

NORTHERN VIRGINIA VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

NVVMA

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**FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR:
September 29, 2021**

Maggiano's Restaurant • Tysons Corner, VA

Cocktails 7 pm • Dinner/Meeting 8 pm

NOTES FOR 2021

- All 2020 memberships are extended through December 2021 without additional dues payments.
 - Current members should complete and return a registration form if their contact information has changed.
 - New members may register using the Current/New Member Information Form to receive our email notices.
- Dues payment will not be required until the dinner meeting schedule is confirmed.

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2020 has been the year that just keeps on giving. Here is hoping that 2021 will be a better one for all of us. In that spirit, we're not asking individuals to renew their memberships as they will automatically rollover from 2020 and continue through December 2021. However, if you would like to include new associates or colleagues on our email list, please provide names and contact information. Once we've confirmed that we will hold meetings in the Fall, we can work out the membership fee for those folks and reach out to them to see if they are interested in joining us.

Your board consists of myself, Leslie Sinn (Behavior Solutions for Pets) as President, Kendall Taney (Center for Veterinary Dentistry & Surgery) as VP, Montine Mansell (RVRC) as Treasurer, Andrea VanSchoick (FDA) as Secretary. Our immediate past president is Julie Wentzel (Market Street). Our new VVMA representative for the Northern Virginia Region (not a board position) is Abigail Bingaman (Chantilly Animal Hospital).

I joined the NVVMA many years ago based on the recommendation of a mentor, and have found it to be a wonderful way to connect with colleagues and stay current on issues

impacting veterinary medicine in our region. It is the Board's sincere hope that we will be able to return to in person networking this Fall. The tentative dates for the 2021 Fall Dinners are as follows:

Wednesday, September 29;
Tuesday, October 26 (Social Dinner);
Wednesday, November 17. Stay tuned for further updates.

Although we have all had our fill of Zoom and other virtual meetings, there has been some interest from the membership in pursuing CE in the areas of interest that aren't always addressed adequately, such as: inclusivity, the roll of the veterinarian in recognizing and reporting abuse, self-care, suicide prevention, personal finances and debt management as well as other wellness topics. We have tentatively reached out to the DC Academy Board to combine our resources and work towards a joint virtual meeting. If you have any interest in a specific topic, let us know. If you can recommend a particular speaker, please do so! Contact any of the board members listed above or our Executive Director, Larry Koffer, (novavma@aol.com) to share your thoughts and ideas.

Leslie Sinn, President

TENTATIVE NVVMA 2021 Meeting Schedule

September 29 -Wednesday

Maggiano's Restaurant
Tysons Corner
7 pm Cocktails, 8 pm Dinner

October 26 - Tuesday

Passion Fish Restaurant
Reston Town Center
6:30 pm Cocktails,
7:30 pm Dinner
Significant Others/+1s Invited

November 17 -Wednesday

Peking Gourmet Inn
Falls Church
7 pm Cocktails, 8 pm Dinner