



# IAAAM NEWS

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*Mission: To advance the art and science of aquatic animal medicine and health, encourage the free exchange of knowledge in the interest of improving the health care and husbandry of domestic aquatic animals, and promote the proper conservation and management of wild aquatic animals.*

## **Greetings from the President**

Happy New Year! I hope you have all enjoyed a pleasant holiday season. This newsletter contains all the information you will need to register for the upcoming conference in Seward, Alaska in May, as well as where to send your abstracts. We are looking forward to an exciting conference and in addition to the information in this newsletter, you might want to visit our website, [www.iaaam.org](http://www.iaaam.org) where you may view a short video presentation of the Alaskan Experience. The website contains all sorts of useful information, including a Student News page, so if you haven't been there in a while, take a few moments to visit it soon.

Sincerely,  
Laurie Gage DVM  
President IAAAM

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## IAAAM Annual Meeting, May 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Seward, AK  
Conference Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Affiliation/Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Conference Registration Fees (\$ USD)

Member (Full Registration)	\$ 225	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member's Spouse/Guest	\$ 125	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Member (Full Registration)	\$ 275	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Member (Spouse/Guest)	\$ 125	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student (Includes proceedings, no banquet)	\$ 100	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student Banquet	\$ 25	<input type="checkbox"/>
Late Fee after April 8 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 50	<input type="checkbox"/>

### May 14<sup>th</sup>, Wet Lab Sign-Up

Sea Otter Necropsy and Sampling Wet Lab	\$ 35	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus (IHNV) in salmonids in Alaska	\$ 40	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marine Wildlife Oil Spill Response Training (1 1/2 days, May 13-14)	\$ 100	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Activities

3K Mid-Night Fun Run to Exit Glacier (transportation and t-shirt)	\$ 10	<input type="checkbox"/>
T-shirt size: S, M, L, XL		

**TOTAL: \$**

Payment Method: ☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Credit Card (VISA, MC, AMEX)  
Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name on Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Registration Includes:** Scientific Sessions, Conference Proceedings, Icebreaker Reception, Coffee Breaks, Wine & Cheese Poster Session, Resurrection Bay Tour and Auction, and Banquet.

**Spouse/Guest Registration Includes:** Icebreaker Reception, Wine & Cheese Poster Session, Resurrection Bay Tour and Auction, and Banquet.

### Return Completed Form to:

Alaska SeaLife Center  
Donna Talamantes  
P.O. Box 1329  
Seward, Alaska 99664 USA

Phone: (907) 224-6383  
Fax: (907) 224-6320  
Email: donna\_talamantes@alaskasealife.org

### Payment:

Please include either a check (payable to IAAAM/ASLC) or Credit Card number with this form. All attendees must fill out individual registration forms. All registration forms must be postmarked by April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Late registrants will be assessed a \$50 late fee.

**36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL IAAAM CONFERENCE**  
**Seward, Alaska**  
**May 14-18, 2005**

The Alaska SeaLife Center and Alaskan IAAAM Members invite you to Seward, AK for the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual IAAAM Conference. We are planning an educational and exciting meeting with unique small town Alaskan flare.

The Conference will start on May 14 with topical workshops/wetlabs, an executive board meeting, and evening Icebreaker at a local saloon featuring Alaskan-style appetizers. The weather is pleasant but cool at this time of year with high temperatures in the 50's.

The Scientific Sessions will begin Sunday, May 15 at the historic Liberty Theater which is a short walk from the conference hotel. Workshops and roundtable sessions are planned for Sunday evening followed by a 3K Mid-Night Fun Run. Scientific Sessions continue on Monday along with an afternoon Business Meeting and an evening Poster Session with wine/cheese/hors d'ouvres.

On Tuesday, May 17, the Conference Tour Day will start with a short Scientific Session. The rest of the day can then be filled with a variety of outdoor activities such as kayaking and hiking, or exploring Exit Glacier in Kenai Fjords National Park, Seward, and the Alaska SeaLife Center. That evening everyone will board a Kenai Fjords Tours boat for a cruise of Resurrection Bay stopping on Fox Island for a Salmon Bake dinner and the annual IAAAM Auction.

