

AABP Research Assistantship Awards

Dr. Keith Sterner, Past President of AABP, stated that in view of the number of high quality proposals, two awards would be presented.

Dr. Terry Engelken, Kansas State University received one of the awards for his research proposal, "The use of pelvic index and reproductive tract score as a predictor of pregnancy rates in beef heifers".

The second award was presented to Dr. Mike Slana, University of Guelph, Canada for his research proposal, "A study of growth in height, weight and pelvic size with reproductive performance, calving ease, and productivity in dairy replacement heifers".



Dr. Terry Engelken, Dr. Keith Sterner and Dr. Mike Slana

AABP Award of Excellence

This Award was established in 1989 and sponsored by American Cyanamid Company to recognize a non-practitioner veterinarian whose professional activities have had a consistent and direct influence on the daily activities of veterinarians in bovine practice.

The 1990 Award was presented to Dr. Erich Studer, Carnation, Washington.

One of the strongest qualities of this year's recipient is his sharing of information with bovine practitioners. Indeed, he began his career as a veterinarian in a mixed practice. After emigrating from Switzerland with his family at age 12, and living in California's Imperial Valley, our recipient graduated from the University of California - Davis in 1961. He spent 4 years in a mixed practice in Puyallup, Washington where he honed his skills in reproductive herd health procedures.

His drive for excellence found him wanting for more than doing mostly the emergency work he was so often called upon to do in practice. "I recall often", he would say, "of being frustrated in not being able to truly work up

a case or a particular situation and pursue it to a satisfactory conclusion". That prompted his consideration to move into a position that allowed him to pursue excellence in a setting where he could follow cases through "to a satisfactory conclusion." And it was a move that over the next 25 years would gain him the respect and admiration of virtually all of his colleagues in bovine medicine.

Carnation Research Farms in Carnation, Washington has a long-standing, recognized reputation for high quality products and performance. Our recipient accepted the position of resident veterinarian at Carnation Farms in 1965. Initially, he was charged with the responsibility to establish herd health programs for the 1,000 cow purebred beef herd and the herd of purebred Holsteins there. This he did quickly and successfully. For lessor persons this would have been enough, for it was all that the company had expected from him.

Erich Studer is being recognized with the Award of Excellence because that would not be satisfying enough for him and it would not contribute enough to the profession that he calls, "his hobby". At Carnation Farms, the facilities, the cattle and the situation were available to try new methods, practice new procedures and apply them in order to improve herd health and productivity. And for a man whose natural instincts are the pursuit of excellence, the extra time, effort and work were no deterrent if the results would benefit the industry and become his contribution to his profession.

So began Erich's studies and list of publications which initially centered around the topic of management programs resulting from his experiences at Carnation Farms. In 1979, he was promoted to the position of director of veterinary medicine, which increased his responsibilities over the dairy operation and increased his research activities in Carnation's genetic breeding service as well as in its' feed division. Evaluating milk replacers, calf starters



Dr. Noel Laing, American Cyanamid Company, left, Dr. & Mrs. Erich Studer

and calf-raising methods consumed most of Erich's time then and the information generated became part of the Albers Feed Company (a sub-division of Carnation) recommendations to farmers.

In the past 10 years, Erich has authored or co-authored papers in JAVMA, American Journal of Veterinary Research, the Compendium of Continuing Education. The Bovine Practitioner, the Canadian Journal of Veterinary Research, the Proceedings of the Society for Theriogenology and he has contributed to chapters in the textbook *Current Therapy in Theriogenology*. He is perhaps most notably identified by practitioners for his work in evaluating the reproductive tract of the postpartum cow and his analysis of bovine leukemia virus infection in a dairy herd. His work at the Carnation Research Farm has included the development of an embryo transfer program that produced a 74% non-surgical conception rate and achieve 132 pregnancies from a single 5-generation excellent cow in that herd. He supervised the management and herd health program of the Carnation herd in 1987 when it was the highest milk and fat producing herd in the US for its size at 25,486 lbs. of milk and 915 lbs. fat.

Erich's deep devotion to his profession is perhaps best exemplified by what he gives back to it. There has probably not been a more dedicated director to sit on the Board of Governors than when Erich represented District XI. He is

a model to follow. He faithfully arranged for local meetings two times per year in his district to disseminate to fellow practitioners the information from the national AABP meetings. Day-long seminars on bovine medicine were part of the state VMA meetings held in his district each year. He has again this year accepted the responsibility to chair the AABP reproduction committee which he so conscientiously did also during his tenure as District XI director. He has lectured to classes at Washington State University, participated in short courses for dairymen in the Pacific Northwest and has been a speaker in seminars for professionals and for dairymen in the US and abroad.

