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The 2009 ADSA-CSAS-ASAS Joint Annual Meeting will be held July 12–16, 2009, in Montréal, Québec, Canada. Montréal features modern facilities and attractions against a backdrop of European history and charm. Between Mount Royal and the mighty St. Lawrence River, the downtown core and historic Old Montréal shine year-round with international festivals and events.

Downtown Montréal is not only where people work, it’s also where they live, play, and display their unique joie de vivre. No wonder it’s rated one of the world’s most livable cities!

You’ll also experience a plethora of delights in music, theatre, dance, art exhibits, nightlife, cuisine, shopping and more … all merging in an exciting mix of traditional and avant-garde. With so much to discover, you don’t want to miss Montréal! Make your plans now to attend the 2009 ADSA-CSAS-ASAS Joint Annual Meeting in beautiful Montréal, Québec, Canada.

The 2009 ADSA-CSAS-ASAS call for abstracts and all of the information you need to submit an abstract will be available in early October on the meeting website at http://adsa.asas.org/meetings/2009/. The submission deadline for abstracts is February 9, 2009, so make sure to mark your calendars. To build an outstanding program, your participation through abstract submission is essential. The foundation of our annual meeting is the science that each one of you brings with your oral and poster abstract submissions.

Thank you!
2009 ADSA-CSAS-ASAS Program Committee
Greetings and get ready for the 2009 Joint Annual Meeting (JAM) in Montréal next July. Seems like the successful 2008 JAM in Indianapolis just finished and JAM 2009 is a long way off, but dust off those passports, get your family fired up, and start making plans as the program committees are already working hard to provide another great dairy educational venue in Montréal next July. It will be very exciting to team with our dairy colleagues from the Canadian Society of Animal Science and ASAS for this event.

We’d be remiss if we didn’t highlight the great dairy program and accomplishments for JAM 2008. Dairy was very well represented with 7 excellent dairy-focused symposia (and parts of many others). The 3 dairy foods symposia were standing room only with a great venue co-sponsored with DMI. The production division symposium on raising replacements and the joint sponsored Dairy Field Research and Data Interpretation symposium were cutting edge, as was the ruminant nutrition session focused on glycerol. The meeting was capped off by a very successful Triennial Lactation Biology symposium.

A post-JAM 2008 survey was just completed and it provides interesting insight into past and future meetings. Overall conference experience by ADSA members scored 4.1 (1 = poor; 5 = excellent) with approximately 80% scoring the meeting as 4 or 5. Scientific programs meeting the needs of ADSA members scored 3.75, with 65% scoring 4 or 5. Those are excellent scores and show how important a strong scientific program is to our meeting success.

Plans for a great JAM 2009 and program are well underway. Program committees met and submitted all symposia requests by August 15. Our JAM program committee met one week later to evaluate and solidify these symposia and this major part of our program. There is a great slate of dairy-focused symposia and offerings for the 2009 meeting. The dairy foods committee has another interesting line-up of 3 symposia (one joint with DMI) focused on milk protein fractionation, challenges and opportunities of microencapsulation technologies, and a session on milk enzymes and their impact on dairy foods and human health. The animal health committee has assembled a great session on cow longevity, and the extension committee has structured a great opportunity focused on models for dairy production decision making. The ADSA Southern Section symposia will focus on dairy heifer health challenges, while the production division session will focus on driving forces that will change dairy management. Ruminant nutrition symposia will focus on forage digestibility and molecular techniques to advance ruminant nutrition research. A highlight of JAM 2009 will be a sequel to the successful Discover Conference on fat supplementation with a symposia focused on physiological values of fat and fat supplements in dairy cattle production. Dairy will also have a major component in symposia on optimizing gut health in ruminants and behavior nutrition interactions. This foundation coupled with excellent abstracts and science in both oral and poster presentations, great graduate oral and poster contests (MS and PhD new this year), very strong undergraduate Student Affiliate Division programs, and industry exhibits and interactions will make for a fantastic dairy education opportunity at JAM 2009 in Montréal. So mark the calendar for July 12–16, 2009, in Montréal, Canada, and get fired up for an exciting, education, and FUN JAM 2009.

Leo Timms
Program chair
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## 2008 Joint Annual Meeting Statistics

**Indianapolis, Indiana**  
**July 7–11, 2008**

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## 2008 ADSA Award Winners

- **Alltech Inc. Graduate Student Paper Publication Award**  
  David B. Carlson

- **American Feed Industry Association Award**  
  Charles R. Staples

- **Cargill Animal Nutrition Young Scientist Award**  
  Katharine Knowlton

- **Cargill Flavor Systems Food Specialties Award**  
  Phil Tong

- **Danisco International Dairy Science Award**  
  Peter Parodi

- **DeLaval Dairy Extension Award**  
  Paul Fricke

- **Hoard’s Dairyman Youth Development Award**  
  George Heersche Jr.

