



NEWSLETTER



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CETF Mission Statement:

Under the direction of the Idaho Board of Veterinary Medicine, the CETF's mission is to promote humane euthanasia of homeless, injured, sick, and unwanted animals by implementing and regulating professional standards at Certified Euthanasia Agencies.

The 2013 CET recertification trainings have been scheduled for:

Pocatello: Wednesday, March 13, 2013
Thursday, March 14, 2013 (chem capture)
Boise: Wednesday, April 10, 2013
8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Please see the list of required attendees on Page 2 of this newsletter

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The Certified Euthanasia Task Force (CETF) will periodically produce a newsletter specifically for Certified Euthanasia Technicians (CETs) employed by Certified Euthanasia Agencies (CEAs). Should you have topics that you would like to see addressed in the newsletter, please contact the Board office in Boise by phone at (208) 332-8588, email as above, fax at (208) 334-2170, or mail as listed above.

NEW CETF APPOINTEES

At its April 23, 2012 meeting, the Board of Veterinary Medicine appointed one new member to the CETF. The new member is Marcia Matsuura, DVM. Dr. Matsuura has provided a short bio for our newsletter:

Hi, I'm Marcia Matsuura, and I own and operate a house-call practice in southeast Idaho. I am a Michigan State graduate, and have been practicing for thirty years. In-home euthanasia has become a significant part of my practice, and partly because of this I became interested in the CETF to learn more and to take an instrumental part in practicing euthanasia in the most humane way possible. I am looking forward to meeting all of you who are involved with the CETF and to be involved with the training, examining, and certifying euthanasia agencies and euthanasia technicians, I am excited to be part of the Certified Euthanasia Task Force.

EUTHANASIA TECHNICIAN TRAINING AND REMOTE CHEMICAL CAPTURE TRAINING SESSIONS TO BE COMBINED

The Task Force met in Boise on October 3, 2012. One of the discussion topics was to determine whether the CET recertification training and the Remote Chemical Capture training sessions could be taught on consecutive days. This could save the agencies some time and travel expenses, as it would eliminate an addition trip.

Dr. Jeff Rosenthal, director of the Idaho Humane Society in Boise, has agreed to teach up to two

chemical capture classes per year, when needed. Only one session is scheduled for 2013, and it will be Thursday, March 14, 2013 at the Pocatello Zoo conference room.

There are currently 58 active euthanasia technicians certified in Idaho, working at 19 euthanasia agencies. Of those 58 technicians, only 17 are authorized to use chemical capture drugs and equipment (dart guns, etc.).

Please use the list below to help in planning your travel and training budgets for calendar year 2013. This list does not include any new technicians agencies may hire between now and March - April 2013.

There will be no North Idaho classes taught in 2013. North Idaho technicians will travel to Boise for recertification training.

Pocatello:	Wednesday, March 13, 2013
	Thursday, March 14, 2014 (chem capture)
Boise:	Wednesday, April 10, 2013

CET recert or CC training	Technician name	Agency's City
CET recert	GAY	BLACKFOOT
CET recert	BROWN, PATRICIA	BOISE
CET recert	BRUCE	BOISE
CET recert	DART	BOISE
CET recert	MOSER	BOISE
CET recert	SAUREY	BOISE
CET recert	THARP-OLSON	BOISE
CET recert	KENNER	BURLEY
CC training AND CET recert	SPRAGUE	BURLEY
CET recert	BOYD	ID FALLS
CET recert	GLICK	ID FALLS
CC training	GRAHAM	ID FALLS
CC training AND CET recert	MACKIN	ID FALLS
CET recert	RAMIREZ	ID FALLS
CET recert	SMITH, EVAN	ID FALLS
CC training	WATTS	ID FALLS
CET recert	LEININGER	JEROME
CET recert	DELL	LEWISTON
CET recert	SMITH, CRYSTAL	MERIDIAN
CET recert	RAMSEY	MT HOME
CET recert	HEINZ	POCATELLO
CET recert	KEENEY	POCATELLO
CET recert	MCCLURE	POCATELLO
CET recert	MCDONALD	POCATELLO
CET recert	BUZZELL	REXBURG
CC training	MONSON	TWIN FALLS

ONLINE RENEWALS COMING IN 2013

The Board of Veterinary Medicine, in collaboration with four other State regulatory agencies, has recently signed a contract with the software company GL Solutions to convert the existing Veterinary Licensing Program (VLP) to accept online renewals and online payment of renewal fees.

The Board's 13-year-old database is being converted now, and we hope to be up and running on the new software platform in time for the 2013 renewal cycle.

The Board office will continue to accept paper renewal forms for the time being. When the new cloud-based software package is installed and configured, payments can be accepted either online or via a check mailed to the office in Boise.

ASPCapro.org

The Task Force and the Board officers are well aware of the budget struggles for most private and publicly-operated shelters and animal control facilities. The cost of training technicians and other employees can sometimes be pushed to the back burner because of inadequate operating budgets.

However, the cost of not training shelter workers can mean less job satisfaction, less employee retention, and ultimately, less care for the animals in your shelter.

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) has a wonderful website that offers

free webinars and other

training opportunities on a variety of topics directly applicable to euthanasia technicians and the agencies that employ them.

Check it out – go to www.aspcapro.org to view high-quality training on subjects such as:

- *Care and recovery of seized animal victims*
- *Handling community reaction to animal cruelty*
- *How to get better results from your time, money, and energy*
- *A history of animal welfare*
- *Recognizing and responding to rescue hoarders*

RENEWAL FEE INCREASE IMPLEMENTED

During the 2012 legislative session, Idaho lawmakers authorized fee increases for license renewals, and for some original application fees. The application fees for the Euthanasia Program did not increase, but renewal fees and late fees doubled for both CETs and CEAs.

