Annual Membership and Business Meeting

Saturday, September 18, 1993 **Convention Center**



Dr. David McClary presenting Dr. and Mrs. Amstutz.

This year's meeting was a lot different from many in the past. Coffee and doughnuts, etc. were served adjacent to the meeting room, starting at 6:30 a.m.!

Dr. Darrel Johnson, President, welcomed colleagues and guests and called the annual business meeting to order at 7:20 a.m. Dr. Kent Ames, District 4 Director, gave the Invocation.

The minutes of the September 2, 1992 annual business meeting were approved. Dr. Roland Jeans, AABP Treasurer, presented the financial report for the 1992-93 fiscal year, stating that the ending balance as of June 30, 1993 was \$491,242. The 1993-94 budget includes \$708,500 in revenue, of which \$276,500 will be from membership dues. Expenses for that period are budgeted at \$708,500.

Dr. Harold Amstutz, Executive Vice President, reported on his activities for the past year which included the employment of a new executive vice president, and planning for this convention. He stated that his gift to the Association was the addition of 475 new members, resulting from a membership drive conducted over the past year. This represents an increase of 10% in membership, bringing the total number of veterinarians to record membership. He warmly thanked Purdue University for the use of its facilities during his time with the AABP.

The results of the election for District Directors:

District One:

Dr. John Ferry

District Four:

Adams, NY Dr. N. Kent Ames

East Lansing, MI

District Seven:

Dr. Darrell Payne Sedalia, MO

District Ten:

Dr. Gary Daley

Turlock, CA

District Thirteen:

Dr. Rod Sydenham Wetaskiwin, Alberta

Canada (re-elected)



President Darrel Johnson handing over the gavel to incoming President Reilly Glore.

Plagues were presented to retiring District Directors Dr. Steve Wadsworth (District One); Dr. Robert Smith (District Seven) and Dr. Fred Koning (District Ten) for their service to the AABP

Mrs. Betty Owen, AABP Secretary, was recognized for her outstanding service as secretary for the past 16 years and was presented a suitable gift.

Dr. Leland C. Allenstein, retiring Advertising Manager, was presented a plaque for 20 years service, for his devotion to the profession and his many contributions outside his role as advertising manager.

Dr. Robert Smith, Stillwater, OK, is our new President-Elect, elected by acclamation. The new Vice President is Dr. M. Gatz Riddell, Jr. Auburn, AL, elected by acclamation.

Dr. Richard Swanson, AVMA Executive Board Member and liaison to the AABP, updated the members on the AVMA's legislative initiative to amend the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act to allow extra label drug use by veterinarians under certain conditions. He thanked AABP members for their help in obtaining a co-sponsor for the initiative.

A highlight of the meeting was the recognition, by Dr. David McClary, a past president of AABP, of Dr. Amstutz for his outstanding service to the AABP through its existence. On behalf of the AABP he presented Dr. and Mrs. Amstutz with round trip tickets to Bologna, Italy so that they could attend the 1994 World Association for Buiatrics Congress. They were also presented first-class Eurorail tickets and a trip to the Rhine country.

President Johnson introduced Dr. and Mrs. James Jarrett, stating that Dr. Jarrett would become the fulltime executive vice president on November 1, 1993. Dr. Jarrett provided the members with his vision for the future which includes continued and enhanced membership services and more liaison with other allied organizations. He added that recruitment of food animal practitioners will continue to be a priority, with increased involvement with the college of veterinary medicine. He also announced that with industry support, the AABP would soon install an 800 number (800-COW-AABP) that would help the AABP office to better serve the membership.

Dr. Jarrett introduced Ms. Leigh-Ann Waits who will serve as the administrative assistant to the AABP office, effective October 1.

Dr. L. Mac Cropsey, AABP Parliamentarian, presented the AABP Constitution and the proposed amendments to the Bylaws for approval. (They had previously been published in the AABP Newsletter). He stated that ratification of Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws was necessary to authorize the use of AABP tax exempt funds for educational, scientific and charitable purposes. In addition, members were asked to vote an increase in membership dues of \$45, bringing them to \$95 per year, effective July 1, 1994.

