A Word from Our President

by David J. Schingoethe, ADSA President

We are moving closer to this summer's annual meeting so there are several things in this ADSA Today and elsewhere on the ADSA website related to that. The 2001 joint meeting program is posted at www.fass.org/fass01 that will be mailed to all members within the new few weeks. If you have not as yet pre-registered for the meeting, do it today and save some money.

The ADSA Board met at the society's headquarters in Savoy in late April. Some of the items covered in the meeting are mentioned below.

- **Journal of Dairy Science.** Several issues related to the Journal will be acted on by the Journal Management Committee before final Board action and then reported to all. We are getting set up for the on-line handling of journal manuscripts. This will be demonstrated during the summer meetings and we plan to move into that system during the next year.

- **Treasurer.** We approved the appointment of Ron Richter as the new Treasurer for the ADSA. Ron will assume that position after the meetings in July, at which time our current treasurer, Jack Van Horn, turns the position over to Ron. And we certainly want to thank Jack for his years of service as ADSA Treasurer.
• **Double presentation of Graduate Student Competition papers at the Indianapolis meeting.** We goofed! It was intended in the Dairy Production Division that these papers would be presented in the competition session as well as in a respective subject area session. Unfortunately, that message did not get conveyed to everyone involved until after all of the subject area chairs had the sessions already scheduled. So, to allow these students to be able to present their papers to others who may not attend the competition session, all of the graduate competition presenters will be allowed to make a poster presentation in the poster area in addition to their oral competition presentation. This may not be a perfect solution but, hopefully, we will get everything correct next year.

• **Membership.** Our membership numbers increased slightly in 2000 and are essentially holding so far this year - but we have room for more members. Actually, graduate student memberships have increased the last couple of years - a positive factor - especially if those students ultimately continue as professional members of ADSA. However, we continue to see some decline in the number of professional members of ADSA. All of us need to continuously encourage our colleagues in the dairy science profession as well as in allied areas to join ADSA. We should also keep reminding our libraries that the Journal of Dairy Science is a top-rated journal and is economically priced relative to many other scientific journals.

• **Strategic Planning.** The Board spent some time on this subject and will continue fine-tuning our strategic planning in a conference call later this month. Strategic planning is an ongoing project for an organization such as ADSA that has nearly 4,500 members in 60 countries. A draft copy of the ADSA Strategic Plan was in the October 1998, ADSA Newsletter. The Board fine-tuned that plan in an October 1999 meeting but I do not believe that it was ever published for the membership to view and evaluate. Therefore, I am printing it below followed by a list of goals and the actions taken to achieve these goals in 2000.

**STRATEGIC PLAN (as of October, 1999)**

MISSION STATEMENT: The American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) is a professional organization engaged in the scientific and technical support of the dairy industry through generation, dissemination, and exchange of information and in providing leadership and service for the dairy industry.

CLIENTELE OF ADSA

- Professional members (individual and industry) including domestic and international.
- Student members (graduate and undergraduate students).
- Dairy industry and related fields (e.g., producers, processors, agribusiness, veterinarians, consultants, policy makers, and regulatory agencies).
- Consumers, retailers, and marketers.
- Other scientific organizations.
VALUES

- Education and research - dissemination of science-based information through a high quality journal.
- High quality association meetings with interaction of academic, industry, government personnel, and other clientele.
- Joint team of dairy production and dairy foods divisions.
- Professionalism, integrity, high scientific standards and reputation.
- Partnership with other professional societies with similar missions.
- Leadership in the dairy industry.
- Recognition of leaders and colleagues for outstanding contributions.

GOALS

- Provide leadership to the dairy industry and become a major source of science-based dairy information in the 21st century.
- Disseminate new cutting-edge, science-based information to clientele using the latest technologies.
- Maintain a high quality and timely journal.
- Strengthen and develop innovative programs at association meetings and provide an environment that encourages scientific breadth and leadership development.
- Identify and communicate critical issues and opportunities to the membership, public, and policy makers.
- Develop young scientists and future leaders in the dairy industry.
- Increase the presence of ADSA internationally.
- Increase visibility and activity of ADSA with producers, processors, and consumers.

GOALS AND ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2000

Publication Goals for 2000:

- Develop and sell at least three rebundled article collections
- Conduct feasibility study and create acquisitions process for developing new book titles
- Publish online symposia paper collection with ASAS as the 13th issue of Journal of Dairy Science
- Post interpretive summaries by end of June
- Collaborate with DMI on production of research bulletin service for Dairy Research Centers

Publication Achievements for 2000:

- The Scientific Reader Series was created and a committee was appointed under the leadership of Bill Crist to choose subjects and oversee the Reader Series project. Two
books and three article collections were developed with three more in the development stage. Sales are slow; need to develop a marketing strategy.

