2005 is our 50th meeting anniversary as a scientific organization and we want to celebrate our successes and continue to build a future for our young mentees. Significant efforts are underway for future planning for the AAVP. It is particularly important for us as individuals to support our organization during this time of planning. Also, AAVP needs to support our members by providing improved services, especially access to electronic scientific information to prevent a “haves” and “have-nots” situation from developing. Indeed we have some members who may not have electronic access to parasitology journals because their institutions fail to subscribe due to cost issues. We are moving forward to support the changing needs of our members and the needs for outreach in our profession. The main focus will be providing good science and enhanced science-based policy for those organizations and individual stakeholders that can benefit from our expertise. We continue to see our role in AAVP as solving the problems in veterinary parasitology facing our veterinary and healthcare establishments in the US and throughout the world to enhance the health and well being of humans and animals. We expect to train the next generation of scientists as experts in veterinary parasitology and to provide science-based policy, without bias, to agencies around the world. As we move forward with these plans we will engage you to assist our committees to help in these efforts.
AAVP is facing some major challenges and an increased rate of change in our area of scientific specialty. As an Association, we have significant strengths and an unusual degree of camaraderie that we want to build on during challenging times. These challenges bring great opportunities and these trends necessitate an above average effort toward future planning. It is recognized that it has been a number of years since structured comprehensive planning has taken place within AAVP. The Executive Committee of AAVP conducted a midyear meeting as a beginning effort toward future planning. We met on February 4th and 5th in Kansas City, MO for 2 days of intensive fact-finding and strategic planning. Participants were Craig Reinemeyer (Immediate Past President), Linda S. Mansfield (President), Ann Donoghue (President-elect), Daniel Snyder (Vice President), Alan Marchiondo (Secretary/Treasurer), Sheila Mitchell (Graduate Student Representative), and Joseph Urban (Immediate Past President) who participated by phone conference. Our work encompassed identification of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats for AAVP and identification of a few important initiatives to begin in 2005. The initiatives suggested and initiated here will be brought to the membership for approval at this year's annual meeting. I want to alert the members of the Archives, Awards, Constitution and Bylaws, Education, Finance, Newsletter, Outreach/Research, and Publications/Internet Committees to the need for their input over the next few months. If you are willing to help, please consider joining one of these committees by sending an email to our Secretary/Treasurer, Al Marchiondo.

Please remember that our annual meeting and 50th meeting anniversary celebration will be held in Minneapolis, MN on July 16th to the 19th. Dan Snyder has planned an exciting meeting with symposia and socials to rival those in past years. We will have a President's symposium focused on "Drug Resistance in Parasites: Mechanisms, and Strategies for Rationale Veterinary Drug Use for treatment of parasitic infections." on the last Tuesday of the meeting that picks up this critical discussion where we left off at last year's meeting. We are excited to issue an invitation to you as AAVP members and to anyone else with an interest in veterinary parasitology. Please encourage your colleagues and students to attend. There will be ample student travel awards to make this possible. I look forward to seeing you in Minneapolis! Respectfully Submitted, Linda S. Mansfield

From the Secretary/Treasurer

2005 Meeting: Preparations are well underway for the 2005 AAVP meeting in Minneapolis, MN, 16-19 July. Dr. Dan Snyder (AAVP Program Chair) along with Linda Mansfield is working on putting in place a very exciting program, so mark your calendar. The AVMA has selected the Millenium Hotel, 1313 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55403 as the site for our AAVP meeting with the exception of the President’s Symposium on Tuesday morning, 19 July. Be sure to request the Millenium Hotel on the housing form that you return to the AVMA housing bureau. Try to confirm your room reservation as early as possible to ensure that you get into this hotel. AVMA has suggested that we submit our lodging forms by May 15, so don’t delay. All meeting-related information is posted on the AAVP website (www.aavp.org).

2005 Dues: The 2005 dues and new member application forms are attached to this issue of the Newsletter and are also available on the AAVP web site (www.aavp.org). Email reminders have been sent to members who owed for past years, several of who are in jeopardy of being deleted from the membership list. If you have any questions
about your dues status, please call or send me an email. Thanks to those members who have paid their dues. Dues and all correspondence to the Secretary/Treasurer should be addressed to: Dr. Alan A. Marchiondo, c/o Phoenix Scientific, Inc., 3915 S. 48th St. Terrace, St. Joseph, MO 64503-4711. Phone: 816-364-3777, Ext. 1375, Fax: 816-364-6021, email: amarchiondo@psiqv.com

Address, Contact and Research Interest Information: Please update your address and contact information on the 2005 membership dues form. In addition, you may include your area(s) of research interest. You can also make changes to this information during the year by sending me an email or fax (816-364-6021).

