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Change is an ever-present reality that organizations must effectively manage. As John P. Kotter author of “Leading Change” notes, “The rate of change is not going to slow down anytime soon. If anything...it will most probably speed up even more in the next few decades.” Companies and organizations are not entitled to survive forever. The average Fortune 500 company has a “life expectancy” of 40 to 50 years. To add further context, about one-third of the Fortune 500 companies in 1970 had disappeared by 1983 due to mergers, acquisitions, or from being broken apart. Is there any reason to presume that scientific societies are exempt from the forces of change? The American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) and other FASS Societies are transiting an era of remarkable change. How ASAS responds to these changes will be an important determinant of how successful the society will be in the future. To paraphrase Charles Darwin, the evolutionary biologist, the fittest and most adaptable are best positioned to survive and thrive. My interpretation is that this is not only true biologically but also organizationally.

What will ASAS look like in 25 years? Will we partner with additional societies, both nationally and internationally? If so, how will we do this and with whom will we partner? How are we going to finance this in an electronic era when revenue from the journal will likely be adversely impacted by access to the journal via multiple online means? What will animal agriculture look like in the United States? It is evident that our society is going through a transition. ASAS is seeking a new executive director. There has been a decision to have an in-depth review of the structure of the Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS). This will take place on November 2 and 3 in Champaign, IL. The review is intended to look rigorously at the present structure and determine what steps might be necessary to enhance FASS’ operational efficiency. The recommendations of the review team will be discussed at the mid-year meetings of ASAS, as well as at meetings of the Poultry Science Association and the American Dairy Science Association. I predict that these efforts will lead to some sort of change. My perspective is that it is preferable to be proactive with respect to change, rather than reactive. To this end, your input is important. What do you think ASAS should do to be sustainable and viable 25 years from now? What do you think FASS should do? Please let us know (tetherton@psu.edu).

In the spirit of obtaining member feedback, there were some important ideas shared by the respondents to the recent questionnaire that was circulated about improving future ASAS meetings. The majority of those who responded preferred the new format for the poster session and preferred that the number of symposia remain the same, with an emphasis on high-quality symposia presentations. Some areas for improvement that were suggested were: 1) provide large enough rooms for oral presentations, 2) provide more space between posters, 3) end the use of multiple computers during a session, and 4) retain the exhibits throughout the meeting.

In closing, participation in a volunteer organization like ASAS is an interesting, informative and engaging process. The success of the society, in my opinion, is largely linked to the involvement of the members and the numerous contributions many make to sustain the society. I am most appreciative of the hard work put forth by your Board members, which contributes to the good of ASAS. I am also most appreciative of the many contributions of Associate Executive Director Paula Schultz. The Board is comprised of individuals of high expertise, insight, and passion for the goals of ASAS. From where I am positioned in the society, you are well represented.

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Letter from the ADSA President

Joe O’Donnell

And, of course, the “how” questions important to delivering quality programming:

- How will the value of milk components be affected by genetic engineering and milk fractionation?
- How is veterinary medicine related to dairy food safety, animal welfare, and the environment?
- How do these (and other) consumer issues influence our agenda?
- How can the ADSA influence political support for our agenda?
- How can we best use FASS?

Expect to see more about these topics and others in upcoming meetings. If you have a question of your own that you would like to see addressed in ADSA programming, contact Mike Hutjens, Internal Affairs Committee chair.

We are all interested in advancing the dairy industry, and your ADSA membership is the perfect vehicle for doing so. When you ask yourself how your association can benefit you, you should also consider the flip side: What can you do for your association? After all, you only get what you give. With this in mind, my challenge to all ADSA members (and prospective members) this year is to give us what you’ve got—your ideas, your comments, AND your talents. As we work toward better serving the needs of members and reaching out to new audiences, we are also looking toward the loftier goal of improving the nutritional status of the world at large. What are your ideas for reaching this goal? Planning for the Future of ADSA Just as this isn’t the same association that was formed in 1906, you can be sure the association of 2010 will not be the same as the one you see today. Strategic planning plays an important role in keeping the association viable. Over the last year, you’ve heard a lot about our strategic planning efforts; here’s where we stand right now: Past President Dave Beede has agreed to lead our continuing strategic planning during 2003–2004. The next steps of the process are information and opinion gathering through a series of focus groups involving approximately 200 professional and student members of ADSA’s committees network. A broader, association-wide survey of all members will follow thereafter to gather input about membership’s vision for the future ADSA. And, an extensive survey of non-ADSA members will occur via a nonmember database that has been built in recent months.

The central question in ADSA’s strategic planning is, “What are the potential new and improved ADSA programs and services that will support the dairy food system, and be of value to current and future members working in the system?” If you, as an ADSA member, have special interest in ADSA strategic planning, please contact Dave Beede directly to learn how you can help (beede@msu.edu).

Communication is Key

Over the past year, you may have noticed that we’ve become more efficient in communicating association news, events, and benefits to you. Our updated Website (http://jds.fass.org) is also a great member resource, and one you should visit regularly for continuous updates. In fact, if you haven’t made plans for the national meeting in St. Louis (July 25–29), information is now available online. Visit www.fass.org/2004/ for details.

You can probably sense an overall theme of communication and collaboration here. Remember, this is YOUR association and we want to hear from you. Please share your ideas, become involved, and make the most of your membership. A list of board member contacts is printed at the end of this newsletter; please use it.