Following a day of Scientific Sessions on Wednesday, May 18, the conference will conclude at the Alaska SeaLife Center with behind the scene tours and a banquet/awards ceremony that will feature entertainment by Alaskan's renowned folk singer Hobo Jim.

Seward is one of Alaska's oldest and most scenic communities located at the head of Resurrection Bay, 126 miles south of Anchorage on the Kenai Peninsula. Seward can easily be reached via the Seward Highway Scenic Byway, the Alaska Railroad, or by bus from Anchorage. Flights to Anchorage International Airport arrive daily from many continental U.S. and international cities. All your travel needs can be handled by TQ3NAVIGANT Travel of Seward. Linda Lynch and Christina Perkins at *Navigant* can assist you in arranging flights and ground transportation, post-conference tours, or an Alaskan cruise. See TQ3NAVIGANT contact information below.

The Hotel Edgewater and Conference Center in downtown Seward will serve as our conference headquarters. The Edgewater is offering excellent rooms and rates during the conference. The hotel is a short two block walk to the Liberty Theater, but shuttle service will be available. Unique rooms and suites are also available at the Van Gilder Hotel, a Registered Historic Landmark, which is located next to the Liberty Theater. Because of the limited number of discounted atrium rooms at the Hotel Edgewater, we are asking meeting attendees to conserve those rooms for students. For reservations, see Hotel information below.

Please visit the IAAAM website for additional meeting and registration information ([www.iaaam.org](http://www.iaaam.org)).



#### IAAAM Conference Daily Rates:

Atrium room: \$59

View room: \$79

Rates are based on double occupancy

\$10 extra for each additional person

Rates Available May 12 - May 20

Reservations: 1-888-793-6800

[www.hoteledgewater.com](http://www.hoteledgewater.com)



**THE VAN GILDER HOTEL**  
Registered Historic Landmark in Downtown Seward

The Van Gilder Hotel

Reservation: 1-907-224-3079

[www.vangilderhotel.com](http://www.vangilderhotel.com)



The Charter Option is the IAAAM Conference's fishing and activities planner.

Contact the Charter Option at 1-800-224-2026 or view their website:

[www.charteroption.com](http://www.charteroption.com) for all your outdoor activity needs.



TQ3NAVIGANT is the designated travel agency for the IAAAM Conference with prearranged discounts for air and ground transportation, cruises, and independent Alaska tours. Consider starting your trip on May 7 from

Vancouver with a Gulf of Alaska cruise on Princess Cruise Line. They have reserved cabins at discounts and thrown in extra amenities just for you. Call Alaska travel specialists Linda and Chris at (800) 478-5267 or e-mail [seward@tq3navigant.com](mailto:seward@tq3navigant.com).

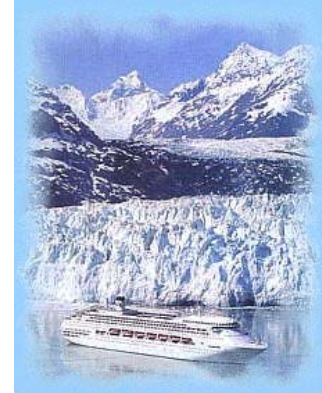




## IAAAM 2005 MEETING Transportation to and around Seward

### Anchorage International Airport (ANC)

Most of the major US airline carriers fly to Anchorage as well as Frontier, American West Airlines, and hawaiianvacations.com. Several international airlines also stop in Anchorage. A majority of flights arrive and depart around 12 pm (midnight), except for Alaska Airlines that operates flights throughout the day.



### Alaska Marine Highway State Ferry System



If traveling to Alaska by ferry, visitors may make their way up the Inside Passage to Southeast Alaska communities and across the Gulf of Alaska to Seward. The Alaskan ferries depart from Bellingham, WA, and Prince Rupert, BC. Visit [www.alaska.gov/ferry](http://www.alaska.gov/ferry) for more information.

