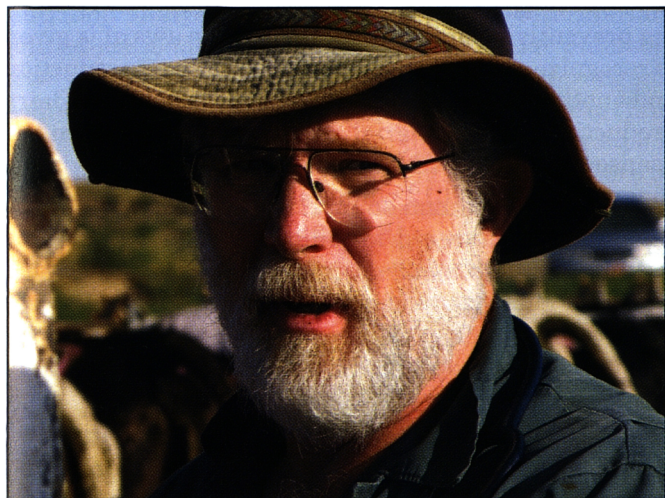


2012 AABP–Boehringer Ingelheim Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. Earl Aalseth, 2012 Bovine Practitioner of the Year.

Dr. Craig Jones, Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, described the AABP–Boehringer Ingelheim Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award. “The Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award has been awarded annually since its establishment in 1978. Since its inception, this award has been sponsored by Syntex Animal Health, Fort Dodge Animal Health, and now Boehringer Ingelheim. The award consists of a diamond ring and commemorative plaque. The award winner exhibits those qualities that exemplify the AABP and its members. Candidates are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Must be a bovine practitioner in active practice;
- The quality of veterinary service provided as judged by his or her peers;
- Participation in organized veterinary medicine, such as AABP, as well as activity on veterinary boards, such as licensing, specialty, etc.;
- Contribution to the knowledge of the profession through case reports, scientific reports and continuing education; and,
- Achievements and activities which have an impact on the cattle industry and bovine practice.

On behalf of Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, I would like to express our appreciation for allowing us to participate in recognizing one of your outstanding members. To present the winner of the 2012 AABP–Boehringer Ingelheim Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award, please welcome Dr. Dale Moore.”

Dr. Moore introduced the 2012 award winner: “Good afternoon. It is with tremendous pleasure and pride that I am able to present the Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award. Pleasure because I have come to know this person over the last ten years. And pride because...well, because he’s a westerner... a Montana native and Washington State University Alum.

Our awardee was born in Williston, North Dakota and moved when he was quite young to Billings, Montana where he was raised. His dad was a geologist and worked for the oil companies in the 1950’s. His family did not live in a rural area but he did have friends that had horses and cattle. It was

through this relationship that he found out that he enjoyed working with cows.

This individual has been a member of the AABP since 1990, coming later to the veterinary profession after getting a Master of Science degree in animal science with Phil Senger at Washington State University, a PhD degree at Virginia Tech, and working as an assistant professor at Oklahoma State University in animal science. His PhD work was with Richard Saacke on sperm acrosome changes as a result of collection and handling, which led to information of how to better handle bull semen for fertility. In academia he worked on the dairy cow side and focused on reproductive physiology, dietary protein effects on reproductive performance, and gamete fertility.

He entered veterinary school in 1987 at Oklahoma State University. Upon graduation he entered a practice back in the west – in western Washington state where he was a practice owner and headed up the dairy group until 2004. Since that time he has been a dairy consulting veterinarian in eight states. He practices just like most of us has practiced, with medicine and surgery and reproductive exams but has really taken off on in the areas of nutrition, records analysis, employee training, calf management, heifer development, transition cow management, biosecurity, housing, udder health and parlor function. But not for just his immediate clients, this practitioner also works with other dairy veterinarians, dairy software companies and businesses, providing advice and expertise. He also found time to co-author a book with Dr. Mike Hutgens on caring for transition cows.

I met this individual when I started putting on dairy continuing education programs in California. He became a regular at our Academy of Dairy Veterinary Consultants meetings where he served as president just a couple of years ago. You could call him a CE junkie, getting about 60-90 clock hours of CE per year. As president of our academy, he helped organize two of our best meetings because of his contacts. He was recently elected to the DCRC Board of Directors, and I found out that he was participating in a two-year study to advance precision dairy farming in a project led by the University of Kentucky (Quantification of Physiological and Behavioral Indicators Of Disease In Dairy Cattle Using Precision Dairy Farming Technologies).