I look forward to sharing the year ahead,

Joe O’Donnell, President

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Please send your nomination by email to marylous@assochq.org or by mail (ADSA, 1111 North Dunlap Avenue, Savoy, IL 61874). Thank you.

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The 2004 ADSA-ASAS-PSA call for abstracts and all of the information you need to submit an abstract is now available on the meeting Website at http://www.fass.org/2004. The submission deadline for abstracts is March 3, 2004, 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!
2004 ADSA-ASAS-PSA Program Committee

2003 ANNUAL MEETING STATS
Registered Attendees ................................. 2700
Exhibitors ....................................................... 60
Abstracts Accepted ..................................... 1463
Symposia ........................................................ 28
Oral/Poster Sessions ................................. 107
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Congratulations to this year’s award winners! Thank you to this year’s award sponsors. Complete citations for the award winners are located on our Web site at http://www.asas.org/03awards.asp; they will also appear in the December 2003 issue of the Journal of Animal Science.

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2004 ASAS Award Nominations

It is not too early to start planning your award nominations for 2004. The award deadline will be February 4, 2004. You will again be able to submit your nominations electronically. Identify those you know who deserve recognition and be sure they are nominated. Watch for more information in December.
2003 ADSA Award Winners

Congratulations to the 2003 ADSA Award winners! We also thank the 2003 ADSA Award Donors for continuing their support of these prestigious awards. A complete list of press releases can be found at http://www.adsa.org/awards.asp. Award citations and pictures of the 2003 award winners will also appear in the December 2003 issue of the Journal of Dairy Science.

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2004 ADSA Award Nominations

Do you know a prospective ADSA award winner? If so, it’s time to nominate the person for a 2004 ADSA Award. Or, nominate yourself and complete the nomination packet.

This year the entire ADSA Awards Program will be administered on-line. Submit your nominations on-line at http://www.adsa.org/newawards/nominator.asp. Nominations (part 1 of the nomination process) are due December 16, 2003. If you need assistance, contact Mary Lou Sproat (phone: 217-356-5146, ext. 12; fax: 217-398-4119; e-mail: marylous@assochq.org). Communication with nominators and nominees will be primarily by e-mail. Accurate email addresses are necessary. You can also visit http://www.adsa.org/awards.asp to print a nomination form if you rather not go through the on-line process. Nominators will be notified after verification of the nominee so that nominators can supply the biographical and supporting materials by February 3, 2004 (part 2 of the process).
More than 130 dairy science students from 15 universities participated in this summer’s American Dairy Science Association–American Society of Animal Science Joint Annual Meetings in Phoenix, Arizona. Participation among students was at its highest level in recent years, due partly to the growing enthusiasm at the university level for involvement with the national organization.

During the meetings, the students participated in a dairy farm tour, a dairy quiz bowl, business meetings, an awards luncheon, a Congressional Insights course, and competitions, such as the Undergraduate Paper Competitions. Students also had the opportunity to attend symposia, oral sessions, and poster sessions presented by professional members of the organizations.

2003 ADSA Graduate Award Winners

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1st Dilip Patel
Oregon State University

2nd Haiping Li
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3rd Tammy Lin
University of Wisconsin-Madison

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3rd Place Web Site Contest
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2nd Place Chapter Award
University of Kentucky

3rd Place Chapter Award
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Greetings from Virginia Tech! I am happy to report that the Journal of Dairy Science continues to serve as a leading medium for professional dairy scientists, ranking second in the category of agricultural, dairy, and animal science journals with an impact factor of 1.691 according to the most recent Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) ratings. Thus, we rank among the top 1% of all science and technology journals. We continue to see an increase in new submissions each month. For the year 2003, we are averaging 56 new submissions per month, which is an increase of 25% over the monthly submission rate five years ago. Our new editorial structure was instituted in mid-July 2003. The Journal is now divided into six major divisions (Animal Genetics; Animal Growth, Physiology, and Reproduction; Animal Nutrition; Animal Production, Animal Products; and Special Topics). Each division is headed by a division editor who is assisted by one or more associate editors. Final decisions on manuscripts are now made by the division editors. The Editor-in-Chief continues to review all accepted manuscripts before they are sent to the technical editing staff in Savoy. Thus far, the new system seems to be working smoothly, and it is accomplishing the goal of spreading the workload more evenly among our volunteer editorial staff. These changes in the editorial structure will appear on the masthead of the Journal of Animal Science beginning with the January issue. As always, your comments and suggestions on how to make the Journal of Animal Science more effective in serving the needs of our membership are always appreciated.