### Cruise Ship

Large luxury cruise ships and small explorer-class vessels carry visitors to Alaska from West Coast ports via the Inside Passage. Seward serves as a major turnaround port for over 50 cruise ship dockings each year. For more information about cruising to or from Seward, contact TQ3NAVIGANT travel solutions at (800) 478-5267.



### Seward Highway Scenic Byway

Rent a car in Anchorage and drive the 126 mile long Seward Highway that connects Anchorage with Seward. It has been called one of the most scenic highways in the country and has been designated a National Forest Scenic Byway. Leaving Anchorage heading south, the Seward Highway follows the north shore of Turnagain Arm through Chugach State Park, Portage Glacier National Park and the Chugach National Forest, providing panoramic views of the Kenai Mountains and potentially beluga whales. The drive from Anchorage is approximately two hours and fifteen minutes. Rental car fare is approx. \$200-250 per week in May.

### The Alaska Railroad

Enjoy world class scenery while relaxing in a comfortable rail car on your way to and from Seward. The train departs Anchorage at 6:45 a.m. arriving in Seward at 11:05 a.m. and departs Seward at 6:00 p.m. arriving in Anchorage at 10:25 p.m. The fare is \$49 to Seward and \$59 for return. Call (800) 544-0552 or visit [www.alaskarailroad.com](http://www.alaskarailroad.com) for reservations and information. [note: the first day of the season is 14 May.]



## Daily Bus Service and Tours

Several bus lines and tour companies offer daily round-trip services between Seward and Anchorage.

**Seward Bus Line:** The bus departs Anchorage at 2:30 p.m. arriving in Seward at 5:20 p.m. and departs Seward at 9:00 a.m. and arrives in Anchorage at 12:00 p.m. Airport pick-up and drop-off is available. Fare is \$40 each way. Call 907-563-0800 for reservations.

**Kenai Fjords Tours:** The tour bus departs Anchorage and Seward twice daily. Fare is \$49 each way. Special charters are available for groups of 15 or more passengers. Call (877) 777-2805 for information and reservations.

**Renown Tours:** The tour bus departs Anchorage at 7:00 a.m. and departs Seward at approximately 5 p.m. Call (800) 272-1961 for reservations and information.

**Two Dogs Truckin-Transportation:** Passenger van service to and from Anchorage. Fare is \$65 per person each way, but requires a minimum of 5 passenger minimum. Call 907-224-2746 for reservation and information.

**Park Connection:** Offers daily bus service to and from Seward. Call (800) 266-8625 for more information and rates.

## GETTING AROUND SEWARD

Taxis, bike and car rentals, shuttle and trolley services. Seward is small enough that you could walk across most of it in only a few minutes. There is a bike/pedestrians path on the coast of the town for people to use that offers a great view of the bay and a way to get across town and avoid negotiating traffic. The Edgewater Hotel will also provide shuttle service to meeting locations and activities. Seward Hertz Rent-A-Car is the only local car rental company. Contact them at (800) 654-3131 or [www.rentacaralaska.com](http://www.rentacaralaska.com)

## Anchorage Hotel Information:

**The Inlet Tower Hotel & Suites** is offering a special rate of \$69 + tax for IAAAM members. Free 24 hour airport and railroad shuttle; free parking; excellent restaurant on premises; gourmet market one block; great view. Ask for the "IAAAM Rate", contact is Andrea. Price is double occupancy, \$20 extra per person. Toll Free: 800-544-0786, ([www.inlettower.com](http://www.inlettower.com))

**The Hilton** 1-800-245-2527, 500 West Third Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501. Group code is AAM. People needing to make reservations for the Hilton can call 1-800-245-2527. They can tell them their group code is AAM or ask for Intl Assoc of Aquatic Animal Medicine. If attendees have any questions or problems setting up reservations at the Hilton, they can reach Linda Steiner (Hilton Sales Manager) at 907-265-7107. The rates for May 11 & 12 are \$83.00 single/double with \$20.00 extra person + tax. The rates for May 13 – 20th are \$130.00 Single/Double with \$20.00 extra person + tax

