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Groves Conference on Marriage and Family **SUSSMAN AWARD**

The Groves Conference on Marriage and Family announces that nominations are now being accepted for the Sussman Award. This award, honoring the late renowned teacher and researcher, Marvin Sussman, was established to recognize the best research (journal article or book chapter) from recent years that supports the theme of the Groves Conference annual meeting. The 2010 Groves Conference will be in Seattle, Washington, from June 16 - 20, 2010:

FAMILIES: Connections and Communication Within and Across Species

Appropriate publications could address issues such as:

- *Connections across species in the web of life*
- *Environmental, economic, and ecosystemic implications of human-animal relationships*
- *Ethical issues in relationships between humans and other animals*
- *Psychological parallels between humans and other animals*
- *Close relationships within and across species*
- *Animals and spirituality*
- *The link between animal abuse and family violence*
- *Animal-assisted play therapy and family therapy*
- *Role of animals as companions and family members*
- *Portrayal of human-animal relations in movies and literature*

The award winner(s) must be able to attend the conference and present their work. The award consists of a \$1,000 honorarium and reimbursement for conference attendance expenses (travel, hotel, meals, etc.) up to an additional \$1,000.

***E-mail nominations with the article attached as a pdf file must be submitted by
December 1, 2009 to:***

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