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Report from the JDS Editor-in-Chief
Stephen C. Nickerson

Greetings from Virginia Tech! I am happy to report that the Journal of Dairy Science continues to serve as a leading medium for professional dairy scientists, ranking second in the category of agricultural, dairy, and animal science journals with an impact factor of 1.691 according to the most recent Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) ratings. Thus, we rank among the top 1% of all science and technology journals. We continue to see an increase in new submissions each month. For the year 2003, we are averaging 56 new submissions per month, which is an increase of 25% over the monthly submission rate five years ago. Likewise, our acceptance rate has increased 25% over the same time period (from 28 to 37 per month), and we presently average 38 published papers per month. This year, our publisher is scheduled to print over 4,000 pages, a first ever for JDS. Moreover, our journal continues to be the major source of revenue for the Association, providing approximately 58% of our gross income. We continue to streamline our peer review process. The number of days in review is currently 105, which is 75 fewer days than were required five years ago. In addition, although days in production has averaged 155 so far for 2003, this figure has been reduced to 135 days in recent months, and we continually strive to minimize production days in attempts to improve turnaround time. The large backlog of accepted papers has resulted in a longer than desired time in production. However, our goal has been to average 100 days each in the review process as well as in production, and we are definitely headed in that direction! The Journal Management Committee has made several modifications and updates to the list of abbreviations found on the inside cover of each issue and has also made some positive changes regarding the use of key words and the abbreviation key to improve efficiency. Interpretive summaries have been incorporated into the recent summer issues of JDS as an option for authors and will be required by all submissions beginning in 2004. The purpose of these summaries is to provide a brief synopsis of the results of scientific papers and their impact on agriculture, and at the same time, are geared toward the nonspecialist or layman. The JDS editors, reviewers, and production staff are here to serve our membership, and we welcome any comments that might help us to provide you with the best possible product. Please let us know how we can meet the needs of our readership; we value your input!

Stephen C. Nickerson
Editor-in-Chief
Journal of Dairy Science
New Online Versions of JDS and JAS. One of the most significant changes for the Journal of Animal Science (JAS) and the Journal of Dairy Science (JDS) during 2003 has been the move to the online versions of the journals to the HighWire Press platform. If you have not yet explored the sites (http://jas.fass.org and http://jds.fass.org) and the extra features, we encourage you to do so. The new platform offers many features, including a wide variety of searching mechanisms, the ability to download to citation management software, and a number of alerting mechanisms.

The sites were free to all users until mid-August during our trial period. Now that access controls have been instituted, you will need to activate your subscription to gain access if you have not already done so. From the feedback from e-mails you send, we realize that it might not be clear to some how the subscription is activated (all members have a free subscription to the online journals). For one, because we are no longer hosting the journals at headquarters, the old usernames and passwords no longer work. To activate your account, go to the subscription button on the menu on the home page and go to “activate member subscription.” You will need only your current membership number (customer number). With that number, you will be prompted through a short list of questions and will be asked to generate your own username and password. We have tried to make it easier for those who are members of both ASAS and ADSA, if you are a member of both societies, you can gain access with a single username and password. If you are a member of only one of the associations, then you only have access to that journal. If you have any questions or need to find your membership number, please e-mail adsa@assochq.org or asas@assochq.org.

We are currently working with HighWire to complete any gaps in content, including the online-only papers (including symposia), gaps from back content, and papers that appeared as ASAS Proceedings. We will also be reviewing additional features to see if they are needed to keep us competitive, e.g., papers in press. Please feel free to send feedback to us on the new platform.

One final comment: our institutional subscriptions are a major source of revenue for the journals and the societies. Please let your libraries know that continued subscriptions are important to you.

JDS Launches Interpretive Summaries. Beginning the last several months, JDS has begun phasing in Interpretive Summaries. These are short descriptions of the work presented in each paper, written for the nonspecialist reader. They will appear as a group for each issue so that readers can quickly review the content of any issues. It is hoped that these Interpretive Summaries will give more visibility to the work of authors. During the first few months, these are optional for authors, but by early 2004, they will be mandatory for each author. The Journal Management Committee thanks those on the ad hoc committee who worked so hard to implement the program.

New Science Sections for JAS. To stay current with evolving trends in research, JAS recently reorganized the science sections of the journal. The new sections are in place for papers in review; beginning with the January 2004 issues, the new sections will be posted. They are:

- Animal Genetics (includes Molecular Genetics and Quantitative Genetics): Division Editor – Gary Bennett; Associate Editors – Bill Lamberson, Jerome Baker
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- Special Topics (includes Biographical/Historical Sketches, Contemporary Issues, Teaching): Division Editor – Steve Davis
- Letters to the Editor: Mike Galyean

Jean Rice
Managing Editor
JDS and JAS
The ASAS Foundation Appreciation Clubs continue to be a program with multiple benefits. The primary benefit is to aid the field of animal science and its future members. It will do this by providing graduate student travel to meetings, an internship with the Washington FASS office, or by supporting specific symposia at sectional or national meetings. A secondary benefit is providing you with the opportunity to honor one of your colleagues by supporting an activity they have chosen as the focus of their Appreciation Club.

There are four fully funded clubs and two more clubs are nearing full funding. Clubs are chartered when they reach the $12,500 level and are fully funded at $25,000. Continued funding beyond the $25,000 level is necessary to fully complete the mission of the club. Clubs define their purpose and may elect to utilize only the interest generated from the investment of principle or the principle may be expended over a 5- to 10-year period.

The four fully funded clubs are as follows:

**David Baker**
Based on the great contributions that Dr. Baker has made throughout his career on amino acid nutrition and metabolism, his club sponsors have chosen to support the David H. Baker Amino Acid Symposium, which will be held each year at the Midwestern Sectional meeting. The first such symposium was held in 2003. With over 56 graduate or postdoctoral students and with his impact on the amino acid industry, Dr. Baker’s club was fully funded in a very short time.