Erich and his wife Betty have been married for 27 years and have 3 children who have been taught to appreciate the value of labor and the enjoyment of the Swiss heritage that is so much a part of their father. As 25 year residents of the little town of Carnation, Washington, Erich and Betty are pillars of the community. Erich has held virtually every office in their congregational church; he has been a member of the church choir for virtually all of his life. He and Betty are co-moderators in their church lay leadership program.

To a man who has lived up to the honor, I'm proud to present the Cyanamide Award of Excellence to Dr. Erich Studer.

AABP Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Samuel Hutchins III, South Barre, Vermont received the 1990 Distinguished Service Award, presented by Dr. Keith Sterner who stated:

"The AABP Distinguished Service Award is unique among our presentations today in that it is the only one of all our awards that is sponsored solely by AABP. It was created 2 years ago to recognize those individuals who in the course of their professional pursuits have contributed uniquely to the material success of AABP. This year's nominee is no exception to that charge.

Yesterday during the board of directors allied group liaison luncheon, the Dean of a prestigious midwestern veterinary college (MSU) informed the board that he was this year's recipient's first ever clinical instructor at Cornell Veterinary School and taught him everything he knew some 32 years ago! President Fuhrmann corrected the Dean and said that surely it must have been 52 years ago, since it seems that our recipient has "been around" for so long!

During the times that I have had the privilege of presenting awards at this meeting, I have always thought it fun to try to keep the identity of the recipient somewhat a guessing game until the end of the presentation. In this

case, that simply isn't possible, due to the obvious and sustained material contribution this individual has made over a 20 year period to AABP's fiscal welfare. He is one of a small cadre of people whom I have always thought of as synonymous with AABP's annual meeting. Simply put, he's the guy who makes our exhibits a success year after year. Dr. Sam Hutchins III has no peer in this arena. He is sequestered away on the east end of the continent in South Barre, VT and yet he has managed to cultivate a vast array of contacts all over the continent. It is alleged that Sam has

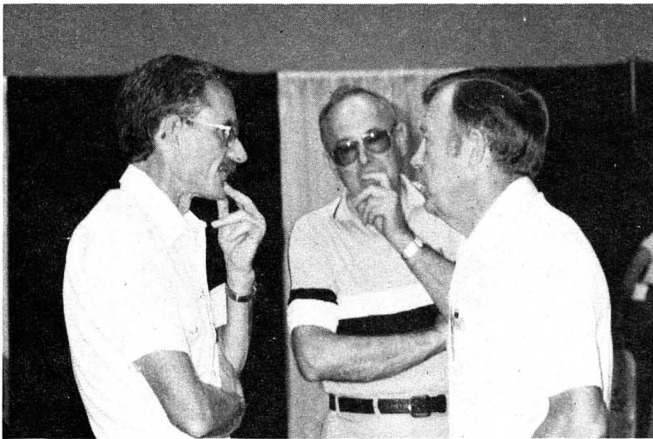
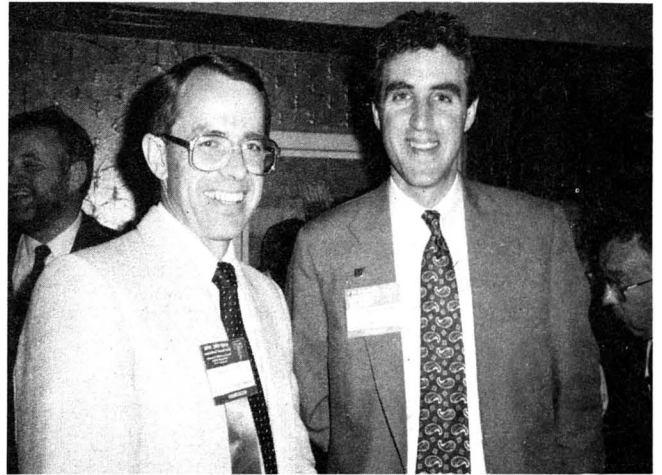


Dr. Keith Sterner with Dr. & Mrs. Hutchins

more contacts among exhibitors and potential exhibitors than an epidemiologic investigator from the C.D.C. He has been spectacularly successful in ensuring the physical, as well as, the fiscal success of our annual meeting. Our exhibitors, through their booth fees generate nearly one third of our total annual meeting revenue and help to update our membership on the latest technical and material products. It has been Sam's single minded devotion and attention to their needs which has helped in their decision to return year after year to our meeting. He seems to be part magician as well, in view of the ever decreasing number of

pharmaceutical companies through merger mania. He somehow keeps our exhibits space filled despite this phenomenon.

