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### President's Report



Hello Everyone!

I hope you're having a wonderful safe summer. We just had our quarterly LVMA board meeting, the July meeting happens to also be our annual budget meeting. I'm

pleased to report that our association is growing and financially sound. This is in part due to growing membership, SWVS proceeds and very successful recent LVMA Winter meeting.

We have recently updated our LVMA logo and our Mission Statement, 'To advance veterinary medicine and advocate for the association's members'. We are excited about both and you can see the logo on our newly updated website, www.lvma.org. We are in the process of ordering new print materials, signs and promotional materials. You can see these

at the SWVS, which we hope you will attend.

2017 Southwest Veterinary Symposium registration is open at this time. The symposium is on beautiful San Antonio Riverwalk from September 21-24 at the San Antonio Convention Center!

Recruiting for our next Power of 10 class is taking place at this time. Power of 10 is a Leadership Development Program for veterinarians who have graduated on or during 2011. The purpose of the program is to engage and develop recent graduates with foundational skills in leadership, communication, and business. If you are a practice owner with new associates, please consider allowing them to participate in this program. We feel encouraging those new to our profession to network and engage with other veterinarians will benefit you as an employer, them as a new veterinarian and our profession as a

whole. Please watch our website and Facebook page for testimonial videos about how incredible this program is.

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the LVMA. Please feel free to contact me if I can answer any questions or be of other assistance.

Sincerely,

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Marion Sewell, DVM LVMA President

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The **LVMA** would like to welcome our newest members to the Association! We are excited to have you as part of our team; we can't wait to show you everything we have to offer and look forward to your contributions to the veterinary profession. **WELCOME TO THE LVMA!** 

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March/April Newsletter
May/June Newsletter
July/August Newsletter
September/October Newsletter
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\* And Much More!

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LVMA is offering the American Society of Veterinary Medical Association Executives' (ASVMAE) Power of 10 (P10) Leadership Development Program to veterinarians who have graduated during or after 2011.

The purpose of the program is to engage and develop recent graduates through the broadest possible adoption of a dynamic and evolving leadership program.

The objectives of the P10 program are to provide recent graduates with:

- · A collaborative initiative to cultivate leadership capacity
- · A learning experience that will benefit the individual (and the VMA, their practice, and their community)
- · A network of peers with similar challenges

Applications for the LVMA's 2018 P10 Program are available through October

1, 2017. Our 2017 class will officially graduate and the 2018 class will be announced and introduced at the LVMA 2018 Winter Meeting in New Orleans on Saturday, January 27, 2018. The P10 Program will include one "kickoff" weekend and five one-day face-to-face meetings to be held on Tuesdays in Baton Rouge. The tentative schedule will be published prior to the availability of the application.

The Kickoff Weekend will be designed for P10 classmates to get to know one another and the Program and will include INSIGHTS training by ELANCO. INSIGHTS Discovery training is a tool for people to recognize their and others behavior to help improve communication, decision making and performance.

The five Tuesday sessions will include:

- FRANK training by ZOETIS, a communication workshop offering veterinarians expert guidance on enriching the veterinarian-client patient interaction.
- A day devoted to practice ethics, medical malpractice, and the components and resources of organized veterinary medicine.
- 3) Media training, including how to promote yourself and your practice.

- 4) Advocacy and legislative issues.
- 5) A potpourri of professional issues such as Burnout, Financial Planning, Worklife Management and practice ownership/business management.

There is no registration fee or tuition for the P10 Program. Travel and other expenses of participants are expected to be paid by the participant or the participant's clinic. Lodging and meals during the Kickoff weekend will be paid by the LVMA, and the LVMA will reimburse one night's lodging for any participants travelling over 100 miles one-way to attend the one day programs. Lunches and refreshments during programs will be provided by the LVMA.

All participants will be expected to attend every session, except in the case of legitimate family emergency.