**Billy Day**
Because of the many contributions to reproductive biology that Dr. Day, his students, and his colleagues worldwide have made, it was logical that the club sponsors decided to focus on this area of animal agriculture. The first Billy N. Day symposium was scheduled for the March 2003 meeting of the ASAS Midwestern Section, with the title “Technologies to Enhance Artificial Insemination of Swine.” The 2004 symposium will likely focus on the regulation of the pig estrous cycle, including management with exogenous hormones.

**Joe Fontenot**
The Fontenot Appreciation Club has been formed to honor Dr. Fontenot’s dedication to animal sciences, especially in animal nutrition. The purpose of the Fontenot Appreciation Club will be to provide student travel awards for individuals presenting papers or posters at the Southern Section or National ASAS meeting. This will continue the training of graduate students, an area in which Dr. Fontenot has excelled in his years at Virginia Tech University. The first student travel awards will be presented for the 2004 Southern Section Meeting. An application can be found on the web: http://www.asas.org/southern/2004/index.html

**Bob Zimbelman**
The Zimbelman Appreciation Club was formed to support an intern in the FASS Office of Scientific Liaison in Washington, DC. Dr. Zimbelman left a secure position in industry to begin the office of executive vice president in Washington because he saw that the animal sciences suffered from lack of representation in that forum. When FASS was formed, the FASS Office of Scientific Liaison began from the base of effort initiated by ASAS through its executive vice president position. To date, Brandon Reinbold and Janet Beagle have been supported. Both interns have been greatly appreciated and have written very thoughtful articles on their experiences. These may be found on the FASS Web page, especially the most recent article by Janet Beagle.

Two other clubs are in process of funding. These are:

**Harold Hafs**
The sponsors of the Hafs Club and Dr. Hafs have agreed that they would also like to sponsor an intern in the FASS Office of Scientific Liaison in Washington, DC. If both the Zimbelman and Hafs clubs are adequately supported to fund an intern each, then we will have two per year. When interest rates are low and create inadequate funding for two, we can ensure at least one intern. Dr. Hafs club just began in 2003 and already is at a level of ($20,000 +) based on cash in hand and pledges, so it will likely be fully funded by year-end. It is a testament to his former students, his work with industry, and his broad leadership, which he has always shared, that this club has moved so rapidly toward full funding.

**Allen Tucker**
The Tucker Club has been chartered and it is hoped that it will become fully funded this year. We encourage all of his colleagues to work hard to get this club fully funded. Some details of the purpose of the club are still being defined, but will likely support travel to national ASAS ADSA meetings or the triennial Biology of Lactation Workshop. There is hardly a scientist who has contributed more to the field of lactation biology so recognition of Dr. Tucker’s work would be very appropriate for either ASAS or ADSA colleagues. The effort to fully fund this club is a joint effort of both the ASAS and ADSA Foundations.

As indicated above, your Foundation board continues to believe that this is a very appropriate method to further animal science as well as to honor colleagues. Past support by many of you is much appreciated and we encourage you to continue as all of these worthwhile efforts can benefit from further support. It is easy to support these clubs. You can contribute further during your annual membership renewal or by going to the ASAS Web site and identifying the appropriate club you wish to support. Or, better yet, please join with some of your colleagues and initiate a new club under the name of an appropriate colleague. A form is provided in this newsletter or on the Web.

Robert G. Zimbelman
ASAS Foundation Chair
**ASAS Foundation Appreciation Clubs**

Members of the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) are indebted to each other. Many have been students of ASAS members or have benefited from the work of ASAS members. Thus, the ASAS Foundation supports the formation of Appreciation Clubs to honor outstanding members of ASAS. Formation of Appreciation Clubs will allow those who have benefitted from the work of a particular member of ASAS to make a gift either in perpetuity or for special activities in the name of the honored person.

Yes, I would like to make a contribution to the following Appreciation Club:

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The Auction returned at the Phoenix meetings bigger and better than ever—thanks to the organizational skills and leadership of Lee Majeskie, the indomitable spirit and auctioneering of Monty Montgomery, and the help of Roger Cady, Ken Cummings, George Somkuti, Clair Hicks, and Mike Fowler with the assistance of Molly Kelley. Net revenue not only exceeded $5,000, but the event has become part of the ambiance and camaraderie of the meeting following the Awards Program. Amos Zook was the big winner, but he put the value of most of his winnings back into purchases of auction items. This reflects so many who not only contribute items, but also help by making purchases.

As you may remember, this past year, ADSA President Dave Beede charged the Foundation with providing a critical review of the Foundation, its organization, purpose, and functioning. Ad hoc committee members, Bill Aimutis, Les Hansen, Dave Hettinga, and Al Schultz, teamed with trustees, Dave Barbano, Ken Cummings, Tom Gilmore, Ken McGuffey, and Treasurer Ron Richter, for this process. This culminated in assessments and recommendations forwarded to the ADSA Board for review and approval at the Phoenix meetings. That, coupled with actions of the Foundation Trustees meeting at Phoenix, will have the following impact:

- Investments will be reconfigured to generate interest income (the bylaws mandated a source of annual budget revenue), allowing annual expenditures of about $10,000.
- Annual programs with continuing funding are the following:
  - Genevieve Christen Undergraduate Award
  - Quiz Bowl Awards and Support
  - DISCOVER Conferences
  - Foundation Scholar Awards
- Although the DISCOVER Conferences to date have been largely self-supporting, funding specifically for these conferences is being considered for the time when a conference may not be self-supported or may require some start-up funds before final funding is available or known.
- The subscription-based, searchable conference database concept will be further developed with a business plan and timetable.
- The case for giving needs to be better presented with various options on how giving can be accomplished.