- **International Dairy Foods Association Research Award in Dairy Foods Processing**  
  Manuel Castillo

- **International Dairy Production Award**  
  Yves Chilliard

- **J. L. Lush Award**  
  P. Jeffrey Berger

- **Land O’Lakes Award**  
  Robert Collier

- **Land O’Lakes, Purina Feed LLC Teaching Award in Dairy Production**  
  Michel Wattiaux

- **Kraft Foods Teaching Award in Dairy Science**  
  Paul Kindstedt

- **National Milk Producers Federation Richard M. Hoyt Award**  
  Kevin Harvatine

- **Nutrition Professionals Inc. Applied Dairy Nutrition Award**  
  Gabriella Varga

- **Pfizer Animal Health Physiology Award**  
  Geoffrey Dahl

- **Pioneer Hi-Bred Forage Award**  
  Randy Shaver

- **West Agro Inc. Award**  
  David Barbano

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National Milk Producers Federation Graduate Student Paper Presentation Contest in Dairy Production
1st: Kristy Daniels
2nd: Anne O’Donnell
3rd: Elizabeth Karcher
DMI Graduate Student Paper Presentation Contest in Dairy Foods Award
1st: Eileen Salim
2nd: Mateo Budinich
3rd: Elizabeth P. Briczinski
Land O’Lakes, Purina Feed LLC Graduate Student Poster Contest
1st: Kris Wierenga
2nd: Jorge A. Elizondo-Salazar
3rd: Fernando Soberon
The Genevieve Christen Distinguished Undergraduate Student Award
Jessica Tekippe
ADSA Foundation Scholar Award in Dairy Foods
Milena Corredig
ADSA Foundation Scholar Award in Dairy Production
Albert De Vries
ADSA Award of Honor
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(ADSA Award of Honor; ADSA Distinguished Service Award; ADSA Fellow Award)

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(American Feed Industry Association Award)

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(Cargill Flavor Systems Food Specialties Award)

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(Danisco International Dairy Science Award)

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(DeLaval Dairy Extension Award)

Dairy Management Inc.
(DMI Graduate Student Paper Presentation Contest in Dairy Foods Award)

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(International Dairy Production Award)

Hoard’s Dairyman
(Hoard’s Dairyman Youth Development Award)

International Dairy Foods Association
(International Dairy Foods Association Research Award in Dairy Foods Processing)

Kraft Foods
(Kraft Foods Teaching Award in Dairy Science)

Land O’Lakes
(Land O’Lakes Award)

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(Land O’Lakes, Purina Feed LLC Teaching Award in Dairy Production; Land O’Lakes, Purina Feed LLC Graduate Student Poster Contest)

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(Pfizer Animal Health Physiology Award)

Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc.
(Pioneer Hi-Bred Forage Award)

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(West Agro Inc. Award)
2009 ADSA Award Nominations

Do you know a prospective ADSA award winner? If so, it is time to nominate that person for a 2009 ADSA award. Self nominations are always accepted, too! Again in 2009 the entire ADSA awards program, from nomination through selection, will be administered online. Submit your nomination at www.adsa.org/newawards/nominator.asp. You can also visit www.adsa.org/awards.asp for general information, policies and procedures, award history, and more.

Communication with all involved in the process will be via e-mail; accurate e-mail addresses are necessary. The nomination process has two deadlines:

December 19, 2008: Initial nominations due
February 9, 2009: All of the supporting materials for nominations that were cleared through the initial stage are due.

If you need assistance or have questions during the process, contact Cara Tharp at 217-356-5146 ext. 41 or by e-mail at: carat@assochq.org.

Recorded Symposia Available at No Cost to Members

Select symposia have been recorded at each joint annual meeting from 2003 to 2008, and now total 57 in all. You can access these from the ADSA home page. Under the ADSA Meetings tab, select Symposia Recordings (http://adsa.asas.org/recordings/index.asp); you need only enter your login and password.

ADSA 2008 Vice President and Director Nominations Requested

You are invited to submit nominations for the ADSA Board of Directors. Every member has the opportunity and responsibility to assist in the process of selecting board members for ADSA. Please submit nominations for ADSA vice president from the Production Division; ADSA director from the Dairy Foods Division; and ADSA director from the Production Division. Please send your nominations via e-mail to carat@assochq.org or by mail to Cara Tharp, ADSA, 1111 North Dunlap Avenue, Savoy, Illinois, 61874.
I am indeed highly honored to serve as president of the American Dairy Science Association. Thank you for giving me that honor. Thanks to all of you members who are working together to make ADSA what it is today. Of course, we always wish to make improvements.

Besides thanking you for the honor and responsibility of serving our ADSA, I wish to use this opportunity to communicate a few current activities worthy of being known by the membership. Here is my Top-Ten list.

10. Our 2008 joint annual meeting was a time to celebrate the centennial of the ASAS. What a wonderful History of Animal Science presentation prepared by Richard Willham—Be sure to get your paper edition!

9. Have you renewed your ADSA membership for 2009? The ADSA Board approved a $10 discount for electronic renewal before September 1, 2008. This discounted renewal required members to enter demographic data. Our goal is to obtain selected demographic data on all members for uses such as having data, for example, on the diversity question as addressed in the Bertrand report.

8. The ADSA Board moved to direct a large portion of our investments towards a JDS Superfund with a goal of $8 million by 2018 or sooner, so that page charges for publishing in the Journal of Dairy Science are eliminated. Our balance in net assets as of December 31, 2007, was $2,823,822; the Foundation had net assets of $417,667. We are fortunate to have had significant growth in assets over the last few years and expect growth in the near future.