Membership Directory: I will continue to put the most up-to-date membership list in each year’s annual proceedings book, so please help me keep the directory up to date and accurate. As mentioned in the October issue of the AAVP Newsletter, a special mailing of the current membership directory will be sent soon. Submitted by Dr. Alan Marchiondo, Secretary/Treasurer AAVP.

Committee Reports

AAVP balloting process
With the conversion of the newsletter to all-electronic distribution, the ballot is no longer included here, but rather will be sent as a separate hard-copy mailing to each member of AAVP.

Please review the biographies included in this newsletter (pages 15-22) to assist you in making your selection on the ballot. Watch for the ballot (scheduled to arrive in your mailboxes by early-March) and return them to Dr. Joan Lunney, Chair, Nominating Committee, as soon as possible. The ballots will be a pre-addressed, pre-stamped, postcard format to make casting your vote as easy as possible. So please, don’t forget to vote! Submitted by Joan Lunney, Nominating Committee.

Nominations for AAVP Awards Solicited
The AAVP Awards Committee is responsible for soliciting nominations for the 2005 awards. The title and a brief description of each of the AAVP awards are provided below. Guidelines and instructions for nominations are outlined later in this newsletter. The Awards Committee will also administer the Travel Grant and the Student Presentation Competition. Members of the AAVP are encouraged to nominate a fellow colleague or a student for one of our society’s awards. All nominations/applications and supporting documents should reach the Chair of the Awards Committee by 30 April 2005. Nominations received after this date will not be considered. The recipients of some awards will be announced prior to the meeting, and all awards will be presented at the annual meeting in Minnesota.

A complete description of the awards, criteria for selection, and nomination procedures are outlined in this Newsletter. Please submit nominations to:

Dr. S.E. Marley,
Chair, AAVP Awards Committee,
Merial, 3239 Satellite Blvd, Bldg 500,
Duluth, GA, USA.
Phone: 678.638.3645;
FAX 678.638.3648
sara.marley@merial.com

The AAVP Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award
This is the society’s most prestigious award. This is where we honor outstanding contributions of an AAVP member to the advancement of veterinary parasitology. The names of past recipients in this category were
listed in last year’s program proceedings, and it is an impressive list.

The AAVP Distinguished Service Award
The AAVP Distinguished Service Award is given to recognize long terms of extraordinary service and commitment to the society. When given (not annually) the award includes a plaque and travel expenses to attend the annual meeting.

The AAVP-Intervet Graduate Student Award
This award is provided to honor a graduate student or a recent graduate for outstanding performance in graduate study in veterinary parasitology. The award consists of reimbursement of travel expenses, a plaque, and an honorarium. Many past recipients are now active AAVP members and contribute greatly to the success of our society.

The AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant
The travel grants are a competitive grant awarded to full-time DVM or undergraduate/graduate students enrolled in an accredited institution of higher leaning and pursuing studies in veterinary parasitology. Deserving Post-docs who are within 5 years of their degree are also eligible for this award. Supporting documents, commitment of additional or matching funds from a sponsoring AAVP member, and submission of an abstract are needed for this award. Students applying for the travel grant are also eligible to compete for the Student Presentation Awards.

The AAVP Best Student Paper Presentation Awards
The awards are given to two undergraduate/graduate students who compete successfully in the Student Presentation competition. All students who submit applications for the AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant will be scheduled for the competition, unless there is a specific request to be excluded. Students who do not apply for the Young Investigator Travel Grant, but wish to compete for the Best Student Presentation Awards, should complete and submit the Verification of Student Status form. Judges at the meeting will use the checklist included in this newsletter to help rate the presentations. The awards include cash prizes. Submitted by S.E. Marley, Chair, AAVP Awards Committee, Merial, 3239 Satellite Blvd, Bldg 500, Duluth, GA USA.

