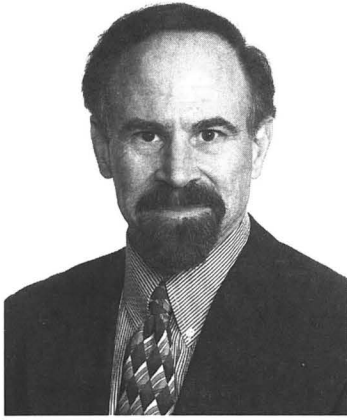


AABP Officers

President



Dr. Roger Saltman is the 2009-2010 President of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners. He is the Group Director of US Cattle Veterinary Operations for Pfizer Animal Health with responsibilities in the beef and cattle businesses. Prior to his current position, he served in technical services roles at American Cyanamid Company, Roche Animal Health and Pharmacia Animal Health. Growing up in Southern California, Dr. Saltman went east to earn his undergraduate degree at Princeton University. He worked with the New York Dairy Herd Improvement Cooperative and operated a farm in upstate New York prior to earning his veterinary degree at Cornell University and his MBA at Syracuse University. He practiced as a clinical veterinarian for seven years with a primary focus on dairy production medicine. He is a member of Phi Zeta Honor Society of Veterinary Medicine and Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society of Collegiate Schools of Business. He served on the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine Advisory Council, and is a past-president of the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine Alumni Association. He was presented the American Association of Bovine

Practitioners Distinguished Service Award in 2001, and the NY Commissioner of Agriculture's Agri-Service Award in 2003. Dr. Saltman has served as treasurer and board member of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners.

President's Message

As you all are aware, AABP activities continue the year round. Since our last Annual Meeting in Omaha, the Board of Directors has met continuously using the electronic meeting format of AABPDIR-L. To date, we have passed 18 motions that have dealt with issues as varied as how to deal with requests by HSUS to the addition of new members to our committees. Dr. Riddell and I have had phone meetings at least weekly and my experience working with him in my current capacity as President has reinforced my belief that AABP remains very fortunate to have him taking day-to-day stewardship of our organization. Our fiscal health has never been better and we continue to be admired as a leading organization in both animal agriculture and organized veterinary medicine.

As I mentioned in my inaugural remarks in Omaha, animal agriculture is under attack on many fronts. For the first time, we have seen new legislation passed in the United States that directly dictates specific animal husbandry and management practices that heretofore were up to the professional discretion of the producer and his/her professional advisors. Ostensibly for the purpose of maintaining antibiotic effectiveness in fighting infections in humans, legislation has been introduced in Congress (PAMTA – Preservation of Antibiotics for Medical Treatment Act of 2009) that would withdraw the use in food animals of seven classes of antibiotics. This legislation has a surprising level of support given the lack of evidence that the use of these antibiotic classes in animals is contributing to increased antibiotic resistance in human bacterial pathogens. “Undercover videos” of

animals being treated by insensitive and sometimes brutal caretakers continue to provide “gotcha” moments that have degraded the general public's perception of our cattle industries. Although we have begun to develop proactive strategies for communicating the tremendous message of a compassionate and engaged agricultural community, we have generally been behind in addressing a number of these issues.

My personal belief, and much of what I have focused on since becoming AABP President, is that bovine practitioners are much more than cattle doctors ... we play a pivotal role in a food production process that provides the *safest, most wholesome, and most abundant meat and milk supply in the history of mankind!* We should be proud of the record of success that we and our producer-clients have had in increasing the production and quality of these important human protein sources. But, given the political, social and economic pressures of the times, none of us can afford to leave the responsibility for communicating our successes to “somebody else.” Market research and consumer focus groups have consistently revealed that the public has a deep respect for veterinarians and the veterinary perspective. While the elected officers and Board Members of AABP are fully engaged in working with the other veterinary and animal agriculture organizations on the behalf of our membership, every member of AABP needs to become fully knowledgeable about the issues of the day and take on the “leadership challenge.” As I mentioned recently in the March AABP Newsletter, “when a veterinarian speaks, people listen.” So I believe that the time has

come for each of us to take on the mantle of leadership that animal agriculture so desperately needs right now!

These are some of the specific highlights of the activities and initiatives that have taken place since last September:

We have completed our inquiry into the costs and potential benefits of changing the organization's name. I have written about this initiative in my President's Perspective newsletter column and the District Directors have actively engaged the membership in providing perspectives on this change.

Distance Continuing Education – This committee, under the chairmanship of Dr. Dan Thomson at Kansas State, continues to make considerable progress in providing more online education.

Dues Restructuring Initiative – The Board has approved the recommendation that we move to electronic delivery of member services such as the newsletter, the Bovine Practitioner and the Annual Meeting Proceedings. The dues structure will remain the same as in 2009 and members will have the option of paying a fee for receiving publications in a printed form.

In October, the Planning Committee for our 2010 Annual Meeting met in Albuquerque, NM. This meeting is now fully planned and the coordination with the Academy of Veterinary Consultants has been wonderfully collegial. I am convinced that this will likely turn out to be one of our best Annual Meetings ever ... certainly the quality of the Continuing Education will be unequalled!

In November, I represented AABP at the British Cattle Veterinary Association's Annual Congress in Southport, England. Besides presenting a scientific paper, my goal was to enhance communication and collegiality between cattle veterinarians in the United Kingdom and the AABP. I shared our mission statement and let them know that we are a group of nearly 6,000 veterinarians, mostly from North America, but with members in every continent in the world. I also invited them to join us next August in Albuquerque at our combined AABP – AVC Annual Meeting.

Dr. Riddell and I attended the Academy of Veterinary Consultants Meeting in Denver specifically to

represent AABP at their Board of Directors meeting.

In January, the AABP Executive Committee attended the AVMA Leadership Conference in Chicago, IL where we took part in a number of leadership seminars as well as cast several votes at the AVMA House of Delegates.

Later in January, Dr. Riddell and I represented AABP at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX. Besides meeting with multiple leaders in that organization, we also sat in on their Board Meeting.

Also in January, I gave a keynote address at the Leipzig Veterinarians' Congress in Leipzig, Germany. I spoke on "The Role of the Veterinarian on Modern Cattle Farms in the United States" and highlighted many of the demand and supply challenges that we will be facing over the next six years. I quickly learned that these challenges are virtually identical to what our German colleagues are experiencing.

In March, I attended the AASV Board of Directors meeting at the conclusion of their Annual Meeting in Omaha, NE. The AASV continues to be a strong ally as a fellow food animal veterinary organization and we try to coordinate positions on issues of mutual importance.

In summary, this has been a very busy year to date. As I write this, I am looking forward with great anticipation to the upcoming Transformational Leadership training that AABP officers and District Directors will go through on the Friday before the Spring Board Meeting. My hope is that we can provide this type of training to more of our membership. For, while the current state of our AABP organization is very good indeed, the challenges for all of us involved in animal agriculture will only increase. I am convinced that we are up to these challenges and I believe that some of our best days are yet to come!

Respectfully,
Roger L. Saltman, DVM, MBA
President, AABP

AABP Vice-President



Dr. Brian Gerloff graduated from Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1978, realizing a long held ambition to become a dairy veterinarian. He spent two years in a mixed, mostly dairy practice in northern Ohio. He then returned to Michigan State to pursue a PhD in dairy nutrition while serving as an ambulatory clinician in the veterinary school. He completed his graduate program in 1985, and chose to return to his home area in northern Illinois. He established a dairy practice with a strong emphasis on preventive medicine and nutrition. He has practiced there ever since. In 2010, anticipating a new career phase, he sold his practice and now works as an associate rather than practice owner. Dr. Gerloff has maintained an active interest in metabolic disease and feeding and management challenges related to transition cows.

In 2004, Dr. Gerloff formed a partnership with several of his clients to form a small cheese company, hoping to capitalize on their proximity to Chicago and improve the profitability of these small dairies by selling a value added product. The enterprise has grown steadily, and has provided constant insights into many consumer issues facing our industry – not just the production and health challenges that we have traditionally faced. These consumer issues continue to move center

stage within the industry and our profession. Developing a healthy and balanced connection between agricultural producers and consumers has become one of his passions.

Dr. Gerloff has been extensively involved in his community, serving numerous roles in local school and church organizations. He served for eight years on the Woodstock, Illinois school board, six years as president. He was honored for his role on the school board by the State of Illinois as an “Education Hero”, one of only two people to receive this award.

Prior to his election as vice president, Dr. Gerloff served the AABP on the Nutrition Committee, the Amstutz Scholarship Committee, and the ad-hoc Distance CE committee. He is a past recipient of the AABP Merial Award for Excellence in Preventive Medicine – Dairy; Michigan State University’s “Birth of a Purebred” award; and the University of Illinois CVM Service Award. In addition to the AABP, Dr. Gerloff is a member of AVMA, ADSA, ASAS, NMC, and ISVMA.

Brian and his wife, Carole, live in his hometown, Woodstock, with their four-year-old twin sons, Robert and Joseph. They used to enjoy weekends in Chicago, and now pretty much never go out to eat and certainly never go anywhere overnight, unless it’s Chuck E Cheese or a water park. But that’s OK!

New Director – District XI



Dr. Fred J. Muller earned a Bachelors degree from Washington State University in Animal Sciences and went on to complete the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree at WSU in 1997. He began his veterinary career with 2 ½ years in a dairy practice in Chino, California where they specialized in milk quality, nutrition, and employee training. He then spent six months establishing a resident veterinary position on a large dairy in Hatch, New Mexico before returning to Washington in July, 2000. He has practiced with a group of four bovine veterinarians in Sunnyside, WA for nine years, working with mid-sized to large dairies and a few beef herds. He enjoys focusing on disease prevention through improving farm management and employee education.

Dr. Muller established Ag Health Laboratories, Inc. in November 2000, initially as a milk quality lab and later expanded into other laboratory testing including Johnes, bio-PRYN, and wet chemistry feed analysis.

He has been active on the AABP Milk Quality and Udder Health Committee and recently was asked to vice-chair the Lameness Committee. He has also been a member of NMC and the Washington Cattleman’s Association.

Fred married a fellow classmate, Tanya, in 1995, and are blessed with three young girls, Sophie, Sadie, and Sarah. They live on a small farm in Prosser, WA, raising registered Braunvieh cattle.

American Association of Bovine Practitioners

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FUTURE MEETINGS

American Association of Bovine Practitioners

2010	Albuquerque, New Mexico	August 19-21
2011	St. Louis, Missouri	September 22-24
2012	Montreal, Quebec, Canada	September 20-22

World Buiatrics Congress

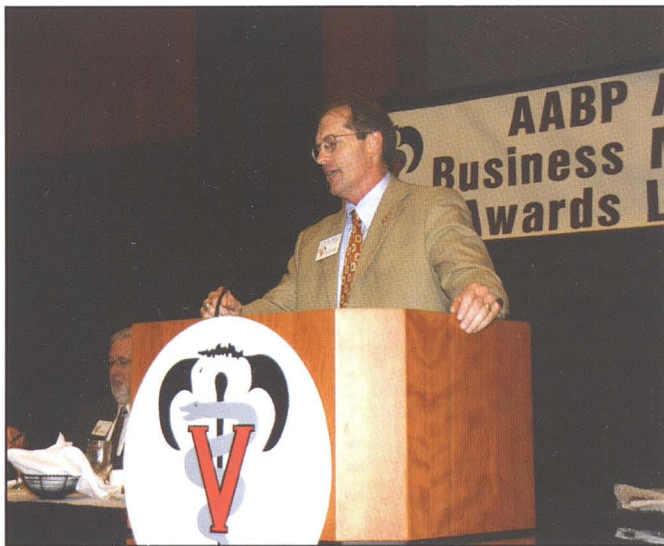
2010	Santiago, Chile	November 14-18
2012	Lisbon, Portugal	

Executive Vice-President's Report

Business Luncheon

Omaha, Nebraska

12 September, 2009



The activities at the AABP Headquarters continue to evolve as more activities go on-line. With Katie O'Neal, AABP Administrative Assistant, and Steve Johnson, AABP Information Technology Coordinator, fine tuning all membership and conference activities, the office continues to become more efficient and member service-oriented.

Finances

The treasurer's report will provide the bulk of this information. Treasurer Dr. Brian Reed had been receiving requests from the AABP office regarding any checks that are in excess of \$10,000.00 as per AABP check writing policy. The monthly reconciliations continue to allow Dr. Reed the ability to view the computer in the office being used for the reconciliation.