- The symposium papers were published online and some interpretative summaries were placed online in June.
- We have established some collaborative efforts with DMI, but these need to be cultivated in the future.

Meeting Goals for 2000:

- Help organize and promote pre-meeting workshop
- Network with allied organizations to explore ADSA education workshops at their meetings
- Support and promote DISCOVER conferences
- Coordinate host committee and fundraising for Baltimore meeting

Meeting Achievements for 2000:

- The Dairy Foods pre-meeting workshop was a huge success and can become an attraction for Dairy Foods graduate students in the future. A Dairy Foods pre-meeting workshop is scheduled for 2001 (Tuesday, July 24, "Strategies to Control and Improve Cheese Yield").
- We have had a number of very successful DISCOVER Conferences. The Fifth DISCOVER Conference is scheduled for December 9-12, 2001 at the Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove, CA (www.adsa.org/discover/index.html). Another DISCOVER Conference is scheduled for April 2002.
- The joint fundraising for both the Baltimore and Indianapolis meeting has been very successful.
- Coordination of the Host Committee for 2001 has been excellent. Coordination of the volunteers has been through the Local Committee. (A special advance thanks goes to the volunteers for 2001 from the University of Illinois, Purdue University, Elanco Animal Health, Michigan State University, Ohio State University, and Kansas State University.)

Membership Goals for 2000:

- Conduct at least three targeted new member mail/e-mail campaigns
- Develop and implement international recruitment strategy
- Improve reliability of journal delivery service
- Implement IP address system for institutions

Membership Achievements for 2000:

- E-mail campaigns to lapsed members were effective, but targeted membership mailings to allied organizations were not productive. Overall membership up 4% for 2000.
- International recruitment strategy needs development.
• Journal claims have dropped sharply as greater care taken inputting records and tracking complaints.
• IP address system has been implemented.

Online Service Goals for 2000:

• Create and maintain online newsletter
• Increase e-commerce
• Experiment with online governance meetings
• Develop grad student chat room
• Build online teaching resource site

Online Service Achievements for 2000:

• The newsletter (ADSA Today) is now published online monthly. Notification sent with Journal of Dairy Science notification when posted online.
• E-registrations for Baltimore over 50%; online renewals for 2000 skyrocket; new software has been implemented for e-commerce.
• Board agendas and reports online for Board member access. No chat rooms yet, but could be alternative for conference calls in the near future.
• Graduate student chat room and educational materials sites can now be done, but need volunteers; possible role for the Education Committee. (Graduate chat rooms would be attractive especially for those universities that have few graduate students working in Dairy Foods area. The chat room would benefit the graduate students with direct communication with other students working in similar area as well as a way to attract international members.)

Fundraising Goals for 2000:

• Systematize and coordinate meeting fundraising
• Plan research summit kick-off
• Conduct and act upon industry market research
• Solicit annual gifts
• Improve donor recognition

Fundraising Achievements for 2000:

• Annual meeting fundraising more than doubled from 1999 to 2000 and has increased even more for 2001.
• Fundraising much more organized for 2000 and 2001 with a system in place for 2002.
• The Dairy Foods Research Summit co-hosted by ADSA/sponsored by DMI held in Baltimore was very successful.
• Industry research initiative produced pilot plans for DASEES and member talent pool database. (DASEES up and running. Talent pool lift-off scheduled for May 2001.)
• Annual fundraising mailing in November was successful.
• Donor recognition program instituted with large signage and benefits package by level in Baltimore was successful. (Has been implemented for Indianapolis.)

FUTURE THOUGHTS

The Board is currently reviewing and updating the October 1999 document. As we move into updating our goals and action plans for the future of ADSA, there are several questions that we are asking. For instance,

1. How can ADSA best serve its members? (e.g. Additional benefits? Joint membership renewals with other societies? High Wire? Others?)
2. How can ADSA best serve nonmembers?
3. How can ADSA best serve its future professional members? (e.g. Undergraduate and graduate students)
4. In what new areas should ADSA become involved?
5. How can we best communicate with our membership?

These are just some of the questions the Board is dealing with. During the past year or two, ADSA has initiated several new projects such as the Discover Conferences, DASEES, the Scientific Reader Series, and archived journals on CD ROM. Should these items be modified or other items initiated? If you have suggestions, please relay them to me or to other Board members.