Obituary – Alan Kocan

Andrew Alan Kocan, 58, Stillwater, died Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2004. At the time, he was teaching at Ross University, St. Kitts. Alan, a past member of the AAVP, was a professor at Oklahoma State College of Veterinary Medicine from 1974 to his retirement in August, 2004. His research interests were in tick transmitted parasitic and infectious diseases of wild and domestic animals. He was recognized worldwide for his research on the role of wildlife as reservoirs for tick-borne pathogens. Who else could feed ticks on bobcat, deer or coyote! Alan Kocan mentored 16 graduate students to 17 degrees over his career. He also instructed and developed courses in veterinary parasitology at Oklahoma State College of Veterinary Medicine. He received many honours and awards including the Family Alumni Achievement Award from Hiram College, the Beecham Award for Research Excellence from OSU and the MSD AgVet Award for Creativity. He is survived by his wife of six years, Dr. Rebecca Coleman, sons, Jay and Jonathan; brother, Richard; nephew, Nicholas; niece, Deanna and first wife, Kathy, who shared with him many great years and two sons. He is also survived by
Jay’s wife, Elizabeth and their child, his grandson, Aidan and extended family and many acquaintances and friends that he held dear throughout his life. The family requests that donations be made to the St. Jude Children’s Hospital in Memphis Tenn. and the Nature Conservancy.

Respectfully Submitted, Patrick F. Meeus

Veterinary Parasitology

We are pleased to announce that authors should now submit their manuscripts online to Veterinary Parasitology by using the Elsevier Editorial System at http://ees.elsevier.com/vetpar. Refereeing of submitted manuscripts is also now carried out on this system. This is an important step in streamlining the publication process: by offering authors the option to submit online, manuscripts can be processed more efficiently which will result in shorter manuscript review times. More detailed information about this feature and instructions on how to submit your manuscript can be found on the above-mentioned site. We are confident that these developments will enable us to offer improved service to our authors, referees and readers in the coming years and will contribute to the future success of the journal. If you encounter any problems while submitting online, please e-mail: authorsupport@elsevier.com.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda S. Mansfield

Top 10 Worst Jobs in Science

Hey, we wanna tell ya, we don’t get no respect! In the November 2004 issue of Popular Science, Worm Parasitologist was ranked as the No. 2 worst jobs in science behind Anal Wart Researcher. Popular Science ranked its worst jobs list based on 19 criteria, including macabre, generally disgusting, involves digestive products, risk of disease, poor compensation, and inspires ridicule. Lab Animal Veterinarian was ranked No. 3. You can read more on these rankings at http://www.popsci.com/popsci/science/article/0,20967,713466,00.html.

Submitted by Dr. Alan Marchiondo and Dr. Larry Cruthers

CRWAD Student Competition in Parasitology

Over the last several years, AAVP has supported the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases (CRWAD) student competition in Parasitology and Immunoparasitology. The winner of the student competition receives a $50.00 honorarium, a $100.00 voucher to defray travel to the annual AAVP meeting, and a 1-year complementary student membership in AAVP. The 2004 winner of the six student competition is Dalen Agnew, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California-Davis, for the presentation entitled: “Reproductive lesions and serologic response associated with experimental infection of virgin heifers with non-Trichomonas foetus trichomonads. Are they pathogens?”. Congratulations to Dalen!

Submitted by Dr. Alan Marchiondo, Secretary/Treasurer AAVP.

2005 Meeting of the AAVP

50th Annual Meeting of AAVP

Preparations are underway for the 50th annual meeting of the AAVP in Minneapolis, MN from July 16-19, 2005. All of our AAVP meetings will be held in the Millenium Hotel in Minneapolis. This will be a special year for AAVP as we celebrate our 50th meeting.
We last met in Minneapolis twelve years ago in 1993. The general Call for Papers and meeting and hotel registration information will be mailed to all AAVP members by the Secretary-Treasurer in February, 2005 as well as being posted to the AAVP website (www.aavp.org). Please pass this hard copy mailing about the meeting onto colleagues at your location who are not AAVP members to encourage them to become a member, to attend the meeting and to present an abstract. We encourage you all to participate and we hope that graduate students and veterinary students will join us. As travel expenses are always a concern for students, we want you to know that travel grants are available. Specific information is available in this AAVP Newsletter issue and on the AAVP website that gives detailed procedures on how to apply for these grants and other student awards. If you have questions about these instructions or your eligibility for grants/awards, please contact the Awards Committee Chairperson, Dr. Sara Marley (Sara.Marley@Merial.com). We want as many of our student members to participate!