The final conversion of the Wachovia investment accounts to Wells Fargo has been completed. The Wells Fargo Bank Deposit Program continues to provide FDIC insurance coverage up to \$750,000. At this time, this level of protection under FDIC should continue into the future. We may be reducing our use of the US Treasury Money Fund of America. This fund is protected up to \$500,000 with SIPC protection.

Membership

The dues notices for the 2009-2010 membership year were mailed May 1 and July 1; the final notice will be mailed/emailed following the Annual Conference. Members with 6/30/2009 membership expiration dates

will not receive the November newsletter and will be removed from AABP-L. We have continued to grant students a longer period of grace. A total of 605 of the renew memberships requested electronic access only to the AABP Newsletters, and 364 requested that they no longer receive a hard copy of the *Bovine Practitioner* and *Proceedings*.

Director and Officer Elections

Districts 2, 5, 8, and 11 had elections this spring/summer. Drs. Cloninger, Johnson, and Rogers were re-elected. Dr. Fred Muller will replace Dr. Scott Waltner as Director for District 11. The election for District 11 involved five total candidates and one three-candidate run-off election.

Dr. Brian Gerloff was elected AABP Vice-President for the 2009-2010 year beginning at the close of the Annual Business Meeting and Awards Luncheon. Dr. Mark Spire finished his first four-year term as our AVMA Delegate and was re-elected to a second and final term. From my experience in the AVMA House of Delegates, continuity is important in the activities of the delegates.

General Office Activity

The workings of the office continue to change as the website and the technology introduced and implemented (often times in response to questions from the office regarding working more effectively for the membership) by both IT Coordinator Steve Johnson and the office staff. As several of the Board has experienced, Steve has made the use of email and other electronic tools simple and straightforward for Board members, committee chairs, and seminar coordinators. He continues to revise the website in ways that make things easy for our members and for the office. Updating and verifying the member database plus correlating this with the AABP-L list continue to require weekly activity.

Liaisons and Meetings

A large variety of meetings were attended to represent AABP interests or fulfill obligations that I had coming into this position and which have been sanctioned by the Board. They include:

March 17-19, 2009 – American Meat Institute
Transportation and Animal Care and Handling
Conferences, Kansas City, MO

March 30 - April 1, 2009 – National Institute of
Animal Agriculture, Louisville, KY

- April 2-3, 2009 – AVMA Executive Board Meeting, Schaumburg, IL
- April 6, 2009 – Animal Health Institute Meeting to Discuss PAMTA, Washington, DC
- April 17-19, 2009 – Fort Dodge Animal Health Food Animal Student Symposium, Columbia, MO
- April 21-22, 2009 – National Dairy Leaders Conference, Broomfield, CO
- May 18, 2009 – Animal Health Institute Meeting to Discuss PAMTA, Washington, DC
- May 26-29, 2009 – Beef Cattle Institute Symposium on Antimicrobial Resistance, Manhattan, KS
- June 28-30, 2009 – AABP Executive Committee Meeting, Washington, DC
- July 9-14, 2009 – AVMA House of Delegates and Annual Conference, Seattle, WA
- July 15-16, 2009 – NCBA Summer Meeting, Denver, CO
- July 22, 2009 – Center for Food Integrity/PAACO Animal Welfare Stakeholder’s meeting, Kansas City, KS
- August 5-8, 2009 – Academy of Veterinary Consultants Summer Meeting, Colorado Springs, CO
- August 26-28, 2009 – Society for Theriogenology and Albuquerque 2010 Site Visit, Albuquerque, NM

Honor Roll Nominees

The following AABP members have requested being granted honor roll status. They all qualify and I recommend that they be approved.

Phil A. Blair	William F. Brown
Robert L. Darlington	Hong-Ryul Han
Larry F. Moore	LaVerne Schugal
Gene W. Sellick	James G. Sewell

Summary

Issues management seems to be demanding more and more attention each month. The issues that seem to require the greatest expenditure of time and resources during the past six months are animal welfare and the FDA-CVM regulations (the expected re-issuance of some form of ELDU cephalosporin drug prohibition) that will impact our membership. Maintaining liaisons with numerous organizations and working to keep a close relationship with both the industries that AABP members serve and other food animal organizations often creates a delicate balancing act. Currently, the office has been conducting discussions between highly recognized clinical pharmacologists, epidemiologists working

with antimicrobial resistance, AABP committees, and FDA-CVM. The goal is to position bovine practitioners in the best possible position for the impending release of a second FDA-CVM regulation impacting ELDU of cephalosporin drugs.

On the animal welfare front, the office continues to invest time in a grassroots working group generated from a meeting held in conjunction with the NCBA Annual Convention in Phoenix. Dr. Dave Sjeklocha is chair of the AVC Beef Cattle Health and Well-Being Committee. This group, representing many facets of the agriculture community, currently has a high level of energy. We have established a list serve on the aabp.org for this group, and Steve is supporting their efforts to create a useful, educational website.

During the past month, individual AABP members have assisted AABP respond to various issues. Dr. Pam Ruegg contacted the office initially about the disparaging column in Veterinary Practice News. Pam then crafted a reply that was wordsmithed by four associations (AABP, AASV, AASRP, and AVC) and forwarded to VPN and subsequently published. Currently, the office is coordinating assistance to a writer for VPN in order to generate a factual article that educates rather than inflames about modern animal agriculture. Dr. Keith Sterner called while I was traveling to the SFT meeting and interjected that AABP should respond to a recent cover story in Time magazine. Between Drs. Sterner, Pam Ruegg, Jared Taylor, and Dave Smith, a draft response was crafted. Several iterations, including input for a Pulitzer Prize winning journalists that Pam knows, resulted in a letter to the editor of Time Magazine over Dick Wallace’s signature. These two incidents have prompted a suggestion to the Board to consider an ad hoc rapid response editorial committee.

The AABP continues to be welcome at almost all levels of the profession and in the beef and dairy industries. The contributions of members such as Drs. John Mahoney, Leon Weaver, and Karen Jordan assure this with NMPPF, and Drs. Ashby Green, Elizabeth Parker, Bob Smith, and Glenn Rogers with the NCBA. It’s through the efforts of these AABP members that we are able to work through issues as effectively as we are. The AABP Board of Directors owes a vote of thanks to all of the volunteers that work on behalf of the bovine practitioner.

Respectfully submitted,
 Gatz Riddell, DVM, MS, DACT
 Executive Vice-President

Minutes of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners Annual Business Luncheon 12 September, 2009 Qwest Center, Omaha, Nebraska



Dr. Dick Wallace, AABP President, calls the 2009 AABP Business Meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order by AABP's President, Dr. Dick Wallace, at 12:00 p.m. President Wallace began by welcoming those in attendance and introduced Dr. Patty Scharko for the invocation.

Dr. Wallace then presented the minutes of the Charlotte Business Luncheon for approval. On motion with second, the 2008 business meeting minutes were approved.

President Wallace introduced the current AABP Board of Directors and VIP guests in attendance, along with attendees in each district and foreign attendees. Student members were also recognized. Dr. Wallace thanked the officers and volunteers for their service during the past year, and thanked the 2009 Program Committee for their excellent work in putting together the conference.

He discussed the AABP's relationship with the AVMA and then introduced Dr. Larry Corry, AVMA President, who spoke about the AVMA Headquarters and its employees. Dr. Corry spoke on decisions that had been made in the past year, primarily financial ones. He also noted that the AVMA membership had increased by 1.8%.

Dr. Wallace introduced the AABP's Treasurer, Dr. Brian Reed. Dr. Reed presented the Treasurer's Report. He reported that the CPA firm of Machen, McChesney & Chastain, LLP, completed a complete audit of AABP finances for the year ending December 31, 2008. The report showed operating revenues of \$91,622 on total

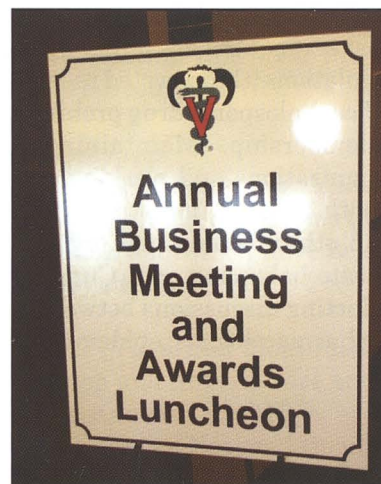
revenue of \$1,613,982 and total expenses of \$1,522,360. Change in net assets (\$236,413) was due in part to a transfer of \$189,317 to the AABP Foundation and to an unrealized loss on investments of \$140,578. Net assets as of December 31, 2008 were \$1,240,602. Unaudited year-to-date 2009 figures show approximately a \$70,000 unrealized gain on investments. On motion, the Treasurer's Report was approved by a voice vote.

Dr. Wallace asked for a vote to approve the proposed changes in AABP's bylaws. A motion to approve was seconded, discussion was requested, and the motion was approved.

Dr. Gatz Riddell gave the Executive Vice-President's Report. He thanked the AABP Board of Directors, the 2009 Program Committee, the 2009 exhibitors, and sponsors of the 42nd AABP Annual Meeting, and others who had helped him through the year. The 42nd Annual Meeting had 1,211 registrants and a total of 1,807 in attendance. This meeting was the first time that three parliamentarians had been present. Dr. Riddell thanked the Board of Directors.

Dr. Wallace introduced Dr. Terry Lehenbauer to present the Research Summary Awards. First place was awarded to Dr. Theresa Ollivet of Cornell University. Second place was awarded to Dr. Alfonso Lago of the University of Minnesota. Third place was awarded to Dr. Jason Nickell of Kansas State University.

Dr. Frank Hurtig of Merial introduced Dr. Wade Taylor to present the Merial Award for Excellence in Preventative Medicine-Beef to Dr. Dave Rethorst. Dr. Rich Meiring presented Dr. Fred Gingrich with the Merial



Award for Excellence in Preventative Medicine- Dairy.

Dr. Dale Grotelueschen of Pfizer Animal Health introduced Dr. Patty Scharko, who presented the AABP-Pfizer Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Jim Ehrlich.

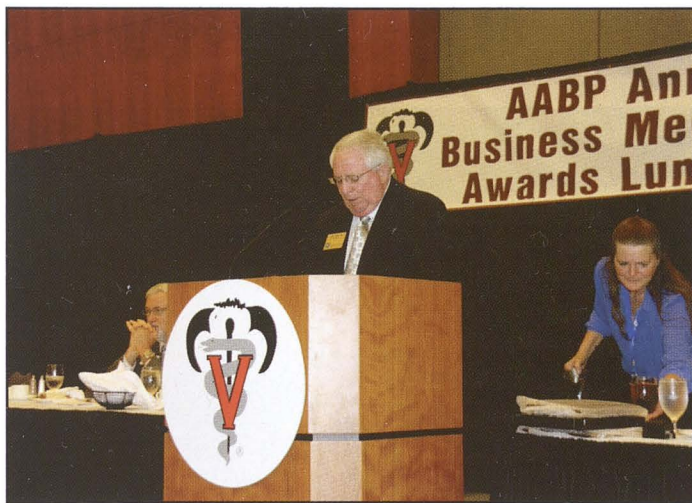
Dr. Bill Burdett from Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health introduced Dr. Dave Rethorst, who presented the AABP-Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health Mentor of the Year Award to Dr. Dan Upson.

Dr. John Schnackel introduced Dr. Keith Sterner to present the AABP-Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award to Dr. Gary Koester.

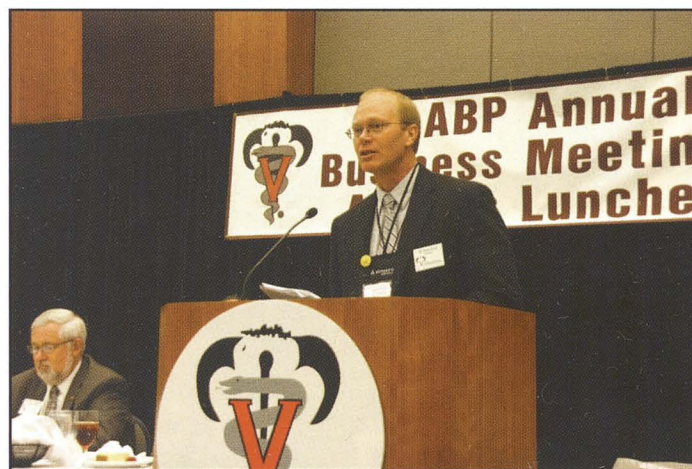
Dr. Gatz Riddell introduced Dr. John Ferry to present the James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders to Dr. Lisa Willis.

