

**ARIZONA BRANCH NEWSLETTER LOCAL CHAPTER OF THE
"AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR LABORATORY ANIMAL SCIENCE"
NOVEMBER 1991**

MINUTES OF THE PAST MEETING

The meeting was held at the College of Medicine in Room 5120. President, Jane Criswell called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. She announced that the first item on the agenda was the meeting which would be followed by our guest speaker.

Jane waived the reading of the minutes of the last meeting on 8/26/91. Jane then gave a brief summary of the Fall Symposium held September 27 and 28, 1991. Overall opinions were very positive and those who attended liked the hotel and the presentations. Those who participated in the after symposium hayride and cookout had a good time. An estimate of net receipts amounted to @\$496. Not all receipts are in so this figure may change.

Kathy Stollberg gave a report on the National Meeting held on October 20 - 24, 1991 in Buffalo, New York. She stated that the meetings which she attended were very interesting and informative and she enjoyed them. The one problem she noticed was that the hotel arrangements had many of the participants too far away to attend all the meetings.

Casey Kilcullen Steiner gave a report of the Board of Trustees meeting. It has been noted that National members have been subsidizing non national members in charges such as for the bulletin and for certification exams. In the future there will be a surcharge on exams of \$50 for non national members. Casey also pointed out the fact that national will be held in District 8 in 1992. Hosting National will cost approximately \$54,000 and as such District eight branches will be asked to make donations to the hosting branch (Southern California). She suggested offering \$1000 to the branch before we had to be asked. Casey also mentioned that since she won Member of the Year for 1991 she is entitled to go to the District meeting in 1992, but with national in Anaheim there will be no district meeting. She asked whether we should send people to the national instead of waiting and sending them to District in 1993. All present agreed that the award winners should go to National. As a Trustee, Casey would already be going to National and therefore suggested a contest be held to send the winner in her place. Contest rules will be decided later. Casey pointed out that Arizona Branch will be hosting District Eight in 1997.

Jane then gave a financial report as of October 1 and not including the bill for the hotel. The branch has approximately \$7000. Since we have carried the same approximate amount since the district eight meeting held in Tucson in 1987 there should not be a problem with donating \$1000 for the national next year. A vote was taken on donating this amount and was passed.

Jane mentioned that the board had decided on December 6 for our Christmas Social, but as Tribbranch will be holding there's on the same night, it was decided that we would change ours to the 7th to allow a larger attendance. Jane offered her home for this years event and the branch will once again provide coldcuts and drinks.

Jane showed the branch the poster of buttons offered by the branch for \$1 each. Also shown were the CFAAR buttons which support animal research.

Jane introduced the guest speaker - Harry Hueston, Assistant Chief of Police, University of Arizona who spoke on "Animal Rights - Action & Future."

Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

REQUEST FOR NEW MEMBERS - 1992

Arizona has had a branch of the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science since July of 1985. For those of you not familiar with this organization, AALAS serves as a clearing house for the collection and exchange of information on all aspects of the care and management of laboratory animals. Membership in the local chapter is only \$5/year.

Please send your check or money order made out to Arizona Branch AALAS, University of Arizona, Bldg 101, Rm 114, Tucson, AZ 85721.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL TIME AGAIN!

The Arizona Branch of AALAS is proud to announce their 4th Annual Christmas Social. As usual, the branch will be providing the cold cuts, cheese, soda and beer. Please plan to bring bread, side dish or dessert.

(Need ideas of what to bring - call Jane at 602-626-6706 or Grace at 1-1330).

When: 7:00 p.m., December 7, 1991

Where: Jane Criswell's Home
3029 W Nutmeg
Tucson, AZ 85741

Who: AALAS members and guests

R.S.V.P. by December 5 at 621-1330.

SPONSORS

If you are interested in placing an ad in the newsletter the following price schedules are in effect:

\$30 for business card size ad
\$40 for 1/4 page size
\$60 for 1/2 page ad
\$85 for full page ad

Each ad will run four times during the year. In addition, if your organization has any more general announcements and/or articles which would be of interest to our members, please feel free to send them to us for publication. Please send copy to Newsletter Editor: University of Arizona, Bldg 101, Rm 114, Tucson, AZ 85721.

