BCVTA NEWSLETTER

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RVT Month 2026: Celebrating Every Year, Every Role, Every RVT



Service Awards recognize continuous years of professional registration or licensure as an RVT. BCVTA is proud to recognize Registered Veterinary Technologists for their years of service and commitment to animal health and welfare.

Thank you for your dedication to the veterinary profession!

5 YEARS

Shaine Marv Avanda, Alexia Arnold, Jaime Bain, Juli Bellenfeldter, Taylor Bodell, Alysha Bertsen, Sarah Berreth, Kristen Bisaillon, Kristen Bond, Hailey Braun, Chloe Burton, Kelsey Cabana, Vanessa Cabrita, Breeanna Caldwell, Melissa Campbell, Kwon Chan, Jessica Chapman-Chan, Anna Chen, Christina Cimmino, Gracie Combs, Alex Devine, Jessica Dickinson, Jordie Duck, Noelle Eddington, Gabrielle F. Y. Romano, Grace Fecht, Jessica Fedoruk, Matthew Ford, Kelsey Griko-Jordan, Jeanie Hall, Madison Harper, Jessica Hayes, Shyana Hofman, Kylie Hura, Allison Jones, Katarina Jones, Kelly Jones, Brianna Kuard, Erin Kriskovich, Alesha Kurz, Chi Yun Lee, Jessica Lewis, Laura Macro, Sophia Madalena, Heather Marsh, Polina Maypuk, Kelly McCann, Rebecca Hilman-Sohnsa, Kaaira Newman, Julia Nordquist, Cassandra Norton, Kelly Nuttall, Daniel O'Hara, Sydney Plug, Alanna Powell, Quinn Proudfoot, Amy Rasmussen, Anna Sawchuk, Amelia Samra, Kiire Sewayr, Trisha Sora, Jessica Spargo, Hiruni St Perre, Cadence Straus, Helene Struch, Ashley Tait, Kelly Thomasson, Rachel Thon, Meng Jie Tsai, Elizabeth Underhill, Kelli-ann der Voort, Jessica Vandenberg, Morgan Waadyson, Hilary Weber Hall, Kristina Wong, Vivian Yam, Jessica Yanotic, Kathy Yu

10 YEARS

Maggie Barnes, Shelby Beaumont, Laura Bowman, Melissa Blackmore, Margaretha Boer, Kyla Buttler, Karie Decoran, Mackenzie Denoon, Jessica Dickinson, Meghan Dolf, Katherine Geller, Terri Gillespie, Vanessa Hanbury, Brandi Heritage, Lei Huang, Keely Jackson, Kelsey Jorgensen, Gabriela Krizkova, Christina Kubelka, Jessica Lapp, Chloe Lee, Tracy Lofgren, Tori Longman, Kendra Luckow, Candiann Martin, Kelsey McCurdy, Brittany Myhre, Francesca Norton-Hall, Meghan O'Grady, Kelly Pearce, Hannah Patterson, Leah Pharoah, Danielle Piper, Natalie Reid, Jessica Robson, Julia Rubson, Eva Rumme, Jamie Russell, Kaitlyn Sammut, Alesshia Sangara, Shelbi Schuh, Krista Seiger, Kelly Shandruch, Nikki Sowles, Jessica Stewart, Shadene Surtia, Kaitlin Tottenham, Kelsey Vanderhoek, Victoria Vanhemmen, Alisha Wilson, Colton Zacharias

15 YEARS

Samantha Bilodeau, Erin Cline, Heather Connett, Danielle De Benedetto, Kevin Dobos, Twyla Dreidar, Melissa Filippatos, Jessica Fraser-Williams, Claire Hamilton, Michelle Heil, Nevada Hewitt, Lisa Horte, Nicole Jackson, Jessica Jamieson, Alexa Kolaj, Kate Lankhine, Shannon Leitch, Christine Lellner, Jessica Lewis, Rachael Mailer, Jade Maser, Laurel Moose, Lisa Neumeyer-Cyvile, Jessica Nicol, Deidra Kate Orchard, Stephanie Parsons, Kelsey Petrulka, Alison Prosol, Kelsey Rathbone, Karmen Sit, Stephanie Sterling, Johanna Stolp, Elana Strachan, Jessica Sutton, Melissa Taylor, Kym Tyson, Sarah Underwood, Lindsay Van Barneveld, Natalie Vanderhoek, Natalie Williamson, Alisoha Wilson, Iris Wong

20 YEARS

Corinne Abbott, Lindsayan Arturial, Kris Andrews, Tara Bell, Jennifer Barrett, Brittney Backus, Jessica Bowsfield, Kelly Chopodaido, Lucy Courtieu, Pamela D'Ippolito, Corbie Fagan, Jennifer Fraser-Fayant, Stephanie Hains, Vilma Heinrichs, Leslie Kennedy, Alisha Klar, Jennifer Lee, Jessica Mackillican, Heather Mackinnon, Helene Nadia, Marti-Jolene Ottmann, Maegan Pettit, Amanda Profit, Christy Riehl, Kirsten Wilson, Jennifer Windsor, Jennifer Wolejko, Karri Caroline Rooke, Amanda Ross, Kristy Scharfe, Jennifer Scott-Hebert, Emily Van Beilen, Theresa Wong, Alyssa Yanicki

