PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Friday, September 29

SMALL ANIMAL I

FLOOR 3 / BALLROOM A & B

8:00-9:50 AM

Safe or Stressed?
Optimizing the Life of the Indoor Cat

Dr. Margie Scherk

10:30-11:20 AM

Respectful Cat Handling vs. Cat Wrangling in the ER and ICU: A Critical Time to Be Cat Friendly

Dr. Margie Scherk

11:30 AM-12:20 PM

Incorporating Behavior Into Patient Care

Dr. Christopher Pachel

1:30-2:20 PM

Impact of the Human Element on Patient Assessment and Treatment

Dr. Christopher Pachel

BREAK / 2:20-3:00 PM / Visit the Exhibit Hall

3:00-3:50 PM

Multi-cat Households: Identifying & Addressing Problems Before the Fur Starts Flying

Dr. Christopher Pachel

4:00-4:50 PM

Risk Assessment of Aggressive Patients

Dr. Christopher Pachel

LARGE ANIMAL

FLOOR 4 / ROOM 404

8:00-8:50 AM

Perinatal Programming:
Getting the Most Out of the Calf

Dr. Victor Cortese

9:00-9:50 AM

Redefining Immune Suppression in Ruminants – New Thoughts

Dr. Victor Cortese

10:30-11:20 AM

Nutritional Management of the Dairy Calf

Dr. Robert James

11:30 AM-12:20 PM

Using the Immune System to Maximize Health & Profits in Cattle

Dr. Victor Cortese

1:30-2:20 PM

Dairy Calf Handling and Health

Dr. Fred Muller

2:30-3:20 PM

Group Feed Systems for the Dairy Calf

Dr. Robert James

BREAK / 3:20-4:00 PM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5

4:00-4:50 PM

Dairy Calf and Heifer Association - "Gold Standards"

Dr. Robert James

EQUINE

FLOOR 4 / ROOM 405

8:00-8:50 AM

Dealing with Complicated Lacerations in the Field

Dr. Kelly Farnsworth

9:00-9:50 AM

Problems Associated with Castration

Dr. Kelly Farnsworth

10:30-11:20 AM

Equine Neoplasia and Sarcoids

Dr. Kelly Farnsworth

11:30 AM-12:20 PM

An Introduction to Evidence Based Behavior

Dr. Gemma Pearson

1:30-2:20 PM

Equine Oral Examination

Dr. Jon Gieche

2:30-3:20 PM

Charting Equine Oral Examination Findings & Treatments

Dr. Jon Gieche

4:00-4:50 PM

Considerations for Equine Dental Equipment Purchases

Dr. Jon Gieche

PAST PRESIDENTS' BREAKFAST *(Invitation Only)* / 6:30-8:00 AM / Courtyard Marriott Tacoma Downtown, Mt. Tahoma Room

BREAK / 9:50-10:30 AM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5

LUNCH - *Included with Registration (RSVP Required)* / 12:20-1:30 PM / Banquet Hall / Floor 5

VETFEST! *w/ special guest* DR. ANDY ROARK & AWARDS CEREMONY / 5:00-8:00 PM / Floor 5, Pre-Function Space *(Ticket Required)*

