

Xth World Association for Buiatrics Congress Mexico City, Mexico August 16–19, 1978

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Amid Mexican pomp and ceremony, the Xth World Association for Buiatrics Congress was officially opened by the President of Mexico, Señor Licenciado José López Portillo. The President was met on his arrival by Dr. Harold Amstutz, President, WAB, Dr. Jorge Avila Garcia, President, Mexican Association for Buiatrics and Congress President, Dr. Fernando Hidalgo y Teran; Congress Secretaryvio Campuzano, treasurer. Dr. Ruben Fernandez Gomez, subsecretary for Cattle Industry and other dignitaries also took part in the opening ceremony.

A choir from the National Autonomous University of Mexico presented a delightful program.

Over 1150 veterinarians from 36 countries attended the Congress where over 200 papers on infertility, nutrition, calf diseases, tropical diseases and several miscellaneous topics on bovine medicine and surgery were presented. Simultaneous translations were provided in English, Spanish, German, and French.

Along with an elegant welcoming party at the Palacio de Mineria, the highlight was a performance at the Folkloric Ballet.

Several tours included Chapultepec Castle, Teotihuacan Pyramids and the Museum of Anthropology. A fitting climax to the Congress was a farewell party at the Hacienda de los Morales.

At the Annual General Meeting, WAB President Harold Amstutz presided and read eulogies for Prof. Dr. H.C. Bendixen, Copenhagen, Denmark, a past President and Prof. Dr. Josef Andres, Zurich, Switzerland, Committee (Board) Member who had passed away since the last Congress in Paris, France.

Prof. Dr. M. Stöber, Hannover, Germany, who had succeeded Prof. Dr. G. Rosenberger as Secretary presented much information about WAB and appealed for financial support.

The Indian Buiatrics Association, Israeli Association for Buiatrics and the Netherlands Buiatrics Association were approved as affiliate members of WAB.

Dr. Aline S. de Aluja was made an Honorary Member of the Mexican Buiatrics Association for her leadership in planning the scientific program.



Arrival of the Mexican President and Congress officials

