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### Bovine "Give-Away"

The AABP again sponsored a "Bovine Give-Away" in the form of ten \$50.00 prizes. The drawing was made by AABP President, Dr. Don Hudson and the event was organized by Dr. Samuel Hutchins 3rd, Exhibits Manager in collaboration with the exhibitors.

The winners and exhibitors who had the winning milk bottles were the following:

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Winners

Dale L. Wendlandt, DVM P.O. Box 569 Stigler, OK 74462

Dr. Laurie Jeffrey Madawaska Vet-Services 290-B Coumbe St. Renfrew, Ont. K7V 2R8 Can.

Eric Brummel, DVM Argyle Vet. Service 201 S. North St. Argyle, WI 53504

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Alderman and Mrs. Don Hardman, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Atkins and Dr. Bruce Grahn.

nary medicine.

Welcoming addresses were also given by Dr. Donald Hudson, AABP President and Dr. Bruce Grahn, President, Alberta VMA.

Dr. George Washington, Past President, presented the AABP's first research assistantship award to Dr. Terry Bowersock, a former dairy practitioner in Wisconsin.

Calgary Alderman Don Hardman provided the crowning touch to the opening ceremony by performing the traditional White Hat Ceremony. He presented white hats to the officers and the editor.



Dr. and Mrs. Hudson and daughter Marta.

The final 'round-up', after a mock gun fight, was an evening of laughter provided by the keynote speaker, Dr. James Blakely, famous humorist from Wharton, Texas. His humor, wit and down-to-earth intellect set the mood for a great convention with his theme "you should take your job seriously, but not yourself." He advocated creative thinking, teamwork, adaptability, "going the extra mile" and a sense of humor.

### **AABP Research Assistantship Award**

At the opening ceremonies on Wednesday evening, September 28, Dr. George Washington, Past President presented the first AABP Research Assistantship Award to Dr. Terry Lynn Bowersock, a former Wisconsin bovine practitioner.

Approximately three years ago, the AABP Board of Governors approved a Research Assistantship of \$10,000 to be awarded annually to one candidate or a portion thereof to a number of candidates. Dr. Neil Anderson, a Past President, Ontario, Canada was chairman of the committee which prepared the award guidelines.

The Research and Scholarship Committee received

twenty eight applications for the 1988 award.

On July 18, at the AVMA meeting in Portland, Oregon the AABP Board of Directors approved the amount of \$9750.00 and the selection of Dr. Bowersock, University of Tennessee for his research proposal.

"Production of antibodies to specific antigens of Pasteurella haemolitica and evaluation of their ability to enhance phagocytosis by bovine macrophages and prevent leukocyte death when exposed to P. haemolytica". Dr. Bowersock received the DVM degree from the Ohio State University in 1981 and was engaged in mixed practice in Elmwood, Wisconsin until October, 1984. In January, 1985, he began a Ph.D. program at the University of Tennessee in comparative and experimental medicine which was completed in June, 1988.



Past President George Washington presenting the Research Assistantship Award to Dr. Bowersock and his family

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# 1988 Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Atkins receiving the award from President Don Hudson. Also present were Dr. Ted Schacklady, President Canadian VMA (left) and Dr. George Hausman, (Syntex Animal Health).

Dr. Gordon A. Atkins, Calgary, Alberta, Canada was named the 1988 Outstanding Bovine Practitioner of the Year at the Annual Membership Business Luncheon meeting on Saturday, October 1. He is the first Canadian to receive the Award.

The Award presented by Syntex Animal Health, Inc., was initiated by Diamond Laboratories in 1979. The honoree was presented by Dr. Donald Hudson and Syntex representative Dr. George Hausman.

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. Atkins grew up on a farm west of Calgary. He attended the University of Calgary for preveterinary studies and received the DVM degree from Western College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon in 1972, graduating with distinction.

Dr. Atkins joined the staff of the Moore & Co. Veterinary Clinic in Calgary following graduation and became a partner in the 3-veterinarian group practice after one year. The practice currently has 7 veterinarians.

