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### **Dr. Stanley Gilliland Receives ADSA Distinguished Service Award**

**Champaign, IL** – The American Dairy Science Association is proud to announce Dr. Stanley Gilliland as the 2009 recipient of the ADSA Distinguished Service Award. The award was presented on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, during the awards ceremony at the ADSA Annual Meeting in Montreal, QC, Canada.

The ADSA Distinguished Service Award was created to recognize unusually outstanding and consistent contributions to the welfare of the dairy industry, either directly or indirectly. The award shall be based upon a broad, even nonscientific, contribution. Thus, outstanding achievements by those in industry, public administration, or academic administration shall qualify. The contribution may be national or international. The Distinguished Service Award is not for ADSA accomplishments.

Stanley E. Gilliland has provided distinguished service resulting in profound effects on the animal and food industries. He is recognized internationally for his pioneering research on the use of lactobacilli as probiotics in enhancing human health and improving animal performance. His contributions have led to the commercialization of nonfermented acidophilus milk, a concept that is widely used today to manufacture other dairy products such as yogurt in which probiotic cultures are incorporated. Gilliland developed a culture that when added to cattle feed, resulted in significant reduction in the incidence of *Escherichia coli* O157:H7, improved feed efficiency, and increased milk production.

It is with great pleasure that ADSA presents Dr. Stanley Gilliland with the 2009 ADSA Distinguished Service Award.

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