Register TODAY to Attend the International Animal Agriculture and Food Science Conference (2001 ADSA Annual Meeting) in Indianapolis!

The events are set, the abstracts are in, the rooms are assigned, the menus are ordered. Now it's time for you to register for the International Animal Agriculture and Food Science Conference (IAAFSC)--the joint meeting of the American Dairy Science Association, the American Society of Animal Science, the American Meat Science Association, and the Poultry Science Association--which will be held Tuesday, July 24 to Saturday, July 28 in Indianapolis.

Over 1850 abstracts were submitted for the 2001 IAAFSC with 48 symposia spaced throughout the meeting. The Coordinating Committee has developed a very strong program to emphasize common interests while maintaining the traditional activities of each society.

Plan now to attend and don't forget to register by May 15th - click here to register online. Do not wait to receive the printed program because it may not reach you before the early registration deadline has passed. The online program can be found by clicking here.

Submit housing reservations now. You can reserve your rooms online now by clicking here. Rooms at the Indianapolis Marriott, the ADSA Headquarters hotel, are going fast so act now to reserve space in Indy's newest downtown hotel.
SPECIAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

International Animal Agriculture and Food Science Conference Implements Precautions in Wake of Foot and Mouth Epidemic

In light of the Foot and Mouth Disease epidemic and recent meeting cancellations, the Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS) has implemented a number of precautions for this summer's joint meeting of the American Dairy Science Association, American Meat Science Association, American Society of Animal Science, and the Poultry Science Association, July 24-28 in Indianapolis, IN.

To help prevent Foot and Mouth Disease from reaching the United States, FASS strongly recommends that all meeting attendees adhere to the recommendations and guidelines put forth by USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency (APHIS),<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/oa/fmd/index.html>. FASS will provide all pre-registered meeting attendees updated information in early July. All meeting attendees are strongly urged to review the APHIS web site and guidelines periodically and two weeks prior to travel. In addition, these guidelines will be posted on the meeting web site at <http://www.fass.org/fass01>.

This first-time meeting between the four associations will serve as a forum for 4,000 scientists, researchers and student participants to exchange new information and developments in animal agriculture. With nearly 50 symposia being presented, attendees will gather vital information for the future of the animal agriculture industry.

Unlike other meetings, the International Animal Agriculture and Food Science Conference attendees are predominantly scientists working in academia, government, and industry; very few livestock producers attend this meeting. Scientific sessions will be held at the Indiana Convention Center; live animals are not present at any time during this meeting. To that end, the meeting host committee is taking into consideration and encouraging higher attention to biosecurity. All off-site tours where live animals are housed have been cancelled. The sponsoring organizations are working with their members to raise awareness of biosecurity precautions. In addition, FASS will be working with federal and state animal health agencies to be sure that adequate safeguards are in place prior to and throughout the meeting.

Dairy Issues in the News

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

USDA Research Priorities - The US National Academy of Sciences/National Research Council Board on Agriculture Sets May 22 - 23 Washington, DC "Public Workshop" on the topic "Opportunities in Agriculture: A Vision for USDA's Food and Agricultural Research in the 21st Century" - According to the Board on Agriculture April 13 notice of the workshop: "... The ability of modern agriculture to meet today's challenges and continue to provide opportunities
for tomorrow is dependent on the innovative scientific research priorities at its core. What are the key research priorities for the 21st century that will ensure growth in agricultural production and protection of natural resources in a socially, economically, and ecologically sustainable system? A public workshop will be held to gather input and perspectives from diverse stakeholders for consideration in an NRC study, 'Opportunities in Agriculture,' that will examine and evaluate the quality, relevance, and effectiveness of research conducted under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Research, Education, and Economics (REE) mission area ... The study will consider research, education, and extension activities of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES), the Economic Research Service (ERS), and the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and will make recommendations to strengthen future research capabilities to meet national needs. ... The workshop will include an open forum for stakeholders to present their points of view (5-minute time limitation). Please submit reports, data, or other supporting documentation to support your comments." For additional information and to register to attend, go to the following www site:http://www4.nationalacademies.org/banr/ba.nsf/44bf87db309563a0852566f2006d63bb/c e251b1b38d1932085256a1d00771e5c?OpenDocument - Questions may be directed to David Meeker, Director of the NAS/NRC Board on Agriculture and Natural Resources at 202 334 3062; fax: 202 334 1978; e-mail: dmeeker@nas.edu

