The America’s Center in downtown St. Louis, Missouri, will be the site of this year’s annual meeting from July 24–29, 2004. This will be a joint meeting of the American Society of Animal Science, the American Dairy Science Association, and the Poultry Science Association. Scientists will present almost 2,000 abstracts and over 35 workshops and symposia. Since this is a joint meeting of the three organizations, it is sure to be one of the most informative meetings in recent years. The meeting facilities in the St. Louis Convention Center, the America’s Center, are super, with large meeting rooms to accommodate the numerous scientific sessions being planned. Hotel accommodations are plentiful in the America’s Center area. Please visit the 2004 Annual Meeting Website for the latest information (www.FASS.org/2004).

When making plans to attend, members should note that events actually begin on Saturday, July 24, and Sunday, July 25, with a Dairy Foods Workshop, the Triennial Growth Symposium, the PSA Ancillary Scientists Symposium, and the PSA Informal Nutrition Conference. The joint opening session will be held Sunday evening with a presentation entitled “A Brave New World for Global Meat and Dairy: The Rise of the Developing Countries” by Dr. Christopher Delgado. The reception that will follow will be a special treat for those with a sweet tooth—desserts galore!

The Joint Scientific Sessions begin on Monday morning, July 26, with a two-hour poster session. This year, as was the case last year, the organizers are trying to provide adequate space and time for poster sessions, thus poster sessions will not have to compete with any oral sessions. This worked well for the 2003 meeting, and the Overall Program Committee elected to use the same format for 2004. Poster sessions will continue on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 7:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

There will be a full-day Combined Extension Workshop on Monday, which should be of interest to all Extension personnel. The Companion Animals Program Committee has also planned another symposium on “problems of obesity associated with companion animals.” The symposia program boasts a large number of current scientific topics too numerous to highlight in this article. A meeting brochure with symposia titles and a list of scheduled events will arrive in your mailbox fairly soon. Program committees have worked hard to involve internationally recognized speakers for these timely symposia and scientific sessions. Members are encouraged to access the above Website for information and to use “My Program” to build their own personal calendar for the meetings. The program is large and runs through Thursday noon; therefore, members should plan to stay through the entire meeting schedule. The Overall Program Committee and headquarters staff have strived...
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The Joint ILRI-IFPRI Program on Livestock Market Opportunities conducts collaborative research in a large number of developing countries, seeking market-oriented ways to increase the vital contribution of livestock to improved human welfare. Delgado continues his twenty-five year affiliation with the Markets, Trade and Institutions Division of IFPRI, where he is also a Senior Research Fellow. In recent years, his work has focused on the growing markets in developing countries for livestock and fisheries products. Author or editor of five books and over one hundred articles in professional journals, he has taught or conducted research at the Center for Development Studies and Education in Chad, the University of Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso, the University of Michigan, the University of Puerto Rico, and the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, DC. Delgado received his Ph.D. in economics from Cornell University and his undergraduate degree in economics and philosophy from Tufts University.
Letter from the ADSA President

Joseph O’Donnell

Changing Times Challenge Dairy Science, Scientists

The issues confronting the dairy industry continue to offer challenges to the ADSA membership. The discovery of BSE or “Mad Cow” disease in Washington has raised the profile of the dairy industry and, in turn, dairy science.

It’s a scary and exciting time and, as scientists, our role is changing. With production and manufacturing issues now becoming consumer issues, we’re being called upon to comment and act in new ways. Threats like BSE or the bird flu, however, aren’t just challenges but opportunities for science to answer consumer questions about animal welfare, food safety, product development and the like. We live in a world of instant information and we need to be able to give instant answers.

ADSA remains an essential tool toward meeting these new challenges to the industry and to consumers. Our key goals are to stimulate the discovery, application and dissemination of knowledge while creating an atmosphere in which ideas and information can be shared to help solve industry and related consumer problems. How can we help you in your changing role? By providing outstanding educational opportunities like the annual meeting this July in St. Louis (more on that below); by creating an outlet for you and fellow professionals to exchange ideas and information; and by making important resources available to you.

In our mid-year board meeting, we discussed a number of items important to creating a better association for you, the member. An important item coming from that meeting is the potential for an online database of program proceedings. As with the Journal of Dairy Science, this would allow members to access information from presentations made at dairy-related regional conferences through the ADSA web site. It’s an exciting option and one we’ll keep you informed of as it progresses.

Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis…Meet Me at the ADSA/ASAS/PSA Joint Annual Meeting

Spring is in the air and summer is around the corner, with it comes the ADSA/ASAS/PSA Joint Annual Meeting in St. Louis (July 25-29). The program committee has put together a tremendous event, details of which are included in this newsletter.

Suffice to say, this year’s program is reflective of what’s going on in the industry today. In addition to sessions on education, employment and diversity issues, the program will cover a range of topics from feedlot profitability to agricultural biosecurity and everything in between. You’ll see a number of very topical sessions on animal health and welfare, including the impact of animal behavior and welfare research on animal production, as well as sessions on reducing the impact of animal production on the environment – something that’s been in the news a lot lately. Food safety, an ever-present consumer concern, also gets a fair turn with several presentations on improving the safety of cheeses during production. And don’t forget the link between dairy foods and nutrition. With the obesity issue on the minds of consumers and regulators alike, this is an important topic. Sessions will cover the link between dairy and weight loss as well as nutritional properties of other dairy foods or components (e.g., whey proteins) and the potential for probiotics against allergic disorders, just to name a few.

Lest we forget our overriding mission of improving the nutrition of the global population, opening session speaker, Christopher Delgado will address “A Brave New World for Global Meat and Dairy: The Rise of Developing Countries.”

As incredible as it sounds, this is just a small sample of what St. Louis has in store. I strongly encourage you to register now to take advantage of this unique opportunity to learn, share and explore.

Town Hall Meeting

If you’d like a first-hand look and open discussion of what your association is doing, please join us at the Convention Center Monday, July 26th for the ADSA Town Hall Meeting. This is your chance to not only hear but also be heard and we look forward to your input.

Please be sure to introduce yourself at the meeting, I’m always interested in the opinions and ideas our members have to offer for the betterment of the Association. If you have something to share before or after the meeting, feel free to drop me a line at donnell@cdrf.org.

See you in St. Louis!

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Letter from the ASAS President

Terry Etherton

An Engaged Society—Your Role

In my last letter, I shared that the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) is transiting an era characterized by remarkable change. The success we will achieve in moving ASAS forward is importantly linked to our membership being engaged with the Society. A question I consider frequently is: What is it that ASAS does that fosters member engagement—that catalyzes a desire for society members to participate in activities that contribute to the greater good of ASAS, and to do this on a volunteer basis?

Most members “see” or derive benefit from the Society as a result of the Journal of Animal Science and attending the annual meeting and/or the regional meetings. The effectiveness of the Society in delivering these “services” in a high-quality manner to the membership is, and will be, a key consideration for sustaining a viable Society in the future. Moreover, to sustain ASAS in the future, Society leadership must continue to communicate effectively the importance of an engaged membership. This encouragement must be done frequently, with powerful persuasion.

Why did the individuals who walked before us elect to participate on the Society Board? What was the impetus for them to elect to assume the responsibility and work that come with being a member or leader of the ASAS Board? These are important questions with many answers. I suspect that some of the reasons for participating are the satisfaction realized by being actively engaged in a team-based effort that benefits thousands of people, helps communicate scientific discoveries, provides countless learning opportunities, and advances the professional values that each of us embrace. This is engagement. It is apparent to me that the success of volunteer organizations is linked to the commitment and skill set of the volunteers who elect to participate. My challenge to all members of ASAS is to seek this opportunity and to pursue the common good associated with helping a society you value move forward.

An Engaged Society—My View

Having been the president of ASAS since June 2003, I have been provided with many opportunities to see the Society function and have worked to steer it into the future. There has been much to do, it has gone by quickly, and there is the ever-present reality that important issues will arise unexpectedly. As always, strategic objectives and issues are addressed in a team-based manner by the Board; the executive director, Dr. Jerry Baker; the associate executive director, Paula Schultz; and many volunteers. Without this teamwork, it would be a challenge to be viable. I have enjoyed my opportunity to participate in this Society immensely. It has been an experience that one cannot fully appreciate until you are in the situation, and become engaged. I have deep appreciation for the perspective shared by a former president of ASAS, Terry Klopfenstein, who observed in one his articles for the newsletter: “I am continually amazed at the amount of thought and effort that members put forth....” I share these sentiments. I thank all of you who have helped ASAS move forward in an engaged manner.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting in St. Louis. It will be an informative and exciting meeting!

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Letter from the ADSA Executive Director
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It is a real pleasure to serve as the Executive Director for ASAS and I want to take this opportunity share a few thoughts with you regarding your professional association. This will be my first opportunity to introduce myself to some of you and I look forward to future exchanges of ideas and discussions.