7. The joint executive committee of ADSA and ASAS recommended and the respective boards approved a $25 increase in the 2009 Joint Annual Meeting registration fee for professional members. A $25 discount will encourage professional members to register before April 1, 2009. New for the 2009 meeting is the opportunity to register at $375 for any two-day period at the meeting.

6. Changes are happening at the FASS office. Jerry Baker, CEO and scientific liaison of FASS, has resigned, and Jamie Ritter has been hired as business manager. Negotiations are still underway to exchange the current property in Savoy with a new property in southwest Champaign. Critical to the mission of FASS is scientific liaison activity. Gary Hartnell, president of FASS, has appointed an ad hoc public policy committee to address the “voice of animal agriculture” at the national level. As a start, the committee arranged for a meeting of representatives from

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ADSA, ASAS, and PSA with representatives of plant agriculture societies (e.g., the Tri-Societies) in early November 2008, to initiate discussion of a research priorities symposium, à la FAIR 2000, for plant and animal agriculture.

5. We owe much gratitude to Bill Baumgardt who had the vision to develop and conduct 13 Discover conferences. Now, under the leadership of Larry Miller, Discover 14 was held this spring, and others are planned. See our ADSA website for more information.

4. During recent years, the Journal of Dairy Science has ranked up to first among animal-oriented journals on the basis of impact factor. With such high ranking, we are in a great position to extend the reach and revenue of JDS. Thus, the ADSA board has hired Kaufman-Wills, a highly specialized scientific journal marketing firm, to increase JDS sales.

3. Thanks to the hard work of Al Kertz and Ken Olson, subscriptions to S-PAC are increasing. S-PAC even carries the abstracts of our ADSA/ASAS meetings.

2. The Student Affiliate Division of ADSA had 70 undergraduate students from 21 universities at the 2008 Joint Annual Meeting. Another successful SAD meeting! Again this year, the student team defeated the team from the ADSA board in the Quiz Bowl game at the SAD luncheon.

1. The auction/raffle fundraiser for the ADSA Foundation seems to have run its course. Because of border-crossing issues between the US and Canada, this fundraiser has been cancelled for the 2009 meeting in Montréal, and probably, for future years, too. Do you have ideas for a replacement fun and fundraising activity?

The above are just a few of the highlights of recent activities for our ADSA. I do have one request from you, the readers. If you have ideas for activities for consideration by the ADSA board, please send them to me. Please read the website regularly to stay abreast of events at ADSA. We have a strong ADSA but let’s make it even better through sharing of ideas, fulfillment of our obligations, and in cooperating with each other. Till we meet again!

Don Beitz
ADSA President
dcbeitz@iastate.edu

ADSA Representatives to FASS Board

The 2008–2009 ADSA representatives to the FASS board are Gary Hartnell, ADSA past-past president (who also served as FASS president from September 2007 through September 2008), MaryAnne Drake, ADSA past president, and Don Beitz, ADSA president.
Key ADSA Staff

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S-PAC questions:
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All are invited to Try S-PAC — 5 days for $5!
The last ADSA Foundation Auction was held at the 2008 ADSA Annual Meetings. At the ADSA Awards Ceremony, President Beitz recognized the outstanding contributions of the current and past auction committee members and Molly Kelley for their outstanding support of the Foundation. In addition, President Beitz recognized the donors and buyers of items at past ADSA Foundation Auctions. The Foundation Board thanks all of the item donors, volunteers, and purchasers of auction items. Your support helps the ADSA Foundation support awards and special programs of ADSA.

The 14th ADSA Discover Conference was held May 18–21, 2008, at the Abe Martin Lodge in Nashville, Indiana. The focus of this ADSA Discover Conference was Lipids for Dairy Cows. This conference was a great success both scientifically and financially. The conference focused on current knowledge, industry perspectives on future knowledge needed to address practical problems, and future research objectives in the topic area of Lipids for Dairy Cows. As a result of the outstanding response to this Discover conference topic, a symposium on this topic is being planned for the 2009 joint annual meeting in Montréal.

The 15th ADSA Discover Conference will be held November 16–19, 2008, at the Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center in Roanoke, Virginia. The focus of the 15th Discover Conference is the Biology of the Calf: Birth to 4 Months. The conference will provide a platform for discussion of issues pertaining to optimum development and management of the young dairy calf. Further information is available on the ADSA web site. The director of the ADSA Discover Conferences, Larry Miller, is always interested in new ideas and input for future Discover conferences. Feel free to contact Larry (see his article on page 22) and chat with him about your thoughts and ideas for future Discover conferences.

Searchable Proceedings of Animal Conferences (S-PAC) has been operational since February 2005, and is a valuable source of practical Web-based information to S-PAC subscribers. The current count for S-PAC is 31 animal conferences providing 258 sets of proceedings. The proceedings are searchable and you can quickly find information on your topic of interest. If you are not an S-PAC subscriber, you can evaluate S-PAC for $5 for 5 days. You can access S-PAC by clicking on the S-PAC icon on the ADSA home page.

A new member of the ADSA Foundation Board of Trustees, serving a 3-year term, is Karen Schmidt from the Dairy Foods Division. Dave Barbano is continuing as the ADSA Foundation chair and other board members are; Cindie Luhman, vice chair; Jim Moran, secretary; and Bill Aimutis, treasurer; Allen Schultz, Peter Hansen, and Dave McCoy are Foundation Board trustees.