His wife said that they met in Pullman, of all places, when they were both working on their masters degree in animal science. She became a lab technician in the practice where she continues to work. They have one daughter, an interior designer whose husband is an architect. His wife also said he was a very handy guy – I think that means he likes to build and fix things – like their horse barn...

Who is this special guy? You might know him from numerous postings on AABP-L as EABOVADUDE or met him at one of the 15 pre-convention seminars he has attended – please congratulate our 2012 AABP–Boehringer Ingelheim Bovine Practitioner of the Year, Dr. Earl P Aalseth Jr., from Lake Stevens, Washington. Dr. Aalseth was unable to be here today, receiving the award for him is Dr. Steve Smalley.”

AABP–Merial Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Tim Nickel, Merial Canada, described the awards. “The awards were established in 1982, and consist of a \$1500 general scholarship contribution made in the name of the recipient to his/her veterinary college of choice and a specifically designed plaque given to the recipient. The awards recognize individual member practitioners or practices that have developed outstand-

ing preventive medicine programs. One award is given to recognize an outstanding program for beef production and another is given to an outstanding program in dairy production. We, at Merial, are proud to have been the sponsor of this award for the last 30 years, and wish to congratulate the 2012 winners.”

Beef Award



Dr. Mark Hilton (right) receives the AABP–Merial Beef Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine from AABP President Dr. Nigel Cook.

Dr. Allan Britten introduced the 2012 beef award recipient: “I was thrilled when I was asked to fill in for this presentation. The recipient and I go way back – we first became acquainted as undergraduates at Purdue University. It was in our freshman year of veterinary school, however, that we became close friends. Both of us were accepted after our junior year and we needed a speech class to complete our undergraduate degree. During our lunch hour, when the rest of our veterinary school classmates were playing euchre, we trudged across campus to sit with a group of freshmen and sophomores. At some point during the course of the class the two of us looked around and noticed we were the only ones taking notes – and this was a pass-fail class for us!

That commitment to excellence has served this recipient well, and lasted much longer than that speech

class. It lasted into private practice in Dewitt, Iowa where he became deeply involved in his community and in improving his client’s herds. While in practice, he became an ABVP diplomate in the beef practice specialty in the first year that specialty was offered.

That commitment extended into a distinguished teaching career at Purdue University, where he joined the staff in 1998 and where he was recently promoted to clinical professor. Among his many teaching awards, our recipient has been recognized as an outstanding educator at Purdue by the student body each year since 2001. He has also mentored dozens of individual students interested in food animal practice. One recent graduate, now in dairy practice in New York, tells me “that he truly cares about the student’s learning and their success as future veterinarians.”

His mentorship also includes fellow practitioners. He has given lectures and seminars to veterinarians across the country and abroad. In 2009, he was recognized as the Continuing Educator of the Year in the food animal category at the Western Veterinary Conference. Here at the AABP, in addition to many presentations during the convention, which are always well attended, he has led preconference seminars in practice management as well as an ongoing seminar on beef cattle nutrition. Those of us who have attended his presentations are never bored and can relate to those students who have recognized him as a master speaker and educator. In addition to speaking, he serves on the AABP Nutrition Committee, has served as the chair of the cow-calf session, and is this year’s technician program chair. He has served as the bovine section chair of the National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. He has advocated for board certification through the ABVP and has served on its board.

He is a tireless (and if you know him as I do you know what I mean by tireless) advocate for the beef in-