Foundation Scholar Awards will be limited to one annually and alternated between Dairy Foods and Production Divisions beginning in 2005, unless additional revenue can be generated to fund both annually.

A survey of ADSA Production Division, ASAS, PSA, and ARPAS members in July resulted in over 1,000 responses regarding the subscribable, searchable conference database. The overriding response to this concept was positive. ADSA President Joe O’Donnell appointed me to chair an ADSA ad hoc committee comprised of Dave Beede, Rick Lundquist, Roger Cady, and John Smith to further review survey results, address specific questions to ascertain the viability of this concept, and to make further recommendations. This was done, and the ADSA Board in September then approved development of a business plan and timetable to be prepared by Ken Olson of FASS. This project has the potential to be a significant service and benefit to which members could subscribe at a reasonable rate.

The ADSA Foundation Trustees also met jointly with ASAS Foundation Trustees in Phoenix, AZ. We agreed to participate in some ASAS Foundation Appreciation Clubs if the honoree’s research interests and former students spanned the membership and interests of both societies.

Efforts will be made to better communicate what the Foundation is doing, how you as an ADSA member can benefit, and to provide more opportunities for you to contribute in various ways to ADSA through the Foundation. In this fall’s annual solicitation, you will find an update of contributions you have made to date along with more information on the Foundation and programs.

Last but not least, thanks are extended to Tom Gilmore and Ken Cummings for their service on the Foundation Board of Trustees and we welcome new Trustee members Les Hansen and Lloyd Metzger.

Al Kertz,
Chair, ADSA Foundation Board of Trustees
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(January 2003 through September 2003)

The ADSA Foundation thanks the following donors for their contribution to the Foundation either through a direct donation, item donation for the auction, and/or purchase of an item during the 2003 auction. Also, a special thank you to everyone who helped to make the first raffle a success by purchasing a raffle ticket(s). THANK YOU!

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ASAS Midwest Section Report

Dan Faulkner

The Midwest Section of ASAS continues to be an active, productive section. The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Sections of the American Dairy Science Association and the American Society of Animal Science will be held March 15 to March 17, 2004 at the Polk County Convention Center in Des Moines, IA. We invite you to participate in this dynamic sectional meeting. The meeting will include a number of exciting symposia (listed below).

David H. Baker Symposium
Synthetic Amino Acids in Nonruminant Diets ~ Monday, March 15

Billy N. Day Symposium
The Follicular Phase in Pigs: Physiology and Potential for Regulation to Benefit Pork Production ~ Tuesday, March 16

Teaching Symposium
Outcomes Assessment in Animal Sciences: Student and Faculty Perspectives ~ Tuesday, March 16

Extension Symposiums
Management of the Two-Year Old Cow ~ Tuesday, March 16

Invited North Central Dairy Heifer Management Workshop
Tuesday, March 16

Dairy Replacement Profitability Session: Considerations for the Heifer Grower and the Dairyman
Tuesday, March 16

Physiology Symposium
Factors Affecting Follicular Development ~ Tuesday, March 16

Joint Symposium of the Genetics & Breeding and Animal Behavior, Housing and Well-Being Committees
Genetic Aspects of Animal Well-Being ~ Tuesday, March 16

Joint Symposium of the Ruminant Nutrition and Odor and Management Committees
Nitrogen and Phosphorus Management in Feedlots and Dairy Operations ~ Wednesday, March 17

Extension Invited University Updates
Wednesday, March 17

The Western Section meeting was hosted at the ASAS Annual Meeting held at Phoenix, Arizona, June 22–26, 2003, and was well attended. There were 96 submitted proceedings papers, with 18 graduate student competition papers from seven institutions. Jack Whittier, Colorado State University, is the new president; Elaine Grings, USDA/ARS, Miles City, Montana, is president elect; James Thompson, Oregon State University, is secretary treasure; Bret Christensen, Alltech is the Industry Representative; and Jerry Reeves, Washington State University, is a representative on the national board.

Awards WSASA 2003:
Young Scientist Award: Dr. Bret Hess, University of Wyoming

Extension Award:
Dr. John Patterson, Montana State University

Distinguished Service Award:
Dr. Temple Grandin, Colorado State University

Distinguished Teacher Award:
Dr. Tim Ross New Mexico State University

Graduate Student Competition Awards went to the following:
1st place: E. J. Scholljegerdes, University of Wyoming
2nd place: C. S. Schauer, Oregon State University
3rd place: S. L. Lake, University of Wyoming

Institutional Award:
This is the first year of this award, sponsored by Zinpro went to University of Wyoming ($2,000) for having the highest average graduate student competition score.

The 2003 Regional Academic Quadrathlon contest was hosted by Oregon State University in March. Ten teams participated, with Colorado State University receiving 1st place, University of Idaho receiving 2nd place, and Oregon State University receiving 3rd place. The 2004 Regional Academic Quadrathlon contest will be hosted by New Mexico State University and will be held on March 26 and 27, 2004.