Dave Barbano
Chair, ADSA Foundation Board of Trustees
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Year 2008 is shaping up to be another outstanding year for the Journal of Dairy Science® (JDS). Authors, editors, and the staff that work on JDS have had a very busy year as the journal continues to be very active with the 2008 volume expected to include close to 5,000 pages and 500 articles. This will be the sixth year in a row that JDS has published more than 4,000 pages.

Many people contribute a huge amount of time and effort to JDS and these people are the secrets to the success of JDS. The FASS staff is outstanding and JDS would not be nearly as successful without their outstanding contribution (their efficient work makes JDS financially strong). Senior editors and section editors sacrifice much for JDS and I cannot say enough about the effort provided to JDS by these outstanding volunteers. This group of editors is committed to the dairy industry and dairy science and they all have a remarkable volunteer spirit that feeds into their work for JDS. I am astounded by their hard work and diligence for the journal. We are fortunate to have such a great team. These editors deserve all the appreciation that we can show them, so please thank them when you get the opportunity.

Big news for JDS was announced at the recent joint annual meeting held in Indianapolis, Indiana, in early July. As a result of the excellent financial position of ADSA and JDS, the ADSA board of directors announced a plan to create an endowment that will eliminate author page charges for ADSA members within the next 10 years. The initial fund was created from approximately $2 million dollars of equity that has resulted from outstanding stewardship of ADSA resources over the past few years. The goal is to reach $8 million in the endowment before the proceeds are used to completely eliminate page charges for authors who are members of ADSA. Thanks should be expressed to Peter Studney and the ADSA board for their leadership over the past few years. These past years have been outstanding for ADSA, and we plan to capitalize on this exceptional ADSA performance to create a very competitive and sustainable JDS in the future.

The Journal of Dairy Science Editorial Report for the 2007 activities was published in the April 2008 issue of JDS and it reflects the outstanding year for JDS. I invite you to read the entire 2007 Editorial Report (http://jds.fass.org/cgi/content/full/91/4/1279) for all the details.

It has been a great year for JDS and we hope to continue the success of JDS into the future. If you have any comments about JDS please do not hesitate to let us know of your concerns. You can contact any of the editors or the editor-in-chief. Also, the members of the Journal Management Committee—John Bernard (chair), John Lucey, Jesse Goff, and Tom Gruetzmacher—would be happy to listen to any concerns or comments that you have.

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The Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS) is stepping up and meeting the challenges it faces to fulfill its mission and vision. Through the dedication and service of its employees, officers, and Board of Directors, FASS is attaining new levels in partnering with founding members and clients in meeting their respective goals.

“Change does not necessarily assure progress, but progress implacably requires change. Education is essential to change, for education creates both new wants and the ability to satisfy them.”

-- Henry Steele Commager

Progress requires change

In January, FASS added an office manager (Jamie Ritter) to its organization to manage the operational aspects of FASS. The timing was great because in March, the FASS treasurer left to address some personal issues and in April, the FASS CEO, Jerry Baker, resigned to pursue other opportunities. In the interim, Tony Pescatore stepped forward and filled the role of treasurer. We appreciate his experience and dedication. Beginning October 1, 2008, Denis Petitclerc will be the new FASS treasurer. The FASS board has determined not fill the CEO position, and FASS is considering other options for fulfilling the scientific liaison mission.

“What never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

-- Margaret Mead

What has FASS accomplished?

FASS has made some significant accomplishments in efficiency, financial stability, and scientific outreach. These accomplishments are providing value to members and clients.

Efficiency

• Access templates custom scripted. Benefit: improved accuracy and reduced staff time to complete service fee processing, credit card reconciliation, and postage reports.
• Transition to XML platform for journal production completed. Benefit: Reduced typesetting time and shortened interval between acceptance and publishing.
• Secure transaction system scripted and launched. Benefit: online registration, membership renewal, exhibitor management, and product purchasing now available.
• iMIS 4 transitioned to iMIS 10. Benefit: registrations, renewals and purchasing more user friendly.
• FASS published 1,715 more journal pages in 2007 than in 2006 without an increase in staffing. Client societies accounted for 478 of those pages and client journals represent 21% of 16,443 total pages published in 2007.
• FASS organized and facilitated 45 events and meetings in 2007 and numerous events and meetings in 2008 for founding members and client societies.
• FASS provided managerial services to 9 client societies in 2007 and 2008.

Financial
• New version of iMIS. Benefit: allows for less labor to reconcile transactions and more flexible reports.
• 2007 saw a second year of positive net change ($494,801.93) in assets. Benefit: financial stability.
• Three new websites developed for clients and 3 new users of the abstract submission system. Benefit: increased revenue.

Scientific Liaison
• FASS represented the animal science research community in Washington, DC, at various coalitions including Animal Agriculture Coalition, Coalition on Funding Agricultural Research Missions, National Coalition for Food and Agricultural Research and the National Coalition for National Science Funding. Benefit: scientific information shared with congressional groups and stakeholders.
• FASS sponsored a one-day workshop for federal employees, congressional staff, and commodity organization representatives. Benefit: information provided on food safety and new technology to improve food safety.
• A revision of Agricultural Guide for the Care of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching was shared at the summer meetings of the founding member societies. The final version is targeted to be published in early 2009. Benefit: guidelines adopted by academia and industry.
• FASS supported the FDA science-based assessment of risk of food from clones and clone offspring.
• FASS provided summaries of the Farm Bill research title to CoFARM and AAC.