The vision statement for ASAS is “Leading Source of New Knowledge and Perspectives in Animal Science”. I firmly believe that this is a true statement and a worthwhile vision for us to share. You, the members of ASAS, have made this vision statement a valid reflection of what we do as an association. You as members have responded to challenges to animal agriculture by creative and innovative research, outreach and educational programs. You have then been generous in sharing your results through ASAS sponsored meetings, conventions and publications. Thank you for your contributions.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will see references to the survey that was distributed after the Phoenix meeting to the attendees. Please take a few moments to review the results summarized in this newsletter as well as the expanded summary on the ASAS web page (www.asas.org). As a result of the comments we received there have been some changes implemented for this year’s meeting in St. Louis. Your comments and suggestions are important to us. When addressing problems I have often used the phrase “collective wisdom”. The intention of this phrase is to let you know that I don’t have all the answers or even all the questions. However, together when we exchange information among ourselves we can at least try to answer all the questions. Surveys are one way that you as members can provide input to your association staff and officers. We will try not to overload your mailbox but when you receive mail from the ASAS office please take a moment to read and respond with inputs as appropriate. Your suggestions are important to the officers and staff so that we can continue to meet your expectations and needs.

Membership is of vital importance to the success of our professional association. Dan Faulkner is chair of the Membership Committee and this committee is diligently seeking ideas to enhance the value of being a member of ASAS. Membership was an important topic for my predecessor Ellen Bergfeld as well. In a newsletter in 2000 she wrote: “Our membership numbers are strong, but we have a great deal of opportunity to pull in new undergraduate, graduate, post-doctoral, and professional members as well as friends and colleagues who have allowed their memberships to lapse. Our full membership potential is not known. Membership surveys conducted by other associations have shown that the overwhelming reason people do not join an organization is because they have not been asked, and your personal endorsement of ASAS is by far our most effective recruitment tool. Therefore, we are asking that you encourage your colleagues, students, and friends to join ASAS. The more members we have, the stronger our organization is in terms of being able to provide new services and having a voice heard on issues of concern to animal scientists.” These statements are still true today. Please encourage your colleagues and students to join. I believe that membership in ASAS has numerous professional benefits for anyone involved in animal agriculture for food or other human needs. If you are a faculty member encourage your graduate and undergraduate students that are considering graduate or professional programs to join, it is an excellent value in a competitive environment. The Membership Committee will be distributing a survey in the near future. This survey will help us determine what we can do better to serve your needs. When the survey arrives please help us by returning it with your responses.

The last item I want to address in this newsletter is the annual meeting. We had an excellent number of abstracts submitted and the program committee has worked hard to offer some outstanding symposia. Please make plans to attend this summer in St. Louis. One item that you will be hearing a lot more about is the pre-loading of oral presentations. I have been participating in sectional and national meetings long enough to remember having to get slides ready a week or more in
Selected Results of 2003 ADSA/ASAS Joint Meeting Survey

The 2003 ADSA/ASAS Joint Meeting survey was suggested by ASAS Board member Ron Kensinger, and the survey questions were prepared by Dave Anderson, with assistance from Joe Ford. FASS staff (Keely Roy and Jeff Turner) adapted the questions to Web format. The survey was emailed to 2,505 meeting attendees. There were 687 responses to the survey (27% return). Dave Anderson, Joe Ford, Paula Schultz, Brenda Carlson, and other FASS staff summarized the large number of individual comments. The survey report was then reviewed by the 2003 co-chair, Chuck Schwab, Larry Benyshek, Joe Ford, Paula Schultz, Brenda Carlson, and Jerry Baker. The results of the survey have been used to improve the meeting this year in St. Louis, MO, but some of the items that could be improved will depend on the members doing their part as they prepare to present their research results. The complete set of survey results is available online at the ASAS and ADSA (or 2003 Meeting) Websites.

Overall, less than 1% of those responding expressed concern with the quality of the symposia or oral presentations, and 2% believed that some of the posters were unacceptable. This should encourage presenters this year to thoroughly prepare their presentations ahead of time and to follow suggestions for quality presentations. There are several books available for presenters and additional information will be sent to authors this year as part of the preloading procedure for the oral presentations. Poster presenters are encouraged to use large print and limit the information to key points on the poster. The poster time slot (7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday through Wednesday) introduced in 2003 will continue for 2004. Several respondents stated that changing laptop computers during the session caused delays in oral sessions. The 2004 Program Committee has decided that all presentations will be preloaded prior to the meeting and has also made arrangements to have computers, LCD projectors, and a technician in each oral presentation room. As mentioned above, additional information will be distributed prior to the meeting through the Website and by email.