The members unanimously approved the AABP Constitution. They passed the revised Bylaws with three members voting against the motion.

The following Awards were presented:

Merck AgVet/AABP Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine:

Beef Cattle:

Dr. Rodney Oliphant

Dairy Cattle: Dr. Paul Johnson

Syntex Animal Health AABP Bovine Practitioner of the Year:

Dr. Edwin Robertson, Harrogate, TN.

Dr. Richard Swanson.

President's Address

 $AABP President \, Darrel \, Johnson \, addressed \, the \, members \, as \, follows:$

As this gavel passed into my hands a year ago, I was prepared to face a term as unique in its own right as the international St. Paul conference which had just concluded. That assessment was correct. As president I presided over the board's selection of a new executive vice president from an impressive list of candidates, and also, over the myriad activities associated with moving the office as well. What a pleasure to be associated with the Search Committee's professionalism under the guidance of Gordon Atkins and David McClary.

Since Harold Amstutz targeted this conference as his last prior to retirement, the original trepidations accompanying the unknowns dissipated with the hiring of Dr. James Jarrett - however the pensiveness remains. Twenty seven years of service and leadership to this organization and as our international connection on Bovine medicine internationally through he World Association for Buiatrics. Harold, we salute your skills, your integrity, and your tenacity. The monthly newsletters literally and figuratively speak volumes about your commitment to veterinary medicine and the livestock industry. What a fitting tribute that we have reached our highest membership in this particular year. We wish you much pleasure in both the prospect and reality of the over-seas vacation planned for you in league with your wife, Jo, and the Irvine Travel Service. The Amstutz Scholarship Fund created will be a fitting and lasting legacy to your tenure in administrating AABP affairs and to your academic career. We will try to add to those coffers at this evening's auction.

The mandate for the scientific program at this Albuquerque conference has been "cutting edge" from the start. President-Elect Reilly Glore and his program committee have utilized faculty and facilities well to provide electronically enhanced learning opportunities via videotape, audiotape and disc retrieval. This year we have also arranged Board meetings to allow Directors more opportunity to join membership at the scientific sessions and hallway bull sessions.

Human food safety, animal welfare, and responsible animal drug use remain as on-going concerns for association leadership. Direct involvement increases as the list of meetings, coalitions and liaisons to which we must add our voice grows longer. The Board is actively evaluating the new agenda in light of our burgeoning role in animal agriculture. We will be relying on our committee system and an expanded role for our Executive Vice President in implementing the evolving agenda. The Board's selection criteria for the Executive Vice



Dr. James Jarrett.



Dr. Jarrett presenting Dr. Allenstein with an appreciation plaque.

President's position, the improved mechanism for communications among committee chairs, and budgetary adjustments all reflect the board's pro-active approach in responding to the forces at work in our profession and in the industry we serve. Communicating the challenges of change to our members becomes a challenge in itself and we plan to continually address it. The NOAH (Network of Animal Health) project of the AVMA will be an AVMA service which we can implement in this regard. NOAH is an AVMA electronic information network which will be launched in 1994. This coupled with our initiatives which include the publications, the AABP electronic Bulletin Board, shareware library and an "800" phone number should maintain a foothold with the cliched "information age".

Directors in the 11 US districts were sent a kit of educational materials this past April, referencing issues surrounding extra-label drug use. The kits were used to provide factual information to farm and farm related organizations within each district regarding food animal veterinarians need to use animal pharmaceuticals in medically appropriate ways - which may not always conform to label directions. The informational kit, prepared by the Government Relations Division (GRD) of the AVMA, is available to everyone. Animal welfare and the relief of animal suffering has a major stake in our ability to responsibly address animal health concerns. A "grass roots" approach to keeping the farming community informed, as well as the consuming public, is a mandate for each food animal veterinarian. The current thinking out of Washington appears to be that whatever is unregulated and uncontrolled in today's climate is fair game for corrupt practices. By proactive efforts to help the industry respond to food safety concerns via the free market system, we may avoid some regulatory mandates which pose a threat to our ability to practice responsible medicine. Maintaining an accurate and broad perspective of both veterinary and human food safety concerns requires that many of us re-evaluate our thinking habits regarding everyday practice. We must also remain familiar with and utilize the resources provided through AVMA membership services and the AABP.