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PRACTICE MANAGEMENT	ONE HEALTH	HOT TOPICS	TECHNICIANS & ASST.
FLOOR 3 / ROOM 316 & 317	FLOOR 3 / ROOM 318	FLOOR 3 / ROOM 315	FLOOR 3 / BALLROOM C & D
PAST PRESIDENTS' BREAKFAST *(Invitation Only)* / 6:30-8:00 AM / Courtyard Marriott Tacoma Downtown, Mt. Tahoma Room			
8:00-8:50 AM **Employee Handbooks 101** *Ms. Kim Kamel*	8:00-9:50 AM **Adding Backyard Poultry to Your Practice: Build Your Revenue One Feather at a Time** *Dr. Leah Tingley*	8:00-8:50 AM **Wolf Management and Classic Signs of Predator Caused Injury and Mortality** *Dr. Ben Maletzke*	8:00-8:50 AM **"What to Do in the First 5 Minutes!" Triage and Initial Stabilization for Techs** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
9:00-9:50 AM **How to Create a Washington State Drug Testing Policy** *Ms. Kim Kamel*		9:00-9:50 AM **Treponeme-Associated Hoof Disease (TAHD) in Elk** *Dr. Kristin Mansfield*	9:00-9:50 AM **"Nursing Stat!" Critical Care Patient Nursing 101 & 102** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
BREAK / 9:50-10:30 AM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5			
10:30-11:20 AM **Five Steps to Effective Communication** *Dr. Diane Marshall*	10:30-11:20 AM **Poultry One Health: What's the Risk?** *Dr. Leah Tingley*	10:30-11:20 AM **Veterinary Board of Governors: The Complaint Process Demystified & Perspectives of Serving on the Board** *Dr. Kirk Breuninger, Dr. Suzan Seelye & Ms. Sara Kirschenman*	10:30-11:20 AM **"Gasp!" Respiratory Emergencies** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
11:30 AM-12:20 PM **Advocating for the Patient: Making Recommendations & Handling Objections** *Dr. Diane Marshall*	11:30 AM-12:20 PM **The Truth About Service Animals: Overview & Definitions** *Dr. Beth Lipton & Ms. Mary Margaret Callahan*	11:30 AM-12:20 PM **Veterinary Feed Directive for Companion Animal Practitioners** *Dr. Minden Buswell*	11:30 AM-12:20 PM **Garbage Gut: Acute Pancreatitis** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
LUNCH - *Included with Registration (RSVP Required)* / 12:20-1:30 PM / Banquet Hall / Floor 5			
1:30-2:20 PM **How to Drive Change in Your Veterinary Practice** *Dr. Andy Roark*	1:30-2:20 PM **Legal Aspects of Service Animal Ownership: Seattle & Abroad** *Mr. Nathan Deen & Ms. Roxanne Vierra*	1:30-3:20 PM **Startup or Buy Your Veterinary Practice: Everything You Need to Know (Almost)** *Mr. Jeff Clark, Mr. Joe Coury, Mr. Rod Johnston, Mr. Steve Kikikis & Mr. Jim Vander Mey*	1:30-2:20 PM **The Electricity of ECGs** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
BREAK / 2:20-3:00 PM	2:30-3:20 PM **The Role of the Veterinarian in the Service, Therapy, & ESAs Discussion** *Dr. Heather Fowler*		2:30-3:20 PM **Sepsis, SIRS, DIC, Oh My!: Critical Care Syndromes** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
3:00-3:50 PM **Diffusing the Angry Client** *Dr. Andy Roark*			
	BREAK / 3:20-4:00 PM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5		
4:00-4:50 PM **Bonding Clients in Person & Online** *Dr. Andy Roark*	4:00-4:50 PM **Service Animals Panel Discussion** *Dr. Heather Fowler, Dr. Beth Lipton, Mr. Nathan Deen, Ms. Mary Margaret Callahan & Ms. Roxanne Vierra*	4:00-4:50 PM **Financial Morbidity: Are You Surviving or Thriving?** *Drs. Darby Affeldt & Richard DeBowes*	4:00-4:50 PM **Blood Gases: Demystify the Numbers** *David Liss, RVT, VTS, CVPM*
VETFEST! ***w/ special guest*** **DR. ANDY ROARK & AWARDS CEREMONY** / 5:00-8:00 PM / Floor 5, Pre-Function Space *(Ticket Required)*			