**The Puffin** 1-800-478-3346 (1-907-243-4044), [www.puffininn.net](http://www.puffininn.net), 4400 Spenard Road, Anchorage, AK 99517. Deluxe & Boutique rooms are \$40.00 per night plus 8% bed tax for either a single or double. You can also link the website [www.puffininn.net](http://www.puffininn.net) for guests to look at the rooms. (Please request new section) If attendees would like to call & make reservations please have them ask for Barbara Hogan, General Manager. They may also contact Barb by e-mail at: [Barbara@puffininn.net](mailto:Barbara@puffininn.net).

**The Coast International** 1-800-544-0986, Alaska calls 1-800-478-2233 , [www.intlinnanchorage.com](http://www.intlinnanchorage.com), 3333 W International Airport, Anchorage, AK 99502, Reference IAAAM conference, 63.00 Single or Double + tax, 99.00 Suites + tax, Full service with 24 hour Complimentary Shuttle to airport, Free Parking, Lounge & full service Restaurant on site, Fitness center and steam sauna, Laundry facilities.

**The Millennium Hotel** 1-800-544-0553, 4800 Spenard Rd 99517, Anchorage, AK 99502. Reference fisheries to receive this rate 149.00 + tax Double occupancy, Double or King Available, 5/9 – 5/31.

### **Interested in Presenting Your Work in Alaska?** **by Rhonda Patterson, President-Elect**

Do you have an interesting clinical case? Do you have some interesting research you'd like to share? How about a clinical conundrum that's got you baffled? Anyone got a new technique they are dying to share with everyone else? Well, we have just the forum for you. The 36<sup>th</sup> annual conference is not too far off and the abstract submission deadline is even nearer. **The deadline is February 14<sup>th</sup>** and the information for submitting your abstract is located on our website ([www.iaaam.org](http://www.iaaam.org)).

**Everyone** in our organization is welcome and encouraged to submit an abstract for the meeting. We would love to have a terrific mix of papers representing the terrific mixture of people this organization represents. You can choose to give either an oral or a poster presentation. Both are well attended, so either one is bound to get you and your topic noticed.

If you don't have anything you'd like to present this year, but you have an idea for a session or just for a single presentation please send the information along to me and I'll be glad to follow up with it. We are looking at the possibilities of a couple of special sessions this year, besides the plenary session, so feel free to make any suggestions you would like. The Alaska SeaLife Center conference team is working hard with me to ensure that the conference this year is excellent.

### **IAAAM Conference Workshops**

#### **Sea Otter Necropsy and Sampling Wet Lab** **May 14, 2005**

The sea otter necropsy workshop will be 1/2 day wet lab from 1-5 pm on Saturday May 14. The lab will include a presentation and demonstration necropsy covering sampling techniques and general necropsy protocols for sea otters. Species differences will be highlighted as well as specific problems encountered by Northern sea otters in Alaskan waters. Participants will then break out into groups to complete a sea otter necropsy.

The wet lab will be lead by Dr. Kathy Burek from Alaska Veterinary Pathology Services and Verena Gill from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Marine Mammals Division.

There is a limit of 20 people for this wet lab.

Wet lab cost: \$35/person



### **Workshop on Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus (IHNV) in salmonids in Alaska May 14, 2005**

This half-day workshop will be held from 1-5 pm on Saturday May 14 and will include an informational presentation on IHNV and a general overview of the Alaskan sockeye culture policy administered by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Demonstrations may include isolation of IHNV in cell culture, observation of viral cytopathic effect, determination of viral titers using the plaque assay and viral confirmatory testing using PCR and virus characterization tests. The workshop will be lead by Dr. Tamara Burton and staff, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Fish Pathology Laboratory.

There is a limit of 20 people for this wet lab.  
Wet lab cost: \$40/person

### **Oil Spill Response Training Workshop May 13-14, 2005**

The Oil Spill Response Workshop is a 1 1/2 days training that will provide attendees with a broad overview of the oil spill response command structure, human safety training and facility requirements, and "best practices" for the care and cleaning of oiled marine wildlife.