Where is FASS headed?

FASS is committed to our mission and vision. In December 2007, the FASS board met to determine those areas of the 2003–2009 strategic plan to focus on through 2009. These are, in order of priority, 1) enhance FASS services; 2) provide science-based information for global animal agriculture, animal products and food systems; 3) advance animal agriculture, animal products, and food systems through the Office of the Scientific Liaison; 4) develop new products and services that enhance the financial stability of member societies; and 5) expand society membership in FASS. Specific goals were developed within each of these five initiatives to be accomplished by the end of 2009.

This year FASS, in collaboration with ADSA and ASAS, will be implementing Microsoft Project for the planning, tracking, and budget development for the joint annual meetings. This software, when properly populated, will provide a transparent approach to efficiently plan and monitor the joint annual meeting activities annually.

FASS has received a proposal to purchase the building and property on 1111 N Dunlap, Savoy in exchange for new and expanded facilities. The FASS Board is giving this offer serious consideration.

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An ad hoc public policy committee was appointed to develop various public policy options to meet the scientific liaison mission that is common among ADSA, ASAS, and PSA. The goal is for the three societies to agree on one option for FASS to enact in 2009.

This is an exciting time for the future of FASS. FASS must find ways to provide the voice of science for animal agriculture in ways that are more responsive, timely, understandable, and innovative. Our message must connect with people across generations, cultures, societies, and nations, especially in a time when the general public lacks the understanding of the scientific principles underlying the production and processing of food.

In conclusion, the mountains of opportunities and challenges seem huge but with commitment, dedication, innovation, resources, and time, together, we can and will accomplish the impossible.

“Success is determined by those whom prove the impossible, possible.”

-- James W. Pence

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In courses that I teach, specifically to seniors, I make the comment that while they are in college, quantitative, scientific information flows to them daily from lectures, meetings, and conferences. As college students and early-career professionals, they haven’t developed an appreciation for the value of that information because they haven’t needed the information to make management and life decisions. However, once they graduate the information flow really slows and it is harder to find data and information to make decisions. My recommendation is to identify sources of information they feel comfortable with and trust to continue to make informed decisions and improve their knowledge base. I usually provide some conference proceedings that are written at a level they should be able to comprehend and use as examples of sources of information for their long-term use. I also strongly encourage them to find information outside of their normal channels (outside Cornell) that has different perspectives than our own. After several years of similar statements, I decided one of the best “graduation gifts” I could give them was a one-year subscription to S-PAC. This program is great because it contains some of the best conference proceedings in one place and acts as a very useful contemporary information warehouse. Moreover, students can join ADSA and subscribe to S-PAC for $10 for one year. This gives me the opportunity to introduce them to a wide range of high-value proceedings they can tap anytime they have access to the Internet. This is one step toward providing a process that encourages professional development and lifelong learning and encourages greater use of our resources.

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ADSA Midwest Branch Report

The annual meeting of the Midwest Branch of ADSA and the Midwestern Section of ASAS will be held March 16–18, 2009, at the Polk County Convention Center in Des Moines, Iowa. The technical program will feature eight symposia. In addition to the symposia, there will be one Young Dairy Scholar presenting his work. All abstracts are due on October 29, 2008. Abstract submission can be completed at http://adsa.asas.org/midwest/2009/. Undergraduate students will compete in the academic quadrathlon on March 15–16. The laboratory practical and oral presentations will be held on the Iowa State University campus. The written exam and quiz bowl will be held at the convention site. The final round of the quiz bowl will follow the opening reception on March 16. This year will be the second year for the undergraduate students’ research poster competition, in addition to the very successful oral competition. Graduate students will also have opportunities to compete in oral and poster presentation competitions. You can learn more about the paper competition procedures at http://adsa.asas.org/midwest/2009/.

The Midwestern Section ASAS board and the Midwest Branch ADSA board recognize the excellent contribution of the committees to the success of the meeting. Please thank individual committee members for their service. If you are interested in serving on a committee or you know of someone that is, contact Hugh Chester-Jones (chest001@umn.edu) or the chair of the committee in which you are interested. We have the opportunity to recognize achievement by our colleagues by nominating deserving candidates for the Young Animal Scientist Award for Teaching, Extension, or Research, the Agribusiness Award, and the Innovation in Dairy Research Award. In addition, a new award is being offered in 2009; the Stahly Award for swine nutrition offered in honor of Dr. Tim Stahly. Award nominations are due by October 29, 2008. More information can be found at http://adsa.asas.org/midwest/2009/. Visit the web site for additional information and updates about the meeting, student events, and awards.