CERTIFICATION EXAMS

DATES FOR AALAS EXAMINATIONS

TEST DATES	APPLICATIONS DUE
Last week in January	November 15
Last week in May	March 15
Last week in August	June 15
Week of National & following week	August 15

AALAS has an Animal Technician Certification Program which serves two main purposes. It provides a mechanism for developing standards of competence for people who work in the field of laboratory animal science and it recognizes people who meet and exceed these standards by awarding them certification at three different levels: Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician, Laboratory Animal Technician, and Laboratory Animal Technologist.

In order to qualify for AALAS certification, applicants must pass their exams (written and practical) and meet educational and experience requirements which are outlined in the AALAS publication 83-1, "The Animal Technician Certification Program".

The minimum requirements to take the exams at each level are:

- (1) Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician - must have completed grammar school, have 6 months of work experience in a laboratory animal facility and have education in animal science and/or relevant work experience totaling another 6 months.
- (2) Laboratory Animal Technician - must have completed high school, have 2 years of work experience in a laboratory animal facility and have education in animal science and/or relevant work experience totaling another 2 years.
- (3) Laboratory Animal Technologist - must have completed high school, have 2 years of work experience in a laboratory animal facility and have education in animal science and/or relevant work experience totaling another 3 years.

Provisional certificates for all three certification levels are given to those applicants who meet the educational requirements and pass the examination (practical and written), but who do not yet meet the experience requirements. A provisional certificate is valid for 3 years.

A candidate may apply for provisional certification once the education requirement is met and his or her instructor makes the recommendation.

Once the experience requirements have been met, the candidate may apply for full certification.

If you are interested in the certification program you may call 602-621-1330 for additional information.

WHAT'S NEW IN THE NEWS

Heflin Bill Passes U.S. Senate

S. 544, the "Animal Research Facility Protection Act," was approved by unanimous consent by the U.S. Senate on October 16. This bill, introduced by Senator Howell Heflin (D-AL) on March 5, protects research facilities from the illegal activities of animal rights extremists. Specifically, S. 544 makes it a federal crime to steal, destroy, or make unauthorized use of research animals, equipment or data.

The Heflin bill as approved included several clarifications. The section entitled PROHIBITED ACTS was changed to more precisely reflect the intent of the legislation. Among the prohibited acts when the bill was introduced was "to receive, conceal, or retain any material, equipment, or animals of any research facility, knowing them to have been stolen." This language was deleted and replaced with the two prohibited acts: (5) to aid, abet, counsel, command, induce, or procure the commission of aforementioned prohibited acts; (6) knowing an offense has occurred, to receive, relieve, comfort, or assist the offender in order to prevent the offender's apprehension, trial, or punishment.

The sections entitled PENALTIES, COURT JURISDICTION, PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION AND STUDY OF THE EFFECT OF TERRORISM ON CERTAIN ANIMAL FACILITIES were not affected by the amendment.

(A complete text of S. 544 as approved by the Senate can be provided by calling 602-621-1330)

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NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

BRENDA KULIK Nominated for President

EXPERIENCE

Research Technician, University of Arizona, Radiology Department, May 1990
Lab Animal Technician, University Animal Care, February 1990 to May 1990
Bookkeepers assistant, University Animal Care August 1988 to present
Animal Caretaker, V. A. Medical Center June 1984 to August 1984
Animal Caretaker, Tempe Animal Hospital, January 1983 to March 1983

EDUCATION

University of Arizona, December 1989, Animal Health Science

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present
District Eight Convention Awards Co-Chairman 1987
District Eight Convention Security Chairman
Symposium Committee 1989, 1990
Secretary Treasurer, 1989

KARMEN MUNSON Nominated for President

EXPERIENCE

Laboratory Animal Technologist, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, August 1991 to present

Laboratory Animal Technician Senior, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, October 1988 to August 1991

Supervisor II, Animal Caretakers, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, November 1987 to October 1988

Laboratory Animal Technician II, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, December 1986 to November 1987

Laboratory Animal Technician, Animal Care Unit, University of Iowa, November 1983 to October 1986

EDUCATION

University of Arizona

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician training, University of Arizona, 1988

AALAS Certified Laboratory Animal Technician, May 1987

AALAS Certified Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician, October 1984

Various classes and seminars through Personnel Office

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1991

Presented a paper at District Eight Meeting in Sacramento

Iowa Branch of AALAS, 1983 to 1986

KATHY STOLLBERG Nominated for President

EXPERIENCE

Animal Health Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, November 1990 to present

Laboratory Animal Technician II, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, September 1990 to November 1990