The workshop will cover the following topics and include a wet lab:

- Overview of oil spill response and the Incident Command Structure
- Safety training and facility requirements
- Effects of oil on marine mammals and common medical problems
- Effects of oil on seabirds and common medical problems
- Steps in oiled wildlife care: Intake processing, care, and cleaning
- Legal aspects: evidentiary data/sample collection, chain of custody procedures
- Area Contingency Planning: getting involved
- Wet lab: Oiled wildlife intake procedures & evidence collection and washing/rinsing techniques for marine mammals

Presentations and the wet lab will be lead by staff from the UC Davis Wildlife Health Center and California's Oiled Wildlife Care Network (OWCN). This training meets the mandatory health & safety training requirements (HAZCOM) for working at an activated primary care facility. Each attendee will receive a copy of the Marine Mammal Oil Spill Response Guidelines and a HAZCOM oil spill training certificate. Support for this workshop is provided by the Alaska SeaLife Center and NOAA Fisheries Marine Mammal Health and Stranding Response Program.

There is no limit to the number of people who can register for this workshop.  
Workshop cost: \$100/person

### **Alaska Auction by Bill Van Bonn, Education**

HELLO, HELLO, ANYBODY OUT THERE?

The time is fast approaching for the annual IAAAM auction. As announced last newsletter we would like to post an advance peek at some of the items for this year's auction on the web site. Now that the Holidays have wound-down and you have a surplus of gift items around- - why not donate them to the cause? "Re-gifting" is appropriate here! Items can be shipped in advance to the Sea Life Center, P.O. Box 1329, Seward, AK 99664, marked "Attn: IAAAM Auction" and any photos can be sent to Bill Van Bonn ([Bill.VanBonn@iaaam.org](mailto:Bill.VanBonn@iaaam.org)) so we can get them on the web site. Remember, we hope to break the Texas record!



## Call for Student Travel Award Applications--Last Call!

by Tracy Romano, Student Liason

The Student Liaison Committee has been appropriated the sum of \$2000.00 to award to students intending to deliver **oral** presentations at the annual IAAAM conference in May 2005. The intentions of the awards are to defray the cost of travel to the 14 - 18 May 2005 conference in Seward, Alaska to promote student participation in the professional program, and to further the commitment of the IAAAM to its students. Moneys will be awarded on a competitive basis, with the goal of supporting as many students as possible. Undergraduate students, Masters and PhD students, veterinary students, veterinary interns/residents, and postdocs are eligible. The requirements for all applicants include the following:

1. A cover letter that describes the future plans of the applicant with regard to aquatic animal medicine.
2. A copy of the abstract of the paper to be presented. This abstract must not exceed 500 words in length. Only abstracts will be considered.
3. Curriculum vitae and two (2) letters of recommendation, one of which must be from an active member of the IAAAM.
4. An itemized budget that details the travel expenditures (i.e. airfare, lodging, meals, etc) and indicates the funds available from student stipends and personal resources.
5. The student presenter must be a member (with dues paid up-to-date) of the IAAAM.

The Education Member of the IAAAM Executive Board and the Student Liaison Committee will review the applications. Applicants will be ranked according to judgement criteria that will include: the quality of the written abstract (500 words or less), the justification/significance of the work, the complexity of the work relative to the student's academic achievements, and the commitment of the student to aquatic animal medicine. The intent of the Student Liaison Committee and the Executive Board is to fund as many students as possible, beginning with the highest ranked and continuing through the list of ranked applicants until the appropriated funds have been exhausted. No awards will exceed \$500.00. The rankings will be determined from the entire pool of applicants; separate awards for different academic classes of applicants (i.e. undergraduate, graduate, veterinary) will not be offered.

The deadline for receipt of the original signed applications is January 15, 2005. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered. Recipients will be contacted by March 1, 2004. **Students submitting abstracts for the travel award competition must separately submit their presentation for acceptance into the conference proceedings.** The Secretary/Treasurer of the IAAAM will be notified and will send checks to the successful applicants. The Student Liaison Committee and the IAAAM Executive Board welcome this opportunity to assist deserving students.