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The Southern Branch of ADSA held their annual symposium and business meeting on Tuesday, July 8, 2008, in Indianapolis, Indiana. The activities were held in conjunction with the joint ADSA-ASAS annual meeting. The 2007–2008 officers were Cathy Williams (LA), president; Dave Winston (VA), vice-president; Albert De Vries (FL), secretary-treasurer; Jack McCallister (KY) and Mitch Hockett (NC), directors; and Bill Graves (GA), past president. The symposium theme was “Responding to Hot Topics in Dairy Management.” The topics and speakers were “Dealing with problem diseases” by K. E. Olson (IL); “Defending against Mycoplasma mastitis” by M. W. Overton (GA); “Use of distillers grains in dairy cattle diets” by D. J. Schingoethe (SD); and “Challenges of improving dairy cattle fertility during summer heat stress” by J. L. Edwards (TN). John Bernard presented the 2008 Southern ADSA Honor Award to Keith Cummins, a faculty member in the Department of Animal Sciences at Auburn University. Cathy Williams called the business meeting to order at the conclusion of the symposium. Committee reports were presented by the chairs of the graduate student paper competition, program, honor award, student affiliate division, resolutions, nominating, necrology, and dairy youth committees.

Winners of the graduate student paper contest:

1st place ($300 award): Jamie Boyd (University of Georgia), “Effects of ThermalCare-D® on efficiency and production of lactating dairy cows during hot weather”

2nd place ($200 award): Anthony Bridges (Louisiana State University), “Effect of milk replacer composition on growth and rumen development of neonatal Holstein calves”

3rd place ($100 award): Augustin Rius (Virginia Tech), “Effect of starch and casein infusions in the abomasum of lactating dairy cows”

The 2008 Southern ADSA Student Affiliate Division Meeting was hosted by the University of Kentucky Dairy Club in Lexington on February 29–March 2. Seventy students and advisors from six clubs participated in the event (Alabama A&M University, Clemson University, Louisiana State University, North Carolina State University, University of Kentucky, and Virginia Tech). This year’s award winners were:

Dairy Foods Presentation

1st place: Ryan Haines, Virginia Tech
2nd place: Ashly Pitre, Louisiana State University
3rd place: Brandy Roebuck, Alabama A&M

Dairy Production Presentation

1st place: Arthur Jones, University of Kentucky
2nd place: Katie Jones, North Carolina State University
3rd place: Malorie Rhoderick, Virginia Tech

Scrapbook

1st place: Louisiana State University
2nd place: Virginia Tech
3rd place: Clemson University

Display

1st place: Virginia Tech
2nd place: Clemson University
3rd place: University of Kentucky
Outstanding Chapter

1st place: Virginia Tech
2nd place: Louisiana State University
3rd place: Clemson University

Outstanding Student

Alyson Offenheiser, University of Kentucky

Next year’s Southern ADSA Symposium will be titled “Dairy Replacement Health Challenges in the Southeastern U.S.” The newly elected Southern Branch ADSA officers are:

President: Dave Winston (VA)
Vice-President: Albert De Vries (FL)
Secretary-Treasurer: Patrick French (VA)
Directors: Mitch Hockett (NC) and Bruce Jenny (LA)
Past President: Cathy Williams (LA)

SAD Update

Dairy students from across the United States convened in Indianapolis for the 2008 joint meetings of ADSA and the American Society of Animal Science. This event, held July 7–11, drew nearly 100 students and advisors and more than 3,000 professionals from the US, Canada, Mexico, and other regions.

At the meetings, students enjoyed networking with peers and professionals in the dairy industry, while also competing in events such as Dairy Quiz Bowl and Undergraduate Paper Presentations. Attendees also conducted business meetings, officer elections, and participated in a career symposium with professionals from various aspects of the dairy industry. In their free time, many students also attended symposia, oral sessions, and poster presentations given by professionals in the organizations.

The students attended the meetings as members of the ADSA Student Affiliate Division (SAD). The ADSA-SAD is a division of the parent organization that works to develop leadership and promote scholarship among students interested in the dairy industry, and to encourage students toward careers in dairy science. There are more than 400 undergraduate student members in ADSA.

Another fun and exciting year is anticipated as the 2009 joint meetings are scheduled for July 12–16 in Montréal, Canada. Students and advisors planning to attend will be required to have passports and should make the necessary arrangements as soon as possible to avoid delays.

More information about the ADSA-SAD can be found by visiting www.adsa.org/sad.asp
The 14th ADSA Discover Conference on Lipids for Dairy Cattle was a tremendous success. Held May 18–21, 2008, at the Brown County Inn, Nashville, Indiana, the conference had wide appeal with 130 registrants including 37 international attendees representing 12 foreign countries, and attendees from 27 US states, and 4 Canadian provinces. Co-chairs Tom Jenkins (Clemson University) and Adam Lock (University of Vermont) did a great job attracting top speakers and sponsors for the lipids conference. The program was focused on the lipid metabolism of dairy cows and nutritional strategies designed to help meet energy requirements. A proposal is being developed for a symposium on lipids for the 2009 ADSA annual meeting.

Plans are well underway for the 15th ADSA Discover Conference Biology of the Calf: Birth to 4 Months. This conference will be held at the Hotel Roanoke in Roanoke, Virginia, November 16–19, 2008. Registration is filling up quickly. To register, go to http://www.adsa.org/discover/15thDiscover_2008.htm.