Mac Cropsey, AABP Parliamentarian, and Gordon Atkins have undertaken the tedious task of streamlining the Bylaws and preparing a comprehensive Policy and Procedures Handbook. Their efforts may seem mundane when considered in the context of the other issues we deal with day to day, but for your officers and directors it is analogous to a road map as we chart the future path of this organization. Up to date policies and procedures are necessary pre-cursors to formation of a Long Range Strategic Planning (LRSP) Task Force. The appointment of an LRSP task force begins an on-going process to incorporate



Retiring District Director Dr. Wadsworth receiving an appreciation plaque from Dr. Johnson.

a visionary, creative plan to play against the problem-solving and crisis management mindset that human nature thrusts upon us. The task force will be formed and begin its deliberations during this next year.

All of you have met or know James Jarrett through the various venues in which he has distinguished himself as a practitioner and educator. The AABP headquarters will be moving to Rome, Georgia and into new leased quarters adjacent to Dr. Jarrett's home. The approximately 1,000 square feet of space available to us will provide adequate office space for Dr. Jarrett and our new administrative assistant Leigh-Ann Waits. Ms. Waits will be the voice usually heard when you dial our new number 1-800-COW-AABP. To Jim and Mrs. Jarrett, and Leigh-Ann, I know I speak for everyone in extending our warmest and most cordial welcome to you as you assume the task of managing day to day affairs and implementing board policy. Jim will assume full-time duties on November 1.

The Veterinarian/Client/Patient Relationship (VCPR) videotape task force was activated last year to provide a producer oriented video depicting the nature of a VCPR as it applies to both regulatory and animal husbandry goals. The finished product is here for our viewing adjacent to poster area and videotapes can be purchased through the AABP office. The AABP was the lead organization in a coalition of commodity groups which provided funding and leadership in producing the video and as such retains the distribution rights. The organizations represented in funding along with the AABP were the AVMA, AASP, NCA, NPPC, and the NMPF.

I would like to thank a number of individuals for their support over the past year. The Executive Committee responded effectively to my several phone conference requests as we tried to make thoughtful and informed decisions for an unusual range of activity this past year. I am most grateful.

To our Program Committee headed by Reilly Glore, our Exhibits Chairman Sam Hutchins, Treasurer Rollie Jeans, AVMA Delegate Robert Keith, and Advertising Manager Lee Allenstein - my thanks for your customary good works. Lee Allenstein leaves his position this year with the admiration and respect of all of us. Lee, in his own way continues to be as important to the AABP and to bovine medicine as Harold is in his way.

A special thanks also to Eric Williams, Ed Sterner, Keith Sterner, Marion Szatalowicz, Rod Sydenham, Dave McClary, James Jarrett, Jerry Harness, Bob Corbett, John Noordsy and others who helped us remember Harold in special ways.

The individuals who worked independently on special projects this past year that I wish to especially recognize are Gordon Atkins for the Policy and Procedures Handbook; Gordon Atkins again, and David

McClary as co-chairs of the Selection Committee for executive vice president; Mac Cropsey, AABP Parliamentarian, for the intricate task of revamping the Bylaws; Tom Fuhrmann for his work with the MDBQAP program and the NCIMS conference, Arden Nelson and Kathy Gloyd for their efforts on the AABP membership survey and Arden again for the hours spent in summarizing the data; Jeff Reneau for his mastitis committee work in developing the AABP Clinical Mastitis Evaluation and Treatment Guide; Jake Hines for his work with LCI; Julie Zdrojewski for supervising the Shareware Library; and Arnold Hentschl for his direct involvement in the myriad regulatory issues that are presented to the CPBI. There are several others who have had significant roles in keeping the interests of bovine medicine first and foremost and on behalf of the membership, I thank you.

