time to develop newspaper.
- i. Suggestion to make fiscal year based on the calendar, rather than July 1 to June 30.
- j. Plan to send a notice for renewing registration out on the listserv in August, included the member renewal form in the September newsletter, and then follow-up with a postcard in early November to those who have not renewed.

#### **V. Standing committee reports**

- a. Newsletter, Dr. Ciribassi
  - i. Will publish two more hardcopy issues (September and December 2005).
  - ii. Will put notices in these two issues to go onto AVSAB website to register for electronic newsletters so they will receive e-mailed electronic copies.
  - iii. Members will not be given the option of receiving a hardcopy, it will be their responsibility.
- b. Listserv, Dr. Ciribassi
  - i. Dr. Crowell-Davis suggested that listserve members have the option of receiving only announcements rather than all of the posts.
  - ii. There should be a notice in the newsletter telling people that they can "digest" their messages.
- c. Student chapters, Dr. Mertens
  - i. No new chapters, Florida may be working on a chapter.
  - ii. Purged—Oregon, Iowa, Georgia, Colorado, Tufts, Ohio State, University of Tennessee, Atlantic Veterinary College.
  - iii. Currently have 6 student chapters: Kansas State, North Carolina, Texas A & M, UC Davis, University of Minnesota, University of Missouri.
  - iv. Student chapter award—There was only one submission, UC Davis. The board voted unanimously for UC Davis to receive the award.
  - v. Dr. Ciribassi suggested that one group could act as liaison between student chapters and AVSAB. As incentive, we could give free membership for club and for individual students, They could set up a yahoo group to communicate.
  - vi. Information about student chapters will appear in the newsletter.
- d. Booth, Dr. Bain.
  - i. Booth space was not reserved this year.
  - ii. Dr. Bain will research expenses to ship booth to Hawaii.
  - iii. Booth is with Dr. Susan Krebsbach.
  - iv. Per Dr. Ciribassi, Dr. Diane Ott is willing to chair this again for 2006.
- e. Registration for AVSAB/ACVB meeting only, Dr. Radosta.

- i. 8 people are pre-registered.
- ii. We will sell old proceedings.
- f. Student research award
  - i. Only received one submission.
  - ii. Reviewers all liked it and student received the award.

#### VI. Unfinished business

- a. Re-incorporation of AVSAB in Illinois, Dr. Ciribassi.
- b. Will be presented at general meeting.

#### VII. New business

- a. AVSAB mailing list to SVBT—Dr. Bain
  - i. Dr. Crowell-Davis moved that SVBT should have standing permission to receive AVSAB membership mailing information to send complimentary SVBT newsletters to AVSAB members.
  - ii. The motion was passed.
- b. Coordination of 2006 AVSAB/ACVB meeting
  - i. The meeting will be 1 ½ days of presentations.
  - ii. ACVB will raise money through soliciting sponsors, out of which they will pay for the costs of the meeting; money in excess of the meeting costs will be kept by ACVB.
  - iii. Jointly coordinated for paper selection; not more

- than 1/3 of spaces reserved for residents' talks.
- iv. AVSAB will hand centralized registration and be reimbursed an appropriate registration fee (\$25 per registrant suggested).
- v. Possible registration fee for meeting might be \$125.
- vi. Consider reducing the price for new graduates (within 24 months of graduation), interns, residents, and students.

#### c. Veterinary outreach

- i. Establish a committee to promote AVSAB membership.
- ii. Brainstorming session Sunday morning to decide what to regarding outreach.

#### d. Committee chair designees

- i. Newsletter—Dr. Ciribassi
- ii. Listserv—Dr. Ciribassi
- iii. Student Chapters—Dr. Meyer
- iv. Program chairperson—Dr. Bain
- v. Booth—Drs. Meyer and Diane Ott; Kim Reed from SVBT will help coordinate staffing the booth
- vi. Student research award—Dr. Bergman

#### VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm

# MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN VETERINARY SOCIETY OF ANIMAL BEHAVIOR

**July 16, 2005 • Minneapolis, MN**

**I. The meeting was called to order by the president, Dr. Melissa Bain, at 5:35 p.m.**

**II. Announcement and welcome to Dr. Sharon Crowell-Davis as immediate-past president. She replaces Dr. Lynne Seibert, who resigned the position.**

**III. Approval of the 2004 Philadelphia meeting minutes**

**IV. Treasurer's report—Dr. Kathy Meyer reported for Dr. Lisa Radosta.**

- a. The budget for 2005/2006 reflects income based on 2003/2004, including corporate income for meeting sponsorship. This will change in 2005/2006 due to the new arrangement with ACVB, where meeting expenses will be covered exactly by registration and corporate donations, with no profit expected.
- b. Budget reflects paper newsletter through 2005, with

electronic copies only provided beginning in January 2006.

