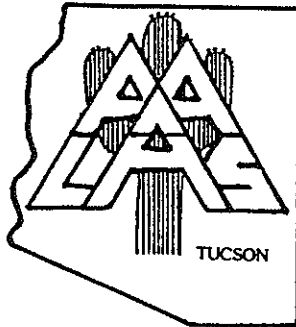


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DECEMBER 1990

SUMMARY OF THE SECOND ANNUAL FALL SYMPOSIUM

The Second Annual Fall Symposium was held on November 16 - 17, 1990. Although attendance this year was down, those who attended felt that they learned a lot from the scientific sessions and enjoyed themselves at the Annual Dinner and on the Mexico trip. Special attractions at the Annual Dinner were the guest speaker Dr. Leonard Peltier, presentation of certificates to those members who successfully completed the AALAS Certification Program, announcement of Technician of the Year, Vangie Patula, and Member of the Year, Grace Aranda.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for those who successfully completed AALAS Certification programs as follows:

Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician

Judy Atterbury
Rosemarie Colombraro
Sherry Daugherty
Jennifer Lowell

Kathryn Mast
Thomas Snyder
Thomas Yard

Laboratory Animal Technician

Shirlie Artwohl
Rosemarie Colombraro
Maura Fahey
M J Karath
Brenda Kulik - Provisional

Vangie Patula
Kathy Stollberg
Rodger Thompson
Penny Trovillion
Neil Walter

Laboratory Animal Technologist

Kathy Aprahamian

David Williams

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL TIME AGAIN!

The Arizona Branch of AALAS is proud to announce their 3rd 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 1-1330).

When: 7:30 p.m., December 21, 1990

Where: Kathy Aprahamian's Home
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Who: AALAS members and guests

R.S.V.P. by December 19 at 621-1330.

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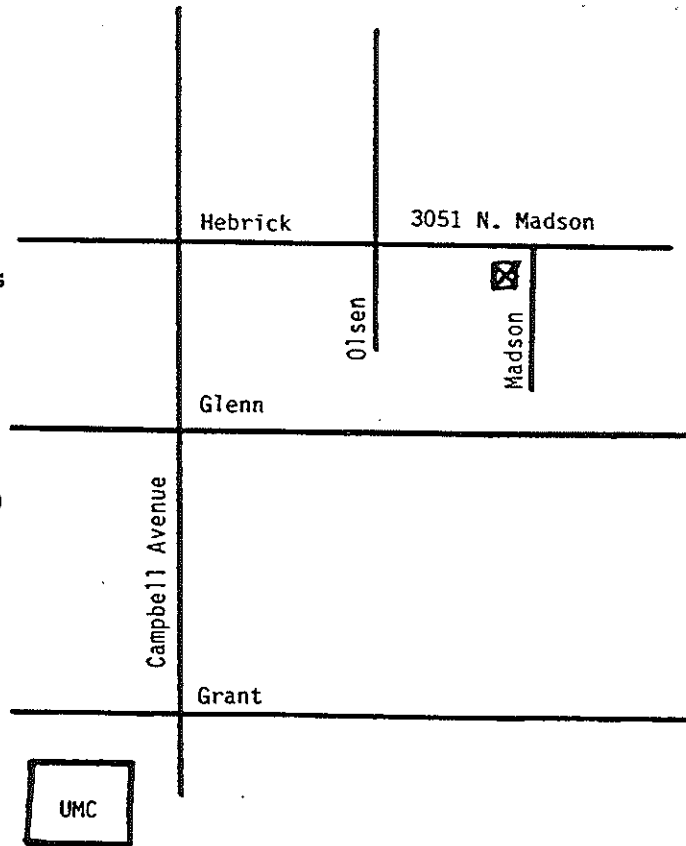
REQUEST FOR NEW MEMBERS

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 the local chapter is only \$5/year.

Please send your check or money order made out to Arizona Branch AALAS, Bldg. 101, Central Animal Facility, Tucson, AZ 85721.