Sam has been a two term member of AABP's Board of Governors and was an Alternate Delegate to the AVMA for Vermont for several years. He is a past Chairman, Vermont VMA education committee. He currently serves as The Vermont State Veterinarian. Dr. Hutchins and his wife, Margaret, have 5 sons. Please help me in congratulating Dr. Sam Hutchins for his long and distinguished service to AABP."



AABP Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine

AABP Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine, sponsored by MSD-AGVET division of Merck & Co. Inc. were announced during the annual business meeting on Sunday, September 16.

The Awards recognize member practitioners who have developed outstanding preventive veterinary medicine programs for their clients in beef or dairy practice. Each award consists of a \$1500 scholarship contribution by MSD-AGVET in the name of the recipient to his/her veterinary college of choice and a specially designed bronze plaque in bas-relief. The awards were presented at the Business and Awards Luncheon on Sunday, September 16, 1990.

Dairy Award



Dr. David McClary, Mrs Turbock, Dr. Turbock and MSD-AGVET representative Dr. Jay Brown

The 1990 recipient of the MSD-AGVET Award for Excellence in Dairy Preventive Medicine was presented by President-Elect David McClary to Dr. James Turbock, Deckerville, Michigan.

Dr. Turbock is a partner in a 95% multi-person dairy practice which serves over 250 dairy herds.

Over half the herds are visited at least on a monthly basis for herd health evaluations. The recipient is noted for

the importance he places on client service. He is also considered an enthusiastic teacher and motivator.

Dr. Turbock is also actively involved in his community, working with a number of service organizations. He has been especially active with 4H from whom he received the "Friend of 4H Award" and FFA, from whom he received the "FFA Service Award". He has maintained close ties with his alma mater, Michigan State University. Since graduation he has served as President of the Alumni Council, cooperated in the school's preceptor program, and served as a special advisor to the provost of the university.

The recipient has also been involved in a number of state and federal programs including the Michigan Veterinary Medical Association Food Animal Committee, which is currently working on a number of projects including a model drug code, antidote centers for catastrophic toxicology cases, drug residues issues, and extra-label drug use. He has also been involved with recommendations for re-writing the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance and the Veal Calf Protection Act. He has made presentations at a number of state and national veterinary and industry meetings, and prepared papers for veterinary publications.

Dr. Turbock has lived and practiced in Deckerville since graduation from veterinary school in 1957.

Beef Program Award

The 1990 Beef Program Award was presented by Dr. Gordon Atkins, AABP Vice President to Dr. Charles E. Dayhle, Sr., Clarendon, Texas.

The award winner this year is truly respected as one of the first veterinarians in the southwest United States to develop a complete herd health consulting service for the feedlot industry. His practice career has spanned almost four decades and his nominator has described him as one of the "Founding Fathers" of the modern feedlot style of practice.

Currently his practice consults with 25 feedyards as well as numerous ranch clients and his preventive medicine programs encompass some 1½ - 2 million head of cattle

annually. His expertise in preventive medicine has led to requested publication in over 20 periodicals and journals and speaking engagements for some 400 groups of producers and veterinarians in over 25 states. He possesses the unique talent and common sense approach for blending new technology and high tech information into accepted management practice. In addition, our recipient has been highly successful at combining economics, management, and communication skills to address his clients' problems from a managerial perspective prior to applying sound veterinary skills.

This individual is a 1951 graduate of Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and established his practice at



Dr. Gordon Atkins, Dr. and Mrs Dayhle and Dr. Jay Brown

Clarendon, Texas. At present, 75% of the practice is involved with preventive medicine and he maintains that the secret to successful consultant practice is understanding the people you're working with and having them understand you.

Our award winner has been actively involved with many professional organizations including the Texas Veterinary Medical Association for which he is a past member of the executive. He is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, the American Association of Equine Practitioners, and the American Association of Bovine Practitioners.

Our recipient is a well rounded individual who has served his community as generously as his profession. He is a past city commissioner, school board member, and country club board member. He is also a past board member of the Methodist Church and a lifetime honorary 4-H and K-9 club member. He is a charter member of the Texas Cattle Feeders and the chairmen of the Cattle Liaison Committee of the Texas A&M Development Program Target 2000 Committee. This outstanding veterinarian has also produced a video called "Processing New Cattle".

He and his wife, Frances, have three daughters and a son who is also a veterinarian and partner in his practice.

Our profession has been enriched by the contributions of this individual who is described by his nominator as "a true leader of his generation and a true mentor of my generation".

It is not too early!

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1990 Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. Klingborg, (left) receiving the award for Dr. Larry Hollis.

Dr. Donald J. Klingborg, Merced, California was named the 1990 Outstanding Bovine Practitioner of the Year.

The Award, presented by Syntex Animal Health, Inc. was initiated by Diamond Laboratories in 1979.