Dr. Wallace then encouraged everyone, including students, to be passionate about what they do. He welcomed the new AABP Vice-President, Dr. Brian Gerloff, and the recently elected or re-elected Board of Director's members: Dr. Robert Cloninger, District 2 Director; Dr. Glen Johnson, District 5 Director; Dr. Glenn Rogers, District 8 Director; and Dr. Fred Muller, District 11 Director. Dr. Wallace turned the meeting over to the new AABP President, Dr. Roger Saltman. Dr. Saltman presented the AABP's President's Award to Dr. Wallace. Dr. Saltman adjourned the meeting by speaking of the year to come and gave a big thank you to the 2009 Program Committee for their hard work.

Dr. Saltman adjourned the meeting at 1:44 pm.



Dr. Larry Corry, AVMA President, addresses the AABP membership.

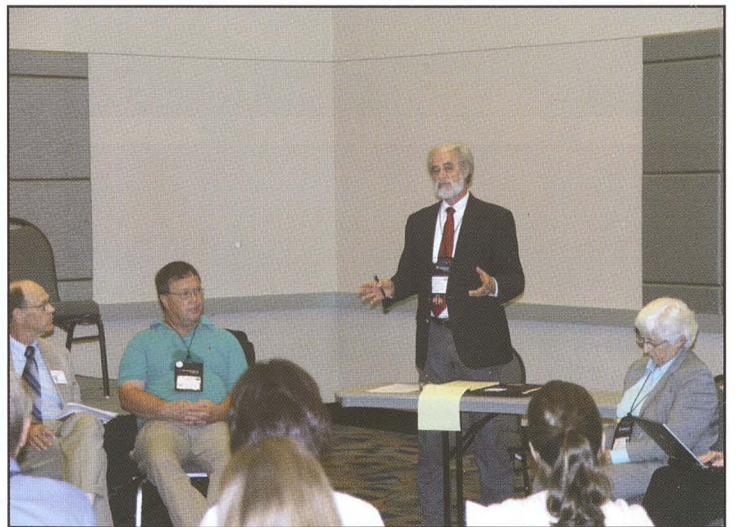
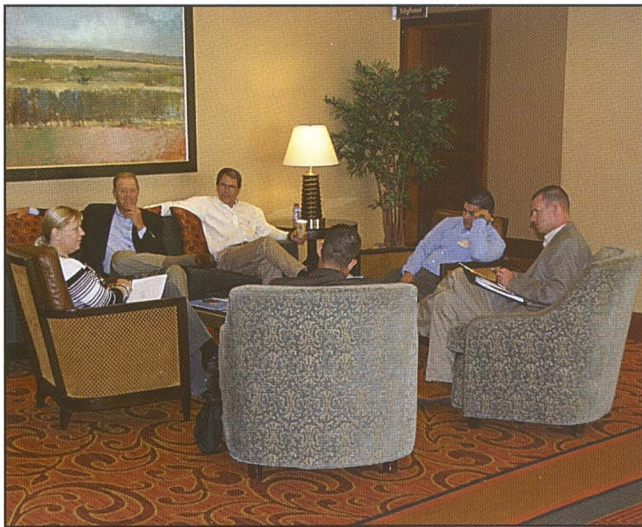


Dr. Brian Reed gives the Treasurer's Report.



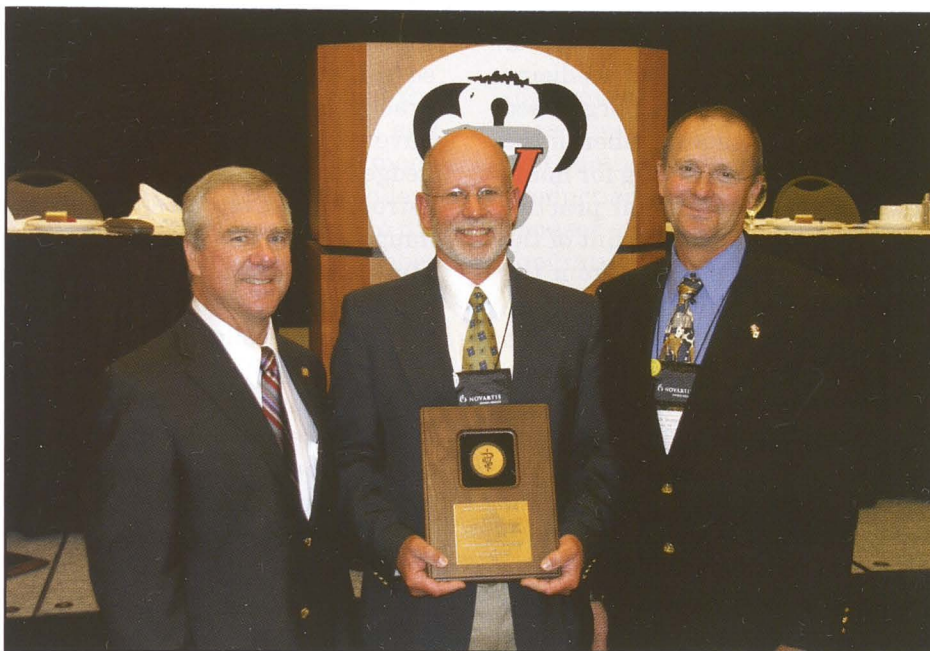
Dr. Roger Saltman, right, presents the AABP President's Award to outgoing President, Dr. Dick Wallace.

Board of Directors & Committee Meetings



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2009 AABP–Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year



Dr. Gary Koester, center, receives the AABP–Fort Dodge 2009 Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award from Dr. John Schnackel, Fort Dodge Animal Health, left, and Dr. Keith Sterner.

Dr. John Schnackel, Fort Dodge Animal Health, described the AABP–Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award. “The Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award has been awarded annually since its establishment in 1978. 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 Fort Dodge Animal Health, 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 2009 AABP–Fort Dodge Animal Health Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award, please welcome Dr. Keith Sterner.”

Dr. Sterner introduced the 2009 award winner:

“Again this year as in past years, as many of the award presenters have noted, the task of describing the award winner is both a challenge and an opportunity. The challenge being to outline a rough biographical sketch without giving away the store too early to either the recipient or the assembled audience. I think that half the fun is to see if you can keep the audience guessing and the recipient squirming once they realize that they are soon to be on the deus and trying to look and sound composed when every emotion is to the contrary.

This year’s AABP–Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year is no exception to the tradition of excellence personally and professionally as well as the fact that they are long overdue for the recognition. This years recipient might not be quite so well known outside of his own state as some previous winners, however within his own state, his reputation is without parallel. This year’s individual has paid his dues, so to speak, in that not only has he been an active and sterling example of the consummate veterinary professional, but he has also been the good citizen of his community. This individual has served in a multitude of roles within his community, having been a scout leader, a softball and baseball coach, as well as a hockey coach. He has served on a total of

three different school boards and is currently in his tenth year of board membership. He has given back to his collegiate alma mater as well, having been a member of the College of Veterinary Medicine's Alumni Council and serving for many years as a practice-based preceptor and advisor to the large animal surgery and medicine director at his Alma Mater. His activities in organized veterinary medicine are legion, being a member of the AVMA, the AABP, his state VMA, and serving for many years as the chairperson of the food animal practice committee. In that capacity, he carried the brunt of the committee work as it dealt with everything from the development of recommended minimum practice standards to collaborating in longstanding efforts between practitioners, the state Department of Agriculture and USDA veterinarians to try to eliminate tuberculosis infected cervids in the state from infecting the dairy and beef cattle populations. His keen intellect and unflappable demeanor made him the ideal liaison person for the various stakeholder groups that were charged with coming to grips with the tuberculosis situation and the resultant testing program that stemmed from it in an ongoing attempt to regain TB free status for the state. Those same personal and professional qualities caused him to be tapped by the state's department of licensing and regulation to serve on the Board of Veterinary Examiners where he has had the unenviable task of adjudicating complaints about various practitioners within the state. He has also been tapped by the state veterinarian in the past to serve on his practitioner advisory board.

This year's recipient was born in Cadillac, Michigan. He is a graduate of Cadillac High School where he was a standout wrestler until a shoulder injury brought

that career to an early end. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1973 and joined the Airport Veterinary Clinic that same year. He is now a co-owner of that clinic and there are five veterinarians currently on staff there. By the way, they are looking for a new associate, so you students in the audience be sure to keep his practice in mind for the future. He and his wife Sandy have three grown children, two boys and a girl, all full fledged taxpayers now, and one grandchild. One son is an astrophysicist, one an environmental engineer, and their daughter is in advertising. He enjoys hockey of any sort, hunting and fishing, playing the guitar, wood working of fine furniture, home brewed beer, and of course, cows! His practice colleague and partner, Dr. Jeff Erdman, who gave up his attendance at this year's conference and was part of the conspiracy to get his clueless colleague here wanted me to add his personal sentiments to this tribute: "I was instructed by Gary as a preceptor, practiced under him as an associate, and worked beside him as a partner over the past 26 years. Gary's ability as a practitioner, his service to our community, and his contributions to our profession make Gary a most worthy and deserving recipient of the AABP-Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year Award. Congratulations and well done my friend."

His wife Sandy, who also has been a co-conspirator in this undertaking, signed off on some background material for this award by saying, "Looking back, I'm not sure when he had the time to play the guitar, build furniture or even kiss his wife goodnight!"Please join me in congratulating the 2009 AABP Bovine Practitioner of the Year, Dr. Gary Koester."

AABP–Merial Awards for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Frank Hurtig, Merial Limited, 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 27 years, and wish to congratulate the 2009 winners.”

Beef Award



Dr. Dave Rethorst, center, receives the AABP–Merial Beef Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine from Dr. Frank Hurtig, Merial Limited (left), and Dr. Wade Taylor.

Dr. Wade Taylor introduced the 2009 beef award recipient.

“The 2009 recipient of the AABP–Merial Beef Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine is a 1978 graduate of Kansas State University. He is an aggressive and forward thinking veterinarian and promoter of animal health and well-being within his community, the beef industry, and the veterinary profession. His practice is located in south-central Nebraska, where he owns and operates a mixed animal practice

with emphasis on herd health for beef cow-calf, stocker, and feedlot operations.

Our award winner has been in private practice for 31 years, and continues to promote excellence on a daily basis by educating his clients and utilizing every resource available to help maximize their profitability and agricultural livelihood. He has sought many avenues of continuing education to benefit his clients, promote the beef industry, and further his career. Several years ago he set aside time in his busy practice to complete the Great Plains Veterinary Educational Center’s Beef Cattle Production Management Certification course. He has also mentored many veterinary students to help promote food animal practice in rural areas.

He has served as President of the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, and continues to serve on various committees within the AVC as well as within the AABP. He has also given much time to more local activities, serving as deacon, elder, and trustee of his church; involved with American Legion baseball; a project leader in 4-H; served as Committee Chairman for the Nebraska High School Rodeo State Finals; and is a certified BQA instructor for the Nebraska Cattlemen’s Association.

Help me congratulate the man who many of his friends around Red Cloud, Nebraska, call “Big Dave”, our 2009 recipient of the AABP–Merial Beef Award for Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine, Dr. David Rethorst.”

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



AABP–Merial Award of Excellence in Preventive Medicine – Dairy recipient, Dr. Fred Gingrich.

Dr. Rich Meiring introduced the 2009 dairy award recipient.

“Ladies and gentlemen, it is my honor to announce the recipient of the AABP–Merial Award of Excellence in Preventive Veterinary Medicine – Dairy. This award recognizes members who develop outstanding preventive medicine programs for dairy.

This year’s recipient fulfills this criterion in all regards. As importantly, he is also a devoted husband and father, a community leader, a mentor to students, and a strong advocate for his clients and for the dairy industry.

Unfortunately, our recipient could not be with us this afternoon; he had to return to his home last evening. I know it is traditional to name the recipient after we have discussed his or her life, but since he is not with us, I won’t keep you in suspense. This year’s recipient is Dr. Karl Frederick Gingrich II, better known to his friends as Fred.

Most of Fred’s life has been spent in the Buckeye State. Born and raised in Findlay, Ohio, Fred received his bachelor’s degree from Wittenberg College prior to graduating from The Ohio State University in 1995. Following graduation, Fred ventured west and joined Mill Creek Veterinary services in Visalia, California. Two years later, Fred returned to Ohio as an associate veterinarian in a mixed practice in Ashland, Ohio. After a year, Fred became co-owner of Keystone Veterinary Services, a mixed animal practice in Ashland. Several years later, opportunity knocked again and he became the owner of two practices in Ashland – a small animal practice and Country Road Veterinary Services, a full service dairy practice.

