

APVMA NEWSLETTER

American Pre-Veterinary Medical Association



Updates from the APVMA Board

During this past month, the Executive Board and Advisory Board of Trustees convened in Atlanta, Georgia to discuss the future of APVMA. We are extremely excited for the changes that we have planned including furthering our communication outreach. The president will be working diligently on numerous tasks, one of which is forming subcommittees for regional symposia and the national symposium. The vice president is continuing to gain sponsors in order to provide our members with AMAZING scholarship opportunities! The treasurer is very excited to announce that a new program will be used in order to become a member of APVMA and will now be open year-round. The secretary is working very hard at ensuring people are receiving timely updates through our newsletters. If you would like to be added our emailing list for various updates please click on the link to the right of this page. Finally, the webmaster has been hard at work revamping the APVMA website. You may view the website by clicking on the link below. We have a lot in store for APVMA and are very excited to see what the future holds!

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A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello everyone,

I hope all of you are having a great summer so far! Over the first weekend in June, the Advisory Board of Trustees and the Executive Officer Board met for our summer business meeting to discuss the future of the APVMA. Fortunately, this organization has outgrown its capacity to continue on the same path we have walked since the beginning. With this being said, there is only so much that can be done during the current Eboard's term. While I would love to move mountains for all of you, I chose to address the most important issues I see facing the APVMA moving forward – for even a minor change can make a big difference.

The first thing we will be adapting is the frequency of communication between the National Board and the local PVMA chapters. This will be done in a few different ways in hopes of making all of you feel more up-to-date with the affairs of the APVMA National Board. In the past, we have released newsletters on a quarterly basis and now we will now be releasing them on the first of every month. We hope that this will help address some of the gray areas and concerns from all of you by keeping you updated regularly. We have also sent out a Google Form (that is posted to the Facebook group) where members can provide us with a current email in order to receive updates from the Eboard. We also discussed another adjustment concerning the merchandise available for purchase on the APVMA website. We will be providing all of you with more options to choose from including some everyday apparel that can be worn on a more frequent basis to show your pride for the incredible national organization that I know you all are proud of. I, along with the Eboard and Advisors, am looking forward to be taking these steps in order to move the APVMA in the right direction as we adapt to this growth.

On an even more exciting note, we were thrilled to announce earlier this month that Pennsylvania State University will be hosting the 2019 APVMA National Symposium on March 8-9, 2019! I very briefly wanted to touch on the decision making process as we want to ensure that everyone is on the same page. First, let me say that this was not a decision made lightly or without much consideration. Due to the lack of a formal bid presented at the past symposium, the APVMA Eboard and Advisors had to turn to our Constitution and Bylaws to determine how to proceed. From there, we personally emailed prospective colleges that have shown interest in hosting the APVMA National Symposium in the past, present, and future. After anxiously waiting, we received word that Penn State was extremely excited to embark on this journey and had already shown great progress in preparations. We are proud of all of their hard work thus far and we are confident that this will be an outstanding symposium you won't want to miss.

Thank you all for your patience as we implement these changes and cheer on our next host school as they prepare. We are excited to see where the APVMA will take all of us over this next year as we work to obtain an even brighter future for this already outstanding organization.

“The only way that we can live is if we grow. The only way that we can grow is if we change.” - C. JoyBell C.

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Mary Ann McDougal

2019 NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM HOST



The Pennsylvania State University was established in 1855, and is one of the top 10 largest universities in the nation. Penn State began as the “Farmer’s High School,” making the College of Agricultural Sciences the oldest college in the university. Since then, the College of Ag has grown to be the largest in the nation and has become a leader in agricultural research and extension. Being the first university to artificially inseminate in cattle, as well as teach Ben and Jerry how to make ice-cream, has provided the foundation for successful dairy production and food science departments. This can be seen through the world-famous ice-cream sold at the Berkey Creamery! Penn State is very eager share their amazing facilities and host the 2019 National APVMA Symposium. Penn State has planned numerous lectures and labs showcasing the many different aspects of veterinary medicine, multiple networking and social events, and even a very special keynote speaker! The Penn State Pre-Vet Club can’t wait to experience the 2019 National APVMA Symposium with all of the APVMA members!



FUN FACT OF THE MONTH



Why do cheetahs have black tear marks?

Cheetahs have “tear marks” that run from the inside corners of their eyes down to the outside edges of their mouth. These marks help reflect the glare of the sun when they are hunting during the day. They also help the cheetah “aim” and stay focused on their prey when they are hunting.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Lincoln Memorial CVM Preview Day**
July 13, 2018 @ 9:30am
- **March 8th - March 9th 2019**
2019 National APVMA Symposium

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