Dr. Larry Hollis, representing Syntex, outlined the criteria for the Award

In presenting the recipient, Dr. Thomas Fuhrmann stated:

“The Syntex Animal Health - Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award is presented to an individual who builds his professional life on providing the highest quality of service to his clients and their animals, contributes to the advancement of our profession and his fellow practitioners and balances that with the same degree of commitment and devotion to his family and his community. Let me tell you about this year’s recipient.

Our Practitioner of the Year is a partner in, and president of a seven person veterinary practice in central California. The practice is 50% small and 50% large animal with virtually all of the large animal portion being dairy herd health. His practice operates from three clinics, employs approximately 20 staff persons and grosses over 1 million dollars annually. As I tell you more about our recipient and his volunteer work for our profession and his community, you will be astonished to know that he is the top income producer in the practice. Approximately 70% of his practice activities are dairy herd health work.

This practitioner’s approach to his dairy clients epitomizes the production medicine concept. He provides the

full complement of herd health services including reproductive work, mastitis prevention and control services, calf raising programs and nutritional consulting for dairymen in the San Joaquin Valley of California. He was among the first practitioners to use computers in herd health programs and is the only practitioner I know of who has 2½ computers --- I’m told the half of a computer is used to borrow spare parts so that he can fix the other two! In fact, he is one of the founders of a software company that designs dairy management software for veterinarians and dairymen.

Our recipient’s contribution to organized veterinary medicine includes service at the local, national and international level. He is active in the San Joaquin Veterinary Medical Association and has held every office in that association. During his tenure as its president and for 11 years since, he has been the sole representative of California practitioners to reorganize and revitalize the California State Diagnostic Laboratory System. Due in large part to his efforts in working through the Department of Food and Agriculture, a new central diagnostic laboratory was dedicated in October, 1988 on the University of California - Davis campus. Through his continued efforts with the California legislature, the CVMA and with livestock industry groups, the annual budget for the state diagnostic laboratories has tripled over the last few years.

Our recipient is recognized by his fellow California practitioners and by most of us in AABP for his contributions to continuing education programs. He has lectured at the veterinary college at U of C - Davis and at the Re-

search and Teaching Center at Tulare on herd health management topics. This practitioner was chairman of the food animal section of the CVMA annual meetings for 5 years and appeared on the program several times. He developed a new seminar for the AABP - Calgary annual meeting entitled "Measuring the Financial Health of Dairies". It was rated as one of the most popular seminars of that meeting and was repeated last year in Kansas City. Our recipient is the founder and past president of the Academy of Dairy Veterinary Consultants, an organization developed to serve the special needs of veterinarians involved in large herd management.

Our practitioner of the year wrote the semi-monthly herd health column for Dairy Herd Management magazine for 2 years. He published articles on several herd health topics in the California Veterinarian, the Compendium for Continuing Education, Veterinary Clinics of North America and the Journal of Dairy Science.

Our recipient is the only veterinarian to have received a fellowship from the Agriculture Education Foundation in its 20 year history. Through a highly competitive process, 30 agribusiness leaders were selected to participate in a 2 year program to become effective spokespeople for agriculture. The program included several days of classroom course work, visiting slums and homeless centers in cities like Detroit and Chicago, touring rural agricultural communities and spending a week in Washington, DC with congressional leaders and administration officials. This contingency of ag leaders, including our recipient, have visited Egypt, Kenya, Zimbabwe and South Africa to participate in problem solving processes with government and United Nations officials.

Our recipient's humanitarian efforts at the international level were deep rooted in his service to his local community. He was instrumental in coordinating a county leadership program which involved mayors, city managers, business leaders and school superintendents that resolved local community problems. This program is recognized as one of the most successful community awareness programs

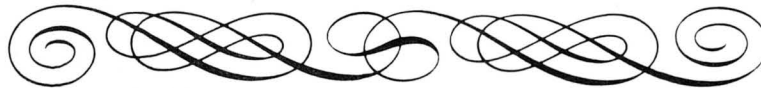
in the state of California. He is also active with 4-H and vocational agricultural students and helped to initiate a scholarship program for high school students through his work in the Rotary Club.

Beverly, his wife, recently returned to full-time course work at Fresno State College to major in special education of the deaf. Brian, the youngest of two sons, is a graduate student in East Asian Affairs at Harvard University. Jon is a veterinary student at UC-Davis. Despite an active schedule, our recipient plays golf, is known as the "ace" volleyball spiker on a county coed volleyball team, and is the captain and pitcher of his softball team - the "Milk Maids".

Ladies and gentlemen, join me in congratulating this year's Syntex Animal Health - Bovine Practitioner of the Year, Dr. Donald Klingborg."



*Former recipients & their wives: (left to right)
 Dr. & Mrs. James Jarrett
 Dr. & Mrs. Leland Allenstein
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