CERTIFICATION EXAMS

AALAS has an Animal Technician Certification Program which serves two main purposes. It provides a mechanism for developing 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 602-621-3454 for additional information.

AALAS Technician Continuing Education Registry

AALAS's Animal Technician Certification Program was an important step toward improving the overall care of animals used in research. However, the field of laboratory animal science is changing rapidly, with new knowledge, techniques and concepts being introduced almost daily. So it is essential that animal care workers periodically update their skills and knowledge to remain on the cutting edge of their profession. The AALAS Continuing Education Registry, authorized by the Board of Trustees in 1989, was designed to encourage such professional growth.

The AALAS continuing Education Registry is a voluntary program for documenting continuing education for all certified Assistant Laboratory Animal Technicians, Laboratory Animal Technicians, and Laboratory Animal Technologists. The term "technician," when used in this program, refers to persons certified at all three levels.

The purpose of the AALAS Continuing Education Registry is two fold: 1) to record the technicians continuing education, and 2) to encourage a standard for the minimum level of continuing education

efforts to present and prospective employers. The program also provides managers of laboratory animal facilities with a ready reference of those technicians who are making an effort to keep their knowledge and skills up-to-date.

For more information and an application call Grace Aranda, (602) 621-1330.

THE ACT - What Animals Should Be Covered?

By Dr. Elizabeth Evans

There has long been controversy about which species should be covered by the Animal Welfare Act. The definition of animal in the Act includes any dog, cat, nonhuman primate, guinea pig, hamster, rabbit, or any other warm blooded animal which is dead or alive. Animals covered must be used or intended for use for research, testing, experimentation, or exhibition purposes, or as a pet. All dogs including those used in hunting, security, or breeding are covered by this law.

However, some species of animals are specifically excluded in various ways. Previously, birds, rats and mice have been excluded. Birds are still excluded but this recent amendment goes a bit further regarding rats and mice. Rats of the genus Rattus and mice of the genus Mus are specifically listed as the species of rodents that are bred for research. This means that rats or mice in other genera, such as the kangaroo rat are indeed covered by this Act.

Also excluded from the Act are horses and other farm animals that are used for food or fiber, for improving animal nutrition, breeding, management, or production efficiency or improving the quality of food or fiber. This means that horses, cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, and poultry can be used for research involving feed efficiency, farm management, breeding techniques, and related studies without coverage by regulations in the Animal Welfare Act. If these species are used for biomedical research which is to be extrapolated to human beings, they are then provided coverage under the Act. This would include the use of sheep and goats for antibody production, pigs for surgical techniques including transplants, or testing of pharmaceuticals for possible human use. When these species are intended for such biomedical uses, their care and use must follow the regulations specified in the Animal Welfare Act, including caging, light, temperature, humidity, transport, etc.

Institutions that receive money from Public Health Service (including NIH, NCI, etc.) must also follow the Public Health Service Policy. This policy is different from the Animal Welfare Act in that it does not exclude rats and mice regardless of their genus level of classification.

Many people in the lab animal profession believe that it is only a matter of time before rats and mice of all genera are included in federal legislation. If this does not happen, hundreds of small laboratories using only mice and rats will then be covered by the Animal Welfare Act and need to be inspected by REAC (division of USDA), creating an increased workload and budget demand for the department.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

JANE CRISWELL Nominated for President

EXPERIENCE

Supervisor, Division of Animal Resources, University of Arizona,
February 1978 to present
Lab Animal Technician, Division of Animal Resources (now
University Animal Care), University of Arizona, September
1972

EDUCATION

B.S., Animal Health Science, University of Arizona, May 1972

CERTIFICATION

Technician training, University of Arizona, October 1987
AALAS Certified Lab Animal Technologist, April 1975
AALAS Certified Lab Animal Technician, July 1973