Our AAVP meeting will be held in conjunction with the AVMA’s annual meeting with many stimulating scientific sessions aimed at a broad variety of topics in parasitology. This year’s program will include a commemoration of our 50th meeting anniversary, an AAVP Symposium on “Anthelmintic Resistance in Cattle in the United States,” and the joint AAVP/AVMA symposium developed by AAVP President Dr. Linda Mansfield on “Drug Resistance in Parasites: Mechanisms, and Strategies for Rationale Veterinary Drug Use for treatment of parasitic infections.” The AAVP/AVMA symposium will be held Tuesday morning in the Convention Center. The AAVP meeting is an excellent venue for students to present the results of their research and graduate programs. Once again, we welcome the strong support of our corporate sponsors that will bring us together for sponsored corporate sessions, social events, and stimulating symposia with invited speakers. As with every AAVP meetings, we look forward to the many opportunities for meeting informally with colleagues old and new.

Instructions for abstract submissions are included with this February 2005 AAVP Newsletter (page 7) as well at the AAVP website (www.AAVP.org). Electronic submission of abstracts is required in 2005 except for those rare circumstances where these facilities are not available. To submit an abstract, please go to the AAVP website (www.aavp.org) and follow the links to “Annual Meeting” and then to “Abstract Submission Instructions”. Please note that the abstract submissions link will be activated on March 1, and this year’s deadline for receipt of abstracts will be May 2, 2005. As program chair, please help me by adhering to this abstract submission deadline to allow adequate time for appropriate review, organization and printing of the program. If you are unable to submit an abstract electronically, or have any other problems or questions, please contact the program chair prior to the deadline (Dr. Daniel E. Snyder, 2001 W. Main St. Mail Drop GL52, Elanco Animal Health, Greenfield, IN 46140, USA; phone: 317/277-4439; e-mail: Snyder_Daniel_E@Lilly.com).

We will have one LCD projector with computer in each meeting room. Electronic presentations are required; 2x2 slide projectors will not be available this year to control costs. Bring your presentation on CD, Zip, USB flash drive or 3.5” floppy.

The tentative schedule of events for the 2005 AAVP meeting is:

Saturday, 7/16:
AAVP Executive Board/Committee Chairs Meeting: 9:00AM – 1:30 PM
Onsite Registration: 11 AM - 7 PM
Welcome and Opening Session - Commemoration of our 50th Meeting Anniversary: 2:00 – 3:30PM
Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions: 4:00-6:00PM
Welcoming Reception: 7:00-9:00PM  (Sponsored by Bayer)

Sunday, 7/17:
Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions: 8:00AM – Noon
AAVP Symposium: 1:30-3:30PM
Merial Symposium: 4:00 – 6:00PM
Merial Sponsored Social Event: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Monday, 7/18:
Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions: 8:00AM – Noon
AAVP Graduate Student/Post-Doc Luncheon/Mixer: Noon – 1:30
AAVP Business Meeting/Presidential Address/Awards: 1:30 – 3:30
Concurrent Oral Paper Sessions: 4:00 – 6:00PM
Novartis Sponsored Social Event: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Tuesday, 7/19:
AAVP/AVMA President’s Symposium (at Convention Center): 8AM – Noon.

The Program and Abstracts booklet and name badges will be available at the onsite registration table upon arrival. Proceedings books will not be mailed prior to the meeting even if you pre-register. Those AAVP members who do not attend the meeting will have their copy of the Proceedings book mailed to them after the meeting. The program chair will notify (via email) the designated author of each abstract to confirm when your abstract (day/time) is to be presented. Also, check the AAVP website for updates on the Program and meeting schedule.

I look forward to seeing you all again in July and for another successful AAVP meeting. See you in Minneapolis!

Submitted by Daniel E. Snyder, Program Chair.

Call for Abstracts for the 50th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Veterinary parasitologists

We are now calling for abstract submissions for the Saturday-Monday AAVP sessions. You may submit abstracts for oral presentations only. The deadline for abstract submissions is May 2, 2005. This means that abstracts should be received by the Program Chair by this date. No more than two presentations will be accepted from any presenting author unless approved by the Program Chair. All questions about submissions of abstracts should be made directly to the Program Chair: Dr. Daniel E. Snyder, 2001 W. Main St. Mail Drop GL52, Elanco Animal Health, Greenfield, IN 46140, USA; phone: 317/277-4439; e-mail: Snyder_Daniel_E@Lilly.com.