The VCPR videotape task force put in serious hours and noteworthy nitpicking in developing a final product. Task force members were Mark Spire, Lou Perino, Arnold Hentschl, Marty Vanier, Keith Sterner, Robert Smith, James McLean, Tracy Raef, Terry DeGroff, Charles Emerick, Tom Fuhrmann, and David Reid. I participated enough to know that we are indebted to these people.

It has been a busy tenure, but my half time practice obligation



Dr. L. Mac Cropsey, AABP Parliamentarian.



Retiring District Director Robert Smith receiving an appreciation plaque from President Johnson. Dr. Smith is the new President-Elect.

has resulted in an acceptable challenge and working with Harold and many other dedicated people has made it enjoyable as well. Harold has inferred that what I have experienced is not really holding office - it is a test. A real office position would have raises, bonuses and promotions. If I have passed this *test* in some suitable fashion, Harold - it has to do with my mentor and I am grateful both personally and professionally.

Since my half time practice appointment did not impose additional practice burdens for my associates, I in turn am not burdened with guilt in that regard, but I must thank them for their tolerance in accepting the faxing, phoning, and copying activities which at times affected office routine. Finally, there is the overriding comfort and presence in my life that influences what I do and what I get done, as well as how I do and how I get done. My wife, Arlene. Harold's retirement also points the way for Arlene and me, and so my dear - a public thank you and - The Best is Yet to Come!

And now - it gives me true pleasure to pass the gavel on to the very capable 27th President of the AABP - Dr. Reilly Glore.

Dr. Johnson passed the presidential gavel to President-Elect Reilly Glore who remarked that a bolt of power did not pass through the gavel when Dr. Johnson handed it to him. He stated that the focus of his presidency would be the "Implementation of Tangible Membership Services."

 $President\,Glore\,adjourned\,the\,meeting\,at\,9:07\,a.m.$

Convention Attendance

Veterinarians: 851 Accompanying Persons: 320

Students: 17
Guests: 9

Press: 12 Exhibitors: 344

Total: 1553



Outgoing President Johnson receiving an appreciation plaque from President Glore.

1993 Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. Robertson, supported by members of his family, receiving the award from Dr. Terhaar, left and President Johnson.

Dr. Edwin G. Robertson, Harrogate, Tennessee is the AABP 1993 Bovine Practitioner of the Year.

The Award, presented by Syntex Animal Health, Inc. was initiated by Diamond Laboratories in 1979. The recipient is selected for professional reputation, quality and competence of practice, activities in organized veterinary medicine, contributions to the livestock industry and to continuing education within the profession.

Dr. Robertson is a native of Harrogate, Tennessee where he attended Ellen Myers Elementary School. He graduated from Powell Valley High School, Speedwell, TN and later studied at Lincoln Memorial University, TN, followed by animal husbandry at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. He played basketball from 1967-68. He received the D.V.M. degree from Auburn University in 1974 where he was class president in the School of Veterinary Medicine in 1971, 72 and 73.

In 1974, Dr. Robertson established a private practice in Harrogate which is now a 6 veterinarian practice. He began non-surgical embryo transfer work in 1977 and through Harrogate Genetics International in Harrogate, he has transferred over 60,000 bovine embryos. He joined the International Embryo Transfer Society (IETS) in 1978 and has served on the Embryo Forms and Certificate Committee. He was a member of the Board of Directors, American Embryo Transfer Association (AETA) from 1986 to 1992 and served as President in 1989-90. Dr. Robertson also served on the Board of Directors of the Society for Theriogenology, 1986-92 and President in 1991-92.

Dr. Robertson was a charter member and a former President of the Senepol Cattle Breeders Association.

Since 1980, Dr. Robertson has coordinated and taught seminars annually at the AABP Convention. Internationally

he has conducted seminars and trained technicians in seven states and Mexico since 1985. He has also conducted two training seminars in the People's Republic of China. He has also established an embryo transfer laboratory and trained technicians in Venezuela.