Many of Fred’s clients are Mennonite families and he brought production medicine services to these

traditional family farms. Dr. Fred is well known for his expertise with ultrasound examinations, milking system analyses, nutritional consulting, and record analysis. In fact, Mrs. Gingrich commented that “he spends his weekends and evenings doing something he calls dairy records and he spends a lot of time typing up these reports”. Sounds familiar, doesn’t it. Fred has shown us that herds of all sizes can benefit from advanced, production medicine services if we seize the opportunity to offer them. Because of this, his practice and his reputation continue to grow.

Dr. Gingrich currently has two fellow Buckeyes as associates in his dairy practice – Dr. Dave Brennan and Dr. Ellen Hartz. To them, Fred is employer, mentor, and colleague.

As I mentioned at the beginning, Fred’s life is more than just veterinary medicine. Fred married his bride Michelle during veterinary school and they are the proud parents of four children – three girls and one boy – who love going on farm calls with Daddy. Together, they enjoy family vacations, especially to the beach and Disney World.

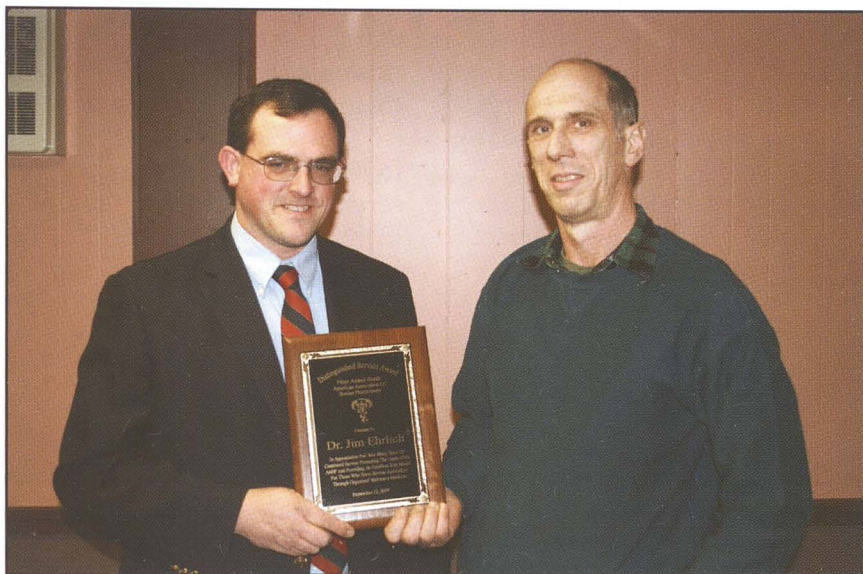
Fred’s involvement with veterinary students should serve as model to all of us. In 1999, Fred became an adjunct faculty member with the Department of Veterinary Preventive Medicine at Ohio State, and regularly has students at his practice. During the summer, he provides two scholarships to students who intern at his practice between their second and third years. During this time, he requires that they complete a project and he advises them on it. And if these were not enough, Fred, together with a former partner, established the Knox-Gingrich Endowed Scholarship for students interested in pursuing careers in dairy medicine. Fred indeed pays forward.

On a professional level, Fred is a member of AABP, AVMA, NMC, the Ohio VMA, and local veterinary organizations. He currently is the AABP liaison to CPAC (Clinical Practitioners’ Advisory Committee). Those of you on AABP-L know that Fred is a frequent contributor of sound advice and that he is also unafraid of voicing his opinions.

Finally, let me tell you a little about Fred the person. Fred enjoys many of the finer things in life – his family, eating in good restaurants, and good martinis. His wife reports that he is obsessed (her words) with the band Phish, and that he and some friends drove over 1,500 miles this summer to see them four days in a row. And yes, Fred is an avid sports fan, devoted to the Cleveland Indians and The Ohio State Buckeyes.

Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in congratulating our 2009 recipient of the AABP–Merial Award of Excellence in Preventive Medicine – Dairy, Dr. Fred Gingrich.”

AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award – Merit Award Series



Dr. Jim Ehrlich, right, receives the AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award from Dr. Bradley Mills, Pfizer Animal Health.

Dr. Bradley Mills, 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. Patty Scharko introduced the 2009 award winner. “If I were to say AABP-L, this person’s name should be the first thing to come to mind!

He came to his first AABP meetings while a veterinary student, prior to his graduation from Cornell in 1979. The TI-59 programmable calculator was his first bovine practice computer. The Osborne I was his first desktop

computer, purchased shortly after taking the first-ever AABP Computer Seminar.

For AABP:

- He started an AABP Computer Users’ Group, which evolved into the Computer Practice Tips session;
- He started Computer Practice Tips and coordinated that session for three years;
- He started the AABP Shareware library, introducing it in 1990 at the Indianapolis conference, and managed it for at least six years. The proceeds from the sale of diskettes helped to purchase laptop computers (one for USA and one for Canada) for the Information Management Committee work at the conference, and for sharing the AABP Software Library at regional meetings so that practitioners could acquire new shareware, freeware, and demonstration software in the days prior to the World Wide Web;
- He coordinated and taught multiple AABP seminars on practice management, email, and the internet;
- In 1993 he proposed to form AABP-L and chaired the IMC subcommittee charged with setting up and managing AABP-L. He has volunteered as a List Manager for AABP-L since 1993. Jim managed list manager scheduling, and ran the audit of

subscribers several times, which takes a LARGE amount of time and effort!;

- In 1995, he moved AABP-L from Cornell University to Atlantic Veterinary College/ University of Prince Edward Island. The subscriber list was about 400 members while at Cornell, and grew to be over 1,000 in 1998. Around 1998, Jim moved AABP-L to the University of Maryland with Dr. Mark Varner. There are now over 1,600 subscribers. Many international members join AABP to be part of AABP-L!
- He anticipated the need to register the domain name AABP.ORG, and registered before the American Association of Business Publications did!
- He served as AABP Director for District 1 for a one-plus term;

- He has worked informally with many AABP members, individually, and in groups, such as the New Leadership Committee, to help with information technology problems. I hope that Jim Ehrlich came to mind when I mentioned AABP-L.

Jim and his wife, Dr. Julie Zdrojewski, started their dairy practice in Argyle, New York, in the foothills of the Adirondacks. They have been assisted in their practice by their three children, Andrew, Peter, and Emma Ehrlich.

It should be apparent that Jim Ehrlich is devoted to serving AABP and specifically interested in member services. I am thrilled that Jim is being honored for his LONG hours of service to AABP and specifically AABP-L. Thank you, Jim, and help me congratulate the 2009 winner of the AABP–Pfizer Animal Health Distinguished Service Award, Dr. Jim Ehrlich.”

AABP–Alpharma Award of Excellence



Dr. Pam Ruegg, center, receives the AABP–Alpharma Award of Excellence from Dr. Dick Wallace (left) and Dr. Lance Fox, Alpharma Animal Health.

Dr. Lance Fox, Alpharma Animal Health, 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.”

The 2009 winner was announced by Dr. Sandra Godden. “Thank you Dr. Fox. Our awardee grew up on Mackinac Island, Michigan, where our award winner developed a life long affinity for Strohs beer, the famous Mackinac fudge, and living near large bodies of water. Michigan locals would refer to this individual as an ‘Upper’.

After earning a DVM in 1984 from Michigan State University, our awardee spent two years as an associate veterinarian in Kiel, WI, where they enjoyed the local brews and Polka music. Our winner completed a Masters in Preventive Veterinary Medicine in 1988, and a residency in Food Animal Herd Health and Reproductive Management in 1989, at the University of California at Davis.

....but, eventually tiring of the monotony of sunny California days and excellent red wine, our awardee next headed to the extreme opposite side of the continent to take a position at the new Atlantic Veterinary College as an Assistant Professor in Health Management at the University of Prince Edward Island from 1989 to 1992.

....but, eventually tiring of Atlantic lobster and the local screech, our awardee moved back to Michigan to serve as an Assistant Professor in Large Animal Clinical Sciences at MSU from 1992 to 1994. At MSU, our awardee organized and conducted a successful Production Medicine Certificate Program for practicing veterinarians. Later, our awardee served as a Technical Service Manager for Monsanto Company from 1994 to 1998.

....but eventually our awardee began reminiscing of the salad days of microbrewed beer and Polka music from Wisconsin, and so from 1998 to present has served as a Professor and Extension Milk Quality Specialist at the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

During the past 11 years, our awardee has developed a world class research program in mastitis control with areas of emphasis including impacts of cow cleanliness, cow health, and milk quality on organic and conventional production systems, and antimicrobial resistance in mastitis pathogens. During this time our awardee has trained a multitude of graduate students who will, themselves, have a direct and positive impact upon the industry and the profession.

This individual has done a remarkable job of communicating practical information to the dairy industry, having a prolific publication record. The concept of the Wisconsin “Milk Money” outreach program was developed and promoted by this individual, and resulted in significant progress for Wisconsin dairy producers utilizing the program. Our awardee also developed and

maintains “The Worlds Greatest Milk Quality Website”, which remains an extremely successful extension effort.

This individual is recognized as an international authority on mastitis control, having given invited presentations in numerous countries including Canada, Brazil, El Salvador, Guatemala, Italy, Mexico, Argentina, China, and Spain.

This person has, and continues, to make significant contributions within organizations such as the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners, the AABP, and the National Mastitis Council.

Though this individual’s professional life is an indisputable success, it could be argued this individual hasn’t always exhibited perfect judgment in their private life and have, though rarely, missed the odd important opportunity. As an example, in 1983 in The Stardust Country and Western Bar, our awardee was briefly

engaged to be married to the future Dr. Paul Rapnicki. Unfortunately the engagement only lasted through one polka dance and two beers before it was quickly called off. Oh, what might have been...

And yes, if you haven’t already guessed it, our awardee is a woman.

But, and despite such rare missed opportunities, our awardee has had a full and rewarding home life with her husband, Keith, and her two sons, Sam and Lucas.

To sum up, this person has made a significant positive impact on the local, national, and international dairy industries through the combined missions of teaching, research and extension activities.

I could not be more proud to be able to introduce this year’s awardee for the Alpha Award of Excellence, Dr. Pamela Ruegg.”

AABP–Intervet/Schering-Plough Mentor of the Year Award



Dr. Dan Upson, center, receives the AABP–Intervet / Schering-Plough Mentor of the Year Award from Dr. David Rethorst, right, and Dr. Bill Burdett, Intervet / Schering-Plough Animal Health.

Dr. Bill Burdett, Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health, described the award.

“The AABP–Intervet/Schering-Plough 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 recipient is presented with a commemorative plaque at the annual business luncheon.”

The 2009 award winner was introduced by Dr. Dave Rethorst. “It is my pleasure to announce the recipient of the AABP–Intervet/Schering-Plough Mentor of the Year, Dr. Dan Upson. Following his graduation from the Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1952, Dr. Upson spent the next year working in Hutchinson, Kansas and then established his own practice in Pretty Prairie, Kansas. Returning to K-State in 1959, he became an instructor in the Department of Physiology, completed an MS in Physiology in 1962, and a PhD in Physiology in 1969. He taught veterinary students at K-State for 35 years, retiring with Emeritus status from the College of Veterinary Medicine in 1994. During his long tenure, he served in many capacities including: professor and section leader in Veterinary Extension; for 18 years was the Director of the Veterinary Teaching Resource Center (which later became Veterinary

Education Services and Outreach); and Assistant Dean for Instruction for three years.

His areas of professional veterinary specialization include Veterinary Clinical Pharmacology, Food Animal Pharmacology, Bovine Pharmacology, Safety and Wholesomeness of Food of Animal Origin, and World Resources and Food for Man. He has authored or co-authored numerous professional journal articles, book chapters and a book, *Upson’s Handbook of Clinical Veterinary Pharmacology*, in 1981.

Dr. Upson has received several awards for his outstanding dedication to the classroom and the veterinary profession: the Norden Distinguished Teaching Award in 1968, 1977, and 1991; the All University Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award; the Outstanding Educators Award; the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association Veterinarian of the Year Award in 1982; the Award of Excellence from the American Association of Bovine Practitioners in 1994; and the E.R. Frank Alumni Recognition Award in 2003.