Conference topics will include:

- Historical perspectives on the biology of the calf
- Role of colostrum on local and systemic development in neonatal calves
- Current perspectives of colostrum synthesis, secretion, and composition
- Absorption of IgG in neonatal calves: myths and legends
- Microbial risks associated with feeding colostrum
- Immunology of the calf
- Role of maternally derived WBCs passed in the colostrum on immune function
- Practical approaches to vaccination the calf—vaccinating in the face of maternal antibody

Conference speakers will include Sheila McGuirk, University of Wisconsin; Mike Fowler, retired, Land O’Lakes Animal Milk; Harald Hammon, Res. Inst. Biology of Farm Animals, Germany; Craig Baumracker, Penn State University; James D. Quigley III., APC, Inc.; Sandra Godden, University of Minnesota; Chris Chase, South Dakota State University; David Hurley, University of Georgia; and Amelia Woolums, University of Georgia.

Who should attend Discover Conference 15? Members of the research and academic community, leading consultants and extension educators, industry leaders involved in providing services and products to those involved in growing calves, and members of governmental and regulatory agencies are encouraged to participate in this interactive program. Students and early-career professionals are especially encouraged to attend.

Registration deadline is October 16, 2008. After October 16, registrations will be accepted on an availability basis. For more information on this conference, go to www.adsa.org/discover/15thDiscover_2008.htm
The 16th ADSA Discover Conference *Direct-Fed Microbials/Prebiotics for Animals: Science and Mechanisms of Action* is scheduled for April 19–22, 2009, at the Brown County Inn, Nashville, Indiana. Co-chairs Stan Gilliland (Oklahoma State University) and Steven Ricke (University of Arkansas) have worked with their program committee to develop a program and roster of speakers that will address a number of specific topics related to the successful use of direct-fed microbials and prebiotics for animals. Examples of topics include but are not limited to:

- Bacterial species and strain selection
- Mechanism of action
- Delivery systems including stability of the bacteria
- Animal species specific issues
- Prebiotics

The conference will address direct-fed microbials and/or prebiotics for dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, poultry, aquaculture, and pets.

Who should attend Discover Conference 16? Research scientists, nutrition consultants, producers, companies marketing direct-fed microbials and prebiotics, advanced graduate students, feed company representatives, pet-food company representatives, food company representatives, government agency representatives, international academic scientists, postdoctorates and veterinarians are encouraged to participate in this interactive program.


Future Discover Conference Topic:

*Effect of the Thermal Environment on Nutrient and Management Requirements of Cattle* is planned for November 2–5, 2009, at the Brown County Inn in Nashville, Indiana.

While program planning is just getting underway for this conference, topic areas being planned include:

- Effects of thermal environment on nutrient requirements
- Nutritional management during thermal stress
- Effects of thermal environment on reproduction
- Reproductive management during periods of thermal stress
- Genes associated with thermal tolerance
- Effects of hair coat on thermal tolerance
- Physiological responses to heat and cold stress
- Effects of thermal environment on post-absorptive metabolism
- Effects of thermal environment on embryo development and pregnancy
- Revisiting the temperature-humidity index

Program committee includes Bob Collier, University of Arizona (chair); Don Spiers, University of Missouri; Bill Thatcher, University of Florida; Pete Hansen, University of Florida; Terry Mader, University of Nebraska; Lance Baumgard, University of Arizona; Larry Miller, Director of Discover Conferences; and Molly Kelley, Discover Conference Coordinator.

Watch the web site ([http://www.adsa.org/discover/](http://www.adsa.org/discover/)) for more information on this conference in the coming weeks.

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ADSA Foundation Auction
Wrap-Up Report

I am certain now that none of us realized saying goodbye to the ADSA Foundation Auction would mean so much. Little did we know that just a few short weeks later, we would also be saying goodbye to one of the auction’s biggest fans and our friend, J. Lee Majeskie. Lee passed away on August 22, 2008.

Lee was an active part of the auction from the very beginning, when we held our first event at the University of Maryland in 1993. That evening, we generated $5600 in support of the Foundation. That little event on the lawn of their student union grew to a staple of the ADSA meeting program. Through the years, the auction generated well over $100,000 to support the activities of the ADSA Foundation. Lee’s dedication to the auction was key to its success. He served on the committee, then as chair, and as auctioneer with Monty “Mouth of the South” Montgomery. The energetic duo were always the show stealers, entertaining us while they worked the auction crowd dressed as the Blues Brothers, the Scottish Twins, and even the Village People.

Lee retired from the committee in 2006. However, he gave us all one final performance by serving as guest auctioneer along with Monty at our 15th and final auction held on Wednesday, July 9, 2008, in Indianapolis. There were several in the room who had also participated in the first auction in Maryland. Many others had been loyal participants, as buyers, donors, or both throughout the years. Once again, it was an enjoyable evening for all. Auction receipts totaled $5,657.00 at the end of the evening.

Thank you to the very dedicated Auction Committee, chaired by Ken Cummings, and including Roger Cady, Dave Fischer, Mike Fowler, Clair Hicks, Mike Hutjens, George Somkuti, and Amos Zook.

And a very special thanks to our guest auctioneers for that evening, and many evenings prior, Monty Montgomery and Lee Majeskie.