The next Western Section meeting will be held at Oregon State University, Corvallis, June 16–18, 2004.
Northeast Section ADSA/ASAS
Wendie Cohick

This year, the Northeast Section of ADSA/ASAS held its annual meeting jointly with the national meeting in Phoenix, Arizona. The Young Scientist Award was presented to Dr. Curtis P. VanTassell and Dr. Erskine Cash received the Distinguished Service Award. The section continued its new initiative to encourage graduate student participation at the meeting by providing travel support of $200 for students competing in the Northeast Section of the graduate paper competition. The first place award went to Emma Wall from the University of Vermont, second place to Michelle Pickett from Penn State University, and third place to Daryl Kleinschmidt from the University of Delaware. This year, the Northeast Section also supported a USDA Challenge Grant that was submitted by a collaboration of northeast schools to compile an image gallery for nutrition and reproductive physiology by pledging $1,000 per year for three years in support of the project. The section is happy to report that USDA will fund the grant. Officers for next year will be Wendie Cohick, president; Rich Barczewski, vice president; and Tony Capuco, secretary/treasurer.

Southern Branch of ASAS
Jerry Baker

The annual meeting of the Southern Section, American Society of Animal Science will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on February 14 to 18, 2004, in conjunction with the 101st Annual Meeting of the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists. Additional information may be found on the ASAS Web site: http://www.asas.org/southern/2004

ASAS Volunteers and Nominations Needed

You are urged to submit nominations or to volunteer for service on one of the ASAS Committees. Terms will begin in July 2004. Current committee membership can be found on the ASAS Web site (http://www.asas.org/committees.asp). You may nominate to more than one committee. Send names and suggested committee to paulas@assochq.org.

Graduate Student Travel Scholarships Available

The Dr. Joe Fontenot Appreciation Club was established to support graduate student travel and participation in annual and regional ASAS meetings. The club has been fully funded and will offer its first Graduate Student Travel Scholarships to the Southern Section American Society of Animal Science Meeting in 2004.

Watch for future announcements on travel scholarships to the 2004 ADSA-ASAS-PSA meeting to be held July 25–29 in St. Louis, MO. ASAS graduate students presenting research papers will be eligible to apply for travel support.
Special Thank You to Member Volunteers

ADSA, ASAS, and FASS wish to thank the members who volunteered their time to work in the membership booth at the AABP and World Dairy Expo meetings. At both meetings, a special offer was made to those stopping by the booth: join ADSA or ASAS for 15 months for the price of 12 or sign up for a trial membership for three months. Ken Leslie and Fiona Maunsell assisted in promoting membership in our societies at AABP. Through the efforts of Dr. Leslie, Dr. Maunsell, and Jessica Murray Bressner, 14 people signed up for membership—12 for the 15-month offer and three for the trial offer. Thanks Dr. Leslie and Dr. Maunsell for taking the time to help promote membership in our societies.

The volunteers at the World Dairy Expo saw a little more traffic and enlisted 47 individuals for the trial membership and two individuals for the 15-month membership. A special thanks goes to Bill Baumgardt, Allan Bringe, Jenifer Cruickshank, Tanya Dunlap, Ric Grummer, Mary Beth Hall, Dave Henning, Mike Hutjens, Sam Leadley, Jim Linn, Neal Martin, Ken Olson, J. Richard Pursley, Larry Satter, Daniel Schafer, George Shook, Michel Wattiaux, and Lon Whitlow for taking time out of their busy lives to assist us in the membership booth. Also, thanks to Jessica Murray Bressner, Lisa Cobb, Mary Lou Sproat, and Molly Kelley for their help.

DISCOVER Conferences Update

The Seventh DISCOVER Conference on “Is There a Future for Antibiotics in Animal Agriculture?” was held September 21–24, 2003 in Nashville, Indiana. Over 120 registrants from 23 states and 10 other countries participated in the presentations and in-depth discussion during this conference. Interpretative summaries from this conference can be found on the DISCOVER Web page (http://www.adsa.org/DISCOVER).

Three future DISCOVER conferences are in various planning stages. One on preserving animal germplasm diversity (title not yet finalized) is scheduled for November 2–5, 2004 in Cheyenne, Wyoming. This is a five-year follow-up to the conference held October 31 to November 3, 1999 (see “Past Conferences” on the Website). This site was chosen to allow registrants to explore the germplasm storage facilities (National Center for Genetic Resource Preservation) at Fort Collins, CO. The Program Committee is moving forward and information will be posted to the DISCOVER Web page as it becomes available.

“The Role of Milk and Its Components in Nutrition and Health” is in the initial planning stage. It is envisioned that emphasis will be placed on nutraceuticals and bioreactive components, including animal and processing aspects. Also, implications for human nutrition and health will be covered. We hope to hold this conference in the spring of 2004.

“Reducing Culling Rate in Dairy Herds” is tentatively scheduled for October 3–6, 2004 at Abe Martin Lodge in Nashville, Indiana.

Information on these conferences will also be posted on the DISCOVER Web page as it becomes available. Anyone with suggestions or ideas for topics and speakers should contact Bill Baumgardt or Molly Kelley.