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Communication of Agricultural Research Results to the Public, Policymakers and the News Media - The Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST) seeks nominations of individuals for the 2002 Charles A. Black Award, which is presented annually to a food or agricultural scientist actively engaged in research who has made significant scientific contributions to his/her scientific field, and communicates the importance of this work and of food and agricultural science to the public, policymakers, and news media. Nomination procedures and selection criteria are outlined in the nomination packet, which is available on the web at http://www.cast-science.org/award/cab_form.pdf - The nomination deadline is September 1, 2001 - Information about the award and past recipients is available at http://www.cast-science.org/cabaward.htm - CAST assembles, interprets, and communicates science-based information regionally, nationally, and internationally on food, fiber, agricultural, natural resource, and related societal and environmental issues to our stakeholders-legislators, regulators, policy makers, the media, the private sector, and the public - CAST Contact: Kathy Buhman at 515-292-2125, ext. 24 or kbuhman@cast-science.org

DAIRY ISSUES

USDA PROPOSES CHANGES TO ITS RECOMMENDED REQUIREMENTS FOR MANUFACTURING GRADE MILK -- WASHINGTON, April 17, 2001--The U.S. Department of Agriculture is proposing changes to the model "Milk for Manufacturing Purposes and Its Production and Processing" (Recommended Requirements) document. The proposed changes come in response to a request from the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture that USDA review
the drug residue monitoring provision of the Recommended Requirements covering milk used for manufacturing purposes and bring it more in line with the drug residue monitoring provision for Grade A milk. USDA’s Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) reviewed the drug residue provisions of this document and identified several areas where changes could be made to provide greater consistency. In addition, AMS is also considering other changes that would provide gender neutral language and improve the document’s overall accuracy, clarity, and consistency.

The Recommended Requirements were developed by AMS and recommended for adoption and enforcement by the various states that regulate manufacturing grade milk. They promote uniformity in state dairy laws and regulations concerning manufacturing grade milk. The proposed changes will be published in the April 20 Federal Register. Comments postmarked by June 19 should be sent to Duane R. Spomer; Chief, Dairy Standardization Branch, Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 2746-SB, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, D.C. 20090-6456; faxed to (202) 720-2643; or, e-mailed to Duane.Spomer@usda.gov. The current Recommended Requirements along with the proposed changes, are available either by contacting the office identified above or by accessing the AMS Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/dairy/stand.htm.

Drug Residue Monitoring of Milk Used for Manufacturing Purposes - USDA Agricultural Marketing Service to Propose in the April 20 Federal Register "... changes to the model 'Milk for Manufacturing Purposes and Its Production and Processing. (Recommended Requirements) document. The proposed changes come in response to a request from the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture that USDA review the drug residue monitoring provision of the Recommended Requirements covering milk used for manufacturing purposes and bring it more in line with the drug residue monitoring provision for Grade A milk. ... AMS reviewed the drug residue provisions of this document and identified several areas where changes could be made to provide greater consistency. In addition, AMS is also considering other changes that would provide gender neutral language and improve the document’s overall accuracy, clarity, and consistency. The Recommended Requirements were developed by AMS and recommended for adoption and enforcement by the various states that regulate manufacturing grade milk. They promote uniformity in state dairy laws and regulations concerning manufacturing grade milk. ... The current Recommended Requirements along with the proposed changes, are available at ..." http://www.ams.usda.gov/dairy/stand.htm - AMS Contact: Duane Spomer, Dairy Standardization Branch, Dairy Programs by e-mail atDuane.Spomer@usda.gov - USDA AMS April 17 News Release: http://www.ams.usda.gov/news/075-01.htm - A copy of the AMS April 20 Federal Register proposal is posted at: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2001_register&docid=01-9623-filed

BIOTECHNOLOGY

PBS "Harvest of Fear" April 24 Broadcast - For a tape of the broadcast and soon to be released transcript go to: http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/harvest/etc/tapes.html
**Grant and Internship Notices**

**Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate Fellowship Grants** - USDA Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service Seeks by July 10 Requests for Proposals (RFP) for Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate Fellowship Grants Program for Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002 and for 2001 Supplemental Grants for Special International Study or Thesis/Dissertation Research Travel Allowances from institutions or groups of institutions that confer a doctoral degree in a national need area - Proposals also may be submitted by a research foundation maintained by an eligible college or university - CSREES also is soliciting comments regarding this RFP from any interested party. Such comments will be considered in the development of any future requests for proposals for this program. Such comments will be used in meeting the requirements of section 103(c)(2) of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (AREERA) - Supplemental Grant proposals to support special international study or thesis/dissertation research for current Fellows must be received by October 1 - CSREES Contact: Dr. Howard Sandberg, Higher Education Programs at (202) 720-2193; e-mail: hsandberg@reeusda.gov - USDA CSREES January 19 Federal Register: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2001_register&docid=01-1492-filed

