



JUNE 25-27  
DELTA HOTELS HELENA COLONIAL  
HELENA, MT

Montana Veterinary Medical Association

# 2026 Summer Meeting & Trade Show

## ▪ Meeting Information ▪

14 Continuing Education Credits | Trade Show Featuring our Allied Partners

### Pre-Registration—by June 8

- MVMA Members—\$449/MVMA Life Members—\$409
- Non-MVMA Members—\$595
- Technicians/Office Staff—\$245
- Single-Day Registration available

### After June 8 or On-Site Registration

- MVMA Members—\$499/MVMA Life Members—\$449
- Non-MVMA Members—\$645
- Technicians/Office Staff—\$295

### Free for Students or Life Members (no CE)

- Pre-registration is required; any meal tickets must be purchased.

### Ways to Register:

- **Online:** Fast, easy and secure. Complete registration form and pay by credit card or invoice at [mtvma.org](http://mtvma.org).
- **Mail:** Complete the registration form on page 13 and mail with payment to: MVMA, PO Box 6322, Helena, MT 59604.

**Proceedings:** Proceedings will be available online prior to the meeting. *Printed proceedings will not be made available at the meeting.*

**CE Certificates:** Once attendance is verified, CE certificates will be sent to attendees within two weeks of the meeting.

**Questions?** On the web: [mtvma.org](http://mtvma.org) | Email: [info@mtvma.org](mailto:info@mtvma.org) | Phone: 406.447.4259

## ▪ Pre-Meeting Tour of the Montana Heritage Center ▪

*Thursday, June 25: 9:30 am & 3 pm.*

Helena is the proud home of the all-new [Montana Heritage Center](#). Come explore the places, people, and ideas that shaped our state from ancient to modern history. The museum offers free one-hour tours as a great introduction to the museum's three galleries and public spaces. Highlighting historical themes and the physical design of the building, learn background information that will deepen your own exploration of the exhibits in the Montana Heritage Center. | Duration: 1 hour | Limited to 22 participants. *Pre-registration is required on the [Montana Heritage Center website](#).* Check out the MHC website for other tours and time slots, too!

## ▪ Room Reservations ▪

The block of rooms at Delta Hotels Helena Colonial (2301 Colonial Drive) has expired, although a limited number of rooms may still be available at a higher rate. Call the hotel at 406-443-2100 or 1-866-211-4604 to inquire.

Other area hotels (within 1 block of the Delta):

**Special thanks to Dr. Barr Gustafson, MVMA president and chair of the 2026 MVMA Summer Meeting. We are grateful for all of his time and dedication toward making the Summer Meeting a success!**

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## Thursday, June 25

11:00 am-2:00 pm **MVMA Executive Board Meeting**

3:00 **Montana Heritage Center Tour**  
225 N. Roberts St., Helena

6:30 pm **Welcome Steak Fry**  
Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds Picnic Shelter  
*All are welcome to a casual and relaxing evening and delicious complimentary steak barbeque to kick off the Summer Meeting.*

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## Friday, June 26

6:30-8:00 am **Registration**

7:00-8:00 am **Breakfast Buffet**

8:00 am-12:00 Noon

**Small Animal Session 4.0 CE**

*Marcie Logsdon, DVM, CWR – Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Associate Professor - Exotics and Wildlife*

- Safe restraint and blood collection in reptiles and amphibians.
- Safe restraint and blood collection in parrots
- Safe restraint and blood collection in exotic companion animals.
- Aww...nuts! How to spay and neuter your exotic companion animals.