John Fuquay Receives the WAAP Jean Boyazoglu Award

During the 2003 World Association for Animal Production meeting held in Porto Alegre, Brazil, October 26–31, 2003, John Fuquay was presented with the WAAP Jean Boyazoglu Award. The presentation was held during the Opening Ceremony on Sunday, October 26. Fuquay received a plaque, a monetary gift, and a travel grant for a portion of his travel to Brazil. Congratulations, John!
ASAS Appointments to FASS Board

When FASS was organized in 1997, the ASAS representatives on the FASS Board included past president, past-past president, and past-past-past president. To allow ASAS to have better representation on the FASS Board, the ASAS Board voted in Phoenix to update current representation.

The ASAS representatives now include the president, Terry Etherton; past president, James Lauderdale; and past-past president, David Ames. Don Beermann, as past president of FASS, remains on the board as an ex-officio member.

David Schingoethe, ADSA, is the current FASS Board president and James Lauderdale, ASAS, is the president elect of FASS.

ADSA Changes FASS Board Representation

During the last six years, each successive ADSA past president has become a voting member of the FASS Board on October 1st and served as such for three years. To improve the communication and linkages between the ADSA and FASS Boards, the ADSA Board approved in June a new representation policy effective October 2003. The sitting ADSA president, vice president, and immediate past president will be ADSA’s representatives to the FASS Board. A member’s three-year term on the FASS Board will begin when the person is vice president of ADSA. During the transition to the new representation from October 1, 2003 until September 30, 2004, ADSA’s representative to the FASS Board will be Joe O’Donnell, current ADSA president; Dave Beede, current ADSA past president; and Dave Schingoethe, ADSA past past president. Schingoethe is the president of FASS from October 1, 2003 to September 30, 2004.

Barb Glenn Joins the Biotechnology Industry Organization

Good and sad news! Barb Glenn, FASS Executive Vice President – Scientific Liaison has joined the Biotechnology Industry Organization in Washington, DC—good news for them, but sad news for FASS. Barb has been a huge contributor to FASS’ success and has had a positive impact on all our societies. Barb will continue her membership in our societies and plans to attend future meetings. Barb, we will miss you at the helm of the FASS Office of Scientific Liaison, but wish you well in your new challenge!
FASS Selects 2003-2004 Congressional Science Fellow

The FASS Board of Directors is pleased to announce the selection of Dr. Marcia Noble as the 2003-2004 Congressional Science Fellow. Dr. Noble earned her doctorate at the University of Illinois and is currently completing a postdoctoral position at the Georgetown University Hospital Lombardi Cancer Center.

“Besides making a practical contribution to the legislative process, my aspiration as a Congressional Science Fellow would also be to broaden my perspective on the importance of science in our society and its incorporation into policy making. Serving as a legislative assistant would provide me with a novel opportunity to experience firsthand the interaction between the science community and legislative process” Noble stated.

The FASS Congressional Science Fellowship provides a unique learning experience and opportunity to make a practical contribution to a more effective use of technical knowledge in government and the value of science in the legislative process. The fellow selected spends a year in Washington, D.C. serving as a special congressional legislative assistant, advising on a wide range of scientific issues that affect public policy.

The FASS/AFIA “New Frontiers in Animal Nutrition Award”

Don Beermann, FASS Past President

We are delighted to announce the creation of a new FASS award sponsored by the American Feed Industry Association (AFIA). The award will be conferred for the first time in 2004. The AFIA is sponsoring a “New Frontiers in Animal Nutrition Award,” to be presented at the FASS reception of the 2004 ADSA/ASAS/PSA Joint Annual Meeting to be held in St. Louis, MO. Dr. Richard Sellers, AFIA vice president, presented a proposal to the FASS Board at our annual meeting in Washington, DC, to create this annual award. A committee of six members, comprising two representatives each from ADSA, ASAS, and PSA, was created to develop criteria and guidelines for the nomination and selection processes. A formal announcement and call for nominations will be distributed as soon as the committee completes its work. The stipend for the award is $2,000.

The AFIA has a long history of providing financial support for nutrition awards among the three FASS Member Societies—55 years, to be precise. This prestigious new award will recognize individuals who have made sentinel contributions to “new frontiers” in animal nutrition. You are encouraged to identify those colleagues whom you feel are deserving of this recognition and watch for the formal publication of the request for nominations. On behalf of FASS Member Societies and their members, I publicly thank AFIA for their support of the scientific societies and their efforts to foster the advancement of animal nutrition.
Joint Letter from the ADSA Executive Director and the ASAS Associate Executive Director

The first ADSA ASAS and the Mexican Association of Animal Production meeting was a success. Total attendance for the 2003 meeting was 2,657. We want to thank members, sponsors, and a great FASS staff for their part in making this a successful meeting.

With the success of another meeting, ADSA and ASAS continue to identify opportunities of greatest efficiency through the Federation of Animal Science Societies. We’d like to make note of a number of these activities in order to provide an update on the progress we’ve made over the past year and in recent months.

1. Membership: For the second year, we have provided joint professional member renewals.

2. Meetings: Our members were given the opportunity to respond to a post-meeting survey. Thank you to all that took the time to respond. The responses are helping us to evaluate annual meeting plans for 2004 and future meetings. Plans have begun for the 2004 ADSA-ASAS-PSA Joint Meeting to be held July 25–29 in St. Louis, Missouri. Visit http://www.fass.org/2004 for the latest 2004 meeting information.

3. Publications: We have continued to look at ways to compare and review the production process of JAS and JDS. Both journals are now available on the HighWire Press electronic platform.