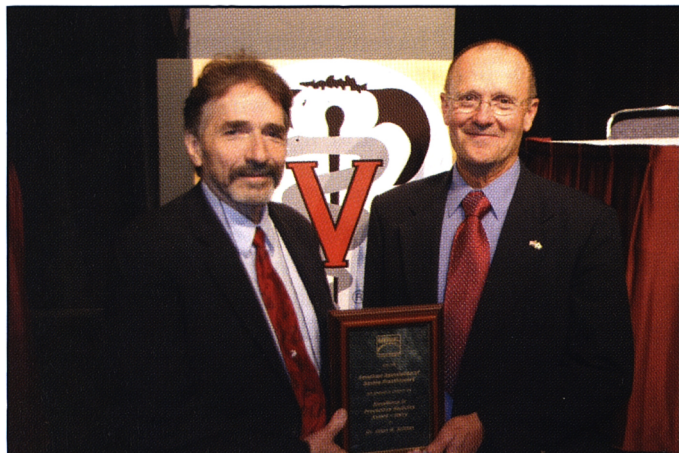
dustry and beef producers. I really don't know where he gets all his energy. He is the coordinator of the Indiana Integrated Resource Management initiative and has developed this organization into a full service production medicine program, incorporating production record and nutrition analysis, annual herd visits by veterinarians and educational seminars for producers. He publishes freely in industry publications, including an ongoing column in Beef magazine and the Purdue Beef Top Hand newsletter. He has spoken to many producer groups in Indiana and across the nation. He's even out there on Facebook. But through it all he maintains his focus on the health and profitability of his client's beef herds. Clients of his that I contacted tell me that "his priorities have always been to make things easier, safer and more profitable for beef producers. He is always aware that small changes can lead to big improvements." Another

told me that "he encourage(s) active dialogue from everyone present including county extension agents, former city dwellers, octogenarians, students and veterinarians. No one's comments were dismissed. He viewed everyone in this group as a colleague with a like goal of herd improvement."

All this and I haven't even mentioned what he would consider his greatest success – his wonderful family. I know he is as proud of his wife Denise, his sons Matthew and Stephen, and his new daughter-in-law Anna as he is of his distinguished career in veterinary medicine.

Please join me in welcoming this year's recipient of the AABP–Merial Excellence In Preventive Medicine Beef Award, a Hoosier by birth and a Boilermaker by the Grace of God, Dr. Mark Hilton."

AABP–Merial Award of Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine – Dairy Award



Dr. Allen Britten (left) receives the AABP–Merial Dairy Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine from Dr. Keith Sterner.

Dr. Keith Sterner introduced the 2012 dairy award recipient: “This year it is my distinct honor and pleasure to be able to present the Merck Award for Excellence in Dairy Preventative Medicine. As you will see, our awardee is richly deserving of this award.

Our nominee grew up in a military family, and as such, had little or no exposure to farm livestock; however, there are some ancillary benefits that sometimes accrue to the peripatetic life of a military family, and in this case it was living in a Central American country where fluency in Spanish was garnered. Most of us know that this is an attribute of incalculable value in today’s dairy industry. As with many leaders in our profession, great mentors have played a significant role in his professional development. Among them have been Dr. Ray Bradbury, whose passion for incorporating the clinical laboratory into private practice left an example that has lasted to this day. Another mentor and colleague who had great influence was Dr. Lionel Brasil, who in addition to becoming a great friend, collaborated and shared his passion for milking machine evaluation and performance.

Our nominee hails from the Pacific Northwest and attended Washington State University, attaining a DVM degree in 1972. Post graduation, our nominee entered private practice for three years, then left to pursue an MPVM from UC Davis. Upon completion of this degree, he moved to the opposite side of the USA where he served as field veterinarian for the NYS Mastitis Control Program until 1978, then returned to his roots in the Pacific NW as a partner in a five person practice

in Ferndale, WA. By 1989, our nominee had a demonstrated passion and skill-set in milk quality programs, which he incorporated into an enterprise named Udder Health Systems. Udder Health Systems provided a wide ranging array of milk quality programs for producers, veterinarians, and processors that included laboratory support, research, machine and procedure evaluations, along with training programs that have resulted in significant and measurable milk quality gains across the entire production and processing spectrum of the dairy industry. Among his pioneering techniques are the use of bulk tank culturing and selective culture media that help both the speed and accuracy of milk quality testing, both on dairy farms and in milk processing plants.

Our nominee has been active as a leader, presenter, and researcher in the National Mastitis Council, and has developed many procedures and processes for evaluating and improving milk quality that have seen widespread adoption in the North American dairy industry. Additionally, he has numerous ongoing field research projects that the time constraints of this program do not allow me to elaborate on.

If you talk to any employee at his three milk quality laboratories, you are quickly impressed with the respect, awe, and admiration they have for our nominee. In addition, he has two adult children that are part of his Udder Health Systems services, and they too know those same characteristics in their father’s unrelenting drive and dedication for excellence.