Dr. Upson has been involved with numerous professional and honorary veterinary associations including the American Veterinary Medical Association, the American Academy of Veterinary Pharmacology and Therapeutics, the American Society of Veterinary Physiologists and Pharmacologists, the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, the Comparative Gastroenterology Society, the American Association of Bovine Practitioners, the American Men & Women of Science, the Veterinary

Antimicrobial Decision Support System, and the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association. He has held several prestigious positions within the KVMA: Trustee-at-Large, Board Member, Vice President, Program Chair, Chairman of the Board, President-Elect, and President.

His honor society memberships include Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Zeta (elected as a faculty member), Phi Zeta, Gamma Sigma Delta, and Block and Bridle (Honorary).

Dr. Upson's interests and activities beyond the walls of the College of Veterinary Medicine are monumental. These additional university duties included: twice elected to Faculty Senate and served as President/Executive Committee Member; Board Member and President of the KSU Alumni Association; Member of the Board of Governors Advisory Council of the KSU Alumni Association; served on numerous university public relations and communications committees; Member, Head Football Coach Search Committee that brought Coach Snyder to K-State; twice appointed by Governor Graves to terms on the Kansas State Board of Pharmacy; currently serves as Board Member and Chairman of the Mike Ahearn Scholarship Fund; and served as Board Member of the Riley County/Manhattan Board of Health from 1996 to 2002.

Dr. Upson's volunteer work for athletics has brought him friends around the country. Through his sports officiating, primarily football, as a high school,

Missouri Valley Conference, and later a Big 8 Conference official, he started in 1959 officiating high school and college games, including yearly trips to work many major college bowl games until 1985.

Currently Dan and his wife Stephanie, who graduated from K-State's College of Human Ecology in 1955, reside in Manhattan. The couple have three children Connie, Ron, and Elizabeth, and five grandchildren.

As a person, I don't know of anyone that gives more to his students. His teaching reached across the KSU campus. There is nobody on our campus that has taught more people involved in veterinary medicine and the beef industry of Kansas. He had the four characteristics of a great teacher: depth of knowledge, clarity, enthusiasm, and a sense of humor. He has received many awards from many different organizations. However, the awards don't mean as much to him as the relationship he holds with his students, both today and when they were in school. If you don't want to know the truth, don't ask Dr. Upson. Dr. Upson is a humble, unselfish person that always looks out for the best interest of the bovine practitioner. He has been a mentor for practitioners, professionals, producers, students, and faculty members. As I travel across our state and country, people ask how Dr. Dan is doing and comment how he was the best teacher they ever had in college...Period! Congrats Dr. Dan!"

James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders



Dr. Lisa Willis, center, receives the James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders from Dr. Dick Wallace, left, and Dr. John Ferry.

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. The award will be limited to deserving AABP members who have graduated from veterinary school within ten (10) calendar years. Recipients will have given extraordinary service to the AABP in a manner that significantly enhances the mission of the organization. This award was established in 2005 and will be presented only when a deserving individual has been nominated and selected. The award will consist of a commemorative plaque and a commemorative ring.

Dr. John Ferry introduced the 2009 award winner.

“You will recognize the name of this young AABP member from the numerous overwhelmingly humble posts to AABP-L, insightful and respectful responses, and undoubtedly some of the best case follow-up post-ings to the list.

A member of the Auburn Palpation Team that won the palpation competition at the 2004 SAVMA Symposium, she is a 2005 graduate of Auburn University. Our winner came to Alabama from California by way of Texas.

At the 38th AABP Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, although you won't find our winner's name listed

in the meeting program, she was the organizing force for the delivery of Seminar 24, “Breeding Soundness Evaluation: Everything You Wanted to Know But Were Afraid to Ask”. At the same 2005 Annual Conference, Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas State veterinarian, was scheduled to present “Control Program for Trichomoniasis in Cattle Herds in a Western State” in the Beef Split Sessions. After arriving at the conference, Dr. Hillman had to return home to prepare for an incoming Hurricane Rita. Our Award for Young Leaders winner presented this talk for Dr. Hillman with not much more than a day's notice.

She was the Student's Sessions and Practice Tips Coordinator for the 2007 Program Committee that planned the 40th AABP Annual Conference in Vancouver. You should have noticed a very active and reportedly highly successful second annual AABP Jobs Fair last night. Our winner originated the Jobs Fair component of the AABP Program last year as the Student Sessions Coordinator for the 2008 AABP Annual Conference in Charlotte.

She was an associate at a well known clinic in Elgin, Texas working on some of the best bucking bulls in the country, and has now established her own practice in Gustine, TX working with beef cattle (including her beloved bucking bulls), deer, and even some dairies.

Ladies and gentlemen, help me recognize the 2009 James A. Jarrett Award for Young Leaders, Dr. Lisa Willis.”

Seven AABP Amstutz Scholarships Presented at the 2009 AABP Meeting in Omaha



2009 AABP Amstutz Scholarship winners – Drew Magstadt, Jennifer Hubbard, Brian Hartschuh, Sarah Beatty, and Adam Ward.

During the Opening Ceremonies at the 2009 AABP meeting in Omaha, Nebraska, seven outstanding third-year veterinary students were each awarded \$7500 through the Harold Amstutz Scholarship Program. These students were selected by the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Committee from 53 exceptional applicants from 22 different North American veterinary schools. This brings the total number of scholarships awarded to 215 for a total of over \$375,000 since the first was given in 1996. The sources of funds for these awards are individual AABP member contributions and a generous contribution from the Eli Lilly Foundation through Elanco Animal Health. The Lilly Foundation has supported the scholarship program since 1997, with a current annual contribution of \$30,000 per year. In addition, the Amstutz Scholarship Committee held a silent and live auction during this year's meeting which raised an additional \$18,555 for the scholarship program. The

Amstutz Scholarship Committee would like to thank everyone for their generous support of this important and worthwhile program.

The recipients of the 2009 AABP Amstutz scholarships and respective schools are:

Sarah Beatty	University of Florida
Nathaniel Burke	VA-MD Regional College of Veterinary Medicine
Amy Daley	Colorado State University
Brian Hartschuh	The Ohio State University
Jennifer Hubbard	Ontario Veterinary College
Drew Magstadt	Iowa State University
Adam Ward	University of Wisconsin

The Scholarship Committee wishes to offer the heartiest of congratulations to this group of deserving students.

AABP Amstutz Scholarship Gold Level Donors

During the Opening Session, the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Committee and the AABP recognized three new Gold Level scholarship fund donors. The Gold Level Donor recognition identifies individuals who have contributed at least \$1000.00 to the scholarship fund.

Recognition includes the awarding of a unique 10K gold lapel pin with the AABP logo in the center surrounded by a black band with the words *AABP Amstutz Scholarship Donor*. Three new Gold Level Donors were recognized at the 2009 meeting. They are: Dr. Dee Griffin, Dr. John Schnackel, and Dr. Rodney Rech.

Including these recipients, AABP has now recognized a total of 45 Gold Level Donors. AABP and the Amstutz Scholarship Committee wish to express our deepest gratitude to the generous donations of our members, and especially those recognized as Gold Level Donors.

The AABP Amstutz scholarship program was established 13 years ago to help support the education of worthy veterinary students who are interested in bovine medicine. AABP wants to identify all Gold Level qualifying members as well as encourage new contributors to this support milestone. If you would like to make a contribution to the AABP Amstutz Scholarship Fund, please contact the AABP office.

Members of the AABP Scholarship Committee for 2009 were: Dr. Harold Amstutz (sustaining member and individual for whom the award is named), Dr. Dan Grooms (Chair), Dr. Art Donovan (Vice-chair and board of director representative to the committee), Dr. Hilda Mitchell, Dr. Mark Fox, Dr. Bill Burdett, Dr. Gary Neubaur, Dr. Doug Hostetler, Dr. Matt Edmonds, Dr. Jennifer Hatcher, Dr. John Campell, and Dr. Jerry Mechor.

Gold Level Donors



Dr. Dan Grooms, left, presents Dr. Dee Griffin with the Gold Level Donor recognition pin.



Dr. Rodney Rech, right, receives the Gold Level Donor recognition pin.



Dr. Dan Grooms, left, with Dr. John Schnackel, Gold Level Donor.

Student Case Competition 2009 Presentation Winners



2009 Student Case Presentation Award winners – Jennifer Hubbard, Natasha Woodward, Eric Behlke, and Kathleen Black, pictured with Dr. Israel Isenberg, Student Sessions Coordinator.

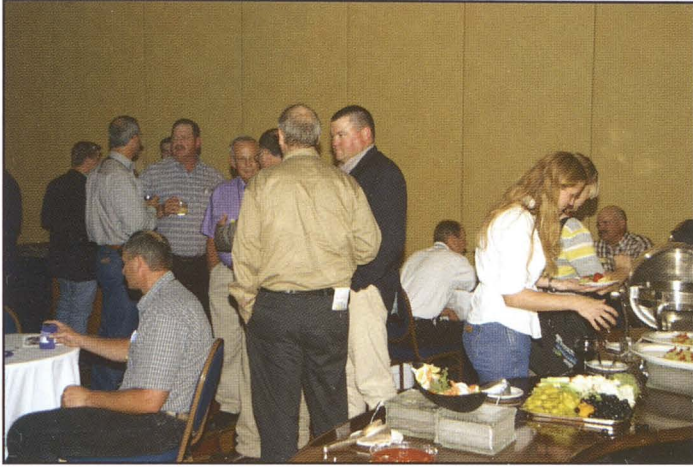
Ten students were selected to participate in the 2009 Student Case Presentation Competition at the 42nd Annual Conference of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners. Drs. Hilda Mitchell, Patty Scharko, and Dan Thomson volunteered their time as judges in the initial presentation selection process and also during the competition judging. 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 categories. The first place winner in the clinical case category was Eric Behlke, Iowa State University, presenting *Investigating the Cause and Effects of an Outbreak of Bovine Respiratory Disease in Preconditioned Calves in an Iowa Feedlot*. Ms. Kathleen Black from Auburn University

was awarded second place with her presentation of *Suspected Monensin Toxicity in Angus Bull Calves*. In the research case category, Ms. Jennifer Hubbard, from the Ontario Veterinary College, was awarded first place with her presentation: *The Effect of Storage Temperature on the Accuracy of a Cow-side Test for Ketosis*. Second place was awarded to Ms. Natasha Woodward of the Atlantic Veterinary College who presented *The Effect of the Cow's Age and Forage on the Oxidative Stability of Omega-3 Enriched Milk*. The first and second place awards recipients received \$1,500 and \$750, respectively. Thanks to all submitters, presenters and judges.

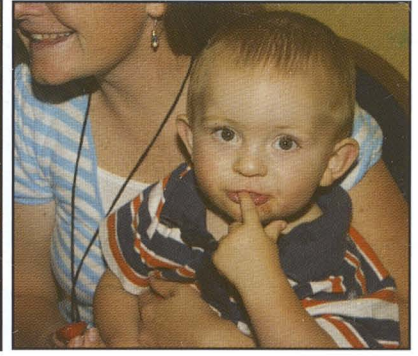
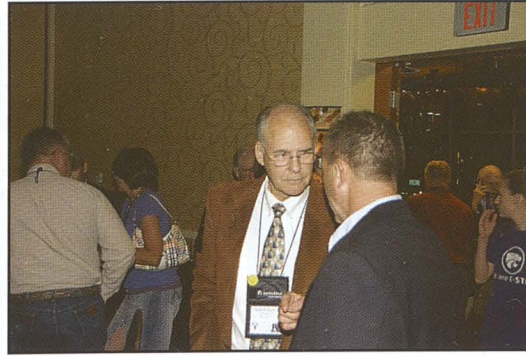
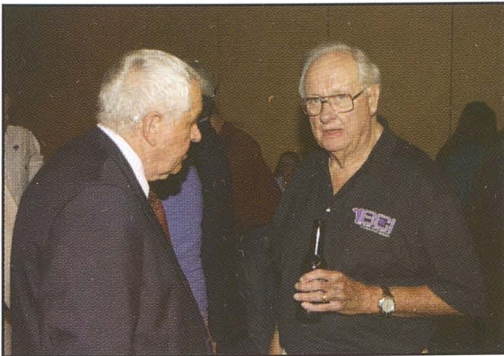
Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Israel Isenberg, Student Sessions Coordinator

K-State Beef Cattle Institute Holds Third Alumni Reception in 2009

The Beef Cattle Institute at Kansas State University hosted its third AABP KSU CVM alumni reception in Omaha, NE. Numerous KSU CVM alumni, faculty, former faculty and students participated in the event. Introductions and comments were made by Dr. Ralph Richardson, Dean at KSU, and KSU bovine faculty. Dr. Kelly Lechtenberg was awarded the 2009 Beef Cattle Veterinarian of the Year from Kansas State University's Beef Cattle Institute. This event is planned to continue annually on Friday evenings at upcoming AABP conferences.