Preparing Your Abstract
Write your abstract using the format that has been used in previous Proceedings. The title and the abstract content are both important components. The TITLE should be short, concise and indicative of the content of the abstract. The AUTHORS' NAMES and AFFILIATIONS follow the title; use an asterisk (*) after the name of the person who will present the paper. Single space all typing. Capitalize all initials, names of authors and affiliations/addresses. The CONTENT of the abstract should be a single paragraph that starts 2 lines after the title without indentation and which contains a concise statement of: 1) the problem under investigation, 2) the
experimental methods used, 3) the essential results obtained, and 4) the major conclusions. The text should cite quantitative data from representative experiments or summary data. Do not state “the results will be discussed.” Italicize (or underline) all scientific names. Follow the instructions for submitting your abstract listed below.

**Submitting Your Abstract(s)**
**Electronic submission**
The preferred method for submission of all abstracts for this year’s meeting is through the AAVP web site by typing the address: www.aavp.org and following the links to “Annual Meeting” and then to “abstract submission instructions.” Look for the “abstract submission” linkage to be active starting on March 1st. Follow the instructions for submission of abstracts and send your abstract using the linkage at the AAVP website that will be used to collect the abstract submissions. The body of the abstract will be a simple “cut and paste” from your standard word processing program using Times New Roman style print with a font size of 12. Use spell check prior to submitting. The length of your abstract will be limited to the space provided. However, a “rule of thumb” limitation on abstract size will be a total of 300 words with 1775 characters or 2100 characters with spaces, and 21 lines.

For those authors who do not have internet access, the following (least preferred) two methods can be used:
**Diskette**
Submit your abstract(s) on a 3.5" high-density (1.44 MB) diskette or burned to a CD in one of the following file formats: WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text Format (RTF). The entire abstract should fit into a rectangular box 6.5 x 4 inches. When typing your abstract, please follow all pertinent directions as listed above. Submitted diskettes will not be returned.

Please scan your disk for viruses before submitting.
**Typed Copy**
If you must submit your abstract on paper, please follow the relevant general and specific instructions listed above. The entire abstract should fit into a rectangular box 6.5 x 4 inches. When typing your abstract, please follow all pertinent directions as listed above and mail to Program Chair at the address listed above.

If submitting a diskette/disk or typed copy, the material must be mailed to the program chair for receipt at least one week prior to the abstract submission deadline of May 2, 2005.

*Respectfully Submitted, Dan Snyder*

The AAVP newsletter committee would like to include a section focusing on our young / student members. This will hopefully provide an extra incentive for them to join our society and it will advertise the talent we have among our members. Three times a year, with every newsletter, we will be highlighting those individuals near or at the completion of their MSc or PhD. Each time we will publish a brief narrative resume, a summary of their research findings and their plans for the future. A personal advertising campaign like this would of course not be complete without a picture. So send in that passport photo or a picture while on the job so that everybody recognizes you at the next meeting or when you go for that job interview.

In short, we encourage everybody within the AAVP to promote his / her student by sending us:
- a short, three paragraph, narrative resume including the topic of the graduate research and plans for a career in parasitology.
- a picture.

Let’s make this work!!!

*Respectfully Submitted, Patrick F. Meeus*
Position announcement

ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR  
(Parasitology/Tenure-track)
The Department of Pathobiological Sciences at Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine (http://www.vetmed.lsu.edu) invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant or Associate Professor level for an outstanding Parasitologist with a strong background in contemporary approaches to biology. This position is intended to strengthen the departmental and school-wide priority research emphasis on infectious disease research and to complement the efforts of the LSU Center for Experimental Infectious Disease Research, which is supported by a NIH COBRE program grant. The Department has an emphasis on the pathogenesis of infectious disease, with extramurally funded programs in viral pathogenesis, bacterial pathogenesis, parasitic diseases, vector-borne diseases, molecular diagnostics, and host immune responses to disease. The Department has recently hired several new faculty members and is in a strong growth phase. The School of Veterinary Medicine has modern research laboratories enhanced by centralized core facilities offering DNA synthesis and sequencing, real-time PCR and microarray analyses, laser capture microdissection, fluorescence and electron microscopy, laser confocal microscopy, flow cytometry and cell sorting, proteomics, and BL-3 laboratory suites. The Department has close ties with the Tulane Regional Primate Center, the LSU Agricultural Center and the National Hansen’s Disease Center. The School of Veterinary Medicine is an active participant in Louisiana State University’s Information Technology and Biotechnology initiatives. We seek candidates who use innovative and interdisciplinary approaches to investigations of major animal and human parasitic diseases.