Dr. Robertson has worked, since 1988, through the AETA FAS Cooperation Committee to achieve export/import protocols between the United States and Japan, the U.S. and New Zealand, and between the U.S. and Australia.

Dr. Robertson received the American Embryo Transfer Person of the Year Award in 1988.

Since 1977, Dr. Robertson's clinic has matriculated 40 Senior Veterinary Students from 8 colleges in 8-12 week preceptorships.

In 1985 Dr. Robertson organized and developed the veterinary technician program at Lincoln Memorial University.

Dr. Robertson is a member of the AVMA and served on the ad hoc committee on veterinary manpower, Tennessee VMA and chairman of the Student Liaison Committee. He was named the 1993 Tennessee Practitioner of the year by TVMA.

Dr. Robertson is active in the Harrogate community, having served on the boards of utilities, education and banking concerns. He is a deacon and youth director at Cumberland Gap Baptist Association.

Dr. Robertson and his wife, Judy, have two children — John Adam, aged 20 and Emily, aged 15 years.

Described by a colleague as "innovative, fair-minded, dedicated and extremely hard working". Dr. Robertson received the award of a commemorative plaque and a diamond-studded ring by Dr. Brett Terhaar, Syntex Animal Health and AABP President Darrel Johnson.

AABP Distinguished Service Award



Dr. Atkins, left, presenting the Award to Dr. Anderson.

Dr. Neil G. Anderson, Cheltenham, Ontario, Canada is the recipient of the 1993 Distinguished Service Award.

AABP Past President Gordon Atkins presented the award, stating:

"It is indeed an honor for me to present the 1993 AABP Distinguished Service Award. This award was established in 1989 to recognize outstanding individuals whose long and continued service to AABP have promoted the goals of the Organization and whose accomplishments have served as a model for service to bovine agriculture. Selection criteria include a career of self-commitment to excellence in bovine medicine through conscientious involvement in the affairs of AABP, demonstrated leadership in keeping organized veterinary medicine abreast of the times, and peer recognition as an effective spokesperson for bovine practitioners. This year's recipient will join an elite group of past winners who all exemplify these ideals. Past winners include in 1989 - Dr. John Fetrow, in 1990 - Dr. Sam Hutchins, in 1991 - Dr. John Dahl, and in 1992 - Dr. Lawrence Hutchinson.

I think you'll agree that this is an outstanding group of dedicated individuals whose contributions to AABP have gone far beyond the normal call of duty. The 1993 recipient of this award richly deserves to be in this company. His contributions to AABP have come in almost all service areas including: Member at large, Committee Chairman, Annual Conference Local Arrangements Committee, Director, Executive Committee Member, President, and Past President. As Past President, this individual has always been in great demand to chair important AABP ad hoc committees, as he is recognized by his colleagues as a leader, a communicator, a motivator, and a person who could always get the job done with thoroughness and expediency. This year's award winner

has truly served as a role model not only for all of us who have had the privilege of working with him, but also for countless high school students, 4-H members, livestock breeders, and indeed the entire bovine animal agriculture industry. His commitment to recruiting future AABP leaders, promoting true professionalism within AABP, and elevating the image of bovine veterinary medicine has earned him great recognition from his peers as both a leader and an advisor.

This person received his DVM from the Ontario Veterinary College in 1967 and worked as a private practitioner until 1983. At this time he joined the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food as a cattle health management veterinarian. He is presently manager of the Animal Health and Nutrition group which provides consultation and extension services to Ontario veterinarians, livestock producers, feed companies, DHI, Milk Marketing Board, and other industry groups. During his tenure he returned to the Ontario Veterinary College and received his Master of Science degree in Epidemiology in 1989. Other significant professional achievements include:

- preparation of an AABP Policy Book during his year of presidency,
- chairmanship of the 1988-89 AABP Search & Interview Committee for selection of the Executive Vice-President and Treasurer.
- instructor and a faculty director of the University of Guelph Dairy Health Management Certificate Program.
- organization of the Ontario Association of Bovine Practitioners, and
- chairmanship of the 1992 Transition Committee.

