

1986
19th Annual Conference
Louisville, Kentucky
November 18-21

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Theme: Bovine Practice Tomorrow

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One of the first cities of the American West, settled in 1778, “The town of Louisville at the falls of the Ohio” was named after King Louis XVI of France. It is known today as the home of the Kentucky Derby, known world-wide as the “Run for the Roses.”

Pre-convention seminars continued to grow with updated sessions on microcomputers in herd health programs, the Llama industry and total living. Autotutorial programs were also gathering momentum.

Dr. George Washington was the Program Chairman with Dr. Clenon Turner the Local Arrangements Coordinator. Spouse activities continued to flourish under the direction of Drs. Ed Hall and Douglas Cox.

At the Opening Ceremony on Tuesday evening, greetings were brought by Kentucky Governor Martha Layne Collins and KVMA President Sue Billings. Later there was a slide presentation on Louisville by Marilyn Fox, Louisville Tours with refreshments by KVMA Auxiliary. Spouse tours included Churchill Downs, Federal Hill where Stephen Foster wrote “My Old Kentucky Home,” St. Joseph Cathedral, Jim Beam’s Outpost, and Farmington, an elegant historic home.

Officers: New & Re-elected Directors for 1987

- President: Dr. George Washington
- President-Elect: Dr. Donald Hudson
- Vice President: Dr. Keith Sterner
- Exec. Sec.-Treas.: Dr. Harold Amstutz
- District 2: Dr. Jerome Harness, Greencastle, IA
- District 3: Dr. David McClary (re-elected)
- District 9: Dr. Duane Rice, Lincoln, NE
- District 12: Dr. Kenneth Leslie (re-elected)

President Anderson installed Dr. George Washington as President for 1987. President Washington called on “the pharmaceutical industry and the Center for Veterinary Medicine to work together to provide food animal practitioners with new and better products for treatment of their patients so that we DO NOT have to use extra label treatments.”

Dr. Jenks Britt, Past President and chairman of the Forward Planning Committee introduced a new Award to Dr. Harold Amstutz and Dr. Eric Williams to be known as the AABP Amstutz-Williams Award (see p. xvi).

Preferred meeting months:

Month	1st Choice	2nd Choice	Total*
January	99	78	138
February	44	104	96
March	19	41	39.5
April	17	32	33
May	33	38	52
June	42	62	73
August	142	76	181
September	162	139	231.5
November	183	129	247.5
December	38	43	59.5

*1st choice 1.0, 2nd choice 0.5

July is AVMA Convention month

President Anderson felt that progress had been made during the year through the evaluation of the AABP by the American Society of Association Executives. Preparation of the Policy Book and a Manual of Procedures book should streamline Board of Directors' deliberations in the future.

The following resolution was approved:

Be it resolved that AABP indicate their concern to the appropriate agencies over the deterioration of the relationship between accredited veterinarians and representatives of APHIS (see Endnotes for Statement regarding the Resolution)

Class-Kentucky State was an evening of good food with Kentucky beef, with entertainment by the Berea College Dancers and several spouses joining the dance. Kentucky Pork and Beef Producers and Kentucky Dairymen prepared an excellent country style dinner at the National American Livestock Sale of Champions in the Fairgrounds, with country music background.

Dr. Neil Anderson presided over the Annual Membership Luncheon Meeting. Dr. Al Hopkins, AVMA President, reported on interactions between veterinary organizations and discussed some challenges facing food animal practitioners (*the full text of his address was published in the Proceedings p. xii*).

In his report, Dr. Amstutz revealed that membership had dropped approx. 500 to 4800 members. This was partly due to vigorous purging of our rolls since non dues paying members are now dropped after 6 months. He stated that the AABP was involved in marketing veterinary medicine with a television tape prepared by Ag USA featuring Drs. Keith Sterner, David Bechtol and Michael Moore. We had also participated in the Food Animal Media Workshop sponsored by the AVMA in Kansas City on October 26-27. The Association was also active in Food Animal Veterinarians Organized for Results (FAVOR) and the Food Animal Unity Group (FAUG).

A recent meeting survey had the following results:

- Prefer to meet over a weekend: Yes 878 No 41
- Begin the meeting Sunday and end Wednesday: 383
- Begin the meeting Friday and end Monday: 472

AABP Amstutz-Williams Award



Dr. Jenks Britt, Dr. Harold Amstutz, Mrs. Amstutz, Mrs. Williams, Dr. Eric Williams and President Anderson.