I had such a hard time garnering any personal details of our nominee’s life, even from close collaborators who would say, “Oh, yes, I really know him well having worked on projects with him”, only to pause and admit they could come up with few specifics of his personal life because he had been so focused on the research and keeping on task. His daughter Justine had a ready explanation for this, and I quote, “I think the reason you all know so little of his personal life is because his work and his research IS his life. Like his fellow classmates and colleagues....all in their 60’s now.....there is a touch of workaholic and no signs of slowing down.”

Please help me to recognize this year’s AABP–Merial Award For Excellence in Preventative Veterinary Medicine – Dairy Cattle – Dr. Allan Britten.”

AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award



Dr. Keith Sterner (center) receives the AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award from Dr. Kent Ames (left), and Dr. Dick Wallace, Pfizer Animal Health.

Dr. Dick Wallace, Pfizer Animal Health, described the award: “The award was established in 1989. It consists of a commemorative plaque and a certificate of appreciation. It also includes a \$1,000 donation to either the school of the recipient’s choice or the Amstutz Scholarship Fund. Candidates for the award are those individuals who, through long and continued service, have promoted the goals of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP) and whose accomplishments have served as a model for service to bovine agriculture through organized veterinary medicine.

Selection criteria include the following:

- A career of self-effacing commitment to excellence in bovine medicine as evidenced by conscientious involvement in the affairs of the AABP;
- Demonstrated leadership in keeping organized veterinary medicine abreast of the times;
- Peer recognition as an effective spokesman for the bovine practitioner.”

Dr. Kent Ames introduced the 2012 award winner: “I have a few words to describe our recipient of the AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award.

- Professional – He graduated from Michigan State University in 1969.
- Veteran – He was a member of the US Army Veterinary Corps from 1970 to 1972.

- Family man – He has a beautiful wife Lin, three grown children—each in a health profession. His father, uncle, niece, nephew plus three brothers-in-law are all veterinarians. He is a grandfather, with another one on the way.

- Practitioner – He was the AABP Bovine Practitioner of the Year in 1991, and was given the Birth of Purebred Award in Michigan denoting the Food Animal Practitioner of the Year in Michigan.

- AABP officer – He was the President of AABP in 1989 and had the distinction of presiding over the longest running board of directors meeting of 42 hours during the annual conference.

- Organized Veterinary Medicine – He was an active member of the AVMA and the NMC.

- Collegiate athlete – A gymnast whose event was the trampoline.

- A mentor – To veterinary students from Michigan, students across the country, and from around the world.

- Excavator – He built a dam and created electricity for his home, and sold electricity to the local power company. He even owns his own “yellow digger”.

- Entrepreneur – He collaborated in developing the toggle suture method for LDA repair.

As the 2012 recipient of the AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award makes his way to the podium, let’s congratulate Dr. Keith Sterner on his birthday by singing happy birthday to him.”

AABP Award of Excellence



Dr. Roger Ellis (left) receives the AABP-Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award from incoming AABP President Dr. Nigel Cook.

Dr. Joe Klopfenstein described the award. “This award, established in 1989, consists of a ring and a plaque. Candidates for the award must be nominated from teaching, research, industry, or government areas. The nominees’ professional activities must have had a consistent and direct influence on daily activities of veterinarians in bovine practice. Eligibility also includes a degree in veterinary medicine and AABP membership.

It is certainly a privilege to introduce this year’s recipient of the AABP Award of Excellence. My first experience with this individual was in the passenger seat of his truck as a senior veterinary student. On day one, we received a call for a down cow late in the afternoon. We jumped in the truck, hoping to complete the job before evening office hours started. We sped up a twisty mountain road to a little farm at the end of the earth in South Lincoln, Vermont with me wide eyed, hanging on and muttering a prayer the whole time. We treated the cow (I remember thinking – isn’t calcium supposed to go in slowly?), then back into the truck for another white knuckled ride down the mountain.

Well, this year’s recipient hasn’t slowed down since. His career has been quite varied. After leaving practice in Vermont, he went to Michigan State University in 1987 to teach and receive an advanced degree in

nutrition. In 1991 he re-entered practice in Granville, New York, and then in 1999 became a field service veterinarian for the state of New York.