He has made numerous scientific presentations at meetings such as AABP, NMC, Canadian VMA, Ontario VMA, and other local veterinary associations. Also, he has facilitated workshops for producers in many areas of Canada, Colombia, Mexico, Ecuador, Cuba, Scotland, Ireland, and England. In addition, he has written numerous scientific papers and fact sheets for both the veterinary and the lay press.

Our award winner possesses the unique quality of inspiring practitioners to develop a camaraderie and consequently a shared responsibility for the health of the cattle industry as a whole. His kind, caring personality, warm smile, and wise observations have many a time brought a strategic moment of relief to otherwise serious deliberations.

He has served his family and his community with the same commitment he has served his profession. This is demonstrated by his position on the executive of the Brampton Flying Club and the Ontario Aviation Historical Society as well as his organizational support for the Peel County 4-H program and the Snowy Owl Air Cadet Squadron. He and his wife, Susan, have two daughters and one son and they became proud grandparents this January.

Please join with me in recognizing the 1993 recipient of the AABP Distinguished Service Award, from Cheltenham, Ontario, Dr. Neil G. Anderson."

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AABP Award of Excellence



Dr. Rupp receiving the award from Dr. Neil Laing.

The 1993 American Cyanamid AABP Award for Excellence was presented to Dr. Gary Rupp, Clay Center, Nebraska

The Award was established in 1989 and sponsored by the American Cyanamid Company to recognize a nonpractitioner veterinarian whose professional activities have had a consistent and direct influence on the daily activities of veterinarians in cattle practice. President Johnson announced the Award which was presented by Dr. Neil Laing, representative of American Cyanamid Company.

Dr. Rupp received the DVM degree from Colorado State University in 1964. He had a M.S. degree in nutrition and board certified by the American College of Theriogenology. Dr. Rupp has held faculty positions at Colorado State University and Texas A & M University.

Dr. Rupp is a member of the AABP and the Academy of Veterinary Consultants. Innovation for the benefit of beef cattle practitioners has resulted in Dr. Rupp's involvement in the development of the K-R Spay instrument and the Cow-Calf Beef Cattle software package. Dr. Rupp has presented seminars and lectures at numerous local, state and national meetings.

Dr. Rupp is currently the Director of the Great Plains Veterinary Education Center at Clay Center, Nebraska where he has recruited an outstanding core of beef cattle veterinarians. Veterinarians and students from across the USA and Canada attend what many believe to be the best production management seminar available for those interested in beef cattle. He is presently leading a year-long series of seminars designed to integrate important production management skills into the practice life of each participant. The series of seminars, each for three days, is presented in six modules which are built one upon the other until the participants have become competent with the skills and information presented. Combined with the required assignments to be completed at each participant's home practice between module sessions, the series promises to be the model for future beef cattle veterinary continuing education.

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AABP Awards For Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine

AABP Awards for Excellence in Preventive Medicine are sponsored by Merck AgVet. Representing the Company, Dr. Jay Brown introduced the awards as follows:

"Thank you once again for the honor of being an active participant in the American Association of Bovine Practitioners Awards Program. This morning we will be recognizing two exceptional veterinarians who have demonstrated their commitment to the concept of preventive medicine.

Merck AgVet is proud to again sponsor the Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine. As we move into the second decade of this award, Merck AgVet still deems it a privilege to be an integral part of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners via sponsorship of this type of peer recognition. Today practicing and consulting bovine practitioners are being asked to be leaders of our nation's Quality Assurance Programs for milk, beef, and veal. These programs are vital components of any food safety efforts. At times, practitioners may not feel comfortable as leaders of Quality Assurance and in fact this role may be in direct conflict with the short term economic condition of our clients. However, the U.S. consumer as well

as the U.S. governing agencies are demanding a higher standard of practice from us all.

Preventive Medicine is the hub of the food safety wheel. Proper labeled use of ALL pharmaceuticals and biologicals used in a well designed herd health program must become the standard practice for all bovine practitioners. In addition, this information should be included in every client education program. The beef, dairy, and veal producers are major players in the food production business and must understand the preventive medicine concept and its role in Food Quality Assurance.