**Large Animal Session 4.0 CE**

*Todd Gunderson, DVM, MS, DACVPM – Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Clinical Assistant Professor- Beef Production Medicine*

- Sperm Defects that Keep Me Up at Night: Critical Nuances of Bull Fertility Evaluation
- No Bull: Using the Results of Breeding Soundness Evaluation to Make Sound Recommendations
- Success Factors for Rural Practice

12:00 Noon-1:30 pm **Trade Show Opening/Lunch Buffet**

1:30-5:30 pm **Small Animal Session 4.0 CE**

*Marcie Logsdon, DVM, CWR – Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Associate Professor - Exotics and Wildlife*

- Pet poultry basics
- Facilitating Falconers: Treating performance raptors and accommodating a unique clientele
- What to do when wildlife walks in the door

**Large Animal Session 4.0 CE**

*Michael J. Huber, DVM, MS, DACVS – Oregon State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Associate Professor - Large Animal Surgery*

## Equine Surgical Topics:

- Did I Do Enough? Use of Regional Limb Perfusion (RLP) to Prevent/Treat Synovial Infection
- Make Standing Surgery Enjoyable with Continuous Rate Infusion (CRI) of Sedation
- Quick Ocular Topics - Standing Enucleation and Nasolacrimal Duct Surgery
- Female Reproductive Surgery for the Practitioner (Rectovaginal Tears, Urine Pooling, Poor Urogenital Conformation)

Afternoon

**Breaks in Trade Show**

6:00-7:00 pm

**Social Hour in Trade Show**

*Unwind and socialize with conference attendees after the day's meetings.*

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7:00-9:00 pm

**Awards Banquet and Musical Entertainment by Bruce Anfinson**

*This evening's festivities will include dinner, recognition of Montana's legacy DVM licensees, and lively entertainment featuring "Montana's Musical Ambassador" Bruce Anfinson.*

## Saturday, June 27

6:30-8:00 am

**Registration**

7:00-8:00 am

**Trade Show/Breakfast Buffet**

8:00 am-12:00 Noon

**Small Animal Session 4.0 CE**

*Lori Teller, DVM, DABVP (canine/feline), CVJ – Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine, Former Associate Professor of Telehealth; current TVMA Executive Director*

### • Telemedicine: How Can I Implement It in Practice?

Telehealth can be a tremendous tool in reducing barriers to veterinary care, especially for those with geographic, transportation, or mobility issues that make it harder to access care. There are some significant ways that telehealth can be used in practice, and also some areas where telehealth cannot replace in-person consultations.

### • Webside Manner: The Art of Telemedicine

We all know that veterinary medicine is both an art and a science. Communication via electronic means brings its own challenges and requires some specific know-how to be most effective when providing veterinary care virtually.

### • Ethical Issues with Veterinary Telehealth

Veterinary telehealth is a tool that can improve access-to-care and provide convenience to animal owners. It can also lead to fragmented care, delayed or missed diagnoses, and inappropriate prescribing. This session will review the ethical considerations around using veterinary telehealth.

### • AI and Emerging Technologies in Veterinary Medicine

This session will review the current and future role of evolving technologies and artificial intelligence in veterinary medicine, and the role that these have in improving animal health and welfare, as

**Saturday, June 27 (continued)**

well as the potential impacts on how we practice veterinary medicine.

8:00 am-12:00 Noon

**Large Animal Session 4.0 CE**

**Bob Sager, DVM, PhD, DABVP-Beef Cattle** – *Medicine Creek Nutrition, Founder/Lead Consultant*

- **Beef Cattle Nutrition Topics**

Morning **Break In Trade Show**

10:00 am **Trade Show Closes/Exhibitor Break-Down**

Noon-1:30 pm **Lunch Buffet/Annual Membership Meeting**  
*This session will include election of officers, as well as association and industry updates.*

2:00-4:00 pm **Large/Mixed Animal Session 2.0 CE**  
**Larry Oxenham** - *American Society for Asset Protection (ASAP) Senior Advisor*

**Improved Patient Care through Lawsuit Protection & Prevention for Veterinarians**

- Maintaining focus on improved patient care rather than lawsuit defense
- Structure practice for lawsuit protection and prevention
- Reduce liability insurance costs
- Minimize taxes

**Small Animal Session 2.0 CE**

**Brittney Byer, DVM, MS, DACVS** – *Associate Veterinarian, Sentinel Veterinary Specialists-Missoula, MT*

- **Medical Management of Arthritis**
- **Acute Abdomens/Difficult Abdominal Surgeries**

Speakers

**Bruce Anfinson—Montana’s Musical Ambassador**

Bruce has traveled the world with his music, entertaining folks from all 50 states. He performed at the *Volk Fest* in Berlin, Germany, represented Montana at an international music festival in Taiwan and Japan and performed his music on Friendship Force tours in Thailand and Costa Rica. His music has been featured on National Public Radio’s *All Things Considered* and he has performed on the American Public Radio program *Mountain Stage*, broadcast nationwide from Charleston, West Virginia.