Candidates should send their application information to the following address:

Tracy Romano, PhD  
Vice President of Research & Veterinary Services  
Mystic Aquarium & Institute for Exploration  
55 Coogan Blvd.  
Mystic, CT 06355  
Phone: (860)-572-5955 Ext. 102  
FAX: (860)-572-5972 E-Mail: [tr romano@mysticaquarium.org](mailto:tr romano@mysticaquarium.org)

The following judgment criteria will be used to evaluate applications submitted for the 2005 IAAAM student awards:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b><u>Abstract (500 words or less)</u></b>		<b>50</b>
Quality of the written abstract	20	
Definition of hypothesis and objectives	5	
Justification	5	
Design	5	
Results or observations	5	
Conclusions	5	
Complexity and academic achievement	5	
<b><u>Cover Letter</u></b>		<b>15</b>
Definition of long term goals	15	
<b><u>Curriculum Vitae</u></b>		<b>15</b>
Commitment to aquatic animal medicine	15	
<b><u>Letters of Recommendation</u></b>		<b>15</b>
<b><u>Budget</u></b>		<b>5</b>
Realistic and justified	5	
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>		<b>100</b>

The Student Liaison Committee and the IAAAM Executive Board welcome this opportunity to assist deserving students.

**Note** also that the Student Liason Committee will once again sponsor the IAAAM Annual Student Workshop one evening of the conference.

## **IAAAM Representation on AVMA Committees**

A correction to the previous newsletter was made by Dr. David Scarfe, who pointed out that IAAAM representation on AVMA Committees listed routinely on the final page of the newsletter is as committee members rather than as liaisons. Committee members have a vote, while liaisons on these committees play a passive role and simply relay information between entities. It is important for IAAAM members to recognize that members of AVMA Committees and Councils are charged with addressing numerous issues from IAAAM's perspective and play an important, vital and active role in determining the direction of the veterinary profession. If you have any questions or comments that pertain to IAAAM's role and voice in the AVMA Animal Agricultural Liason Committee (Stephen Smith, Roy Yanong), the Committee on Environmental Issues (Cindy Driscoll), the Steering Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance (Craig Harms) or the Food Safety Advisory Committee (Kathleen Hartman), contact the appropriate committee member representing IAAAM.

That said, the AVMA Executive Board approved a recommendation of the Governance Performance Review Committee that the Executive Board sunset the Steering Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance at the end of the 2004-2005 Association year. The background of the recommendation states, "The SCAR was initially established in response to a request from the FDA for the AVMA to take the initiative in preventing the promulgation of rules that would severely limit the use of antimicrobials by veterinarians. Therefore, based on its findings and subsequent deliberation, the GRPC believes that the entity has met its charge. The GRPC recommends that a task force be convened as necessary to address further antimicrobial resistance issues, and that the charge of SCAR be referred as appropriate, to the Food Safety Advisory Committee [editor's note: represented by Kathleen Hughes Hartman for IAAAM]." In response to a comment that the FSAC does not have representation of companion animal veterinarians and that resistance in companion animals is emerging as an issue, the response was that there is a consultant budget line item that can be used as necessary. The next and last meeting of SCAR will be March 16-17, 2005.

Cindy Driscoll reports that the Committee on Environmental Issues is likely to be downsized, but IAAAM will continue to be represented on the restructured committee.

## **Aquatic Mammals Reviewers Wanted**

The Editor of Aquatic Mammals needs veterinarians to serve as reviewers for research papers on marine mammals. If you are interested, please contact Jeanette Thomas (J-Thomas@wiu.edu).

## **Koi Health Survey**

Shannon Kozlowicz, a doctoral student in the laboratory of Jay Levine at NCSU-CVM, is conducting a koi health survey on line, at <http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/surveybuilder/Form.cfm?testID=1416>. If you keep or treat koi, please consider completing the survey. All of your responses will be kept confidential and will help identify management or environmental practices that may affect the health of koi. The results of this work will be used to make recommendations that will help improve koi husbandry and support the efforts of koi hobbyists and producers to sustain the health of US koi populations.