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Saturday, September 30

SMALL ANIMAL I	SMALL ANIMAL II	WET LAB	LARGE ANIMAL	EQUINE
FLOOR 3 / BALLROOM A & B	FLOOR 3 / ROOM 315	FLOOR 4 / ROOM 406	FLOOR 4 / ROOM 404	FLOOR 4 / ROOM 405
FUN RUN / 7:00 AM / Chinese Reconciliation Park				
MORNING YOGA / 7:00 AM / Floor 5, Pre-Function Space				
8:30-9:20 AM **Dermatologic Tricks & Techniques** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	8:30-9:20 AM **Abnormal Liver Enzymes - A Clinical Approach** *Dr. David Twedt*	8:00 AM-5:30 PM **Extra-capsular (Crcl) Repair Lab** *Dr. Scott Lozier* * Pre-Registration Required.	8:30-9:20 AM **Animal Welfare & Social Responsibility** *Dr. Marina Von Keyserlingk*	8:30-9:20 AM **How Do Horses Really Learn? Dispelling Myths** *Dr. Gemma Pearson*
9:30-10:20 AM **What's New with Ectoparasites** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	9:30-10:20 AM **Common Liver Diseases in the Dog** *Dr. David Twedt*		**BREAK** / 9:20-10:00 AM / Visit the Exhibit Hall	
			10:00-10:50 AM **Effect of Farm Size on Animal Welfare** *Dr. Marina Von Keyserlingk*	10:00-10:50 AM **Why Do Accidents Happen? How to Spot the Problem Horse and Prevent Problems** *Dr. Gemma Pearson*
BREAK / 10:20-11:00 AM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5				
11:00-11:50 AM **Rethinking Our Approach to Atopic Dermatitis: Part 1** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	11:00-11:50 AM **Chronic Hepatitis in the Dog - Latest Update** *Dr. David Twedt*		11:00-11:50 AM **Calf Housing & Management for the Next Decade** *Dr. Marina Von Keyserlingk*	11:00-11:50 AM **Practical Application of Learning Theory to Everyday Cases** *Dr. Gemma Pearson*
WSVMA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON / 11:50 AM-1:15 PM or WSAVT Business Meeting Luncheon / *Inc. with Registration (RSVP)* / Floor 5				
1:15-2:05 PM **Rethinking Our Approach to Atopic Dermatitis: Part 2** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	1:15-2:05 PM **Emerging Newer Liver Diseases** *Dr. David Twedt*		1:15-2:05 PM **Calf Care Audit** *Dr. Dale Moore*	1:15-2:05 PM **Pain, Behavior or Both?** *Dr. Gemma Pearson*
2:15-3:05 PM **Canine Pyoderma: It's Not What It Used to Be: Part 1** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	2:15-3:05 PM **Acute Liver Disease** *Dr. David Twedt*		2:15-3:05 PM **Beef Cattle Handling and Health** *Dr. Fred Muller*	2:15-3:05 PM **Equine Oroscopy** *Dr. Jon Gieche*
BREAK / 3:05-3:40 PM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5			**BREAK** / 3:05-3:40 PM / Visit the Exhibit Hall / Floor 5	
3:40-4:30 PM **Canine Pyoderma: It's Not What It Used to Be: Part 2** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	3:40-4:30 PM **Update on Feline Liver Disease** *Dr. David Twedt*		3:40-4:30 PM **Calf Care Labor Issues: Panel Discussion** *Drs. Dale Moore, Kelly Reed & Bill Sischo*	3:40-4:30 PM **Radiology in Equine Dentistry** *Dr. Jon Gieche*
4:40-5:30 PM **Otitis Externa: The Bane of Our Existence** *Dr. Valerie Fadok*	4:40-5:30 PM **Acute Pancreatitis in the Dog** *Dr. David Twedt*		4:40-5:30 PM **Alternatives to Antibiotics in Calf Rearing** *Dr. Bill Sischo*	4:40-5:30 PM **Sedation and NN Blocks in Equine Dentistry** *Dr. Jon Gieche*

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Saturday, September 30

IT'S A VET'S LIFE

FLOOR 4 / ROOM 407

8:30-9:20 AM

The Opportunity in Challenge: Flourishing in the Face of Profession-Related Stress

Dr. Carrie La Jeunesse

9:30-10:20 AM

Be Your Own Superhero: Navigating the Journey of Work-Life Integration

Dr. Carrie La Jeunesse

BREAK / 10:20-11:00 AM / Visit the Exhibit Hall

11:00-11:50 AM

Surviving the Technician Shortage

Drs. Richard DeBowes, Salvador Hurtado, Susan Wedam & Noriko Riggleman, LVT

1:15-2:05 PM

Blending Family & Careers Panel Discussion

Drs. Cori Gross, Victoria Jones & Chantal Rothschild

2:15-3:05 PM

Trends in Borrowing and Income for Health Care Professionals

Mr. Justin Kribbs

3:40-4:30 PM

Integration of Loan Repayment into Financial Planning Strategies

Mr. Justin Kribbs

4:40-5:30 PM

Alternative Opportunities in Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Brian Joseph

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT

FLOOR 3 / ROOM 316 & 317

8:30-9:20 AM

How to Be an Exam Room Rock Star

Dr. Andy Roark

9:30-10:20 AM

Working with the Cash Strapped Client

Dr. Andy Roark

11:00-11:50 AM

Building Client Loyalty to Grow Your Practice

Dr. Andy Roark

1:15-2:05 PM

Panel on Veterinary Technician Education

Drs. Ragan Borzcik, Taryn Hudgens Salvador Hurtado, Susan Wedam, LVTs Ryan Frazier, Noriko Riggleman, Laura Tautz-Hair & Jade Williams

2:15-3:05 PM

State and Local Paid Sick and Safe Leave Laws - What You Need to Know

Ms. Amy Mensik

3:40-4:30 PM

Avoiding Pregnancy and Gender Discrimination Pitfalls - Tips for Employers of All Sizes