25 YEARS

Kristin Albers, Christine Bannerman, Christina El Hamdoui, Kristina Gansen, Nicole Garneau, Tiffany Gowing, Kelly Hamilton, Emma Jameson, Heather Kielsy, Tania Knowles, Jessica Mackillican, Heather Mackinnon, Helene Nadia, Marti-Jolene Ottmann, Maegan Pettit, Amanda Profit, Christy Riehl, Kirsten Wilson, Jennifer Windsor

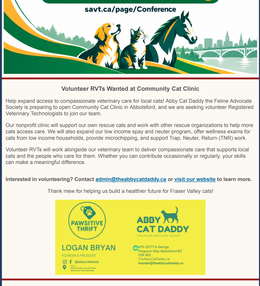
30 YEARS

Kari Campbell, Sherry Dorgan, Sherry Duncan, Tara Geiger, Nicole Jameson Fritz, Kelly Kozomchuk, Tracy Lee-Ann Wyatt, Julie Marie Elliott, Kristie Waddell, Sonia Walczak, RIT, Jan Wenger

35 YEARS

Rhonda Hildebrandt, Kelly Kozomchuk, Corrine Scobie, Tallemy Watson





RVT Month Giveaway

To celebrate Vet Tech Week, Euthabag is giving away **$1,000 in cash** to an active RVT!

Giveaway Details:

- **Prize:** $1,000 cash (CAD)
- **Dates:** October 1st to October 31st
- **Entry:** Fast & free (Name, credentials, and email only – No purchase necessary)
- **Eligibility:** All active Veterinary Technicians & Technologists in North America

Click Here to Enter!

Invitation to Participate:

Survey of Current and Former Workers and Volunteers in Animal-Related Fields: Moral, Emotional, and Relational Experiences in Animal-Connected Work

A new cross-sector study is documenting psychological well-being, moral injury, perpetration, and attrition across every kind of animal-connected work: shelter and rescue, veterinary medicine, animal control, farm animal and equine rescue, laboratory and research, wildlife and conservation, zoo and aquarium, animal search-and-rescue and k-9, companion animal services, pet cremation and aftercare, investigation and legal advocacy and media, breeding, and food systems.

If you currently work or volunteer (or have in the past) in a field where animals are a central aspect of your work, your experience belongs in this research.

Click here to participate!





Volunteer RVTs Wanted at Community Cat Clinic

Help expand access to compassionate veterinary care for local cats! Abby Cat Daddy the Feline Advocate Society is preparing to open Community Cat Clinic in Abbotsford, and we are seeking volunteer Registered Veterinary Technologists to join our team.

Our nonprofit clinic will support our own rescue cats and work with other rescue organizations to help more cats access care. We will also expand our low-income spay and neuter program, offer wellness exams for cats from low income households, provide microchipping, and support Trap, Neuter, Return (TNR) work.

Volunteer RVTs will work alongside our veterinary team to deliver compassionate care that supports local cats and the people who care for them. Whether you can contribute occasionally or regularly, your skills can make a meaningful difference.

Interested in volunteering? Contact **admin@theabbycatdaddy.ca** or **visit our website** to learn more.

Thank new for helping us build a healthier future for Fraser Valley cats!



Happy National Veterinary Technician Week!

Celebrating this year's NVTW theme:

Credentialed Veterinary Technicians: Endless Compassion, Expert Care; Celebrating the Soul of Veterinary Medicine.

In appreciation for all you do, we're offering a FREE 1 CE credit webinar during National Veterinary Technician Week. **Open to the entire veterinary team!**

Two live sessions make it easy for everyone to participate with a recording available for 30 days following the webinar.

Thursday, October 22 | 8:30 p.m. EST / 5:30 p.m. PST
Friday, October 23 | 12:00 p.m. EST / 9:00 a.m. PST



FREE 1 CE CREDIT WEBINAR

The 7 Habits of Good Death Dialogue

Build confidence, strengthen rapport, and make difficult conversations feel more natural.

Presented by:
Dr. Kathleen Cooney, DVM, CHPV, CPEV, DACAW

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Attendees will learn how to:

- Reflect on why communication during death is hard.
- Understand the 7 habits of good death dialogue.
- Increase trust with clients through stronger rapport building.

SCAN TO REGISTER FOR EITHER LIVE SESSION

Questions? Contact:

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Upcoming CE Events

- Nov 6-7 SAVT Annual Conference
- Nov 7-9 SVBC Fall Conference
- Dec 6-9 AAEVT 21st Annual Convention
- Jan 17-21, 2026 VMX Orlando
- Feb 15-18, 2026 WVC Las Vegas

Check out the website for more continuing education opportunities!

Keep an eye on the BCVTA Job Board for career opportunities!

Don't forget to update or add yourself to the locum directory!

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