



# PVTA E- News

## Mission Statement

To promote the advancement of certified veterinary technicians and all members of the veterinary team by providing professional development opportunities, serving as their leading advocate, and enhancing public awareness of the exemplary and compassionate care provided to animals by the veterinary profession.



**PVTA UPDATE**  
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It has been a busy and exciting year so far for the Pennsylvania Veterinary Technicians Association (PVTA). Our Spring Conference was held at Harcum College in April. A total of 86 technicians, assistants, staff and students were in attendance. In August the PVTA also co-sponsored with the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association the Keystone Vet Conference (KVC) in Hershey. While in Hershey for the conference we held our PVTA Annual Meeting where we announced our ballot results for the 2009 Slate of Officers and Executive Board of Directors. We are pleased to announce that our new officers for 2009 President will be Karla Carlisle, CVT, RLAT, President Elect - Danielle Simmons, CVT and Vice-President - Brandy Terry, CVT, VTS (ECC). Congratulations to our new officers. We are looking forward to your knowledge and ideas as you take us into another exciting year with the PVTA. We also added two new Executive Board members to our existing group of talented and experience technicians. Tara Perry and Leslie Sheppard were voted to the Executive Board. Congratulations to the both of you, we also look forward to your input as we head into a new year.

Keeping in mind that this is our year for re-certification as technicians in Pennsylvania, we will be providing you with your last chance to obtain the educational credits required; therefore, the organization will be providing one more CE event this year. Our last conference planned for the year will be to host a technician's track in conjunction with the PVMA, Three Rivers Veterinary Conference in Pittsburgh, Saturday Nov. 1st. Our scheduled presenters will be speaking on Exotic Pet Medicine, Canine & Feline Nutrition and Nutritional diseases and a session on CSI for Critical Care (sponsored by Heska and VTEC). We hope you will find time in your busy schedule to attend. It has been an honor to serve as President of the organization this year. I will continue the pace to the end of the year then pass the torch to our next year's president Karla Carlisle who will bring her experience in lab animal medicine and veterinary technology as she supports our continued growth as an organization. I look forward to seeing you in Pittsburgh.



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