This year’s recipient is a founder and currently directs the Capital District Cattle Veterinarian’s group, bringing bovine continuing education to veterinarians in New York. He is past president of the Cornell Veterinary Alumni Association, and has served as an advocate for food animal issues in the NYVMA. As a field service state veterinarian, a practice in his area of New York told me he has been instrumental in the initiation and acceptance of the NYSCHAP program in their state. In addition, he has undergone training at Plum Island to become a certified Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostician, one of an elite group of veterinarians so certified. In the words of Dr. David Smith, New York State Veterinarian, “I have personally witnessed his efforts to disseminate his knowledge on foreign animal diseases to both veterinarians and lay persons and can attest to his effectiveness.”

So this year’s recipient certainly meets many criteria for excellence, but it’s what he does outside of traditional veterinary medicine that in my opinion truly sets him apart. Each year at this awards luncheon we recognize, and rightly so, the elite members of our profes-

sion; elite individuals teaching elite students, mentoring other elite practitioners and motivating elite producers. This year's award of excellence recipient has chosen a different path; sharing his gifts in a different way. He has chosen to spend time with people most of us have never met and are often forgotten. Throughout his professional career, he has helped villagers, farmers and local veterinarians learn the most basic medical techniques and animal care off the beaten track in over two dozen countries including China, Bangladesh, India, Russia, and many countries in Central and South America, Africa and Southeast Asia as a volunteer and consultant. He has served with the Peace Corps; Veterinarians without Borders, currently serving as Vice President on its board, and has been involved with Heifer International for over 20 years, serving on its national board of directors. He is currently active as a volunteer with ACDI/VOCA, whose mission states that it "strives to promote positive economic and social change worldwide." Diana Roach, Senior Director of their volunteer program, recognizes that our recipient has selflessly given his time and talents to field work around the world since 1988.

She goes on to say that somewhere in Egypt there is a calf named after him after he showed a villager proper AI technique resulting in a pregnant cow.

Back home, our recipient is actively involved in his own community Lions club (which is, of course, a service organization) and his local church. He generously shares his message of bringing positive change to people's lives by speaking with numerous professional, community and church groups throughout the country. Through it all he is guided by his deep love of fellow human beings and his strong commitment to his faith. His family also exhibits excellence in their own way; his wife Claudia has a private practice in speech therapy and his daughter Lisa and son Tim have become remarkable adults with distinguished careers of their own. He and Claudia also have the best story about meeting James Herriot I have ever heard.

Please join me in congratulating this year's recipient of the AABP Award of Excellence - my mentor, colleague and friend, Dr. Roger Ellis."

AABP–Merck Animal Health Mentor of the Year Award



Dr. Arthur Currey (center) receives the AABP–Merck Mentor of the Year Award from Dr. Scott Nordstrom and Dr. JoAnn Greenfield.

Dr. Scott Nordstrom, Merck Animal Health, described the award. “The AABP–Merck Mentor of the Year Award is presented annually to an AABP member who has been engaged in the field of veterinary medicine for at least 25 years and has served as both advisor and role model to pre-veterinary and/or veterinary students. This award was instituted in 2007 and is conferred annually to a member that embodies this spirit whether in practice, the clinic, or the classroom. The receipt is presented with a commemorative plaque at the annual business luncheon.”

The 2012 award winner was introduced by Dr. JoAnn Greenfield. “It is my pleasure to be here this afternoon to present this award to a wonderful and well deserving mentor. This individual worked as a private practitioner for over 30 years before joining the food animal faculty at Michigan State University, during which time he mentored numerous people including veterinary students of all years, technician students, interns, residents, international fellows and clinicians. He would go out of his way to ensure that his students got as much hands-on experience as possible, even going

so far as to come track us down if we were elsewhere in the hospital so that we wouldn’t go without seeing something or unique. In addition to making sure we got the best education as possible, his humble disposition is something that stands out. He treats everyone’s opinions and thoughts and questions as something worthy of consideration, despite the fact that he’s been doing this job for almost 40 years and we have been doing it for almost 10 minutes. Ultimately, his approachability is a tremendous asset. We all know that regardless of what we come across in real life practice, we can always give him a call to get an expert opinion or even just some encouraging words, as long as we’re not calling during maple syrup season during which time the return phone call will not come for a couple of weeks. I think that each of us mentees can say that we will always have his number saved in our cell phones because good mentors are hard to come by, and we know that we have one of the greats! With that, please help me in honoring this year’s AABP–Merck Animal Health Mentor of the Year, Dr. Art Currey.”