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present
Board member 1985 to 1987
Presented paper at District Eight Conventions in Salt Lake
City and Monterey
National AALAS member, 1976 to present
Special Examiner for certification exams 1978 to 1988
Presented poster and seminar at National meeting in
Indianapolis

CHERYL JOHNSON Nominated for President

EXPERIENCE

Animal Ordering Specialist, University Animal Care, University of
Arizona, 1988 to present
Laboratory Animal Technologist, University Animal Care,
University of Arizona, 1987
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
Technician Training, University of Arizona, 1989

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1985 to present
Secretary/Treasurer, 1985
Symposium Vendor Committee, 1990

KATHY APRAHAMIAN Nominated for Vice President

EXPERIENCE

Animal Health Technologist, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, November 1990 to present
Animal Health Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, 1987 to November 1990
Lab Animal Technician, University Animal Technician, 1986 to 1987

EDUCATION

University of Arizona, 1987 to 1989

CERTIFICATIONS

AALAS, Laboratory Animal Technologist, 1990
Technician training, University of Arizona, 1988
AALAS, Lab Animal Technician, 1986

MEMBERSHIPS

Arizona Branch AALAS, 1986 to present
Symposium Committee, 1989 to present
Arizona Academy of Veterinary Technicians, 1989 to present
Board, 1989 to present
National AALAS, 1989 to present

STEPHANIE CAMERON Nominated for Vice President

EXPERIENCE

Supervisor, Experimental Surgery, Surgery Department, Arizona Health Sciences Center, University of Arizona, 1989
Emergency Veterinary Technician, Animal Medical Clinic, 1989
Coordinator, Surgery, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, 1986 to 1989
Research Technician, Surgery, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, 1985 to 1986
Lab Animal Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, 1980 to 1986

EDUCATION

B.S., Animal Science, University of Arizona, 1970

CERTIFICATIONS

Investigator/technician training, 1988
AALAS, Lab Animal Technologist, 1985
AALAS, Lab Animal Technician, 1983

MEMBERSHIPS

Arizona Branch AALAS, 1985 to present
District Eight Convention, Wet lab, 1987
District Eight Convention, Keynote Speakers Committee, 1987
Speakers Selection Committee, 1988 to 1990

KATHY STOLLBERG Nominated for Vice President

EXPERIENCE

Animal Health Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, December 1990
Senior Laboratory Animal Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, October to December 1990
Laboratory Animal Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, January 1989 to October 1990

EDUCATION

University of Arizona 1988 to present

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician Training, University of Arizona, 1989
AALAS, Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician, 1989
AALAS, Laboratory Animal Technician, 1990

MEMBERSHIPS

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1989 to present
Symposium Raffle Committee, 1990
Arizona Academy of Veterinary Technicians, 1989 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
President, 1989
Secretary/Treasurer 1987 and 1988
Co-editor Newsletter 1987 to present
Symposium Committee, 1989
Committee, Chair 1990
Member of the Year, 1990

BRENDA KULIK Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Research Technician, Radiology/MRI, 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

B.S., University of Arizona, 1989

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician training, University of Arizona, 1989

AALAS, Laboratory Animal Technician - Provisional, 1990

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS 1985 to present

District Eight Convention Awards Co-Chairman 1987

District Eight Convention Security Chairman

Symposium Committee, 1989 to 1990

KARMEN MUNSON Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Senior Laboratory Animal Technician, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, July 1990

Laboratory Animal Technician II, University Animal Care, University of Arizona, December 1986

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

CERTIFICATIONS

Technician training, University of Arizona, 1988

AALAS Certified Laboratory Animal Technician, May 1987

AALAS Certified Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician, October 1984

MEMBERSHIP

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1987 to present

Presented a paper at District Eight Meeting in Sacramento

Iowa Branch of AALAS, 1983 to 1986

VANGIE PATULA Nominated for Board Member

EXPERIENCE

Research Lab Technician, Experimental Surgery, Surgery Department, Arizona Health Sciences Center, University of Arizona, 1990