Laboratory Animal Technician I, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, November 1987 to September 1990

Animal Caretaker, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, October 1987 to November 1987

EDUCATION

Veterinary Technician, PMI Medical Institute

University of Arizona, 1987 to present

Pima Community College, 1990 to present

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician Training, 1989

Assistant Technician AALAS, 1988

Laboratory Animal Technician AALAS, 1990

Veterinary Technician - Pima Medical Institute
Radiation Safety Training

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1988 to present
Fall Symposium Committee, 1990, 1991
Technician Branch Representative, 1991

KAREN BLOHM Nominated for Vice President

EXPERIENCE

Supervisor, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, March 1987 to present
Laboratory Animal Technologist II, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, September 1984 to March 1987
Laboratory Animal Technologist I, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, July 1981 to September 1984
Laboratory Animal Technician I, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, July 1979 to July 1981

EDUCATION

University of Arizona, Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, Animal Health Science 1979

CERTIFICATIONS

Charles River Laboratories Short Course, Andover, MA, June 1988
Laboratory Animal Technologist, 1981

MEMBERSHIPS

Arizona Branch AALAS, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1991
Fall Symposium Committee 1990, 1991
National AALAS, 1991
Tucson Herpetological Society, 1988

PUBLISHED ILLUSTRATIONS

Pet Focus, March-April 1990, "Mammary Cancer in Dogs and Cats"
Akita World, May-June 1990, animal oriented cartoons
Journal of Veterinary Dentistry, Oct-Nov-Dec 1990, cover illustration

CHERYL JOHNSON Nominated for Vice President

EXPERIENCE

Animal Order Specialist, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, November 1988 to present
Laboratory Animal Technologist, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, June 1987 to November 1988
Laboratory Animal Technician II, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, 1985 to 1987

Laboratory Animal Technician I, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, 1983 to 1985

EDUCATION

B.A., Animal Health Science, University of Arizona, 1983

CERTIFICATIONS

AALAS Certified Laboratory Animal Technologist, 1987

AALAS Certified Laboratory Animal Technician, 1985

IACUC Investigator/Technician Certification

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1985 to present

Secretary/Treasurer, 1985

Fall Symposium Committee, 1990, 1991

CASEY KILCULLEN Nominated for Vice President

EXPERIENCE

Manager, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, July 1988 to present

Coordinator, University of Arizona, University Animal Care, February 1987 to July 1988

Laboratory Animal Technologist II/ Assistant Supervisor, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, September 1985 to February 1987

Laboratory Animal Technologist I/ Assistant Supervisor Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, September 1984 to September 1985

Laboratory Animal Technologist I Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, 1981 to September 1985 March

Laboratory Animal Technician, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, September 1979 to March 1981

Volunteer, Reid Park Zoo, Tucson, Arizona November 1976 to September 1979

Volunteer, Humane Society, Tempe, Arizona September 1971 to June 1973

EDUCATION

M.S., Agricultural Biochemistry and Nutrition, University of Arizona, December 1984

B.S., Animal Health Science, University of Arizona, May 1977

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician training, University of Arizona, May 1988

Investigator training, University of Arizona, July 1987

Technician training, University of Arizona, October 1987

AALAS Certified Laboratory Animal Technologist, March 1981

Certificate of Appreciation, Tempe, Arizona Humane Society, June 1973

MEMBERSHIP

Aviculture Society of Tucson, January 1988 to present

Board Member 1990 to present

President, 1989

Vice President, July 1988 to present

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present

Member of the Year 1991

Board Member 1989

Vice President 1988
Past President/Board Member 1987
President 1985
Newsletter Editor 1985 to present
Technician Branch Representative July 1985 to December 1987
District Eight Convention Chairman 1987
National AALAS 1986 to present
Board of Trustees 1992 to 1995
Alternate Trustee 1989
Laboratory Animal Managers Association 1987 to present
LAMA Board of Directors, 1989 to 1991
Alpha Zeta Fraternity Honorary, University of Arizona, 1977 to present
GRACE ARANDA Nominated for Secretary/Treasurer

EXPERIENCE

Secretary, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, October 1990 to present.
Clerk, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, April 1990 to October 1990.
Administrative Assistant, student, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, July 1987 to April 1990.
Animal Caretaker, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, October 1984 to July 1987.
Animal Caretaker, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, Med-Start, June 1984 to August 1984.