AABP–Merial James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders



Dr. Jennifer Hatcher receiving the award from her father, Dr. Charlie Hatcher.

The James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders recognizes members of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners who have made significant contributions to ensuring the current success and the future viability of the AABP. The award will be presented at the AABP Annual Meeting to AABP members who have been nominated by another current AABP member and who have been determined to be deserving of the award by the AABP Board of Directors. The award will be limited to deserving AABP members who have graduated within ten (10) calendar years of graduation from veterinary school. Recipients will have given extraordinary service to the AABP in a manner that significantly enhances the mission of the organization. The award will consist of a commemorative plaque and a commemorative ring. This award was established in 2005 and will be presented only when a deserving individual has been nominated and selected. This year's award winner was introduced by Dr. Charlie Hatcher.

“Good afternoon, It is my pleasure to present the James A. Jarrett award. It is a very special award because it's named after Dr Jim Jarrett and all that he represented and because it is given to a young leader. Reading from our web page, The James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders recognizes members of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners who have made significant contributions to ensuring the current success and the future viability of the AABP. The award is presented at the AABP Annual Meeting to AABP members who have been nominated by another current AABP member and who have been determined to be deserving of the award by the AABP Board of Di-

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2012 AABP Research Summaries Graduate Student Awards



Dr. Roxanne Pillars, Dr. Andreia Arruda, Dr. Amelia Woolums, and Dr. David Smith

This year, AABP recognized the top research presentations by graduate students at the 45th Annual Conference in Montreal, Quebec. Nineteen oral presentations were presented as part of this competition. The

top presentation, titled *Preliminary Results from a Non-Inferiority Clinical Trial: Ability of Three Commercial Dry Cow Mastitis Preparations to Cure Intramammary Infections Present at Dry Off*, was made by Dr. Andreia Arruda from the University of Minnesota. Second place went to Dr. Lindsey Kissell, from North Carolina State University, with her presentation *Pharmacokinetics and Milk Elimination of Flunixin in Dairy Cattle Following Different Routes of Administration*. Third place in the competition was won by Dr. Alexandria Glover from the University of California - Davis with her presentation *A Randomized Clinical Trial for the Effect of Oral Zinc Supplementation as a Treatment for Diarrhea in Neonatal Holstein Calves*. The standard awards for first, second and third place of \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$500 were each supplemented by \$1,000 grants from the BRD Symposium Organizing Committee. Congratulations on a job well done. The AABP thanks the BRD Symposium Organizing Committee for their support of the graduate student awards.

Dr. David Smith and Dr. Roxanne Pillars
Research Summaries Coordinators

2012 Presentation Winners Student Case Competition



Leslie Wagner, Amy Dahlke, Dr. Sarah Wagner, Alea Hoffman, Beau Schilling

Ten students were selected to participate in the 2012 Student Case Presentation Competition at the 45th Annual Conference of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners. Drs. Patty Scharko and Walt Guterbock volunteered their time as judges assisting in the initial presentation selection process and Drs. Sheila McGuirk and Calvin Booker were the competition

judges. Their valuable contributions of time and effort are very much appreciated. Students could present a clinical or a research case. First and second place presentations were selected in both the research category and case presentation categories. In the research case category, Amy Dahlke from the University of Minnesota was awarded first place with her presentation: *Does a Low Serum Total Protein Value from a Cow that Tests ELISA Positive for Mycobacterium Avium subspecies Paratuberculosis Predict the Onset of Clinical Signs?* Second place was awarded to Alea Hoffman from Washington State University presenting *Association of Abnormal Hind Limb Postures and Back-arch with Locomotion Score in Dairy Cattle*. The first place winner in the clinical case category was Leslie Wagner, Texas A & M University, presenting *Mesquite Bean Toxicity. Second place was awarded to Beau Schilling also from Texas A & M University presenting Acute Anemia and Ataxia in a Herd of 140 Mature, Grazing Beef Cows in Southeastern Texas*. The first and second place awards recipients received \$1,500 and \$750, respectively. Thanks to all submitters, presenters and judges.