A native of Great Falls, Bruce grew up playing the guitar. Now he makes his home in Helena, recording in his personal studio and performing in the summers at his [Last Chance Ranch](#), where he offers a wagon ride gourmet dinner at Montana’s largest tipi. In the winter, he can be found performing at the Lone Mountain Ranch at Big Sky and driving a team of Belgian Horses for the popular sleigh ride dinner.

**Brittney Byer, DVM, MS, DACVS—Associate Veterinarian, Sentinel Veterinary Specialists & Emergency**



Dr. Byer began working in the veterinary medical field when she was in high school outside of Houston, Texas, and always knew she wanted to pursue a degree in veterinary medicine. She moved to Colorado where she completed her undergraduate degree, master’s degree, and

doctorate of Veterinary Medicine at Colorado State University.

Following veterinary school, Dr. Byer completed a one-year medicine and surgery internship at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, followed by a surgical residency at the University of Missouri.

Dr. Byer knew she had to get back to mountain living, so she and her husband decided to make the move to Montana and join the team at Sentinel Veterinary Specialists. She enjoys all aspects of small animal surgery, but has a specific interest in orthopedics and fracture repair, minimally invasive procedures, and thoracic surgery. In her spare time, she enjoys snowboarding, kayaking, cycling and hiking with her husband and two dogs.

**Todd Gunderson, DVM, MS, DACVPM—Clinical Assistant Professor, Beef Production Medicine, Kansas State University**

Dr. Gunderson received his bachelor’s in Chemical Engineering from Brigham Young University and his DVM from Washington State University. He completed a master’s in Veterinary Epidemiology from Mississippi State University and is a diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine.



As professor, his current teaching topics include issues in rural practice, cow-calf production medicine, rural business practice skills and beef production medicine. Clinical interests include Beef Production Medicine, Dairy Production Medicine, Equine Medicine, Epidemiology, Disease Outbreak Investigation and Small Animal Emergency Medicine.

## Speakers continued from previous page

### **Michael J. Huber, DVM, MS, DACVS—Professor, Large Animal Surgery—Oregon State University Carlson College of Veterinary Medicine**

Dr. Huber is a graduate of the University of California-Davis College of Veterinary Medicine, and completed a surgical residency at Oregon State University Carlson College of Veterinary Medicine. He has been a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons since 1994.

Currently a professor of large animal surgery at Oregon State, Dr. Huber's areas of focus include Equine and food animal orthopedic and urogenital surgery, arthroscopy, laparoscopy and general llama surgery.



### **Marcie Logsdon, DVM, CWR—Associate Professor, Exotics and Wildlife—Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine**

Dr. Logsdon is an Associate Professor at Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine, where she has been a faculty member since 2014. She earned her Bachelor of Science in 2008 and her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 2012, both from WSU. In 2017, she began collaborating with the University of Minnesota's Partners for Wildlife initiative, a program focused on enhancing animal welfare in wildlife rehabilitation. She serves as the intern supervisor for the WSU branch of this program.

In addition to her work at WSU, Dr. Logsdon has run a deer rehabilitation facility on her property since 2022, and she is currently the only licensed wildlife rehabilitator for deer in eastern Washington. She is member of the board for the Washington Wildlife Rehabilitators Association and she also serves on the Advisory Council of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Dr. Logsdon is dedicated to education and outreach, regularly presenting at both regional and national veterinary conferences. Her commitment to continuing education led to her being named the 2024 Continuing Educator of the Year by the Viticus Group at the Western Veterinary Conference.