EDUCATION

University of Arizona, 1984 to present

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician training, University of Arizona, October 1987
Technician training, University of Arizona, May 1988
Various Wordperfect courses

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present
Awards Committee Member 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991
President, 1989
Secretary/Treasurer 1987, 1988, 1991
Co-editor Newsletter 1987 to present
District Eight Convention Financial Chairman 1987
District Eight Convention Awards Chairman 1987
District Eight Convention - Salt Lake - 1991
presented paper
Arizona Branch Fall Symposium
Committee, 1989, 1990, 1991
presented paper 1989, 1991
Member of the Year, 1990
National AALAS 1989 to present
Coalition For Animals & Animal Research 1990 to present
Editor, CFAAR Newsletter

LOUISE BROOKS Nominated for Board Member

(No Information Provided)

KARELIA CORONADO Nominated for Board Member

(No Information Provided)

MICHAEL RAND Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Senior Clinical Veterinarian, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, February 1990 to present

Officer-in-Charge, Microbiology Section, Division of Veterinary Medicine, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Washington DC, August 1988 to December 1989

Officer-in-Charge, Attending Veterinary Section, Division of Veterinary Medicine, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, August 1987 to July 1988

Attending Veterinarian, Department of Animal Medicine, Division of Veterinary Medicine, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, August 1986 to July 1987

Officer-in-Charge, Animal Quarantine Section and Large Animal Facility, Division of Veterinary Medicine, Walter Reed Institute of Research, July 1985 to July 1986

Chief, Veterinary Services, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY, August 1982 to June 1985

EDUCATION

Laboratory Animal Medicine Residency Program, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Washington DC, July 1985 to July 1989

College of Veterinary Medicine, Colorado State University, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, September 1978 to May 1982

University of Colorado, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Biology, September 1973 to May 1977

CERTIFICATIONS

American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine, 1989

IACUC Investigator/Technician Certification

SERVICE

Member, University of Arizona, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, July 1991 to present

Member, Mouse-Hepatitis Virus Elimination Committee, January 1991 to present

Member, Central Animal Facility Barrier Use Committee, March 1991 to present

Preceptor, University Medical Center's Community Internship Program, January 1991 to present

Instructor, National Science Foundation's Young Scholars Summer Program, 1990, 1991

Participant, "Vintage Pet Tune-up", sponsored by the Arizona Veterinary Medical Association, May 1991

Judge, Youth Energy-Science Fair, Sierra Vista, Arizona, February, 1990

MEMBERSHIPS

American Veterinary Medical Association

American Society of Laboratory Animal Practitioners
American Association for Laboratory Animal Science
Arizona Branch AALAS
American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine

BETHANY SKOVAN Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Research Specialist, Physiology Department, University of Arizona, 1990 to present
Research Assistant I, Physiology Department, University of Arizona, 1989 to 1990
Research Technician III, Physiology Dept, University of Arizona, 1986 to 1988
Research Technician, Vassar College, 1980 to 1986
Veterinary Assistant/Receptionist, 1979 to 1980

EDUCATION

Associates Degree, Animal Health Technology, State University of Delhi New York

CERTIFICATION

Technician training, University of Arizona, May 1988

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1988 to present
Fall Symposium, 1991
Audiovisual Committee

LISA WRIGHT Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Research Technician, Department of Neurology, University of Arizona, December 1990 to present
Animal Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, September 1990 to November 1990
Animal Caretaker III, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, June 1990 to August 1990
Animal Caretaker II, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, March 1990 to May 1990

Animal Caretaker, student, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, June 1989 to February 1990
Animal Caretaker, student, Psychology Department, University of Arizona, December 1988 to May 1989

EDUCATION

B.A., Sociology, University of Arizona, 1990

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician Training, University of Arizona, July 1989

MEMBERSHIPS

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1990 to present

National AALAS, 1990 to present

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF OFFICERS
of the
ARIZONA BRANCH OF AALAS

Check only one choice for each officer position then trifold with the address showing and mail before December 2, 1991.

For President

- Brenda Kulik
- Karmen Munson
- Kathy Stollberg

Write in _____

For Vice-President

- Karen Blohm
- Cheryl Johnson
- Casey Kilcullen

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For Secretary/Treasurer

- Grace Aranda

Write in _____

For Board Member

- Louise Brooks
- Karelia Coronado
- Michael Rand
- Beth Skovan
- Lisa Wright

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