4. Joint newsletter. The twice-annual ADSA and ASAS hard copy of “Animal and Dairy News” has proven to be popular with our members.

5. Joint CD-ROMs. The joint JAS–JDS CDs specific to certain disciplines of common interest continue to be produced. For the first time, members attending the annual meeting had the choice of a CD, a hard copy, or both for the 2003 meeting abstracts.

6. The ADSA and ASAS Boards continue to meet jointly and will meet with the PSA Board in late January 2004.

7. Exhibits. ADSA, ASAS, and FASS have joined efforts in exhibiting at sister society meetings (American Association of Bovine Practitioners and the World Dairy Expo) to promote membership, services, and our societies’ products. In addition, there are ongoing discussions regarding increasing collaborations between our two foundations in regard to some of our current and proposed fundraising projects. The long-term implications include greater benefits for our membership by increased funding available for new and existing programs.

We look forward to hearing from you in regard to how we can continue to enhance our efficiencies by working together, as well as identification of additional groups with whom we should also be collaborating. There may be other animal and dairy science associations around the globe or perhaps other agricultural and food science societies both in the United States and abroad.

Thank you for your continued support of our societies. Please let us hear from you.

Brenda Carlson, ADSA Executive Director

Paula Schultz, ASAS Associate Executive Director

Mark these Dates and Deadlines!

**Southern Section ASAS**

February 14 – 18, 2004, Tulsa, Oklahoma

**ASAS Midwest Section/ADSA Midwest Branch**

March 15-17, 2004, Des Moines, Iowa
Meeting website: [http://www.asas.org/midwestern/](http://www.asas.org/midwestern/)

**ASAS Western Section**

June 16–21, 2004, Corvallis, Oregon
Abstract deadline: 11:59 p.m., March 5, 2004
Meeting website: [http://www.asas.org/western04](http://www.asas.org/western04)

**ADSA-ASAS-PSA Joint Meeting**
*(ADSA Southern Branch and ASAS/ADSA Northeast Section/Branch)*

July 25-29, 2004, St. Louis, Missouri
Abstract deadline: 11:59 p.m. CST, March 3, 2004
**ADSA-ASAS-PSA JOINT ANNUAL MEETING**
July 25-29, 2004
America's Center ~ St. Louis, Missouri

**HOUSING INFORMATION & FORM**

**INSTRUCTIONS**
Housing for the ADSA-ASAS-PSA Joint Annual Meeting will open on October 20, 2003. For best availability and immediate confirmation of hotel assignment, make your reservation by phone or internet. Faxed or mailed housing requests will take longer to process and your choice of hotels may not be available.

**TELEPHONE:** Call the ADSA-ASAS-PSA Housing Bureau (must have a credit card), 8am-5pm CST, Monday-Friday, 888-882-5178

**INTERNET:** Fill out the form and submit it directly using the ADSA-ASAS-PSA Joint Annual Meeting web site at www.fass.org/2004.

Reservations may be made, checked, modified, or cancelled on this page.

**FAX:** Only completed forms will be accepted by fax. Send one form per request (make copies as needed) to 314-621-9467

**MAIL:** Send a fully completed form with either credit card authorization valid through 7/04 or a check payable to the ADSA-ASAS-PSA Housing Bureau c/o SLCVC, #1 Metropolitan Square #100, St. Louis, MO 63102

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**
The ADSA-ASAS-PSA Housing Bureau will send you an acknowledgement of your reservation within 5-10 days of your reservation being processed. Please review all information for accuracy.

**Note:** You may not receive a separate confirmation from your hotel.

**ROOM RATES-TAXES**
To take advantage of the special ADSA-ASAS-PSA rates, please book your reservation by June 14, 2004. After June 14, 2004, the ADSA-ASAS-PSA room blocks will be released and hotels may charge higher rates. All rates are per room and are subject to 14.866% tax (subject to change).

**SPECIAL REQUESTS**
Special requests for specific room types cannot be guaranteed. Hotels will do their best to honor all requests and will assign specific room types upon check-in, based on availability.

**DEPOSITS**
A $125 per room deposit is required with each reservation request. Credit card deposits will be processed on or after June 14, 2004. Deposits by Check (US Funds) must be received by June 14, 2004.

**CHANGES-CANCELLATIONS-REFUNDS**
Reservations made with a credit card may be changed or cancelled without penalty until June 14, 2004 (4 pm CST). Cancellations made on or after June 14, 2004 will be assessed a $25 cancellation fee. If any reservation is cancelled within 72 hours of your arrival date, your total deposit will be forfeited.

**DO NOT CONTACT YOUR HOTEL DIRECTLY UNTIL AFTER JULY 16, 2004.**

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### DEPOSIT INFORMATION

All reservations requests must be accompanied by a deposit in the amount of $125. Housing Forms received without a valid deposit will not be processed. Faxed requests must include a valid credit card through 7/04. See below for check information.

- American Express
- MasterCard
- Visa

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Name on Credit Card*: Cardholder's Signature*

* Necessary to process reservation

**Attention:** Those paying by check will need to send $125 per room deposit. Check deposits MUST BE MADE PAYABLE to ADSA-ASAS-PSA Housing Bureau. Mail housing forms with check deposits to:
ADSA-ASAS-PSA Housing Bureau c/o SLCVC; #1 Metropolitan Square #100, St. Louis, MO 63102

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