### **Larry Oxenham - Senior Advisor—American Society for Asset Protection**

Larry Oxenham is one of America's top asset protection experts, having helped thousands of doctors achieve financial peace of mind by teaching them how to properly structure their assets for lawsuit protection and tax reduction. He has authored and co-authored several articles and books on the subject including *The Asset Protection Bible* and *How to*



*Achieve Financial Peace of Mind through Asset Protection.* His career has been credited with helping thousands of people save millions of dollars. Larry Oxenham is a nationally recognized speaker who has trained thousands of professionals at hundreds of conventions, conferences and seminars across the country.

### **Robert Sager, DVM, MS, PhD, DABVP-Beef Cattle—Founder and Lead Consultant, Medicine Creek Nutrition**

Dr. Sager received his DVM from Colorado State, and holds a master's of science and PhD in beef cattle nutrition. He is a diplomate in the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners-Beef Cattle.

With more than three decades of experience working with beef cattle and veterinarians, Dr. Sager is the driving force behind Medicine Creek Nutrition. He has mentored more than 243 veterinary students and served as a senior veterinarian for a major international beef operation. He combines practical knowledge with a deep understanding of cattle nutrition. He has spent years studying micro-mineral nutrition and its effects on the immune system of beef cattle. Dr. Sager is passionate about improving herd health through science-based nutritional strategies, ensuring that every client receives solutions tailored to their unique needs.

Dr. Sager is a life member of MVMA, past board member, and current chair of the Eulogy Committee.



### **Lori M. Teller, DVM, DAVBP-Canine/Feline—Executive Director/CEO, Texas Veterinary Medical Association**

Dr. Teller is a graduate of Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine, and a board-certified diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners in Canine and Feline Practice. She has worked at Meyerland Animal Clinic for many years, starting at the age of 12. Additionally, she has been a Clinical Professor at TAMU, where she served as Chief of Primary Care Services and oversaw the veterinary telehealth program.

Dr. Teller has been awarded grants to address access-to-care and Spectrum of Care issues in the veterinary profession, and she has authored several articles on veterinary telemedicine, primary care services, and spectrum of care.

Dr. Teller has served as president of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association and the American Veterinary Medical Association and is currently the Vice-President of ABVP. As of June 1, she is the new Executive Director and CEO of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association. She has a monthly radio spot in Houston, discussing veterinary care for pets and continues to mentor veterinary students and recent graduates.



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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title (DVM, PhD, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
As it should appear on your name badge

Clinic \_\_\_\_\_ First CE meeting?  Yes  No

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total of 14 CE Hours	After June 8	Your Fee (includes meals)
MVMA or VMA Member of Other State (not practicing in Montana)	\$499	
MVMA Life Member Requesting CE	\$449	
Non VMA Member	\$645	
<input type="checkbox"/> Technician <input type="checkbox"/> Office Manager	\$295	
<input type="checkbox"/> Life Member <input type="checkbox"/> Student <b>No CE Awarded</b>	free	Free (select meals below)

Friday: 8 CE Hours	Saturday: 6 CE Hours	After June 8	Your Fee (includes meals)
MVMA or VMA Member of Other State	Check: <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	\$410	
MVMA Life Member Requesting CE	Check: <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	\$370	
Non VMA Member	Check: <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	\$555	
<input type="checkbox"/> Technician <input type="checkbox"/> Office Manager	Check: <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	\$255	
<input type="checkbox"/> Life Member <input type="checkbox"/> Student <b>No CE Awarded</b>	Check: <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	free	Free (select meals below)

Guest/Life/Student Meals	Guest Name:	Meal Fees – Life, Students, Guests ONLY
Both Days – all meals		\$185
One Day Check: <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	Friday only	\$120
	Saturday only	\$80
Thursday Evening Steak Fry <small>Sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim/MWI Animal Health</small>		No charge
Friday Trade Show Social/Dinner Banquet <b>ONLY</b>		\$55

Please let us know if you and/or your guest have any dietary restrictions:

Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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- Super 8 by Wyndham Helena: 406-443-2450
- Fairfield by Marriott Inn & Suites Helena: 406-449-9944

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