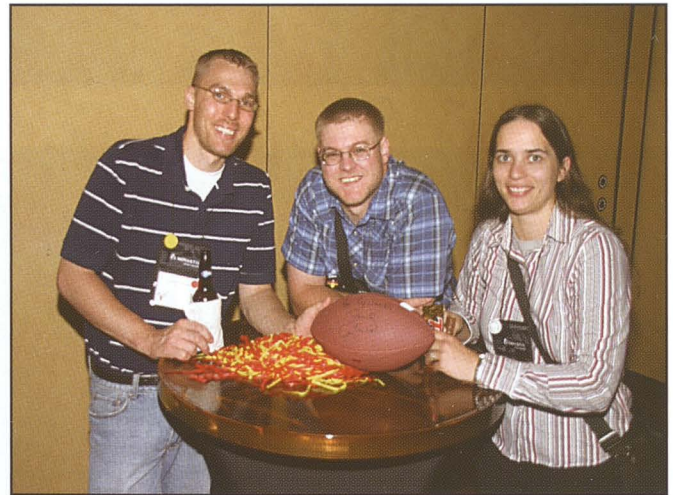
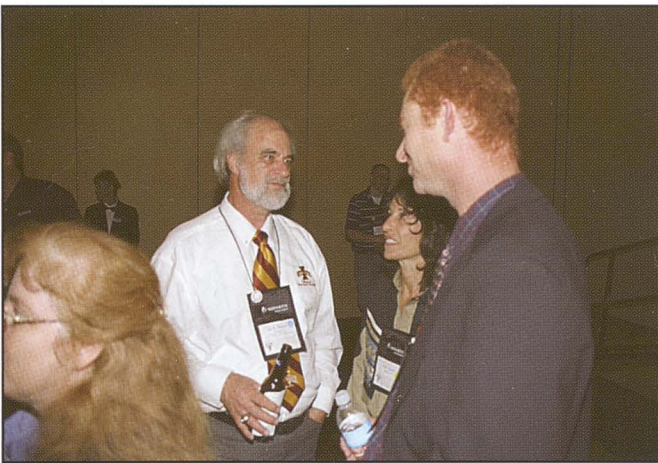
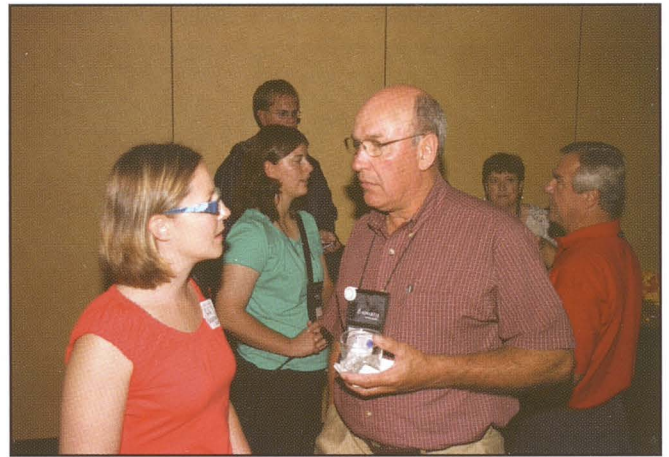
Dr. Kelly Lechtenberg, left, receives the Beef Cattle Veterinarian of the Year Award from the K-State Beef Cattle Institute. Presenting the award is Dr. Bob Larson.



Iowa State's College of Veterinary Medicine holds First Alumni Reception at the AABP in 2009

Iowa State University hosted its first AABP Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine alumni reception in Omaha, NE. Numerous ISU CVM alumni, faculty, former faculty and students participated in the event. Introductions and comments were made by Dr. John Thomson, Dean at ISU, and ISU bovine faculty.

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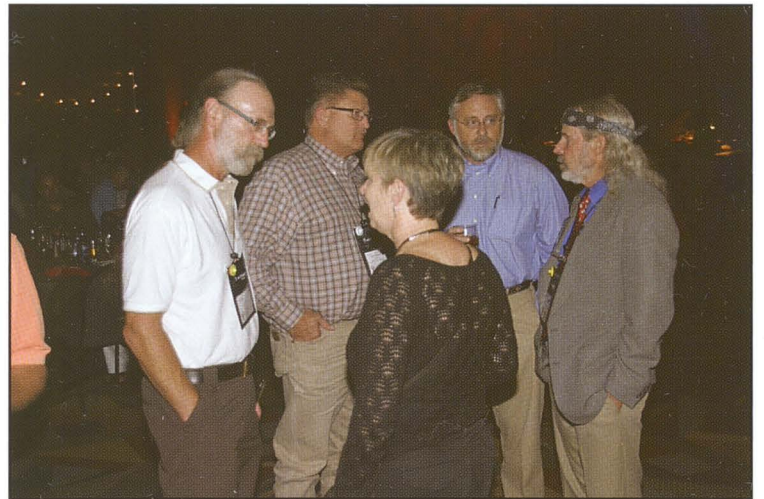


Welcoming Reception

Wednesday, September 9, 2009

Omaha, Nebraska

Sponsored by **Bayer Animal Health**, the welcoming reception for the 42nd Annual AABP Conference was held as the official event to kick-off the week's activities. Members of the AABP Program Committee, local veterinarians, representatives from the Omaha area and event planners were present to answer questions.



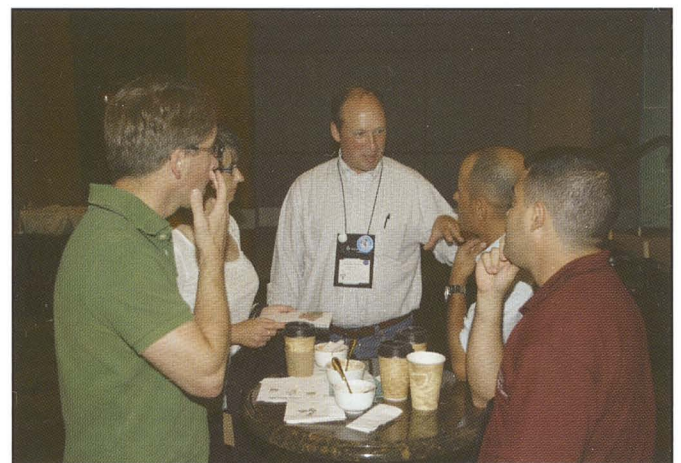
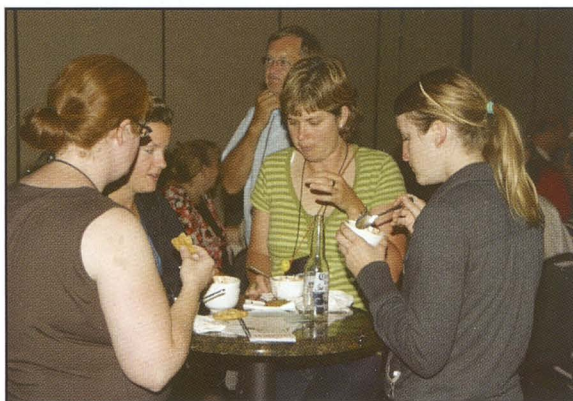
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“Just Desserts” Reception

Wednesday, September 9, 2009

Omaha, Nebraska

Mountains of mouth-watering, enticing desserts, compliments of **Merial**, were served after the Welcoming Reception on Wednesday evening. This event provided further opportunity to continue the feast and fellowship well into the evening. Thanks to **Merial** for sponsoring the event.



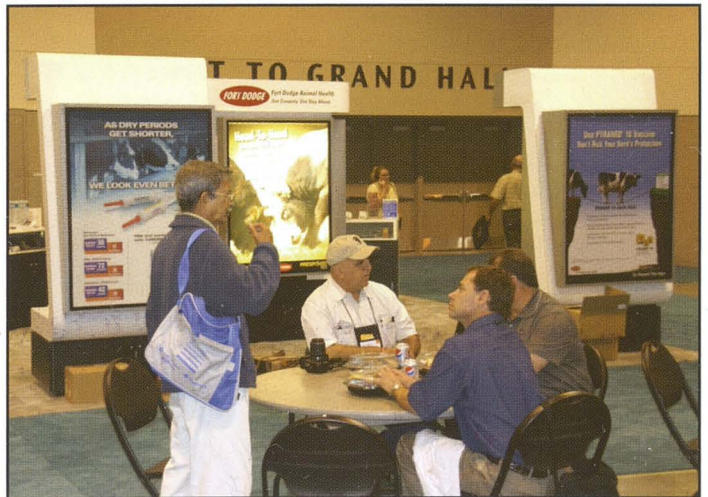
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“Come Join Us” for Dinner Buffet Reception

Thursday, September 10, 2009

Omaha, Nebraska

AABP registrants were treated to excellent food in the exhibit area, **courtesy of all exhibitors**, prior to gathering for the Opening Ceremony and Practice Tips. Amstutz Scholarships, Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health Scholarships, and appreciation plaques to retiring committee chairs and the retiring director were presented at the Opening Ceremony.



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Winners of the Intervet / Schering-Plough–AABP Bovine Veterinary Student Recognition Award are: Taylor Ludwick, Cynthia Wanee, Christie Morrow, Chance Armstrong, Lauren Holtvoigt, Christine Long, and Sarah Beatty.



Dr. Roger Saltman (right) expresses appreciation to Dr. Rene Dewell for her service as Chair of the Biological Risk Management and Preparedness Committee.



Dr. Scott Waltner (left), retiring director from District XI, receives an appreciation plaque from Dr. Roger Saltman, President-Elect of the AABP.



Dr. Roger Saltman (right) thanks Dr. Dan Little for his service as Chair of the Information Management Committee.



Dr. Jeff Ondrak (left) receives the AABP Research Assistantship Award from Dr. Art Donovan.

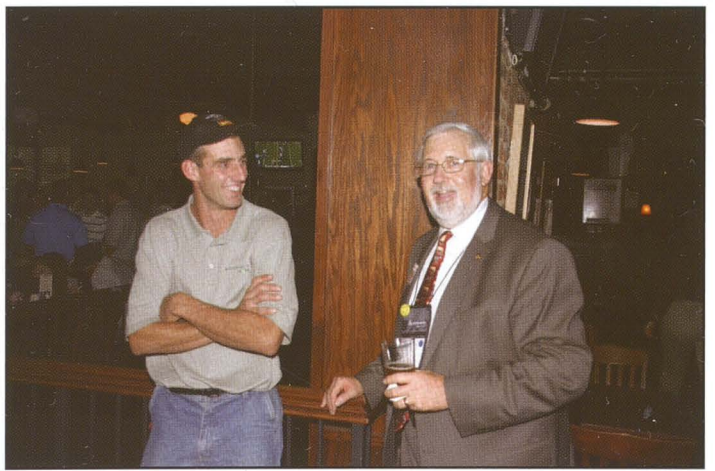
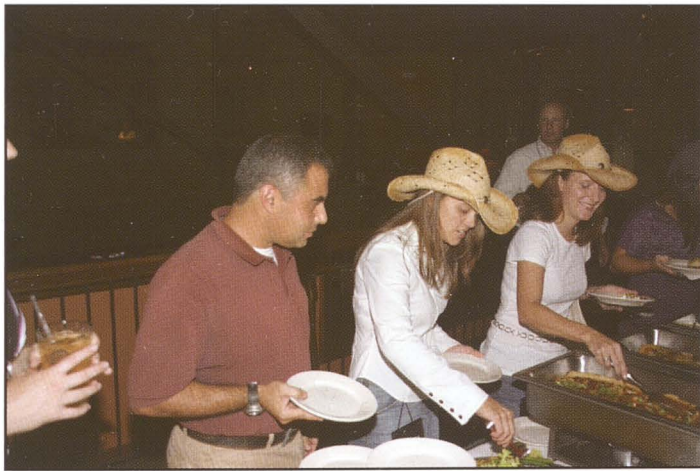
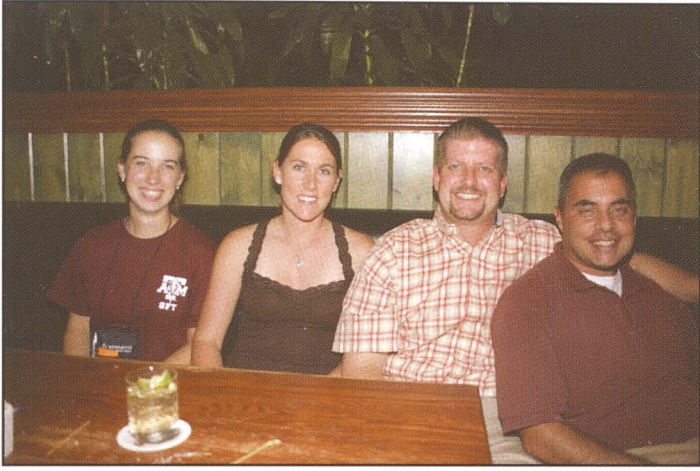


Dr. Pat Gorden (left), outgoing Chair of the Milk Quality and Udder Health Committee, receives an appreciation plaque from Dr. Roger Saltman.