The America Association of Bovine Practitioners established the AABP Amstutz-Williams Award on the recommendation of the Forward Planning Committee. Dr. Jenks Britt, chairman, stated, "the AABP has never recognized those that have given service beyond the call of duty to the AABP. The Committee recommends that an AABP Distinguished Service Award be presented to those who have served the AABP, to be given at the discretion of the Forward Planning Committee or the AABP. This Award should not necessarily be given annually; it should be unique and specially designed for the recipient.

The first recipients of the Award also have the honor of having the Award named after them.

It is with great honor that we present the AABP Distinguished Service Award, from now on known as the Amstutz-Williams Award to Dr. Harold Amstutz and Dr. Eric Williams.

The recipients received specially commissioned walnut carvings in recognition of their service.

Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. George Hausman, Dr. and Mrs. Darrel Johnson and President Neil Anderson.

Dr. Darrel E. Johnson, Weyauwega, Wisconsin was named the Bovine Practitioner of the Year.

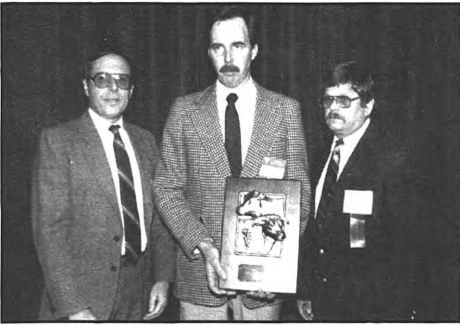
Dr. George Hausman represented Syntex Animal Health, Inc. and the award was presented by President Neil Anderson.

Dr. Johnson is a native of Scandia, Minnesota. He received the D.V.M. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1957 and entered practice in Northeastern Wisconsin. He is the President of Dairyland Animal Health, Inc.- a four man practice. He served on the AABP Board of Directors (later as President) and numerous AABP-AVMA committees.

Further information on Dr. Johnson's biography was published in the Convention Proceedings.

AABP Awards for Excellence in Preventive Medicine

Dairy Cattle Award



Dr. Dobbertin, Dr. Kenneth Nordlund, and Dr. George Washington.

Dr. Kenneth V. Nordlund, Fergus Falls, Minnesota received the Beef Cattle Award.

A native of Bagley, MN he received the B. S. degree in Agriculture in 1969 and the D.V.M. degree in 1977 from the University of Minnesota. His practice consists of about 40 clients with about 8000 dairy cattle with 90% devoted to preventive medicine.

Beef Cattle Award



Dr. Dobbertin, Dr. Timothy Jordan, and Dr. Don Hudson.

Dr. Timothy Jordan, Canyon, Texas was the recipient of the Beef Cattle Award.

A native of Japan, he grew up near Gainesville, GA and received the D.V.M. degree from the University of Georgia in 1983. He moved to Canyon and became President of the five-veterinarian Palo Duro Veterinary Services P-C. Cost-effective production medicine is the focal point of the practice.

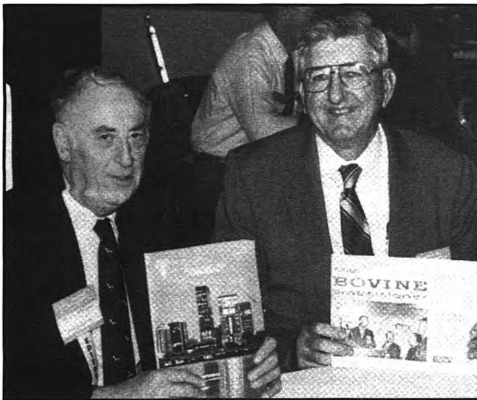
Further information on the Awards and the recipients was published in the Convention Proceedings, p. xiv and xv.

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Endnotes

Statements about the resolution and specific issues which impact on the intent of the resolution include:

1. There exists a need for improved communication in a timely manner regarding changes in the regulations.
2. Consideration should be given to changing the APHIS policy regarding letters of information that pertain to minor violations of the regulations by accredited veterinarians.
3. A method should be devised which provides that accredited veterinarians accused of an infraction of the code have some avenue of recourse if such accusations are ultimately discovered to be unfounded and capricious.
4. The focus of liability as it interfaces with accreditation activities should be addressed. A specific method should be devised whereby the livestock producers and /or the consignor/consignee his agent shall be liable for claims which may arise from activities over which the veterinarian has on control.



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