Dr. Atkins is primarily (80%) involved with cattle, mainly dairy, practice and some equine work. He has 45 herd health clients and also provides a referral service in bovine abdominal surgery, and sophisticated nutritional service to his clients.

Dr. Atkins was the Local Arrangements Chairman for this year's AABP Convention in Calgary.

Dr. Atkins has shared in the writing of a monthly veterinary column for a dairy publication for several years. He has organized client education workshops in conjunction with Holstein Clubs and government agencies. He has also presented lectures for the University of Calgary Continual Education Department.

Dr. Atkins is the Director for District 13 on the

Board of Directors, American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP), and chairman of the Nutrition Committee. He has been chairman of the bovine sessions for the AVMA annual convention for the past 3 years. He is a member of the Alberta Veterinary Medical Association and serves on the continuing education committee. Dr. Atkins is also a member of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Atkins is a member of the Holstein Association of Canada and the Alberta Holstein Association. He has been a member of the dairy committee which plans all dairy shows and sales in Calgary for 8 years. He is also an official judge of the Holstein Association of Canada, licensed to judge Class A fairs and has judged many of the major fairs in Alberta. Dr. Atkins is active

in 4-H work and currently serves as judge for Achievement Days and Judging Schools for many Alberta 4-H Clubs. He is a Senior Associate Director of the Calgary Exhibition & Stampede Board.

Dr. Atkins is an active member of the Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Jo Anne, have 3 children; Douglas, 6; Kerry, 4; and Christy, 1 year old.

His nomination for the Award described Dr. Atkins as "a community-minded, extremely competent practicing veterinarian whose commitment to excellence and whose knowledge of type, pedigree and dairy management make him a remarkable asset to his clients, his practice, his community and to organized veterinary medicine".

### Typical of the Best North American Convention Award



Mr. Everette Miller, Calgary Convention Centre, presenting the award to Gordon and Jo Anne Atkins.

At a reception held on Tuesday, February 21, 1989 at the Calgary Convention Centre, Dr. Gordon Atkins, accompanied by his wife, Jo Anne was presented the "Typical of the Best" North American Convention Award. The plaque has the following inscription:

Presented to Dr. Gordon Atkins in recognition of your leadership in bringing the American Association of Bovine Practitioners Conference to Calgary, September 28-October 1, 1988.

Calgary Tourism and Convention Bureau

Dr. and Mrs. Atkins express their sincere thanks to all who worked so hard to make the convention such a great success adding, "I received the award on behalf of all of you and specifically wish to recognize Dr. Ted Shacklady who presented the proposal for Calgary to host the 1988 Conference when it was first considered by the AABP."

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# AABP's Awards for Excellence

AABP awards for excellence in preventive veterniary medicine, sponsored by MSD-AGVET division of Merck & Co., Inc., were announced during the annual business meeting on Saturday, October 1.

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 to be made 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. Dr. John Malcolm represented MSD-AGVET.

### **Dairy Program Award**

Dr. Thomas J. Fuhrmann, Tempe, Arizona is the recipient of the 1988 Dairy Program Award. The Award was presented by Dr. Keith Sterner who stated:

This year marks the second consecutive year that I've had the pleasure of presenting the MSD-AGVET Dairy Award in Preventive Medicine. Again this year, the recipient is not only richly deserving but someone I have the privilege to call a friend as well as a colleague.

This year's recipient originally hails from a small dairy farm in Wisconsin but has moved on to the megafarm scale and sunburned claims of the south-western United States. His veterinary school training was completed in 1974 when he graduated from the University of Minnesota. His professional career was nurtured under the tutelage of the Pilchuck Veterinary Clinic in Snohouirsh, Washington. He then moved to the Phoenix, Arizona area where he set up a dairy practice in Tempe, Arizona. His practice activities encompass an extremely wide range of disciplines. While he provides services for only 14 clients, they represent very large numbers of animals.