A recent review of revenues and expenses confirmed that the Certified Euthanasia Program has been running at a deficit for many years. The average annual deficit over the four-year period from 2005-2009 was slightly over \$14,000. This financial shortfall was born by the veterinarians licensed in Idaho.

We're happy to report that, because of the renewal fee increase, the program deficit has shrunk to less than \$5000 per year, which is a 65% decrease.

Thanks to all the agencies and technicians for your cooperation during this process.

**PROPOSED 2013 STATUTE
AND RULE CHANGES**

The CETF/Board will submit statute and rule changes to the 2013 Legislature in January 2013. The proposed changes that affect the Certified Euthanasia Program are:

IDAPA 54-2103(9)(a) Rearranges the wording in the definition of a Certified Euthanasia Technician to make the description more readable.

IDAPA 54-2103(9)(b) Removes the option for a person trained before December 31, 1992 to become certified as a euthanasia technician.

Rule 46.01.01.204.01(e): Needles and syringes are not to be reused.

ANNUAL CEA SITE INSPECTIONS

The 2012 Certified Euthanasia Agency (CEA) inspections are currently being conducted. If you haven't been contacted by a member of the Task Force, expect a call soon. Site inspections must be completed before December 31, 2012.

Please make sure the Lead CET is available to accompany the Task Force member during the inspection.

CEA Updates

There are currently nineteen (19) Certified Euthanasia Agencies statewide, compared to twenty-one (21) agencies at this same time last year.

- Preston Police Department has temporarily closed its agency because of staff reassignments.
- Minidoka County Animal Control has also closed temporarily because of agency reorganization.

Both of these agencies had only one Certified Euthanasia Technician on staff.

DID YOU KNOW?

IV injections can only be administered if there are two people present.

The second person does not need to be a certified euthanasia technician, but should have adequate training in safe and humane animal restraint techniques.

FIG 1.2
Restraining a young dog for an IV injection using the technique appropriate for a small dog.



FIG 6.5
Restraining a large dog for IV injection.

Certified Euthanasia Agency Contact List

Current as of December 2012

Cert Number	Agency Name	Phone Number	Lead CET	Address1	City	St	Zip
CEA-3786	BLACKFOOT ANIMAL SHELTER	785-6897	AMANDA MCWILLIAMS	501 N MAPLE #410	BLACKFOOT	ID	83221
CEA-4044	BONNEVILLE CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	529-1350	MIKE BOYD	605 N CAPITAL	IDAHO FALLS	ID	83402
CEA-4149	CANYON COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER	455-5928	CHERISSE FAULKNER	5801 GRAYE LN	CALDWELL	ID	83607-8072
CEA-2467	CANYON COUNTY PET HAVEN, INC	466-1298	SUSAN HERSEY	333 W. ORCHARD AVENUE	NAMPA	ID	83651-1908
CEA-4013	CHUBBUCK PD ANIMAL CONTROL	237-7172	TREVOR BENSON	5160 YELLOWSTONE AVE	CHUBBUCK	ID	83202
CEA-2329	CITY OF BURLEY ANIMAL SHELTER	878-2258	MARSHA KENNER	2020 PARKE AVE	BURLEY	ID	83318
CEA-2262	CITY OF IDAHO FALLS ANML SHLTR	612-8671	IRENE BROWN	2450 HEMMERT AVENUE	IDAHO FALLS	ID	83402
CEA-2470	HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE PALOUSE	883-1166	LORI FREEMAN	2019 E WHITE AVE	MOSCOW	ID	83843
CEA-2272	IDAHO HUMANE SOCIETY, INC.	342-3508	LAURIE DART	4775 DORMAN STREET	BOISE	ID	83705
CEA-2717	JEROME ANIMAL SHELTER	324-4328	GORDON LEININGER	124 SOUTH LINCOLN	JEROME	ID	83338
CEA-2257	KOOTENAI HUMANE SOCIETY INC.	762-5105	MARY POWELL	PO BOX 1005	HAYDEN	ID	83835
CEA-2387	LEWIS CLARK ANIMAL SHELTER	746-1623	DONNA DUFFAU	6 SHELTER ROAD	LEWISTON	ID	83501
CEA-3477	MERIDIAN POLICE ANIMAL CONTROL	888-6678	CAROL SMITH	1401 E. WATERTOWER LN	MERIDIAN	ID	83642
CEA-3558	MOUNTAIN HOME ANIMAL SHELTER	587-2111	DANNIELE RHATIGAN	1195 S. MAIN ST	MOUNTAIN HOME	ID	83647
CEA-2557	PEOPLE FOR PETS/M.V.H.S., INC.	736-2299	DEBRA BLACKWOOD	420 VICTORY AVE	TWIN FALLS	ID	83303
CEA-2271	POCATELLO ANIMAL CONTROL	234-6156	MARY REMER	3100 AVENUE OF THE CHIEFS	POCATELLO	ID	83205
CEA-2628	REXBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT	359-3008	STEVE BUZZELL	25 E. MAIN	REXBURG	ID	83440
CEA-4016	TWIN FALLS CNTY SHERIFF'S OFC	736-4110	GARY TROSTEL	425 SHOSHONE ST NORTH	TWIN FALLS	ID	83301
CEA-3149	WEISER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT	550-7506	CHARLES GREEN	262 E. COURT STREET	WEISER	ID	83672