The "My Program” feature, which allows meeting attendees to prepare personalized schedules, was used by almost 50% of those responding to the survey. Modifications and enhancements to the feature have been made since last year. The program committee encourages members to use My Program to help plan their participation at the meeting. The meeting program will not be mailed prior to the meeting to help control costs to our membership. The My Program feature will be useful for early planning without access to the hard copy of the program prior to the meeting. The results of the entire survey are available at www.asas.org or www.adsa.org.

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ASAS Executive Director
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You may ask yourself why you should be interested in the ASAS Foundation. I would like to throw out a few ideas for you to think about in that regard. The goals of your Foundation are to create a mechanism for receipt of donations that are useful to improving your society in a number of ways. We are able to receive requests from annual meeting organizers to add special programs that are not otherwise funded. We also have a number of Appreciation Clubs that support ASAS meetings in a variety of ways.

Appreciation Clubs are one major activity of the Foundation. Their purpose is to provide public recognition of the professional achievements of a member of ASAS. At the same time, they create a value to all members by supporting Specific Activities that are of benefit to other ASAS members. As examples, Appreciation Clubs now provide special symposia, such as the ones at the Midwestern Section meetings on Amino Acid Metabolism or Reproduction in Swine. Other clubs assist with graduate student travel to national or sectional meetings. We also have clubs whose goal is to support an intern in Washington to provide some help with the activities of the FASS-DC office because there is so much to be done to ensure that animal science is recognized for its contributions. You can see reports of previous interns on the ASAS/FASS web site.

The uniqueness of the Appreciation Club program includes a publicly visible acknowledgement of the accomplishments of the honoree as well as contributing to the value of the ASAS program through activities that might not be funded by the general fund.

There are now four Appreciation Clubs funded at the full level of $25,000 or more and two that are approaching Fully Funded Status.

The Foundation board will be considering a number of items at our meeting in conjunction with the annual meeting in St. Louis. One is an updating of our vision to reflect the current status of our activities. A member suggested this past year that we develop a method for members to make memorial contributions in the name of someone whom they respect or whom was very beneficial in their career. We will be thinking of some mechanism to do that in cases where an appreciation club may not be feasible, but where we would like to accept and publicize those contributions. If you have any thoughts regarding this possibility, please contact one of the Foundation Board Members listed on the web site.

So, in summary, this is YOUR Foundation and one of its primary justifications is to improve the society and its actions for you the members of ASAS. Please consider proposing an Appreciation Club for someone who has been important to your professional career. Or consider a donation to an existing club when you can and provide us with your ideas as to how we can improve our actions for the benefit of the society and its members.
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.

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The DISCOVER Conferences began in 1997 in order to offer "an environment and format that encourages exciting interactions among scientists focusing on topics of importance to the science of food animal agriculture. In developing this unique atmosphere for learning and understanding, informal sessions were set for mornings and evenings with afternoon available for discussion, recreation or relaxation. Seven highly successful conferences have been held to date with the 8th and 9th scheduled this Fall. These conferences have been given life and organized and facilitated in their many dimensions by Bill Baumgardt. In recognition of this and of the unique contributions made by Bill, these conferences will now be designated the Bill Baumgardt DISCOVER Conferences! All but one of these conferences have more than broken even, a new fund is being established under the aegis of the ADSA Foundation. It will be named the Bill Baumgardt Creative Initiative Fund. This could be used to provide seed money for a DISCOVER Conference or for any other creative initiative. Rules will be developed and promulgated as this Fund is developed and introduced.

In reviewing our financial dimensions last year, it became evident that we have relied primarily on annual contributions of ADSA members after an initial seed money contribution by Borden, Inc. and subsequent other major contributions by founding members Church & Dwight Co. and Pharmacia Animal Health in 1992. We would like to do a better job in recognizing those who have regularly contributed. Current Bylaws state that “Patrons shall be those firms or organizations that contribute at least $100 to the ADSA Foundation while Donors shall be those individuals that contribute at least $25 to the ADSA Foundation.” A Bylaws change will be submitted for your approval that allows the Board of Trustees to periodically reset those levels of giving recognition. We also will be developing an accounting to you of your annual and cumulative donations. In evaluating our longer range prospects, it became evident that we are lacking an effort to provide a means of Planned Giving. This is part of any foundation’s long range plan, since it also takes time to develop and receive such potential funding. We plan to develop such a program and will have a Planned Giving Breakfast to initiate this process. Watch for future communications and look for this breakfast as part of the St. Louis Annual Meeting program.