Thanks to EAAP for Sponsoring Two Speakers in Indianapolis

Two members of the European Association of Animal Production (EAAP) were invited to speak at the ADSA-ASAS joint annual meeting in Indianapolis in July, as part of the ADSA-EAAP Speaker Exchange Program. A. Bach (Spain) was a speaker at the ADSA Production Division Symposium: Dairy Replacement Heifers: Cost-Effective Strategies from Weaning to Calving (abstract 602), and A. L. Kelly (Ireland), was a speaker at the Dairy Foods symposium: Emerging Nonthermal Food Processing Technologies–Their Potential in Dairy Systems (abstract 644).
Federation of Animal Science Societies Congressional Science Fellowship 2009–2010
Invitation for Applications

FASS is pleased to announce the 2009 FASS Congressional Science Fellowship invitation for applications, with an application submission deadline of January 16, 2009. The purpose of the fellowship is to make practical contributions to the more effective use of scientific and technical knowledge in government, to demonstrate the value of science–government interaction, and to provide a unique learning experience for the recipient.

A PhD degree in an area of animal sciences is required. Applicants must be legally authorized to work in the United States. Proof of applicants’ legal right to work in the United States may be requested prior to being hired.

Who would be a likely candidate? This experience is valuable to a junior member of ADSA, ASAS, or PSA with relevant career objectives and interests. Perhaps an established faculty member would want to combine this program with a sabbatical leave to gain experience in public policy issues and governmental processes. An administrator in the land-grant system or an industry organization might find this sort of opportunity rewarding and useful.

The fellow selected will spend one year working as a special legislative assistant on the staff of a member of congress or of a congressional committee, advising on a wide range of scientific issues as they pertain to public policy. The program includes an orientation on congressional and executive branch operations and a yearlong seminar program on issues involving science and public policy.

The position will begin September 1, 2009, and will continue through August 31, 2010. FASS requires attendance at the AAAS orientation session in September. For further information and application materials, see http://www.fass.org/positions.asp or e-mail jamier@assochq.org.

Application deadline is January 16, 2009. We invite all interested scientists to apply. Please feel free to share the announcement with anyone who may be qualified and have a potential interest in this experience.
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ADSA Award nomination deadline: Part 1, December 19, 2008; Part 2, February 9, 2009

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Award nomination deadline: TBA

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Award nomination deadline: TBA

*Note: all deadlines expire at 11:59 p.m. (central time) on the date shown
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Purpose

To recognize outstanding accomplishments in research and development outside the US and Canada in chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology, technology, and engineering pertaining to the dairy foods industries. The impact of these contributions on the market place may be a factor in the selection.

Special Requirements for Nomination

1. Nominee must have made an important research and development contribution to chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology, technology, or engineering pertaining to the dairy foods industries. The impact of these contributions on the market place may be a factor in the selection.

2. Nominee must have made the contribution within the 20 years immediately preceding nomination.

3. Nominee need not have been a member of ADSA.

4. Nominee must not be a resident of the US or Canada.

5. Nominee will be invited to present a special address at the annual meeting of ADSA.

Nomination form and required supportive materials are on back of this sheet or visit http://www.adsa.org/newawards/lognom.asp.
REQUIREMENTS FOR NOMINATION
(Must be prepared in English — please type)

1. Complete biographical form listed below.

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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA ON NOMINEE (In English)

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Name    Dates                Degree                Major Field

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Enclose form with letter of endorsement and publications list typed in English. Send one (1) copy of all material (retain one for your files) postmarked by November 30, 2008 to: Cara Tharp, ADSA Awards Coordinator, 1111 N. Dunlap Ave., Savoy, IL 61874.

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DAIReXNET Update

DAIReXNET: National dairy web resource bringing science-based, peer-reviewed materials to our industry

DAIReXNET, the national, extension-driven web resource for dairy, continues to expand its resources to better serve our user’s needs and provide new content from you, the dairy experts.

New Content in DAIReXNET

• DAIReXNET hosted an online webinar on “Surviving High Feed Costs” for producers and allied industry on August 18, 2008, from 8:00–9:00 pm (EDT). The webinar was free to the public and is archived for those unable to log on. Additional webinars are planned in the future on timely topics. Notices for these webinars will be located on the DAIReXNET homepage at www.extension.org/dairy+cattle.

• DAIReXNET hosted our first national county/area educator training on the topic of high feed costs. More training sessions are planned in the future.

• Learning modules (13 now online) cover topics in nutrition, reproduction, management, and health have been added.

• A “pest management” link to Wildlife Management (an eXtension community) is now located on the DAIReXNET homepage and will provide material related to pest control.

• Additional cutting-edge resource materials have been added.

DAIReXNET continues to strive to provide

• Relevant, cutting-edge, timely information and learning opportunities which are science-based and peer-reviewed in an accessible, 24/7 format

• Information that is factual and delivered by experts in their respective dairy fields

• Reliable information that is easy to use

• Answers to questions on various topics

• Searchable state and regional dairy extension newsletters from across the country

Leadership

Leadership for these resources currently is provided by 10 dairy extension professionals from across the United States. Additionally, our subject areas are led by 13 dairy experts from across the country. More than 200 dairy professionals representing 35 universities and several allied industries have contributed materials to DAIReXNET. Our efforts are strengthened by the ongoing partnership with ADSA to bring the latest research to our end-users.
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