- c. Current assets are approximately \$500 less than last year at this time.
- d. Dr. Laurie Bergman motioned to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was passed.

#### V. Reports of standing committees

- a. Newsletter—Dr. John Ciribassi reported.
  - i. Newsletter will go digital on January 1, 2006.
  - ii. All members need to register at the AVSAB website, [www.avsab.us](http://www.avsab.us), in order to receive the newsletter by e-mail.
- b. Listserv—Dr. Ciribassi reported.
  - i. There is a link from the website to the listserv but you must be a member to access the listserv.
- c. Student chapters—Dr. Petra Mertens reported.
  - i. Eight student chapters were purged because of

- non-payment of dues; 6 chapters remain.
- ii. Only 1 chapter, UC Davis, submitted an application for the student chapter award.
- d. Booth—Dr. Bain reported.
  - i. No booth was set up this year, booth space was not reserved
  - ii. Dr. Diane Ott is still interested in chairing the booth committee this year.
- e. Student research award—Dr. Laurie Bergman reported.
  - i. There was only one submission for the student research award this year.

## VI. Unfinished business

- a. Reincorporation of AVSAB in Illinois—Dr. Ciribassi reported.
  - i. AVSAB was originally incorporated in Texas, with Dr. Bonnie Beaver listed as CEO on incorporation papers, Dr. Beaver was concerned about liability and wished to have this status changed.
  - ii. AVSAB researched reincorporation in Illinois with the AVMA serving as a representative on the articles of incorporation; however, AVMA only serves this role for specialty groups.
  - iii. Since work already done on the issue, AVSAB pursued reincorporation in Illinois with the executive board members listed as the board of directors on the articles of incorporation.
  - iv. Insurance for board members was purchased for \$1,000 per year.
  - v. The constitution requires amendment to list incorporation in Illinois not Texas and the executive board as board of directors.
  - vi. Dr. Ciribassi moved that we accept the changes (to the constitution) and authorize incorporation of the American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior in the state of Illinois replacing our incorporation in the state of Texas.
  - vii. The motion passed unanimously.

## VII. New Business

- a. 2006 combined AVSAB/ACVB meeting—Dr. Bain reported.
  - i. A combined 1 day AVSAB meeting with ½ day ACVB meeting has been proposed.
  - ii. AVSAB has lost money in the past with meetings so current plan is for ACVB members to obtain corporate sponsorship for ACVB with some of the money used to exactly cover meeting costs in excess of registration income.
  - iii. Combined registration for the meeting would be done by AVSAB, with AVSAB being reimbursed for each registration. These funds may be used to subsidize a lower registration fee for students, residents, and new graduates.
  - iv. Paper selection will be coordinated between the two

- groups.
- v. Dr. Bergman moved AVSAB have a combined meeting with ACVB.
- vi. The motion passed unanimously.
- vii. Approximately ¾ of the attending members indicated they would attend the Hawaii meeting.
- b. Committees
  - i. Paper review for AVSAB portion of the meeting—Drs. Valarie Tynes, Petra Mertens, Emily Levine, Michelle Bamberger, Janice Willard, Tracy Kroll, Amy Marder, Lori Haug.
  - ii. Student Research Award—Drs. Gerry Flannigan, Kathy Meyer, Sheila Serguson, Linda Aronson, Marielle Simard, Ilana Reisner, Lori Gaskins
  - iii. Registration—Drs. Steve Feldman, Karen Sueda, Mami Irimajiri, John Ciribassi, Ulrike Reinisch
  - iv. Booth—Diane Ott, Theresa Deporter, Kathy Meyer.
  - v. Publicity—ACVB will handle this, Dr. Bergman reminded members to mention AVSAB to veterinarians they contact, refer to the website [www.avsab.us](http://www.avsab.us), we can provide brochures as needed.
- c. ACVB report—Dr. Gary Landsberg.
  - i. Dr. Kelly Moffat is board-certified.
  - ii. Five individuals are registered to take the examination in the fall.
  - iii. Dr. Horwitz reminded the group that AVSAB had a tradition of giving ACVB \$1000 annually to pay for the guidelines outlining conforming and non-conforming residency program requirements, which are provided to AVSAB members free of charge; however, payment has not been made recently.
  - iv. Dr. Ciribassi recommended that the board check records regarding this prior arrangement.
  - v. Dr. Ciribassi moved to allocate annually \$1000 to be sent to the ACVB to offset the cost of distribution of college packets to AVSAB members at no cost.
  - vi. The motion passed.
- d. Publicity
  - i. Dr. Ciribassi encouraged members to publicize AVSAB when they give talks.
  - ii. Dr. Ciribassi noted that Premier has agreed to include AVSAB brochures and flyers for the upcoming meeting with their products.
- e. Proposed new journal
  - i. Drs. Debbie Horwitz and Gary Landsburg opened discussion on whether the proposed journal, scheduled for launch in January 2006 with the first issue in June 2006, might approach AVSAB for some type of collaboration
  - ii. Gary Landsberg moved that the president of AVSAB will investigate the journal for involvement with AVSAB in the best interest of the organization and report back to the group.
  - iii. The motion passed.
  - iv. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