The Subscribable Searchable Conference Database concept is moving forward! The July 2003 survey provided ample information on the interest level and viability of this service. Following further review by an ad hoc committee, development of a business plan, and approval by the ADSA Board, a beta version of this service is currently being developed by FASS and funded by ADSA. As recommended by the business plan, an Advisory Committee has been established and is functioning to “serve as a resource for input on the development and on-going enhancement of the database.” This committee is comprised of Dave Beede, Roger Cady, Les Hansen, Jim Linn, Rick Lundquist, John Smith, and myself as Chair. Some have already expressed further interest in this service following the July 2003 survey. If you have further questions or thoughts about this service, please let me know (andhil@swbell.net).

The energetic and hard-working Auction Committee is at it again to have another lively and successful auction this summer at the St. Louis Annual Meeting. Efforts are being made to limit the total time of the auction (allowing more social time) and continue to meld the complementary components of live auction, silent auction, and raffle. A particular effort is being made to locate some St. Louis and Missouri area dairy memorabilia. If you have items to contribute or further ideas please contact Molly Kelley (kelleymt@aol.com).

Al Kertz
ADSA Foundation Board Chair
Donate an Item to the Eleventh Annual Foundation Auction & Raffle

Be a part of the eleventh annual ADSA Foundation Auction & Raffle during the ADSA-ASAS-PSA Joint Meetings in St. Louis in July 2004. Proceeds are used to fund activities such as the ADSA Foundation Scholar Awards, the Genevieve Christen Distinguished Undergraduate Student Award, and high quality programs at the annual meetings. To contribute an item to the auction or raffle, simply complete the form below and send it to ADSA Headquarters. You will be notified later when and where to send the item. You may enjoy a tax deduction for your donation. Consult your tax advisor for specific details.

Among the items donated are dairy primitives and collectibles, industry memorabilia, antiques, handmade art, crafts, tickets to sporting events, and use of vacation time-shares.

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2004 ADSA Foundation Auction & Raffle Item Donation Form

Please print this form and fax or mail by July 1, 2004

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So that we may properly recognize your contribution, please indicate if this item is being given by: ___ a company___ an individual (We kindly request minimum $100 value for company donations, $50 for individuals.)

Do you have a preference if this is used for the Auction or for the Raffle?  ☐ auction  ☐ raffle

Deadline:  July 1, 2004

Return to: ADSA Foundation
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Win Big! Get Your Raffle Ticket Today!!

The ADSA Foundation Auction Committee is pleased to announce the second annual FOUNDATION RAFFLE. An extravagant array of prizes is being assembled, including vacations, computer equipment, and much more. Raffle tickets are only $25 each or five for $100. Only 400 tickets will be sold, so get yours today!

There are many ways to get your tickets:
- Complete the form below
- Order them with your meeting registration
- Go online to http://www.adsa.org/foundation auction/
- Contact ADSA headquarters at adsa@assochq.org or 217-356-5146.

Any remaining raffle tickets will be available for sale onsite at the meeting registration desk at the ADSA-ASAS-PSA Joint Meetings in St. Louis. You need not be an ADSA member to enter. You need not be present to win. If you are attending the annual meeting, your advance-ordered tickets will be sent to you along with your meeting registration materials. Be sure to bring these tickets to the meeting to place in the drawing drum. If you are not attending the meeting, your tickets will automatically be placed in the drawing drum for you. Ticket sales will end at the start of the Foundation Auction on Tuesday, July 27, or when 400 tickets have been sold, whichever comes first. Winning tickets will be pulled on Tuesday evening during the Foundation Auction event. Proceeds are used to fund activities such as the ADSA Foundation Scholar Awards, the Genevieve Christen Distinguished Undergraduate Student Award, the Dairy Quiz Bowl, and high-quality programs at the annual meetings. Prizes are being added regularly. For the latest list of items, go to the ADSA Website at www.adsa.org.

You may enjoy a tax deduction for your ticket purchase. Consult your tax advisor for specific details.

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2004 ADSA Foundation Raffle Ticket Order

Please print this form and fax or mail by July 1, 2004. Please note, only 400 tickets will be sold and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Any remaining tickets will be available for sale at the meeting registration desk through Tuesday, July 27, during regular meeting registration hours.