For more information, visit the LVMA website at <a href="www.lvma.org">www.lvma.org</a>, contact the LVMA office at 800-524-2996 or by email at office@lvma.org
Or contact: LVMA Power of 10 Lead Facilitator Marc Bordelon, DVM, MBA, Office: 337-984-7611

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#### **Executive Director's Report**

SUMMER IS OVER AND A NEW LVMA YEAR BEGINS.....

The Southwest Veterinary Symposium is almost upon us. Please see the advertisement on page 5 and register now for this exciting meeting. If you are looking for a great "big meeting" experience, the SWVS is a great choice!

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Plan now to attend the LVMA Winter Meeting at the Astor Crowne Plaza New Orleans at the intersection of Bourbon and Canal, January 26-28, 2018! Drs. John Mauterer, Kirk Ryan and Dale Peyroux are working hard to assemble a great program. The LVMA Winter Meeting is always the premier annual event for Louisiana veterinarians to gather together for continuing education, business and social discussion, and encounters with veterinary industry vendors in a relaxed but professional environment. Mark your calendars now for this important meeting!

The Power of Ten 2017 Class is going strong and we are seeking applicants for the 2018 Class! The LVMA 2018 program will continue to include a kickoff weekend in February and six Tuesday sessions during the year. The Program is designed to provide professional and leadership training to recently graduated (2011 and after) veterinarians. Applications will be available by October 1, 2017.

Nominations are now being sought for LVMA awards and nomination forms are in this Newsletter. Each year the LVMA recognizes and honors people that have made important contributions to veterinary medicine, the veterinary community and/or animal health, as well as an animal that has distinguished itself in a special way.

The social and political event of the upcoming Fall season is the Commissioner Mike Strain, DVM Campaign's Fall Ball which will be held at the Old Governor's Mansion on Thursday, October 19, 2017. This should be a must-attend event for every veterinarian who values effective legislative and regulatory advocacy for the veterinary profession in Louisiana. Information on tickets and sponsorships is available at <a href="https://www.mikestrain.org">www.mikestrain.org</a>.

Stay well and stay connected!



**Power of Ten Leadership Academy Participant Application** 

Name		Date	
Preferred mailing address			
City, state, zip code			
Preferred daytime phone	Cell phone	Email address	
School and year of graduation			
Employer name	Employer address		
Current Employment Type:SAL	AMixedPost-grad Program:		_
Other:			
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On an attached sheet of paper please address the following questions — take as much space as you need to paint a complete picture for the evaluators to consider.

**Perspective** – Express why you're interested in participating (e.g. what life experiences or unique perspectives might you bring to the group, what examples can you give from your past experiences that would bring depth and diversity to this group).

**Goals** – What goals do you hope to achieve through participating?

Activities – List organizations, clubs and/or committees in which you have actively participated or held office (including veterinary school).

This program is intended for veterinarians who graduated within the last seven years; other candidates may be considered based on their level of interest. Enrollment is limited to 10 LVMA members per year.

#### Send your completed application by October 1, 2017 to:

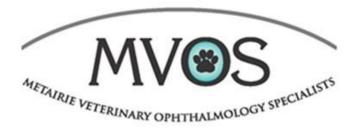
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## In loving memory of Dr. Robert Lank July 1, 1919— April 16, 2017

The Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association (LVMA) shares in the grief of Dr. Robert Lank's family at his death on Sunday, April 16, 2017.

Dr. Lank practiced Veterinary Medicine in Ferriday and Bastrop, Louisiana before joining the LSU faculty in 1948. He retired as Emeritus Professor, Department Head and Associate Dean of the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine. In 1966 he served as President of the Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association and was also a member of the Kansas State Veterinary Alumni Association, East Baton Rouge Cattleman's Association and the Baton Rouge Kiwanis Foundation. He was very active in the American Veterinary Medical Association serving as a Louisiana delegate for many years. He was elected to the AVMA Council on Education, official accrediting agency of the profession, for 10 years,

and served as chairman for 2 years. He was named Louisiana Veterinarian of the year in 1962, LSU Veterinary Alumni Award of Merit in 1983, and received the Presidential Certificate of Appreciation and Meritorious Service Award from the Selective Service Advisory

Committee. He served as chairman of the EBR Mosquito Abatement and Rodent Control Board, was an active member of the Downtown Kiwanis Club, a member of the Red Stick Forestry Association, Louisiana Pecan Growers Association and University United Methodist Church. He also served on the LSU Boyd Professor Review Committee.

Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine has established a scholarship in Dr. Lank's name. Donations in his memory may be made online or via check made payable to LSU Foundation with a note on the Notation Line: Dr. Robert Lank Memorial Scholarship. Please send all checks to: LSU Foundation 3796 Nicholson Dr. Baton Rouge, LA, 70802

"The LSU Foundation will share notices about memorial gifts with Dr. Lank's family. We do not share the gift amount unless a donor explicitly give us permission to do so." - The LSU Foundation

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Dr. Lank's family and friends. He will be greatly missed by us all.



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For more information on this exciting service expansion, please contact MedVet New Orleans at (504) 835-8508.



## 2017 AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

## 2017 RALPH C. COOPER VETERINARIAN OF THE YEAR

The Ralph C. Cooper Veterinarian of the Year Award is given annually to the person who is recognized by his or her colleagues as having given the most of themselves in time, energy, and ideas to the veterinary profession in the state of Louisiana.

#### **Nominee Information:**

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Office Phone	8	
Year of Graduation		
Veterinary School		-
Specialty or area of practice		
Local, state and national comheld:		
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#### **Criteria for Nomination:**

- 1. Nominee must be a member in good standing in the LVMA.
- 2. Nominee must have had a positive influence in promoting animal health and welfare in the community as well as within the profession.
- 3. Nominee should be of good character and well respected by colleagues.
- 4. Nominee should be presently or previously active in local, state, and/or national veterinary associations.
- 5. Nominee should have shown an outstanding contribution to organized veterinary medicine either through their work or through their actions and public awareness.
- Current LVMA Board members are not eligible for nomination.

#### 2017 DR. EVERETT D. BESCH SERVICE AWARD

This award was formerly the LVMA Service Award. It is awarded annually of persons in recognition of outstanding service to the community and to the veterinary profession.

#### **Nominee Information:**

City	State_	Zip
Office Phone		
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The LVMA's Dr. Everett D. Besch Distinguished Service Award was established to recognize outstanding service to the community and veterinary profession.

Recommendations for this award must be made in writing by two LVMA members. If you wish to nominate someone, please send your recommendation to the LVMA office by September 15, 2017.

Those eligible for the award are in two categories:

- 1. Veterinarians who have made an outstanding contribution to their community.
- 2. Non-veterinarians who have made an outstanding contribution to veterinary medicine.

#### Nominated by:

Veterinarian:	
Phone:	

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#### 2017 PET OF THE YEAR

In an effort to recognize animals throughout the state of Louisiana for their special talents or heroic deeds, the LVMA has established the "Pet of the Year" award. This award recipient will be selected from nominations made by veterinarians who are aware of or witnessed these animals in their area of practice. Examples of such animals might include pets that have saved their owner's lives or were instrumental in helping their owner overcome overwhelming odds, physical handicaps, or serve the public in any way for many years.

#### **Nominee Information:**

Pet's Name

Species	Breed	Sex	Age
Description			
Owner's Name			
Address			
City	State	,	Zip
Description of pet's	s accomplishments		
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Please include an	y photos you may ha	ve.	
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#### **2017 SUPPORT PERSON OF THE YEAR**

The LVMA Support Person of the Year Award is presented annually to a veterinary technician, office management, kennel or other staff person with a minimum of two years of experience who has distinguished himself or herself in actively promoting animal health and welfare on the job and in the community.