MEMBERSHIPS

Arizona Branch of AALAS, 1987 to present

Technician of the Year, 1990

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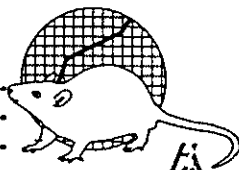


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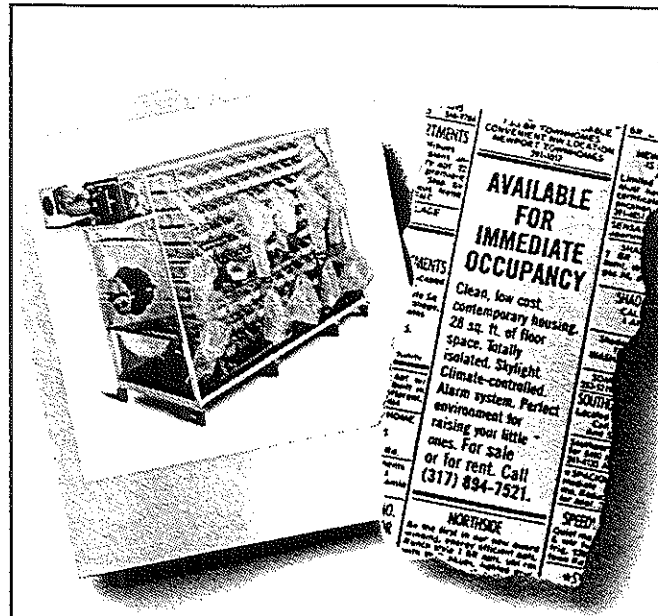
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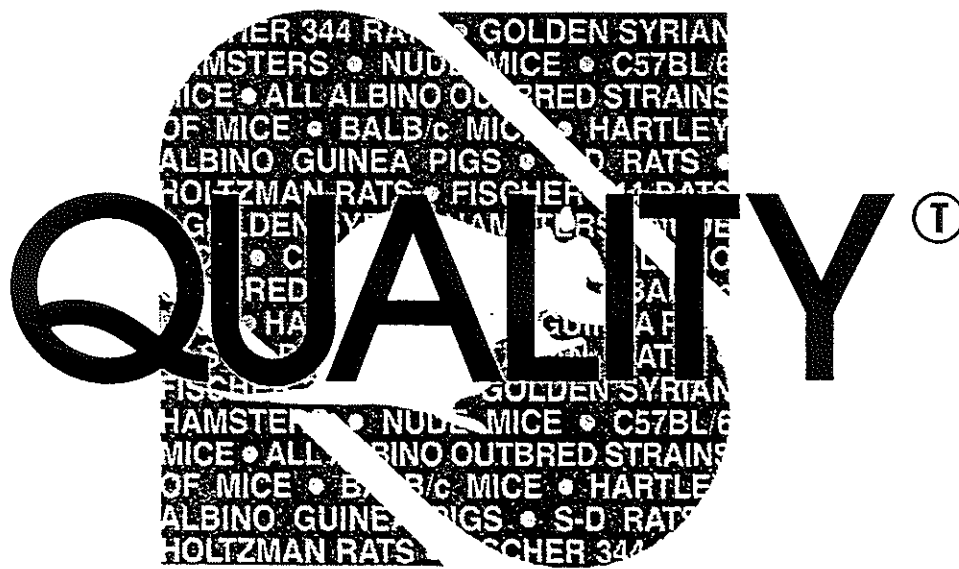
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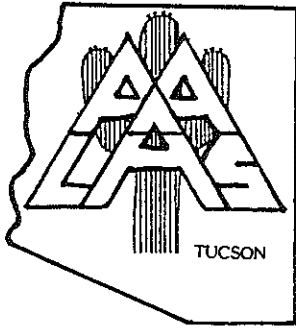
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1991 ARIZONA BRANCH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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