# The Business of Behavior

**John Ciribassi, DVM**

This article continues the series discussion on various aspects of a veterinary behavior practice. This edition focuses on a few points to consider when beginning a practice specializing in animal behavior. Any comments or suggestions regarding this, or any other topic involving running a behavior practice, please feel to send me an email at [drjdvm@msn.com](mailto:drjdvm@msn.com) with your responses.

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## Taxes

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One of the two things in life that are a certainty and in a small business this certainly holds true. The business of veterinary medicine, and behavior, is no exception. Planning for taxes (or not planning) is often the key point in determining success or failure. So what things do you have to consider when establishing your practice? While this article is not meant to be a substitute for sound advice from your accountant

and attorney, I am hoping to have you put these issues into the forefront of your thoughts as you plan. As your business grows, you should probably consider hiring a payroll service to handle these issues. Costs are competitive as you get more employees. However, when you are first starting, often time is in greater supply than money so doing some of these tasks yourself can save funds and also help you understand what your payroll company is doing when you get to that point.

There are two general areas that I consider. That is, payroll taxes and income taxes. At some point you will likely consider hiring an employee. In addition, if your business is incorporated you will likely treat yourself as an employee and draw a paycheck as well as distribution checks. As a result, you will have to pay payroll taxes. This is greatly simplified when using Quick Books. It is relatively simple to set up employees in the software and it will track what you owe. Removed from

your check will be federal withholding, social security and medicare taxes which are remitted monthly via deposits to your bank. Once you get a federal tax ID number, you will be mailed coupon deposit books to file with your check. In addition, state withholding has to be deposited with your state's revenue department. In Illinois, the checks and deposit coupons are mailed to the state quarterly. In addition, unemployment compensation is an expense of your business and is paid quarterly to your state and annually to the federal government. The state will mail you the forms when the taxes are due.

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## Income taxes

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The important message here is that, if you are taking distributions, these are not taxed right away. If you are set up as an S corporation, all profits are merely treated as personal income that will show up on a business K-1 statement that your accountant will prepare for you at the end of the year. Income is treated the same way if you are a sole proprietor or have a partnership (if you are established as a C corporation, and most veterinary practices are not, check with your accountant as the rules are much different).

Since profits are treated as personal income you will be paying estimated taxes on a quarterly basis for both the state and to the IRS. The amount you pay is based on the previous year's tax returns. This is a common area that new business owners trip up. They have many expenses as a new start up so all profits go to covering expenses and building the practice. Problem is that a percentage of those profits must be paid as taxes. What I do is keep a money market account (either personal or in the business' name) and funnel all profits/distributions to this account. I periodically run a profit and loss report in Quick Books to get an idea of my net profit and be sure to maintain a sufficiently high balance in the money market account to cover quarterly estimated taxes.

## Call for Case Reports, Continuing Education and Textbook Reviews

We can't all be exposed to the wealth of behavior information that is available. There are some excellent CE opportunities, behavior text and references as well as published case histories. It would be a great benefit to our members to have brief reviews of talks, books and cases to be printed in the newsletter.

Whenever you attend a seminar, see an interesting case or read a newly available behavior text, consider sharing your experience with your colleagues. Write a brief review and send it to me via email or snail mail. Thanks much in advance.

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# Upcoming Behavioral Meetings

**September 14 – 18, 2005**

## The Association of Pet Dog Trainers 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference and Trade Show

New Orleans, Louisiana. The APDT provides cutting edge training and behavior information for dog trainers, veterinarians, behaviorists, vet techs and everyone who loves and handles pets.