## **Guide to Drug, Vaccine, and Pesticide Use in Aquaculture**

The Guide to Drug, Vaccine, and Pesticide Use in Aquaculture is available online and in pdf at <http://www.aquanic.org/jsa/wgqaap/drugguide/drugguide.htm> (January 2004 Revision).

## Proceedings for Sale

Extra printed versions of some previous IAAAM Proceedings are still available for \$25 (postage included) while they last. Send requests along with shipping address and payment (check made out to IAAAM) to Lisa Mazzaro, IAAAM Secretary, Mystic Aquarium, 55 Coogan Blvd., Mystic, CT 06355.

## Upcoming Meetings and Education Opportunities

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| 14 - 19 May 2005      | <b>IAAAM</b> , Seward, Alaska.<br>Abstracts due 14 February 2005, abstract submission and registration forms available at <a href="http://www.iaaam.org/">http://www.iaaam.org/</a>                        |
| 20 - 25 May 2006      | <b>IAAAM</b> , Riviera Maya, Mexico.   |
| 16 - 22 January 2005  | Sea Turtle Symposium, Savannah, Georgia<br>( <a href="http://www.seaturtle.org/symposium/">http://www.seaturtle.org/symposium/</a> )   |
| May 15 - June 11 2005 | AQUAVET® I & II, Woods Hole, Massachusetts<br>( <a href="http://www.aquavet.info">http://www.aquavet.info</a> )  |
| 13 - 17 June 2005     | 30th Annual Eastern Fish Health Workshop, Shepherdstown, West Virginia. Contact Rocco Cipriano (rocco_cipriano@usgs.gov).  |
| 26 June - 1 July 2005 | 54th Annual Meeting of the Wildlife Disease Association<br>Cairns, Queensland, Australia<br>( <a href="http://wildlifedisease.org">http://wildlifedisease.org</a> )  |
| 16 - 20 July 2005     | 142nd American Veterinary Medical Association Convention in conjunction with 28th World Veterinary Congress, Minneapolis, Minnesota ( <a href="http://www.avmaconvention.org">www.avmaconvention.org</a> ) |
| 16 - 21 October 2005  | Annual Meeting of the American Association of Zoo Veterinarians<br>Omaha, Nebraska<br>( <a href="http://aazv.org/meetings.htm">http://aazv.org/meetings.htm</a> )  |

## **IAAAM Membership Information**

<http://www.iaaam.org/memberinfo.htm>

Complete membership information is available at the link above, which includes downloadable new membership/renewal forms to accompany payment.

Membership is available in the following categories:

**FULL MEMBER** – Persons contributing to the advancement of, or devoting a portion of their professional activities to, aquatic animal medicine practice, research, teaching or management. \$40.00/year.

**STUDENT MEMBER** – Students having an interest in veterinary practice, research, husbandry, management or conservation of aquatic animals. Student membership is open to all full-time undergraduate, graduate, veterinary and postdoctoral students enrolled in formal programs at academic and comparable institutions as well as individuals enrolled in full time internships and residencies. \$25.00/year.

**SUSTAINING MEMBER/ ASSOCIATION** – Individuals, institutions or associations which make significant financial contributions(\$250 or more) to sustain the IAAAM. (Contact Treasurer for additional information).

**LIBRARY/INSTITUTION MEMBER** - Libraries and institutions wishing to receive our newsletters and meeting proceedings. \$60.00/year.

Payment is due by July 1<sup>st</sup>, each year. If paying by check, be sure to make your check payable to “**IAAAM.**” If someone other than you pays dues in your organization, be certain s/he notes the change of address and pay-to note (IAAAM) above. Please send your completed membership form and payment to:

Tom Reidarson, DVM  
SeaWorld of California  
500 SeaWorld Drive  
San Diego, California 92109  
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