We at Merck AgVet are pleased to join with he American Association of Bovine Practitioners in honoring two individuals who have provided strategic preventive medicine programs which have provided the basis for economic success of their clients as well as helped maintain Food Quality Assurance for the American consumer. Thank you."

Dairy Award



Dr. Johnson receiving award from Dr. Jay Brown, right and AABP President-Elect Reilly Glore.

The 1993 recipient of the Merck-AgVet Award for Excellence in Dairy Preventive Medicine is Dr. Paul Johnson, Enterprise, Alabama.

Dr. Johnson received the DVM degree from Auburn University in 1980. He became engaged in a two man mixed practice in Enterprise, Alabama, but soon migrated toward the large animal area. In January, 1981 Dr. Johnson left to establish his own large animal

practice in Enterprise, Alabama. He soon realized that a specialized practice was what he truly wanted and began eliminating beef cattle and horse clients as his dairy practice grew. Dr. Johnson now works exclusively with dairy clients as a consultant in every aspect of the dairy farm, teaching them and advising them on everything from nutrition to dairy barn design. His practice covers the entire state of Florida, South Georgia and South Alabama, with about 48,000 cow population.

He travels both in and out of the United States, speaking to dairymen and veterinarians. He is currently a consultant to allied dairy industries in Japan, U.S. Virgin Islands and Australia. He has also hosted groups of dairymen and veterinarians who were interested in seeing how his practice is set up and how to make their dairies profitable.

Dr. Johnson is currently serving on several advisory boards and is affiliated with many professional organizations, including the AVMA, National Mastitis Council, Society for Theriogenology, American Dairy Science Association and American Veterinary Computer Society. He served as moderator of the Dairy Split Sessions at the Albuquerque Convention.

Dr. Johnson and his wife, Ginger, have three boys: Matt, Adam and Clarke.

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Beef Award



Dr. and Mrs. Oliphant receiving award from AABP Vice President Robert Smith and Dr. Brown.

The 1993 Beef Program Award was presented to Dr. Rodney G. Oliphant, Offerle, Kansas.

Dr. Oliphant received his grade and high school education at Offerle. In 1961 he received the B.S. degree and in 1963 the DVM degree from Kansas State University. At KSU he was active in Farm House Fraternity (President), Alpha Zeta, Blue Key and SCAVMA.

After graduation, Dr. Oliphant served two years in the USAF Veterinary Corp. He operates two veterinary hospitals and owns and operates a farm and ranch. He has a herd of registered Angus cattle. He is presently a full time feed yard veterinary consultant.

Dr. Oliphant is a member of AABP, AAEP, AVMA, Society for Theriogenology, National Cattlemen's Association, National Cutting Horse Association and American Quarter Horse Association. He is a past president of the Academy of Veterinary consultants and in 1991 he received the Veterinarian of the Year Award from the Academy, which also made available \$2,000 in Dr. Oliphant's name to a KSU veterinary student. During the same year, Dr. Oliphant spent two weeks in Bangledesh under the auspices of World Concern and Christian Veterinary Missions.

Dr. Oliphant has published many papers and presented programs at several local, state and national meetings.

Dr. Oliphant is active in his church, Kiwanis Club (President), First National Bank of Spearville (Director and Vice President), School Board (President) and Panhandle Veterinary Supply.

In 1987 he received the Beef Improvement Federation Award (Commercial Producer of the Year), including the State Award and National Award for North America.

Dr. Oliphant and his wife, Kay, have two children
— David and Debra.

Changing of the Guard



Dr. and Mrs. Jarrett with Leigh-Ann Waits

Dr. James Jarrett, Rome, Georgia became the new AABP Executive Vice President on November 1, 1993. He had started on a part-time basis on July 1.

The AABP office is now located in Rome, Georgia. The address is: P.O. Box 1755, Rome, Georgia 30162. Telephone No. 1-800-COW-AABP (269-2227); FAX No. (706) 232-2232.

Mrs. Leigh-Ann Waits is the new administrative assistant, effective October 1, 1993.

















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