Ms. Amy Mensik

4:40-5:30 PM

Emotional Intelligence in the Veterinary Practice

Dr. Diane Marshall

TECHS & ASST. I

FLOOR 3 / BALLROOM C & D

8:30-9:20 AM

The Cool Observer: Monitoring Anesthesia with Confidence

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

BREAK / 9:20-10:00 AM / Visit the Exhibit Hall

10:00-10:50 AM

Insight Into Anesthetic Drugs

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

11:00-11:50 AM

Anesthesia for the Patient with Renal Disease

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

1:15-2:05 PM

Mechanical Ventilation – To Breathe or Not to Breathe

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

2:15-3:05 PM

How They Tell Us When They Hurt – Recognizing Pain in Veterinary Patients

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

3:40-4:30 PM

Treating Pain Doesn't Need to Be a Pain: How to Institute Positive Change in Your Practice

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

4:40-5:30 PM

Behind the Eight Ball: Playing Catch-Up with a Painful Patient

Kristen Cooley, CVT, VTS

TECHS & ASST. II

FLOOR 3 / ROOM 318

8:30-9:20 AM

Compassion Fatigue vs. Burn Out!: What Is the Difference and How Can You Beat It? Part 1

Jade Velasquez, LVT

10:00-10:50 AM

Compassion Fatigue vs. Burn Out!: What Is the Difference and How Can You Beat It? Part 2

Jade Velasquez, LVT

11:00-11:50 AM

Scooby's Doobies: Can Cannabis Cure?

Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS

1:15-2:05 PM

Play Nice! Drug Interactions Every Veterinarian Should Know

Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS

2:15-3:05 PM

Your Best Staff: Developing a Training Program

Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS

3:40-4:30 PM

Mentoring in the Veterinary Practice

Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS

4:40-5:30 PM

To V or Not to V: The Road to VTS

Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS

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Sunday, October 1

SMALL ANIMAL	LARGE ANIMAL	EQUINE	PRACTICE MGMT.	TECHS & ASST.
FLOOR 3 / ROOM 316 & 317	FLOOR 4 / ROOM 403	FLOOR 3 / ROOM 318	FLOOR 3 / ROOM 315	FLOOR 3 / BALLROOM C & D
CHRISTIAN VETERINARY MISSION BREAKFAST / 7:00-8:30 AM / Courtyard Marriott Tacoma Downtown, Mt. Adams Room				
8:30-9:20 AM **Forelimb Injury & Pain: How to Diagnose and Treat Common Conditions with an Integrative Approach** *Dr. Laurie McCauley*	8:30-9:20 AM **New World Screw Worm Issue in Florida** *Dr. Leonard Eldridge*	8:30-9:20 AM **Emerging Equine Diseases** *Drs. Amber Itle & Ben Smith*	8:30-9:20 AM **The Bond Centered Practice: Maximize Your Veterinary Practice Potential** *Joshua Schulz, BVSc*	8:30-9:20 AM **Top 5 Kitchen Toxins** *Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS*
BREAK / 9:20-9:30 AM				
9:30-10:20 AM **Rear Limb Injury & Pain: How to Diagnose and Treat Common Conditions with an Integrative Approach** *Dr. Laurie McCauley*	9:30-10:20 AM **The Realities of an FMD Detection in the USA** *Dr. Brad LeaMaster*	9:30-10:20 AM **Equine Disease Traceability** *Drs. Amber Itle & Ben Smith*	9:30-10:20 AM **The Why and How of Mentorship** *Ms. Nancy Kasmar*	9:30-10:20 AM **Top 5 Bathroom Toxins** *Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS*
BREAK / 10:20-10:30 AM				
10:30-11:20 AM **Spinal Injury & Pain: How to Diagnose and Treat with an Integrative Approach** *Dr. Laurie McCauley*	10:30-11:20 AM **Economic and Social Value of Small Ruminants in Developing Countries and the Effect of Foreign Animal Diseases** *Dr. Brian Joseph*	10:30-11:20 AM **Starting or Expanding an Equine Ambulatory Practice** *Dr. Chantal Rothschild*	10:30-11:20 AM **Sustaining Mentorship** *Ms. Nancy Kasmar*	10:30-11:20 AM **Top 5 Garage and Garden Toxins** *Liz Hughston, RVT, CVT, VTS*

EVENT LOCATIONS

Conference sessions and special events will be held at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center. Specific events will be held at the Courtyard Tacoma Downtown.

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