His professional efforts have specifically been targeted at the prevention of loss through the application of sound production, management, prevention techniques. Components of his production medicine programs are tailored to individual clients needs and are targeted specifically to reproductive, quality milk replacement heifer and vaccination programs. In particular, he has fostered the concept of client education and training by conducting numerous seminars for his clients and their employees. These educational activities extend to a regional, state, national and international scale as well. He has served as a coordinator of quality milk programs for United Dairymen of Arizona to put on milker schools and other educational efforts to assure increased production and profitability.

He is currently the chairman of the USAHA mastitis committee and an Executive Board member of the National Mastitis Council for the past two years. He served on a Task Force that helped to develop a new mission statement for NMC that focused on the



Dr. Keith Sterner presenting the Award for Excellence, Dairy Program, to Dr. Thomas Fuhrmann and his wife, Joanne. Also present Dr. John Malcolm (MSD-AGVET).

veterinarian as a key component in the production of quality milk. He is a member of the National Milk Producers Federation/AVMA Task Force established to address and reduce residues in dairy products. He serves as a consultant to the MASSTOCK company of Ireland and as such travels to the Middle East several times a year to help develop dairy production in this portion of the Third World. Finally he is a member of the AABP executive committee and has served as this years program seminar chairman.

His efforts have a local, state, national and international direction that have resulted in a significant contribution to our profession's knowledge, understanding and application of meaningful preventative medicine programs.

This years recipient's sharing of his intellect, time and talent with organized veterinary medicine reflect great credit not only on himself but our organization as well. It is with great pleasure that I present the 1988 MSD-AGVET Dairy Preventative Medicine Award to Dr. Thomas Fuhrmann.

### **Beef Program Award**

This Award was presented by Dr. Thomas J. Fuhrmann and MSD-AGVET representative Dr. John Malcolm. Dr. Fuhrmann stated, "The modern beef practitioner is one who recognizes all of the facets of production when he advises a beef production unit. The responsibility he accepts is great! This year's awardee is a consultant to only 12 clients, yet he has over 300,000 animals under his supervision."

How did he achieve the degree of expertise so that top management of these enterprises rely upon his judgment and advice? One of his colleagues states, "general excellence in feedlot preventive medicine and management. Absolutely the most dedicated practitioner I know in providing client service and support." Another colleague reports, "he has built the most respectful large animal consulting practice in the country."

This awardee has a BS and DVM from the University of Missouri and a MS in Pathology from Kansas State University. After graduation he conducted a feedlot consulting practice, then, recognizing the need of expertise in pathology, he taught while completing his graduate work. He then served as National Sales Manager for a large pharmaceutical company and served as technical representative to major cattle producers in the United States. He further fulfilled his yearn for management of beef cattle by managing a feedlot and was in charge of accounting, banking, customer relations, and health management programs. Since that time he has conducted his consulting practice in large commercial feedlots. He also serves as a consultant for the major pharmaceutical companies.

The veterinarian with this background and credentials is Dr. Delbert G. Miles of Greeley, Colorado. A young man — a long way from the half-way mark of 50 years. His wife Carol, his supporter and helpmate, is Dr. Miles' best friend and they have two children — Traci, age 21, and Terri, age 19.

Dr. Miles is well-recognized by his peers. He is past president of the Veterinary Consultants and in



The Award for Excellence, Beef cattle program presented to Dr. Delbert Miles, center, by Dr. Thomas Fuhrmann and Dr. John Malcolm (MSD-AGVET).

1987 was honored with the award Veterinary Consultant of the Year by the Academy of Consultants. He has served as Director of Colorado Cattle Feeders and has presented papers in major veterinary meetings and cattle producer meetings in many states including papers given at the annual meeting of AABP.

Dr. Miles also belongs to many professional organizations and has traveled extensively within the USA and abroad.

The most significant characteristic about Dr. Miles is that he is very honest with his clients and yet very frank in his opinions. Throughout all the furor of drug usage in the cattle industry, Dr. Miles has used the philosophy of *quality assurance* in dealing with his clients and their cattle. He is well-recognized by his peers for this professional stance.

Help me recognize Dr. Miles by giving him a warm hand for his professional performance and recognition in truly practicing Preventive Medicine.

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