#### **Nominee Information:**

Name
Employer
Position Held
Length of Employment
Educational Background
Professional Experience
Service to the Profession
Service to the Community
Organizations
Other Comments

#### **Criteria for Nomination:**

- 1. Nominee must be employed by a member in good standing of the LVMA.
- 2. The individual should be active in promoting animal health and welfare on the job and in the community.
- 3. The individual should have a minimum of two years experience as a working veterinary technician, office management, or kennel help, etc.
- Nominations are to be made in writing and should include employment information, educational background, professional service and community service accomplishments.

#### Nominated by:

Veterinarian:		
Phone:		

#### **NOMINATIONS DUE SEPTEMBER 15"!**

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## Delegates tackle timely issues in veterinary medicine

The times indeed are a changin', and the 2017 House of Delegates meeting held at the AVMA Annual Convention certainly reflected that reality.

From marijuana therapies for pets, to telehealth, the opioid epidemic and the use of service and assistance animals, discussions held and actions taken at the meeting are representative of the changing – and perhaps challenging – times in which we live.

Each of these topics and more was addressed during the HOD's Veterinary Information Forum (VIF), and the HOD's efforts to address them are examples of how your AVMA continues to represent the interests of all veterinarians in this diverse profession.



The VIF, now in its second year, is an open discussion in which AVMA HOD members address high-profile issues of significant importance to AVMA member veterinarians. The VIF topics are chosen with input from AVMA members, and the forum provides for sharing ideas and rapid response to issues if needed. If you have ideas for discussion topics for the next VIF, which will be held at the AVMA Veterinary Leadership Conference in January, please reach out to your delegates by visiting the HOD Directory on our website.

#### Marijuana therapies

This year's topics included the growing interest in marijuana therapies for pets. As the use of medicinal marijuana products continues to grow in the realm of human medicine, more and more pet owners are wondering if their animals might benefit from similar therapies. In response to the discussions held during the HOD meeting, delegates agreed to recommend to the AVMA Board of Directors that the association consider creating and disseminating informational pieces on:

- The current legal status of cannabis as it applies to veterinary practitioners
- Unified definitions of cannabis and its derivatives
- The current research available, and
- The signs, symptoms and treatment of cannabis toxicosis in animals for both practitioners and clients

The HOD also recommended that the AVMA investigate working with other research

## **LVMA Delegate Report**

organizations and medical stakeholders to attempt to reclassify cannabis from a Schedule 1 drug to a Schedule 2 drug to facilitate research opportunities for veterinary and human medical uses.

#### **Telehealth**

Delegates also approved a new AVMA Policy on Telemedicine and a revised Model Veterinary Practice Act to help begin to address advances in technology that are leading to more people seeking remote delivery of health information and education for themselves and for their animals.

The AVMA is committed to ensuring access to the convenience and benefits afforded by telemedicine, while promoting the responsible provision of high-quality veterinary medical care.

Given the current state of technological capabilities, available research and the current regulatory landscape, the AVMA believes that veterinary telemedicine should only be conducted within an existing Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship (VCPR), with the exception for advice given in an emergency until that patient can be seen by a veterinarian.

Without a VCPR, any advice provided through electronic means should be general and not specific to a patient, diagnosis or treatment. We also recognize that future policy in this area needs to be informed by evidence-based research on the impact of telemedicine on access to care and patient safety.

#### Opioids and prescription monitoring programs

We're all aware of the nation's growing opioid epidemic, and more states are looking to require more veterinarians to participate in prescription drug monitoring programs. In an effort to better understand the issue and to better educate our members and others about the veterinarians' role in opioid prescribing, the HOD recommended that the AVMA develop model language related to:

- Information on how to positively
   Interact with state boards of pharmacy
- Recommendations for reporting that are practical, reasonable and realistic
- Development of appropriate reporting software
- Methods of permanent identification for animals
- Veterinarians' responsibility in monitoring, and
- Continuing education for veterinarians, such as best prescribing practices and identifying diversion and abuse

#### Service and assistance animals

The AVMA has been actively researching the role of service, emotional support and therapy animals over the course of the last two years. We've developed

policies and drafted a white paper titled "Assistance Animals: Rights of Access and the Problem of Fraud."