Required Qualifications: Ph.D., D.V.M., or equivalent degree in an area related to disease pathogenesis at the cellular and/or molecular level; some postdoctoral training; record of excellence in research. Successful applicants will be expected to establish outstanding independent research programs that will attract continued extramural funding and to participate in the teaching mission of the department. An excellent start-up package and incentive program is available for this position. Title and salary will be commensurate with qualifications and credentials of the applicant.

Review of applications will begin April 15, 2005, and will continue until candidate is selected. Please send curriculum vitae (including e-mail address), a brief statement of current and future research interests to: Dr. David G. Baker, Search Committee Chair, Division of Laboratory Animal Medicine, Louisiana State University, Ref: #002486, Baton Rouge, LA 70803 or E-mail: dbaker@vetmed.lsu.edu.

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Respectfully Submitted, Cindy Hudnall.
Distinguished Veterinary Parasitologist Award
Criteria for Nomination - This is an award that honors contributions to veterinary parasitology that are widely recognized internationally as significant and important to the understanding and control of parasitic diseases of animals.
Procedure for Nomination - Solicitation of nominations for the award will be announced annually in the AAVP Newsletter. Any member of the AAVP may nominate a candidate by forwarding a letter of nomination describing the candidate’s worthiness for the award and a copy of their CV to the Chair of the Awards Committee. The nominator should arrange for 3 letters to be written in support of the nomination by members of the AAVP and sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee. Only 3 letters of support plus the letter of nomination will be considered by the Awards Committee. To expedite the process and to ensure that all of the letters of support arrive prior to the 30 April 2005 deadline, it is recommended that the nominator assemble the entire package of information in support of the nominee, including the 3 letters, and send everything in one mailing to the Chair of the Awards Committee.
Selection - All documents provided in nomination of the candidate will be forwarded to all members of the Awards Committee. The selection of a recipient will be made by written ballot based on evidence of the nominee’s contribution to the advancement of veterinary parasitology.
The Award - The recipient will be honored at the annual meeting of the AAVP and will receive a plaque and a $1500 monetary award provided by Merial. The AAVP will provide reimbursement of expenses necessary for the recipient to attend the Association’s annual meeting.

Distinguished Service Award
Criteria for Nomination -
1. The nominee shall be a member in good standing of the AAVP.
2. Nomination of candidates for whom service to the AAVP is conducted normally or routinely, such as those involved in holding an office in the Association, will not be accepted.
Procedure for Nomination - Solicitation of nominations for the award will be announced annually in the AAVP Newsletter. Any member of the AAVP may nominate a member by forwarding a letter of nomination to the Chair of the Awards Committee describing the candidate’s service to the Association. The nominator should arrange for 3 letters to be written in support of the nomination by members of the AAVP and sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee by 30 April 2005.
Selection - All documents provided in nomination of the candidate will be forwarded to all members of the Awards Committee. The selection of a recipient will be made by written ballot based on evidence of the nominee’s level of service and long-term commitment to the AAVP.
The Award - The award consists of an engraved plaque specifically recognizing the awardee for their extraordinary service to the AAVP. The AAVP will provide reimbursement of expenses necessary for the recipient to attend the Society’s annual meeting.

AAVP-Intervet Graduate Student Award
Criteria for Nomination -
1. Nominations are limited to graduate students enrolled in or those who have completed their M.S. or Ph.D. degree within the previous 12 months.
2. The award is made based only on research carried out during a student’s graduate (M.S. or Ph.D.) program.
3. Preference will be given to nominees that are enrolled in or have received their degree from a North American Institute at the time the award is given; however, students from universities outside of North America are eligible for nomination and receipt of this award.
4. The student’s graduate program must be in veterinary parasitology.
Procedure for Nomination - Solicitation of nominations for the award will be announced annually in the AAVP Newsletter. Any member of the AAVP may nominate a student by forwarding a letter of nomination to the Chair of the Awards Committee.

