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OUR PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Hi fellow SEMVMA members. It's that time of year in Michigan where our days are getting shorter and colder. Your SEMVMA Board has been behind the scenes working tirelessly to make sure we are bringing quality continuing education as well as stellar social events.

As always, the Annual Golf Outing was a great success. We had lots of participants and some fabulous raffle prizes. One particular golfer apparently had the lucky ticket and won several raffle prizes. Thanks to the generosity of all that participated, we were able to donate just over \$6,000 to Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Your SEMVMA board has still been hard at work this summer finalizing our continuing education series. With the current changing times, we struggled with the best way to present the CE content to our members. We are excited to be able to offer in person CE as well as a virtual option to ensure the comfort of all of our members. Members should have received an email from SEMVMA with a link to this year's CE series. We are covering a wide range of topics to ensure that there is something for everyone to enjoy.

We have not only been busy working on offering the best continuing education, but also how we can give back to our members, particularly the newer graduates. We are excited to announce we will be offering Student Loan Debt Reduction Awards. This is an award for newer graduates to

apply for that will directly go towards reducing their student loan debt. You will find more details on how to apply and the application criteria inside this newsletter.

As the days are getting shorter and we approach fall, I find myself trying to enjoy every ounce of sunshine possible - whether that be outside in my yard or at my kids' football and cheer practices. It is refreshing to see activities still proceeding; in particular kids being able to participate in the sports and extracurricular activities they enjoy. As we start back to school, however, we are still met with uncertainty. Will the kids stay in person? Will the kids end up going all virtual? Will the kids be allowed to participate in sports? We won't ever know these answers

ahead of time. One take away I have learned during these trying COVID times is to have a positive attitude. Yes, virtual school is not ideal, and cancelling sporting events is not fun for anyone, but the children look to us on how they should react. If we react with anger and frustration, that is exactly how they will react. Instead let us try and take a step back and hopefully these short-term inconveniences will make things better for us all in the long run.

Stay well my fellow members and remember in a world where you can be anything, be kind.

Cheers,

– *Nicole Grube*



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03/02/2022 – Mallory Olson, LVT, VTS, (ECC, Nutrition)/Critical Care
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For each SEMVMA member in your practice, one technician or staff member can attend each of the seminars for FREE. The cost for additional staff members or for the staff of non-SEMVMA members is our regular charge of \$35. You must RSVP to ensure a meal and proceedings. Seminars will be held at the Management Education Center.

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Please note there will also be a virtual option for all of our seminars.
For more details, please visit our website at www.semvma.vet

MEMBER Spotlight

Pawsitive Steps Rehabilitation & Sports Medicine is proud to announce that two of our team members have been invited to speak at the upcoming Michigan Veterinary Conference in Novi. **Colleen Lum, LVT CCRVN, CCFT**, and **Cathryn Adolph, LVT, CCRP, CCFT**, will be speaking for the second time at the MVC in the technician track. Official titles for the lectures have not been announced, but topics include how postures can aid the diagnosis of pain, degenerative myelopathy with a focus on client education, and how wheelchairs can help your patients.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! Our goal of this section is to let members know what is occurring in our lives outside of veterinary medicine. Please notify us of your recent family additions, graduations, honors, achievements, fund raising activities, civic group associations, outdoor activities and the like. Please call us at 248-651-6332 or email us at adminsevmma@sevmma.com

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Please join us in welcoming the following new members to SEMVMA...

Dr. Marilyn Begeny, MSU, 1986 - VCA, Farmington Hills, MI

Dr. Jillian Chase, MSU, 2016 – Westarbor Animal Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI

The 2021 membership committee is composed of 3 members:

Emily Socks, DVM harri812@gmail.com, Tari Kern, DVM tkerndvm@yahoo.com and Tim Duncan, DVM, Duncan@oaklandanimal.com. Please feel free to contact any of us if you have any questions. If you know of a veterinarian in the area who is not a member but may be interested in joining, please contact any member of the membership committee of the SEMVMA office and we will be happy to send them information.

2021 SEMVMA GOLF OUTING

After a one-year hiatus due to the pandemic, the SEMVMA Golf outing returned to Tanglewood Golf Course on Wednesday, August 11th. The biggest change was the retirement of long-time chairperson of the event, Dr. Greg Lott. His replacements, Drs. Frank Carmona and Dave Smith, did an excellent job of making sure things ran smoothly and everyone had a wonderful day. The weather cooperated for most of the day as the majority of the 72 golfers finished their round before the rain came.

