

## **It's not too late to apply for a 2019 HSVMA Compassionate Care Scholarship!**

HSVMA will be accepting applications for the Compassionate Care Scholarship until May 31, 2019. If you have demonstrated a commitment to animal welfare while in vet school and are a first-, second- or third-year student who attends an AVMA-accredited vet school within the US or Canada (and Ross and St. George's!), you could be eligible for a \$3000, \$2000 or \$1500 scholarship. Read more about the application requirements and apply on our [webpage](#). You can read about the amazing accomplishments of last year's scholarship recipients [here](#). Please help us spread the word by sharing this [flyer](#) with eligible students on your campus. Any inquiries can be directed to Heather Schrader at [hschrader@hsvma.org](mailto:hschrader@hsvma.org)



*Kelly Dulli, 2018's second place recipient*

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## **New Student Animal Welfare Scholars (SAWS) Program**

HSVMA has received very generous grants from the Kislak Family Foundation and Spring Point Partners to start a program which offers stipends to veterinary students who plan to do animal welfare-related research. The Student Animal Welfare Scholars (SAWS) Program will award four \$7000 stipends to veterinary students from AVMA-accredited veterinary schools in North America for animal welfare research projects. Two of these stipends must be used for research related to puppy mills, and students will have the opportunity to



travel to [National Mill Dog Rescue](#) in Peyton, Colorado, in order to utilize their facility and database. All students will be expected to work full time for a 10-week period and complete their research during the summer, as well as write up and present their results in poster format at the HSVMA Animal Welfare Symposium, held during the fall term of the academic year. In order to apply for the stipends, students will have to identify a faculty member at their school (or at another accredited school) willing to mentor them. Any interested students can read more about the application requirements [here](#) and applications can be submitted to Heather Schrader at [hschrader@hsvma.org](mailto:hschrader@hsvma.org). The application deadline is June 15, 2019.

## HSVMA at Upcoming Conferences

HSVMA will be staffing tables at two conferences this summer. On July 27 and 28, we will be at the [Fred Scott Feline Symposium](#) at Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine. Come by our table and meet our HSVMA New York State Representative, Dr. Eileen Jefferson. HSVMA will also have a table in the exhibit hall at the [AVMA Convention](#) in Washington DC, August 3-5. We will be located at booth #2116. Dr. Jon Geller, HSVMA Colorado State Representative, will present a topic particularly popular among our veterinary student members, **Street Medicine: Providing Care to Pets of the Indigent**, on August 2 at 9 am. Dr. Michael Blackwell, one of our HSVMA board members, will be giving his popular talk, **Access to Veterinary Care: A National Veterinary Crisis**, on August 2 at 11 am. Both of these lectures are available for presentation at vet schools through our [Speakers Bureau](#). If you'd like to host either of these topics on your campus, please contact Heather Schrader at [hschrader@hsvma.org](mailto:hschrader@hsvma.org)



*Heather Schrader, HSVMA Program Manager of Student Outreach, and Dr. Michael Blackwell at AVMA 2018*

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## Veterinary Student Externships in Spay/Neuter Clinic

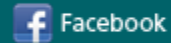
If you are a student looking to gain experience with high-quality high-volume spay/neuter, look no further! [Spay Arkansas](#) is looking for veterinary student externs. Spay Arkansas was founded in



2007 and their clinic in Springdale opened its doors in 2011. Since that time, they have performed over 37,000 sterilization surgeries, thereby preventing the birth of tens of thousands of unwanted pets. The medical director and HSVMA Arkansas State Representative, Dr. Eric Jayne, is an expert at high-volume sterilization procedures. Surgeries are primarily performed at the clinic 2-3 days per week with an average of 40-50 surgeries per day. There are also opportunities available to work in 3-day MASH style clinics in underserved communities. These clinics generally perform 100-150 surgeries per day depending upon the number of veterinarians working. For more information about externship opportunities, please contact Romaine Kobilsek, Board President, at [kobilsekr@hotmail.com](mailto:kobilsekr@hotmail.com) or Dr. Eric Jayne at [denalinorthside@yahoo.com](mailto:denalinorthside@yahoo.com)



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