Dr. Sarah Wagner
Student Sessions Coordinator

AABP Foundation–Pfizer Animal Health Scholarship Awards and Amstutz Scholarship Auction

Friday, September 21, 2012
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

The AABP Foundation and Pfizer Animal Health partnered to award 15 scholarships to veterinary students who will graduate in 2013. The AABP Foundation–Pfizer Animal Health Veterinary Student Scholarship program was established to recruit outstanding students into careers in bovine veterinary medicine. In addition to a \$5,000 scholarship, each recipient was invited to attend the 45th AABP Annual Conference in Montreal, September 20-22, 2012 and was provided a stipend for travel and housing.

Recipients were honored at a dinner Friday, September 21. The sources of the funds for these scholarships were individual AABP members who participated by designating the Veterinary Student Scholarship when provided the opportunity to contribute to the recruitment of future colleagues.

The recipients of the 2012 AABP Foundation–Pfizer Animal Health Veterinary Student Scholarships and their respective schools were:

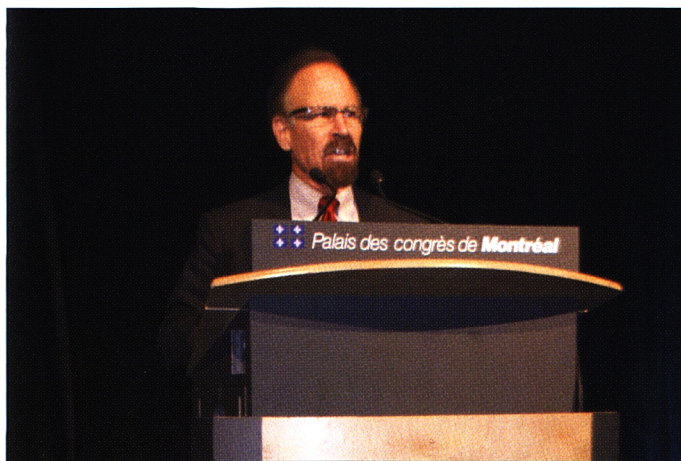
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Kathryn Bach	University of Pennsylvania
Brooks Butler	Kansas State University

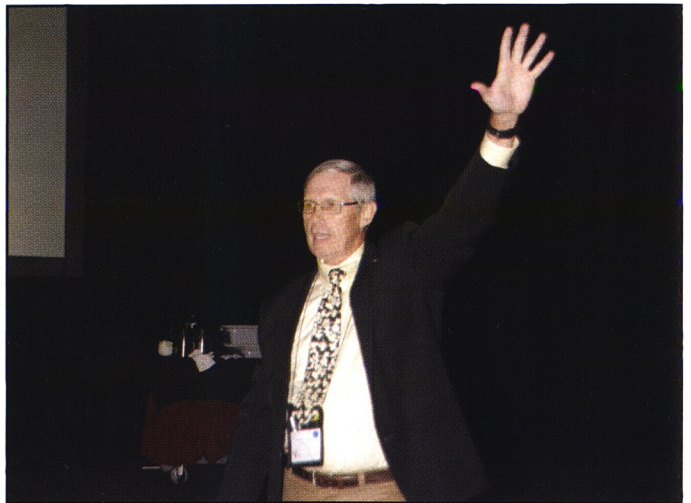
Rebecca Domenigoni	Western University of Health Sciences
Dallas Duncan	University of Illinois
Jacob Geis	Iowa State University
Tim R. Gibbs	Washington State University
J. Oliver Irons	Auburn University
Caleb Jenkin	Auburn University
Jonathan Klemme	Texas A&M University
Lindley Reilly	University of Wisconsin
Eric J. Rooker	University of Wisconsin
Judd Sims	University of Florida
Emily Waggoner	University of Georgia
Amanda Wagner	The Ohio State University

The AABP Foundation wishes to offer congratulations and best wishes to this group of deserving students.

Third year veterinary students with career goals that focus on a career in bovine medicine should consider applying for one of these scholarships through the AABP Foundation website.

Walt Guterbock, DVM
Chair, AABP Foundation Board of Directors





Pictured are the 2012 AABP Foundation–Pfizer Animal Health Scholarship Award winners. Also pictured are Dr. Roger Saltman (far left) and Robert Kelly (far right), Pfizer Animal Health.