Given recent concerns specifically about service animal fraud raised by AVMA members, the AVMA HOD approved a policy expected to serve as a foundation for further educational and advocacy efforts that will promote appropriate use of service, emotional support and therapy animals, and discourage misunderstandings or fraudulent activities.

The HOD also recommended the following:

- That the AVMA create educational materials on service and assistance animals for the public, veterinarians, businesses and human medical professionals
- That the AVMA advocate for unified definitions for service, assistance and emotional support animals
- That the AVMA Steering Committee on Human-Animal Interactions create a working group, that includes human healthcare providers, to develop communication materials in support of the exchange of information between human healthcare providers and veterinarians

#### Bylaws amendments and resolutions

The HOD also approved the following during its regular meeting session:

- Bylaws Amendment 2: Student Chapters of the AVMA
- Bylaws Amendment 3: Constituent Allied Veterinary Organizations
- Resolution 4: Therapeutic Use of Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine
- Resolution 6: The Importance of Federal Veterinarians in Emergency Response

#### Elections

Delegate **James Brett** from Mississippi was elected to the HOD House Advisory Committee.
The HOD also voted to elect the following AVMA members to AVMA councils:

- Council on Biologic and Therapeutic Agents:
   Dr. Bruce Coston, Dr. Brian Lubbers, Dr. Brad
   Tanner
- Council on Public Health and Regulatory Veterinary Medicine: Dr. Allan Drusys, Dr. Patricia McKane, Dr. Christopher Olsen, Dr. Misha Robyn
- Council on Research: **Dr. Alicia Bertone**
- Council on Veterinary Service: Dr. Duane
   Colmey, Dr. Manuel Himenes, Dr. Robert Sager
- Judicial Council: Dr. George Cuellar

Many thanks to the AVMA@work editor for the above summation of our 2017 HOD meeting .

**C. Wayne Roberson, DVM** LVMA Delegate

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San Diego County VMA	San Diego County VMA Veterinary Conference	September 9-10, 2017	Handlery Hotel San Diego	San Diego, CA	SDCVMA.org
Southwest Veterinary Symposium	SWVS	September 21-24, 2017	Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center	San Antonio, TX	SWVS.org
America Board of Veterinary Practitioners	ABVP Symposium 2017	October 5-8, 2017	Intercontinental Buckhead	Atlanta, GA	ABVP.com
LVMA	2018 Winter Meeting	January 26-28, 2018	Astor Crowne Plaza	New Orleans, LA	LVMA.org
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#### Classifieds

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Animal Hospital of West Monroe is currently searching for an associate veterinarian for our fast paced small animal clinic. We practice high quality medicine and surgery with inhouse diagnostics, surgical monitoring, surgical laser, therapeutic laser, and digital radiography. Our local animal emergency clinic takes all after hour emergencies. Interest in avian and pocket pet medicine a plus. Competitive salary and benefit package. Please send resume to jdavid308@yahoo.com.

Southshore Animal Hospital in Metairie, LA is looking for a part-time/full time associate for our growing practice. The ability to multi-task in a fast-paced environment is necessary. Our clinic is equipped with inhouse diagnostics, digital x-ray, ultrasound, and monitoring equipment. Please email resumes to <a href="mailto:drchris@southshoreanimal.com">drchris@southshoreanimal.com</a>.

Our three-DVM small animal veterinary hospital is looking for a full time RVT starting immediately. We offer competitive pay, benefits, and NO weekend shifts or after-hours on call.

Contact us @ 337-788-0614 or crowleyvethosp@hotmail.com.

Part-time Associate Veterinarian sought for growing small animal practice in Baton Rouge. Established practice recently relocated to beautiful facility in a prosperous and growing area. We are a general practice with strong bonds to the community and our clients. Potential for full -time and buy-in. No emergency duty. Experience preferred. Send resume to etaylordvm@cox.net.

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