

# WVMA



## WINTER MEETING

December 8 - 9, 2023

Casper, WY



**HILTON GARDEN INN**  
1150 N Poplar St  
Casper, WY 82601

*2023 Winter Meeting - Visit [www.wyhma.org](http://www.wyhma.org) to register online*



**Wyoming Veterinary Medical Association**  
PO Box 241  
Timnath, CO 80547

## SPEAKERS

**Ruth J. Rose, DVM, DACVS-SA, ACVS Fellow Surgical Oncology - VCA Vet. Specialists of No. Colorado (Loveland, CO)**



Dr. Rose, the Medical Director of VCA VSNC, is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons and an ACVS Fellow in Surgical Oncology. Following graduation from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine in 2003, Dr. Rose completed a rotating internship in small animal medicine and surgery at MSPCA Angell Animal Medical Center in Springfield Massachusetts and then an internship and residency in small animal surgery at VCA Animal Specialty Group, Inc. in Los Angeles, CA. From 2009 until 2012, Dr. Rose was a staff surgeon at VCA VSNC and then worked at Colorado State University from 2012 until 2021. While at Colorado State University, Dr. Rose completed a fellowship in surgical oncology, was the assistant director of a highly specialized translational research program, and mentored veterinary students, interns, residents, surgical fellows and PhD candidates as a Clinical Instructor. Dr. Rose returned home to VCA VSNC in September of 2021 as Medical Director.

**Gerald Stokka, DVM - North Dakota State Univ. (Fargo, ND)**



Dr. Gerald L. Stokka is a member of the NDSU Animal Science faculty as Associate Professor. His position is Extension Veterinarian/Livestock Stewardship Specialist. Dr. Stokka earned his DVM from Iowa State University. He spent seven years in private practice in Cooperstown, N.D. In 1989, he began an advanced degree in beef cattle production medicine at Kansas State. After earning his master's degree, he became an assistant professor with Kansas State in the department of clinical sciences. From this position he advanced to become the Kansas State Beef Extension veterinarian. He became part of the Pfizer Animal Health Veterinary Technical Services in 2001 followed by his position at NDSU. With experience in both private practice and academic instruction, Dr. Stokka is recognized for his multifaceted expertise in beef cattle systems. He has worked with feedlots, stocker operations and cow-calf operations. Dr. Stokka is a partner with his brother Murray in a registered Red Angus operation.

## 2023 WINTER MEETING SCHEDULE

### Thursday, December 7

**6 PM** - WVMA Board of Directors meeting

### Friday, December 8

**7 AM**—Check-in, registration, breakfast buffet open

**Ruth Rose, DVM, DACVS-SA, ACVS Fellow**

**8 - 9:50 AM** - *Surgical Oncology in your Practice: Making the most out of uncomfortably bumpy situations:*

- Canine Soft Tissue Sarcoma
- Canine Mast Cell Tumor

**10 AM - 12 PM** - *Wound Care: How am I supposed to close this?*

- Primary Trauma Care vs. Surgical Trauma Care
- Case-based presentation and discussion

**12 PM** - Lunch buffet for all registrants

**Gerald Stokka, DVM, MS**

**1 - 5 PM**

- *Staying Relevant: The Veterinarians Role in Evaluating Systems in the Beef Cattle Business*

The lectures will focus on areas related to Beef Cattle Systems that may not be covered adequately in the veterinary curriculum. Lectures will focus on Stewardship principles related to animals, land, and people. In addition, the focus will include genetic selection, environment and nutrition related to health and longevity of animals and people. We will also discuss a basic understanding and implementation of preventive health measures including animal behavior, handling and preventive protocols.

**6 PM** - NVAP Accreditation Modules #5, 18, 24 (3 cr.)

### Saturday, December 9

**7 AM** - Breakfast buffet

**8 - 8:50 AM** - John Ordiway, MS, LPC, LAT -

**Wyoming Professional Assistance Program**

*Avoiding Burnout: Is Finding a Work/Life Balance*

*Achievable?* Identify barriers that veterinarians struggle with that can lead to burnout or other negative life impacts in their professional and personal lives.

**9:10 AM - 12 PM**

**Berit Bangoura, DVM, PhD, DIPEVPC et al. WSVL**

- WSVL updates & Case Studies

## IMPROVED VIRTUAL OPTION

NEW AND IMPROVED this year! All 12 hours of lectures will be professionally recorded and available for ALL registrants to view online December 13 - 31. A PDF of the CE certificate for both in-person and virtual registrants will be available to download. Please RSVP for meals if you are attending in-person.

## NEW LOCATION

The conference will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn. If you need overnight accommodations, room reservations are available at a discounted rate:

### Contact:

Hilton Garden Inn  
1150 N Poplar St  
Casper, WY 82601  
(307) 266 - 1300

**WVMA Rate:** \$99 + tax for 1 King Bed

## WVMA CE offered = 12 hours

Additional CE option - no fee or registration required

- NVAP Accreditation Modules (3 hrs.)

## QUESTIONS?

Contact the Wyoming Veterinary Medical Association

**Email:** [info@wyvma.org](mailto:info@wyvma.org)

Phone: (307) 316 - 0916

Mailing address: PO Box 241, Timnath, CO 80547

**Cancellation Policy:** With the virtual option available, refunds will not be offered after registration.

**REGISTRATION:** Complete this form or register online at [www.wyvma.org](http://www.wyvma.org)

First and Last Name, Credentials

Clinic Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone

Email

**Registration type: Circle - in-person or virtual**

Postmarked On or Before **November 15, 2023**

☐ \$195 WVMA Member

☐ \$275 Non-Member

Postmarked After **November 15, 2023**

☐ \$235 WVMA Member

☐ \$315 Non-Member

Technician ☐ \$95

**Proceedings:**

☐ \$0 - PDF emailed before the meeting

☐ \$5 - PDF + USB flash drive at check-in

☐ \$35 - Printed copy received at check-in

**RSVP for meals (included with registration):**

☐ Virtual attendance only - no meals

☐ Fri. breakfast ☐ Fri. lunch ☐ Sat. breakfast

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