1. A letter of nomination from an AAVP member in good standing describing the candidate’s excellence in graduate studies and research.
2. A copy of the student’s curriculum vitae.
3. Reprints of pertinent publications as a result of the student’s graduate research.
4. Arrange for 3 letters to be written in support of the nomination by members of the AAVP. Only 3 letters of support in addition to the letter of nomination will be considered by the Awards Committee. In the case where the nominator is not the candidate’s graduate supervisor, one of the letters of support must be obtained from the candidate’s graduate supervisor. To expedite the process and to ensure that all of the letters of support arrive prior to the 30 April 2005 deadline, it is recommended that the nominator assemble the entire packet of information in support of the nominee, including the 3 letters, and send everything in one mailing to the Chair of the Awards Committee.

Selection - All documents provided in nomination of each candidate will be forwarded to all members of the Awards Committee. Preference will be given to graduate students from North American institutes; however, students from universities outside of North America are eligible for nomination and receipt of this award. The selection of a recipient will be made by written ballot based on evidence of excellence in graduate course work, graduate research, and graduate research publications.

The Award - The award consists of reimbursement by the AAVP of expenses necessary for the recipient to attend the annual meeting of the AAVP, an engraved plaque, and a monetary award of $1000 provided by Intervet.

**AAVP Young Investigator Travel Grant**

1. Applicant must be a full-time graduate/undergraduate/DVM student enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning or a Post-doc who is within 5 years of their terminal degree (MD, PhD, or DVM).
2. Only a student/Post-Doc presenting a paper (abstract) at the annual meeting of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists (AAVP) is eligible.
3. Funds must be applied to travel to the AAVP meeting held during the year of application.
4. The applicant must be sponsored by an active, full member of the AAVP. The sponsor’s signature is required on the application.
5. A YITG will be awarded only when funds equal to the amount requested from the AAVP are available from another source(s) for support of applicant’s travel. The source(s) of matching funds and the signature of the person authorized to commit funds are required.
6. The total amount of funds requested by an applicant in a single year will be matched by the AAVP up to a maximum of and may not exceed $500.00.
7. An estimate of the total cost of travel to and from the AAVP meeting must be provided.
8. The total number of awards each year will depend on the availability of funds, number of applicants, and location of the meeting.
9. The completed application form with all necessary signatures, the one page letter of support from the AAVP member sponsoring the student/Post-doc, and a copy of the abstract to be presented at the meeting must be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee.
10. Selection of awardees from applicants fulfilling all of the above-mentioned requirements will be judged primarily on two criteria: (1) the written and apparent scientific quality of the abstract; and (2) the one-page supporting letter explaining and documenting the significance of the research to be reported by the student/Post-doc and indicating why the student/Post-doc is deserving of this award.
YOUNG INVESTIGATOR TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

(please type)

Applicant’s Name:

Department:

University or Affiliation:

Address:

E-mail Address:

Telephone:

Name of Applicant’s Sponsor:

Title of paper to be presented at the AAVP meeting:

Estimated cost to attend meeting: $  

Amount requested from AAVP: $  

Amount of matching funds: $  

Total from both sources: $  

Source of matching funds:

Signature and title of person authorized to commit matching funds:

Signature: 

Title:  

Applicant’s Signature:  

Sponsor’s Signature:  

THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY (1) A SUPPORTING LETTER FROM AN AAVP MEMBER WHO IS SPONSORING THE APPLICANT AND (2) A COPY OF THE ABSTRACT OF THE PAPER. BOTH SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CHAIR OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE.
American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists
Verification of Student Status

Title_______________________________________________________________

Authors___________________________________________________________

Presentor__________________________________________________________

Institution________________________________________________________

Certification of Student Status

Name________________________ Title__________________________

Signature____________________ Date______________________________

Institution________________________________________________________

The Awards Committee will offer two awards for a student’s presentation of their own research at the annual meeting of the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists. The awards in 2005 will be $500 and $300. Judging will be based on the criteria listed on the AAVP Student Presentation Check List.

THIS FORM SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CHAIR OF THE AWARDS COMMITTEE.
# AAVP STUDENT PRESENTATION AWARD CHECK LIST

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