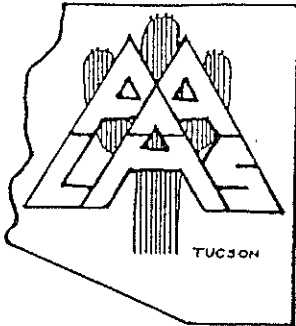


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ARIZONA BRANCH NEWSLETTER
LOCAL CHAPTER OF "AMERICAN
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November 1987

MINUTES OF THE PAST MEETING

The annual meeting of the Arizona Branch of AALAS was held on October 29, 1987. Refreshments were served at 7:00 p.m. Our guest speaker, Donald DeYoung, spoke on "Kidneys as Preclinical Models for Thermal Dosimetry in Cancer Studies." Bill Schechner opened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Grace Aranda read the minutes of the last meeting, July 29, 1987 and gave the financial report. She also told the branch of the two certificates of deposit the branch had purchased.

Bill Schechner opened the floor to nominations. The offices of Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer, and one Board member need to be filled. Nominations accepted at the meeting consisted of the following: For Vice-President-Casey Kilcullen. For Secretary/Treasurer Grace Aranda. For Board member-Kathy Kelly and Peggy Kundrat.

Casey Kilcullen suggested that a background article on each of the candidates should be put in the newsletter to assist voting members.

Bill Schechner and Casey Kilcullen proposed that members should be able to write in candidates on the ballot.

Bill Schechner called for suggestions about the upcoming Christmas party. Casey hoped a member might offer their home for the event to bypass the expense of a restaurant. Bill gave a tentative offer of his home. He asked Casey to help with the planning. The further suggestion of a potluck was made to defer expenses.

The next gathering will be the Christmas party to be held early in December.

SPONSERS

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

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- \$50 for 1/2 page ad
- \$75 for full page ad

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REQUEST FOR NEW MEMBERS

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. If you would like to become a member of the Arizona Branch of AALAS simply send your check or money order payable to Arizona AALAS c/o; Grace Aranda

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CERTIFICATION EXAMS

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 exam (written and practical) and meet educational and experience requirements which are outlined in 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 six months of work experience in a laboratory animal facility and have education in animal science and/or relevant work experience totaling another six months.
2. Laboratory Animal Technician - must have completed high school, have 1 year 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 an laboratory animal facility and have education in animal science and/or relevant work experience totaling another 4 years.

Provisional certificates for all three certification levels are given to those applicants who meet the educational requirements and pass the examination (written and practical) but who do not 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 recommends it. Once the experience requirements have been met,

the candidate may apply for full certification.

If you are interested in the certification program you may contact Jane Stone, Regional Examining Board, for the Arizona Branch of AALAS at 602-626-6702 for additional information.

WHAT'S NEW IN THE NEWS

NEW ANIMAL CARE STAFF AT BIOWEST

University Laboratory Animal Medicine assumed responsibility for the Animal Care and Use Program at the Biological Sciences West animal facility on October 1, 1987. John A. Anderson, with a B.S. in Biological Science from Michigan State University, is the new Animal Technician. John and the ULAM staff are working hard to bring BioWest Animal Care and Use up to AAALAC standards. The NIH "Guide to the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals" is the document that will be used. (Reproduced from Vol. 1, No.5/ November 1987 Animal Tracks)

STATEMENT

John B. Mulder was elected chairperson of the Council of the American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC) during a business meeting of the organization held on September 17 in Rockville, Maryland. AAALAC evaluate and accredits animal care and use programs for educational institutions, commercial firms, and government agencies in the U.S. and several foreign countries. Dr. Mulder is Director of University Animal Care and a Professor of Veterinary Science. (Reproduced from Vol. 1, No. 5/ November 1987 of Animal Tracks)

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

CASEY KILCULLEN Nominated for Vice-President

EXPERIENCE

Coordinator, University of Laboratory Animal Medicine, University of Arizona, February 1987 to present

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

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

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

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

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

Volunteer, Humane Society, Tempe, Arizona September 1971 - 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

Investigator training, University of Arizona, July 1987
Technician training, University of Arizona, October 1987
AALAS Certified Laboratory Technologist, March 1981
Certificate of Appreciation, Tempe, Arizona Humane Society, June 1973

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present
 Past President/Board Member 1987
 President 1985 - 1986
 Newsletter Editor 1985 to present
 Technician Branch Representative 1985 to present
 District Eight Convention Chairman 1987
National AALAS 1986 to present
Laboratory Animal Managers Association 1987 to present
Alpha Zeta Fraternity Honorary, University of Arizona, 1977 to present
Pre-Vet Club, University of Arizona, 1973 - 1977

GRACE ARANDA Nominated for Secretary/Treasurer

EXPERIENCE

Administrative Assistant, University Laboratory Animal Medicine, University of Arizona, July 1987 to present
Animal Caretaker, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona, October 1984 - 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

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present
 Secretary/Treasurer 1987 to present
 Co-editor Newsletter 1987 to present
 District Eight Convention Financial Chairman 1987
 District Eight Convention Awards Chairman 1987

KATHY KELLY Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Animal Technician I, Division of Animal Resources, October 1987 to present
Veterinary Assistant, Mission Pet Clinic, March 1985 to October 1986

EDUCATION

New Mexico State University, 1982 to 1983
University of Arizona, 1987

CERTIFICATIONS

Veterinary Animal Care, 1987
Experimental Surgery, University of Arizona 1987
Technician training, University of Arizona 1987

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1986 to present

PEGGY KUNDRAT Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Radiation/Oncology, University of Arizona,
1982 to present
Research Assistant, Hematology/Oncology, University of Arizona,
1979 to 1982
Veterinary technician, Cole Pet Clinic, 1977 to 1979
Veterinary technician, Veterinary Emergency Clinic, 1977 to 1979

EDUCATION

Veterinary technician, Michigan State University, 1977

CERTIFICATIONS

Veterinary technician, Michigan State, 1977
Veterinary technician, Arizona State, 1977

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1985 to present
Academy of Veterinary Technicians, 1986 to present


AWARDS

Arizona Branch of AALAS Technician of the Year Award, 1987

FROM THE EDITOR

If you have an article that you think would be of interest to your fellow AZ AALAS members you are welcome to submit the article with reference to the source and send to Casey Kilcullen at the address given earlier. Thank You.

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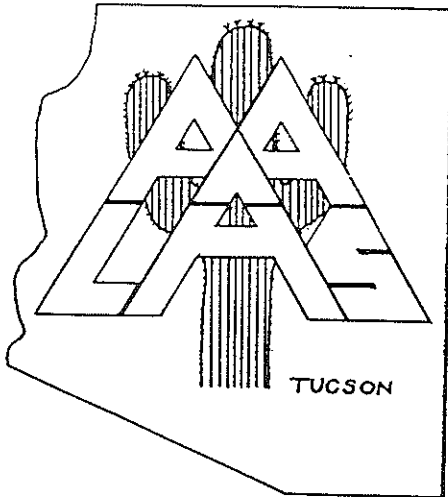
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