The team of Codie Davies, Brandon Gunn, Matt Foster and Will Zellweger had a winning score of 60, which was 12 under par. Joe Santieu and Faithful Companion Pet Cremation Services sponsored the contest holes with the following winners:

Longest drive for Men: **Brandon Gunn and Steve Poindexter**

Longest drive for Women: **Donna Daniels and Jen Covey**

Closest to the Pin for Men: **David Smith and Joe Tremonti**

Closest to the Pin for Women: **Donna Daniels**

Longest Putt: **Nick Smith**

Closest to the pin 2nd shot: **Dave Wilmer, which was in the hole from 92 yards away**

This year's event raised just over \$6000 for Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester Hills. SEMVMA would like to thank all of the participants and especially the following sponsors:

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Please mark your calendar for next August and join us for a day of golf, fun and camaraderie to support a great organization.



◀ *Drs. Andy Rollo and Julie Cappel were big winners at the raffle*



▲ *Drs. Frank Carmona and Dave Smith - organizers for the 2021 Annual Golf Outing*



◀ *Drs. Frank Carmona and Dave Smith running the raffle*

Save The Date!

Membership Celebration January 12, 2022

*Join us for dinner as we appoint our new board and council members followed
by our speaker, comedian Walter Brown, LVT!*

The Townsend Hotel Birmingham, MI

This event is free to attend for members and a guest

Look for your formal invitation in the mail

In Memoriam

Dr. Beverley Frommert passed away August 12, 2021 at the age of 83. Dr. Frommert graduated from Michigan State University, CVM in 1964. She opened Brookside Veterinary Hospital in Ann Arbor, MI in 1974 where she was working full-time. Dr. Frommert has been a member of the SEMVMA since 1984; she saw the value in Continuing Education and attended seminars. She had a special passion for Standard Poodles.

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STUDENT LOAN DEBT REDUCTION AWARDS

The SEMVMA is concerned about the cost of veterinary education and the accumulated student debt. The AVMA has estimated the average debt load is now \$183,000. We realize student debt only adds to the stress of new graduates and we would like to take action to reduce the debt load.

The SEMVMA is proud to announce that we will be awarding two \$5000 awards to recent graduates during the January Membership Celebration to reduce their student debt. This will be awarded to two members who meet specific requirements. We intend to choose 2 recipients per year who meet the following requirements:

- Have graduated in the last 3 years (2019 to 2021)
- Are members of the SEMVMA
- Work in one of the 9 counties that our membership derives from (Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw, Monroe, Livingston, Lapeer, Genesee, St. Clair & Windsor)
- Have active student loan debt that can be verified from a lending institution. **Each award shall be granted to a recognized student loan provider or debtor organization.**
- Have not received the award in the past

An application may be obtained via the SEMVMA office and submitted by October 15, 2021. The award will be chosen at random in the presence of a quorum of the SEMVMA Board of Directors (BOD) during the November or December BOD meeting. Awardees will be notified and invited specifically to the Membership Celebration dinner in January. The award will be submitted directly to the loan originator or institution.

Please spread the word and encourage your new graduates to apply. We hope this effort will make a difference in the lives of the awarded individuals and make you proud to be a member of the SEMVMA.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISEMENT POLICY

In order to preserve the educational and informative purpose of the SEMVMA newsletter, the SEMVMA council adopts the following policy regarding advertising. Ads should be submitted to Barb at adminsevmma@sevmma.com

Practices or businesses with a common owner shall be treated as one business or practice for the purpose of this policy (referred to as "Common Owner Business or Practice"). A common owner is a person or entity which owns 5% or more of an entity or practice. Shareholders or sole proprietors of an entity or practice shall be considered an owner along with the entity that holds an interest in the business or practice.

Corporate ¼ page ads are limited to one business, owner or corporation for each issue of the SEMVMA newsletter. This is in the interest of having the newsletter inform the association and not overwhelm them with ads. The SEMVMA council may modify or waive the application of this policy on a case by case basis at the discretion of the council. Ads will run only once unless a request is submitted to the Administrative Secretary to run longer. Classified ads are \$15 for 60 words or less and \$25 for 61–100 words. Corporate ¼ page ads are \$135 per issue or \$500 for four issues. Payment is due at the time of the initial ad placement.

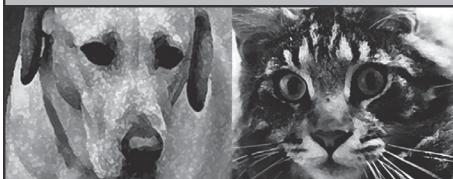
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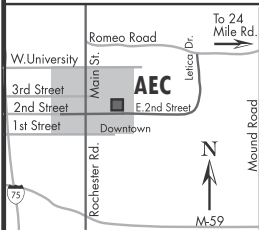
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