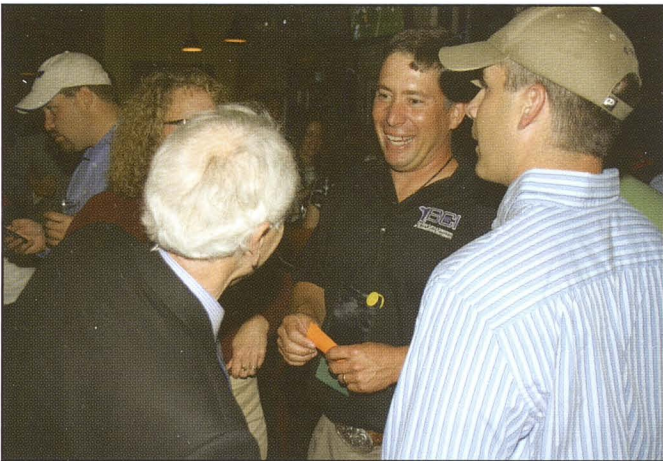
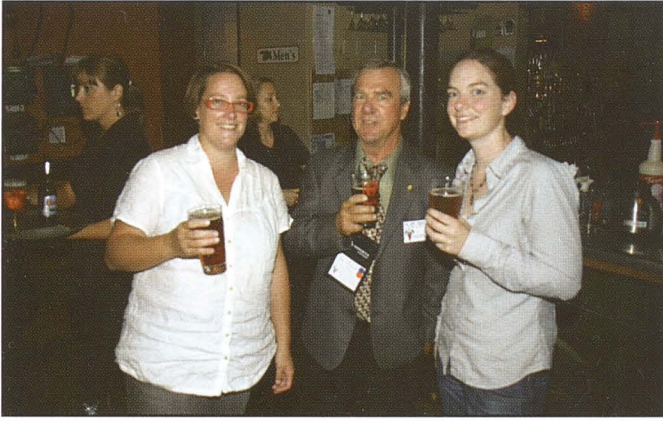
AABP Student Reception

Thursday, September 10, 2009
Omaha, Nebraska

For the 15th year, the AABP Board of Directors and **Elanco Animal Health** hosted a reception for all student AABP members at the annual conference.



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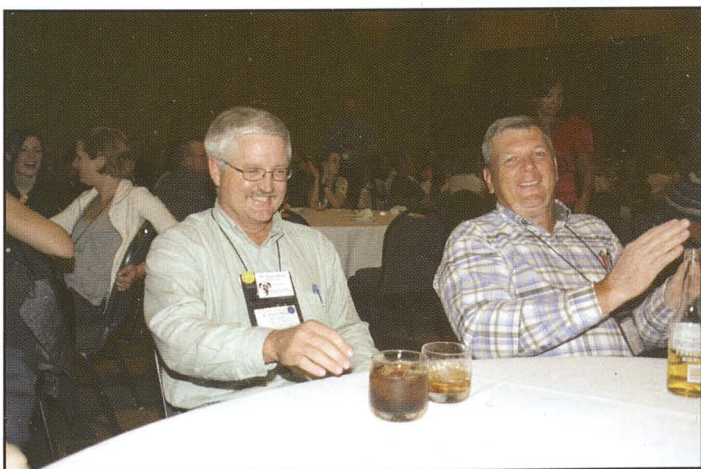
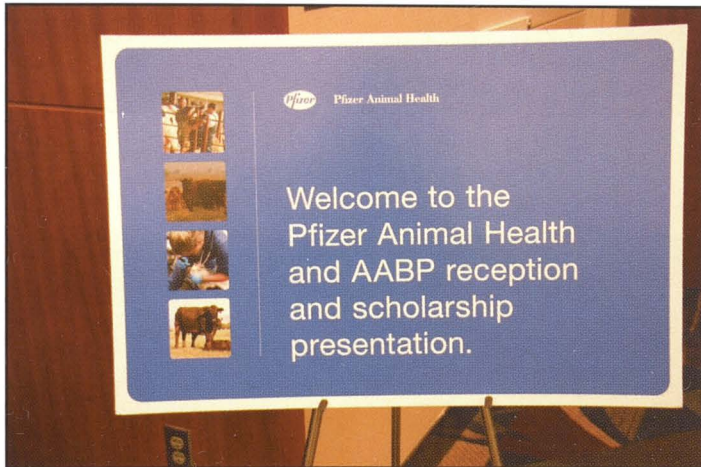


AABP's Friday Evening Auction and Dinner

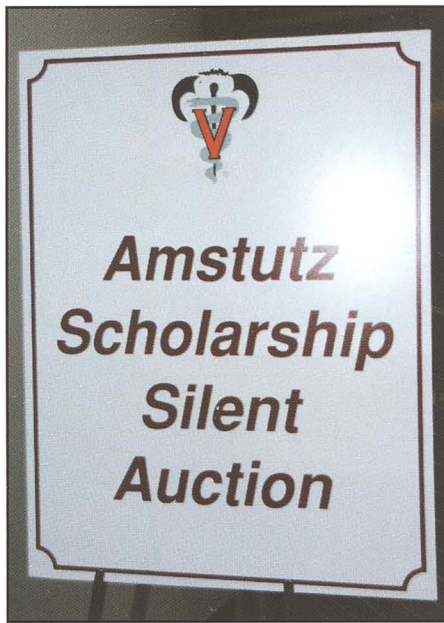
Friday, September 11, 2009

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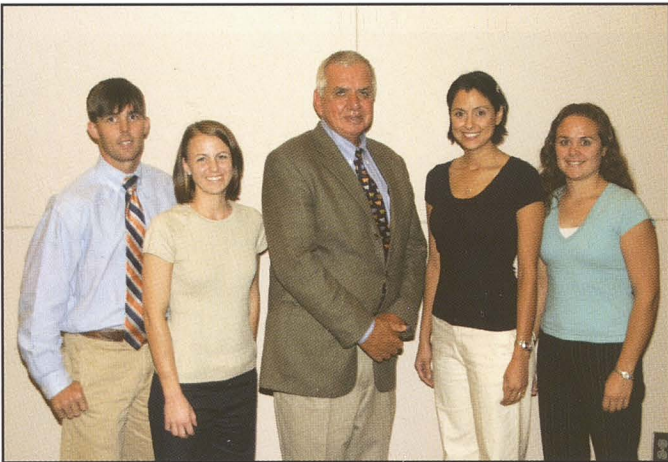
On Friday evening, the AABP Scholarship Committee hosted two events, a spirited live auction and the closing of the silent auction to raise money for student scholarships. Thanks to **Pfizer Animal Health**, attendees enjoyed substantial hors d'oeuvres and a buffet dinner while visiting with friends and preparing their bidding strategy for the auction. Eight **AABP Foundation/Pfizer Animal Health Scholarship Awards** were presented to worthy students.



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AABP Foundation – Pfizer Animal Health Veterinary Student Scholarship Winners



Chance Armstrong, Jonetta Tabor, Dr. Walt Guterbock, chairman, Estella Hovland, and Rebecca Olinger.



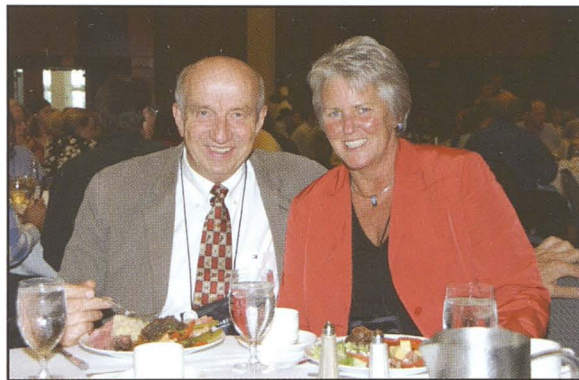
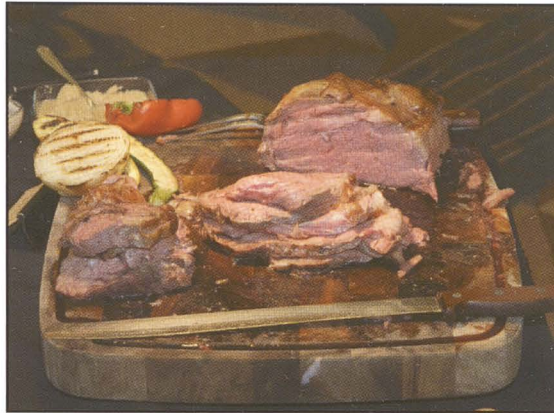
A. J. Chambers, Dr. Walt Guterbock, Amanda Hartnack, Sarah Geibel, and Kyle Flessner

“The Best of the Midwest”

Omaha, Nebraska

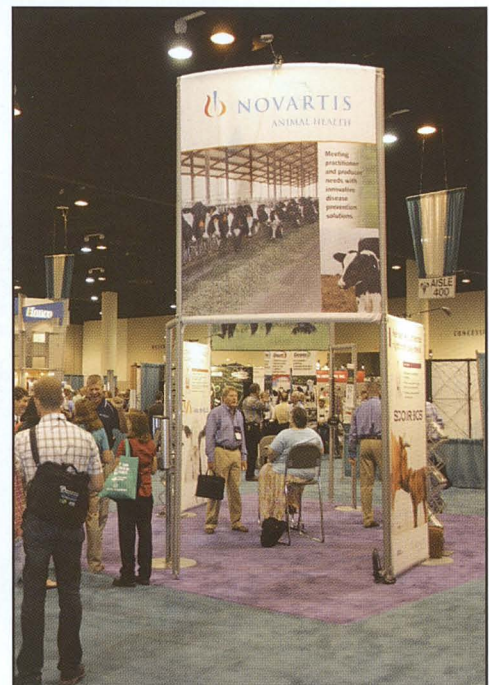
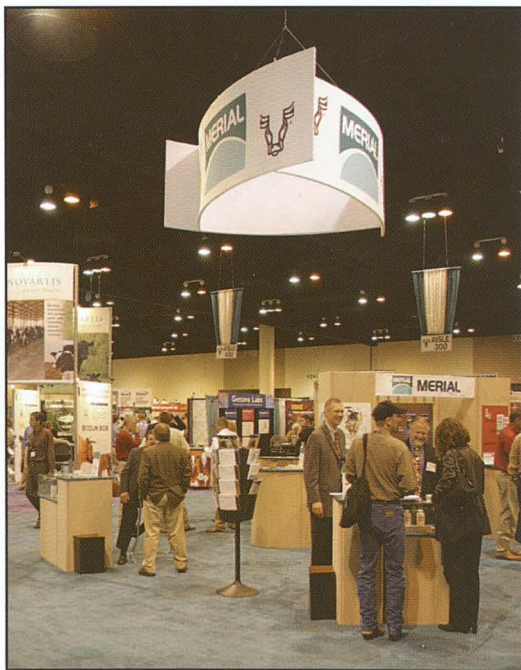
Saturday, September 12, 2009

Thanks to **Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health** for sponsoring this memorable evening. This function offered attendees an opportunity to relax and visit after a busy week of continuing education.