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE (AAAS), PROGRAM ON EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA, INTERNATIONAL DIVISION announces WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE COLLABORATION (WISC) PROGRAM 2001 - 2002**

**OVERVIEW**

The Women's International Science Collaboration (WISC) Program is funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and administered by the Program on Europe and Central Asia of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Because the application rate of women scientists and engineers to the Central and Eastern Europe Program of the Division of International Programs has been disproportionately low, the goal of this Program is to increase the participation of women as PIs and co-PIs in international research projects. This program provides grants to individual US scientists who plan to establish new research partnerships with their colleagues in Central/Eastern Europe (CEE) and the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union (NIS).

The grant, up to $4,000, will provide travel and living support for the US woman scientist and, when appropriate, an additional grant of $4,000 to her American male or female co-PI. Each scientist will be responsible for arranging accommodations. The grant does not cover salary or institutional expenses (e.g. overhead). US scientists can spend up to four weeks in the partner country to develop a research program and design. Expenses can also be used to cover material and supplies needed during the stay. Where excess funds exist and with the approval of AAAS administrators, grants funds can also be used to support a second visit to the partner country or for a foreign partner to travel to the US when such a visit is deemed necessary. The grants are not to be used for the sole purpose of attending conferences or workshops or teaching or
training. The program will be administered by AAAS. The grantee's home institution will be responsible for overseeing the grantee's adherence to NSF and federal guidelines regarding administration of the grant.

For full grant details, click here

Professional Meeting Calendar

ADSA/ASAS/PSA/AMSA Joint Annual Meeting: July 24-28, 2001, Indianapolis, IN

Click here for complete list of ADSA Future Annual Meetings


Hands-On Biotechnology Training Program-"Microbial Fermentation: Development and Scale-Up", May 22-25 and October 2-5, 2001 Utah State University Biotechnology Center, Logan, UT USA http://www.usu.edu/biotech


14th Annual J.R. Brunner Protein Symposium, May 24-25, 2001, Michigan State University, Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, East Lansing, MI phone: Dr. Zeynep Ustunol at 517-355-0285; email: ustunol@pilot.msu.edu

NIZO Dairy Conference on Food Microbes 2001 13-15 June 2001 Ede, The Netherlands website: http://www.elsevier.nl/locate/nizodairy2001Contact: Sarah Wilkinson, NIZO Dairy Conference Secretariat Elsevier Science, The Boulevard, Langford Lane, Kidlington, Oxford OX5 1GB, UK Tel: +44-1865-843691 Fax: +44-1865-843958 E-mail: sm.wilkinson@elsevier.co.uk

Yeast Summit, sponsored by Alltech, July 23, 2001, Indianapolis, Indiana. The Yeast Summit is recommended for nutritionists, feed manufacturers, livestock producers, formulators, purchasing agents, and university faculty involved in the production of feeds containing yeast. It will be particularly informative for those involved with high-producing dairy cows, horses, beef feedlot cattle, and pet food. For more information, contact your Alltech representative or Ms. Carol Johnson, Alltech Biotechnology Center, 3031 Catnip Hill Pike, Nicholasville, KY 40356; Tel: 859-887-3328; Fax: 859-887-3256; E-mail: cjohnson@alltech-bio.com.

11th International Conference on Production Diseases in Farm Animals (11th ICPD ), August 12-16, Copenhagen, Denmarkhttp://www.11icpd.kvl.dk/

AABP Annual Conference -- September 13-15, 2001, Vancouver, British Columbia, for more information visit http://www/AABP.org

ADDRESSING ANIMAL PRODUCTION/ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: AN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM" October 3-5, 2001; Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Research Triangle Park, NC

This Symposium will involve several tracks as follows:

1. papers related to key issues being addressed by the National Center for Manure and Animal Waste Management;
2. papers related to issues of animal production and environmental issues not included in the Center program;
3. papers presenting the perspectives of the animal industries;
4. papers related specifically to issues of the Southeastern United States;
5. posters on all of the above in addition to presentations;
6. workshops and tours.

The official call for papers and/or posters will be sent very soon, but this is a prenotice. The information on format for papers, registration and other arrangements will be found on our website when posted: www.cals.ncsu.edu/waste.mgt/

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IX World Conference on Animal Production, October 26 - 31, 2003, Porto Allegre, Brazil
Information is available at conference web site:www.waap.it/9thworld.htm or by contacting Leonard S. Bull, Vice President of WAAP for North America at leonard_bull@ncsu.edu.