For complete conference information:

[www.apdt.com](http://www.apdt.com) or call toll free 1.866.570.9967 to request a conference brochure  
or E-mail [apdt@details2.com](mailto:apdt@details2.com)

**October 15-16 2005**

## Veterinary Psychopharmacology

University of Georgia, College of Veterinary Medicine, Athens, Georgia  
Contact: Sandi Kilgo; Phone: 706-542-1451; E-mail: [skilgo@vet.uga.edu](mailto:skilgo@vet.uga.edu)

**Monday, January 9, 2006**

## Human-Animal Bond Track

(American Association of Human-Animal Bond Veterinarians)

North American Veterinary Conference

*Conundrums with kids, K9's, & Kats in the Family*

Moderator: John S. Wright, DVM

Session	Time	Speaker	Topic / Title
#1	8:00-8:45	Merry Crimi, DVM	<u>Overview of Conundrums with Kids, K9s, &amp; Kats at the Klinik</u>
#2	8:55-9:40	Karen Overall, VMD, PhD, ACVB	Behavioral Conundrums with Kids, K9s, & Kats at the Klinik
Break	9:40-10:15		
#3	10:15-11:00	Soraya Juarbe-Diaz, DVM ACVB	Avoiding & Solving Conundrums with Kids, Kittens & Puppies in the Household
#4	11:10-11:55	Cindy Adams, MSW, PhD	Communicating with children during difficult times
Lunch Break	11:55- 2:00		
#5	2:00-2:45	Carolyn Butler, MS, & Merry Crimi, DVM, Cast of Clients & audience	Prevention, and Management of Conundrums with Kids in the Klinik: A Case based Approach
#6	2:55-3:40	Carolyn Butler, MS	Children, Parents, and Pet Loss: Don't Panic
Break	3:40-4:00		
#7	4:00-4:55	Panel - All speakers and Audience	Roles and Responsibilities of Veterinary professionals in Dealing with Children in Practice.

## Websites Related to Animal Behavior

### Organizations

[www.avma.org/avsab](http://www.avma.org/avsab)  
American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior  
[www.dacvb.com](http://www.dacvb.com)  
American College of Veterinary Behaviorists (still under construction)  
[www.svbt.org](http://www.svbt.org)  
Society of Veterinary Behavior Technicians  
[www.deltasociety.org/](http://www.deltasociety.org/)  
Delta Society  
[www.animalbehavior.org/](http://www.animalbehavior.org/)  
Animal Behavior Society  
[www.apdt.com](http://www.apdt.com)  
Association of Pet Dog Trainers  
[www.apbc.org.uk](http://www.apbc.org.uk)  
Association of Pet Behaviour Counselors

### Animal Welfare and Human-Animal Bond

[www.censhare.umn.edu/](http://www.censhare.umn.edu/)  
Center to Study Human-Animal Relationships and Environment, University of Minnesota  
<http://members.aol.com/guyh7/aahabv.htm>  
The American Association of Human-Animal Bond Veterinarians  
[www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu)  
Animal\_Alternatives/main.htm University of California Center for Animal Alternatives  
<http://animalwelfare.ucdavis.edu/>  
University of California Center for Animal Welfare  
[www.soton.ac.uk/~azi/azi.htm](http://www.soton.ac.uk/~azi/azi.htm)  
Anthrozoology Institute, University of Southampton  
[www.tufts.edu/vet/cfa/confsems.html](http://www.tufts.edu/vet/cfa/confsems.html)  
Tufts Center for Animals and Public Policy  
[www.vet.purdue.edu/depts/vad/cae/](http://www.vet.purdue.edu/depts/vad/cae/)  
Purdue University, Center for the Human Animal Bond

### University Websites

[www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/CCAB/main.htm](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/CCAB/main.htm)  
University of California Center for Companion Animal Behavior  
[www.vet.cornell.edu/abc/](http://www.vet.cornell.edu/abc/)  
Cornell University Behavior Service  
[www.vet.uga.edu/erc/behavior/index.htm](http://www.vet.uga.edu/erc/behavior/index.htm)  
University of Georgia Applied Animal Behavior  
[www.cvm.umn.edu](http://www.cvm.umn.edu)  
University of Minnesota School of Veterinary Medicine (has Behavior Service)  
[www.vet.upenn.edu/cias/](http://www.vet.upenn.edu/cias/)  
University of Pennsylvania, Center for the Interaction of Animals and Society  
[www2.vet.upenn.edu/labs/equinebehavior/](http://www2.vet.upenn.edu/labs/equinebehavior/)  
University of Pennsylvania Equine Behavior Lab  
[www.vet.purdue.edu/animalbehavior/](http://www.vet.purdue.edu/animalbehavior/)  
Purdue University Animal Behavior Clinic

### Products

[www.gentleleader.com/](http://www.gentleleader.com/)  
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[www.clickertraining.com](http://www.clickertraining.com)  
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Behavio Rx Pet Behavior Systems

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