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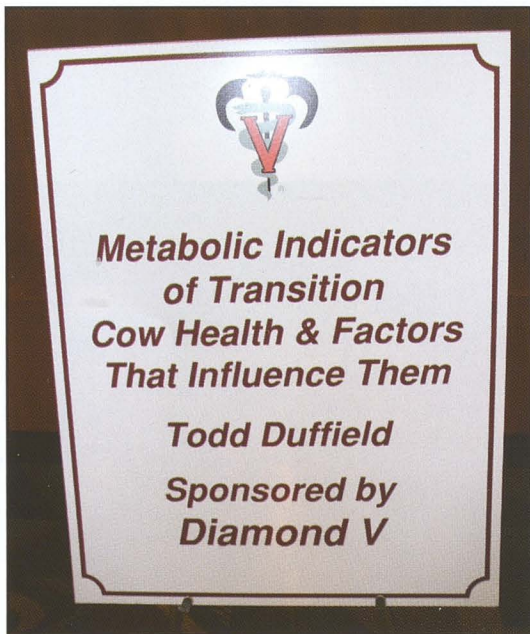
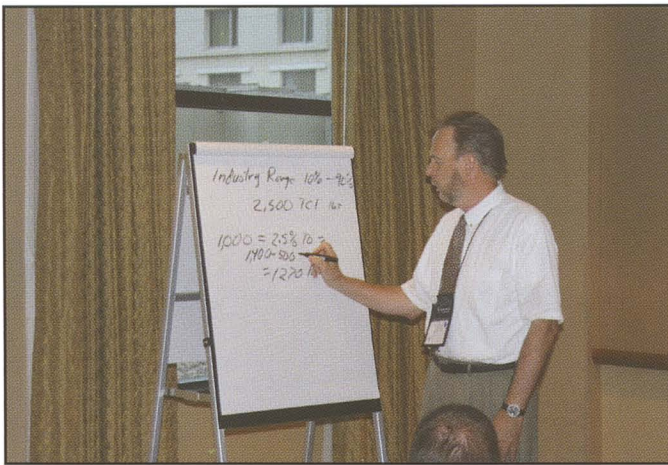
Exhibits



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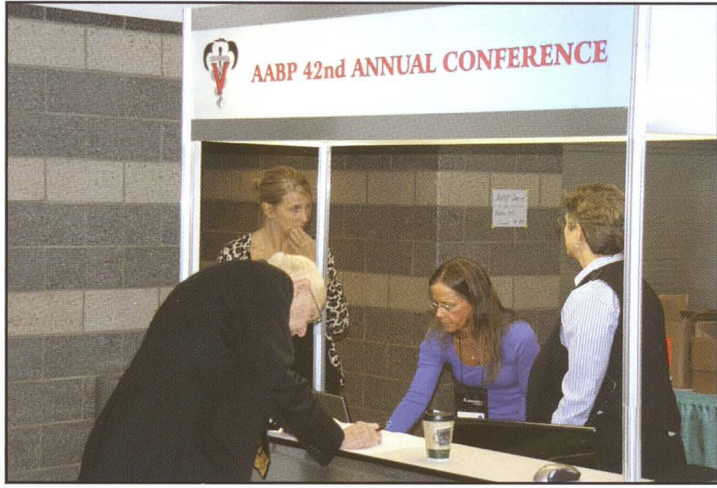


Scientific Meetings



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President's Reception

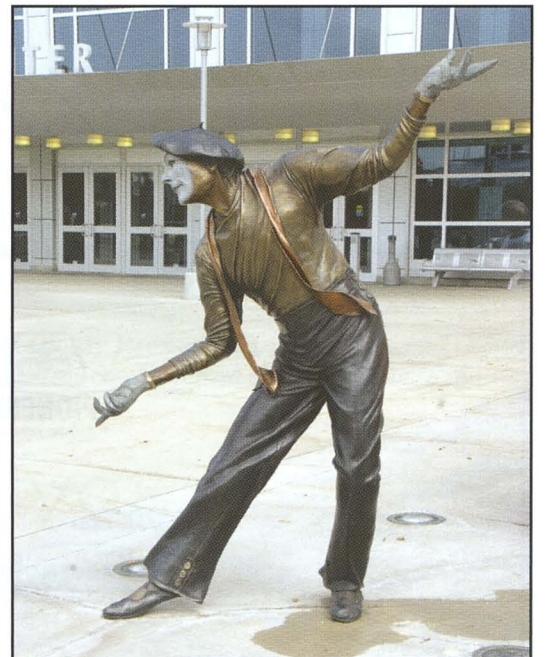
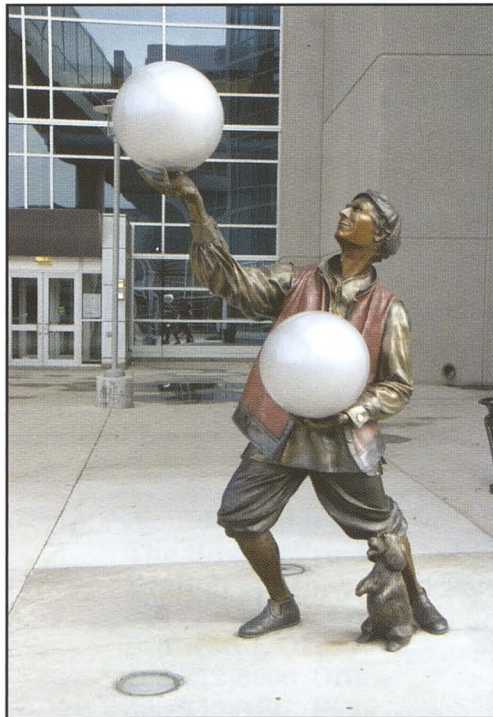
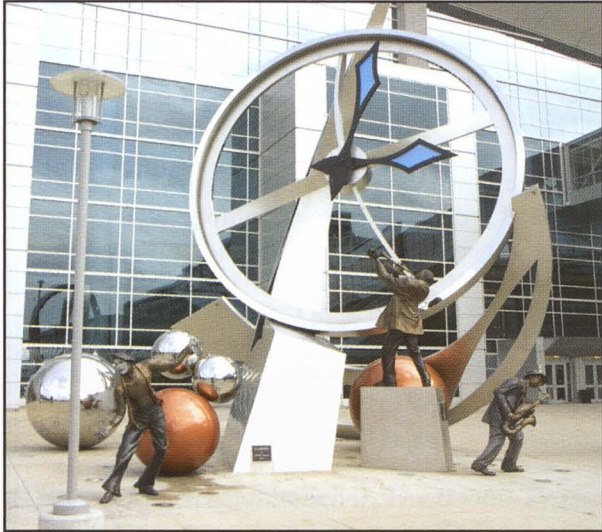
At the end of the Conference, a reception was held to honor Dr. Dick Wallace for his service as President of the AABP.



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Prudent Drug Usage Guidelines

The production of safe and wholesome animal products for human consumption is a primary goal of members of the AABP. In reaching that goal, the AABP is committed to the practice of preventive immune system management through the use of vaccines, parasiticides, stress reduction and proper nutritional management. The AABP recognizes that proper and timely management practices can reduce the incidence of disease and therefore reduce the need for antimicrobials; however, antimicrobials remain a necessary tool to manage infectious disease in beef and dairy herds. In order to reduce animal pain and suffering, to protect the economic livelihood of beef and dairy producers, to ensure the continued production of foods of animal origin, and to minimize the shedding of zoonotic bacteria into the environment and potentially the food chain, prudent use of antimicrobials is encouraged. Following are general guidelines for the prudent therapeutic use of antimicrobials in beef and dairy cattle.

1. The veterinarian's primary responsibility to the client is to help design management, immunization, housing and nutritional programs that will reduce the incidence of disease and the need for antimicrobials.
2. Antimicrobials should be used only within the confines of a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship; this includes both dispensing and issuance of prescriptions.
3. Veterinarians should properly select and use antimicrobial drugs.
 - a. Veterinarians should participate in continuing education programs that include therapeutics and emerging and/or development of antimicrobial resistance.
 - b. The veterinarian should have strong clinical evidence of the identity of the pathogen causing the disease, based upon clinical signs, history, necropsy examination, laboratory data and past experience.
 - c. The antimicrobial selected should be appropriate for the target organism and should be administered at a dosage and route that are likely to achieve effective levels in the target organ.
 - d. Product choices and regimens should be based on available laboratory and package insert information, additional data in the literature, and consideration of the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of the drug.
 - e. Antimicrobials should be used with specific clinical outcome(s) in mind, such as fever reduction, return of mastitic milk to normal, or to reduce shedding, contagion and recurrence of disease.
 - f. Periodically monitor herd pathogen susceptibility and therapeutic response, especially for routine therapy such as dry cow intramammary antibiotics, to detect changes in microbial susceptibility and to evaluate antimicrobial selections.
 - g. Use products that have the narrowest spectrum of activity and known efficacy *in vivo* against the pathogen causing the disease problem.**
 - h. Antimicrobials should be used at a dosage appropriate for the condition treated for as short a period of time as reasonable, i.e., therapy should be discontinued when it is apparent that the immune system can manage the disease, reduce pathogen shedding and minimize recurrence of clinical disease or development of the carrier state.
 - i. Antimicrobials of lesser importance in human medicine should be used in preference to newer generation drugs that may be in the same class as drugs currently used in humans if this can be achieved while protecting the health and safety of the animals.
 - j. Antimicrobials labeled for use for treating the condition diagnosed should be used whenever possible. The label, dose, route, frequency and duration should be followed whenever possible.
 - k. Antimicrobials should be used extra-label only within the provisions contained within AMDUCA regulations.
 - l. Compounding of antimicrobial formulations should be avoided.
 - m. When appropriate, local therapy is preferred over systemic therapy.
 - n. Treatment of chronic cases or those with a poor chance of recovery should be avoided. Chronic cases should be removed or isolated from the remainder of the herd.
 - o. Combination antimicrobial therapy should be discouraged unless there is information to show an increase in efficacy or suppression of resistance development for the target organism.
 - p. Prophylactic or metaphylactic use of antimicrobials should be based on a group, source or production unit evaluation rather than being utilized as standard practice.
 - q. Drug integrity should be protected through proper handling, storage and observation of the expiration date.
4. Veterinarians should endeavor to ensure proper on-farm drug use.
 - a. Prescription or dispensed drug quantities should be appropriate to the production-unit size and expected need so that stockpiling of antimicrobials on the farm is avoided.
 - b. The veterinarian should train farm personnel who use antimicrobials on indications, dosages, withdrawal times, route of administration, injection site precautions, storage, handling, record keeping and accurate diagnosis of common diseases. The veterinarian should ensure that labels are accurate to instruct farm personnel on the correct use of antimicrobials.
 - c. Veterinarians are encouraged to provide written guidelines to clients whenever possible to describe conditions and instructions for antimicrobial use on the farm or unit.

Mark your calendars!

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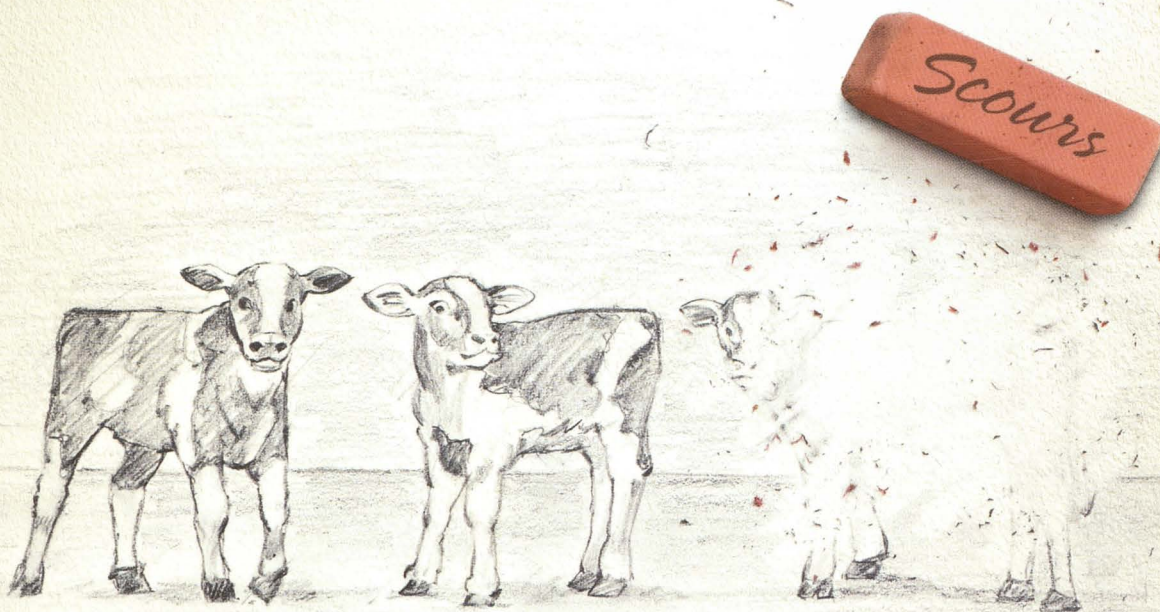


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