_____ # of raffle tickets requested. Tickets are $25.00 each or five for $100.00

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ASAS Editor-in-Chief
Michael Galyean, Editor-in-Chief, JAS

I am pleased to report that the Journal of Animal Science continues to one of the top journals in its field. For 2002, the Journal ranked fourth in the impact factor rating in the ISI category of Agriculture, Dairy, and Animal Science, and first in the total citations category. In addition, our submission rate continues to grow. For the year ending December 31, 2003, 672 manuscripts were submitted to the various divisions of the Journal. This compares with 616 for the same period in 2002. Animal Nutrition (formerly the Nonruminant and Ruminant sections) and Animal Production (formerly the Applied; Environment and Behavior; Pharmacology and Toxicology; and Rangeland, Pasture, and Forage Utilization sections) are the largest divisions, accounting for approximately 51% of all submissions. Submissions for 2004 seem to be on a pace that will likely equal or exceed the 2003 total. The editorial structure initiated in mid-July 2003 (reflected in the January 2004 masthead) seems to be working nicely, and has thus far been received well by authors and reviewers. Both Manuscript Central as a means for processing and manuscripts for review and HighWire Press as our electronic publishing platform seem to be positive for the Journal. New file management and attachment upgrades are expected in Manuscript Central soon, which should further enhance the review process.

As I look daily at manuscripts that “come across my computer screen” and observe the review process through Manuscript Central, I am generally encouraged by what I see. Clearly, we still have highly competent reviewers who are focusing on evaluating the soundness of the science described in the manuscripts we receive. Moreover, our Associate Editors and Division Editors are continuing to do an outstanding job of handling the time-consuming, often thankless task of processing manuscripts and corresponding with authors. Nonetheless, there is one area that gives me cause for concern, and that is the increasing difficulty that our Associate Editors are having in finding competent reviewers who will agree to evaluate manuscripts. It is not uncommon for four people to be asked to review a manuscript in hopes of getting at least two to agree. Many who are invited to review never even respond to the requests. Too often, the most competent potential reviewers (and, therefore, those who are among our most prolific authors) are the ones who decline to review or fail to respond. This high “decline to review” rate increases the time for the review process. More importantly, we have the potential for less experienced, potentially less qualified reviewers being responsible for evaluating the majority of our manuscripts. Certainly, we are all busy, and the demands placed on scientists in both academic and industry settings are greater than ever before. However, if we want the Journal of Animal Science to maintain its position as a preeminent publication in the field, we need timely, competent scientific reviews to meet that goal. So, when you receive those e-mail requests to review a manuscript, think about it carefully before you decline the invitation. Remember that someone else took the time to review the last manuscript you submitted, and seriously consider accepting the offer to review. And finally, if you accept the offer to review, please return the review within the prescribed time limit.

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 appreciated.

Michael Galyean
Editor-in-Chief
Journal of Animal Science

NEW FASS-AFIA AWARD

Now posted is a call for nominations for the first-ever FASS-AFIA (American Feed Industry Association) New Frontiers in Animal Nutrition Award. The honor will be bestowed to stimulate, acknowledge, and reward pioneering and innovative research relevant to the nutrition of animals that benefit mankind and the nutritional value of food from animals. Candidates must have had their original research published, they must have been a member of a FASS member society for at least five consecutive years and currently be a member in good standing, they must not be a recipient of any other AFIA Nutrition Award in the same year, and they must not be self-nominated. The nomination deadline for this year’s award is May 7, 2004. Nominations should be submitted electronically by using the FASS web page http://www.fass.org/awards.asp. FASS and AFIA have developed this award as an annual honor and will present a specified monetary award and a plaque to the winner at the meetings of both the AFIA and the FASS member society of the awardee’s choosing. FASS and AFIA are eager to receive nominations for this award and wish to bring attention and tribute to researchers who have made outstanding and innovative contributions to animal nutrition.
I am pleased to report that the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) once again recognized the Journal of Dairy Science (JDS) as the Number One Journal out of 55 journals in the Agriculture, Dairy, and Animal Sciences category for 2002. This is certainly a great tribute to our editors, reviewers, authors, production staff, management committee, as well as to our Managing Editor, Jean Rice, for the superb job they have done to maintain the scientific quality of our Journal. A year ago, in April of 2003, HireWire Press began hosting the online version of JDS, and we have received very positive feedback from our move to the HighWire platform. The JDS editors, the Journal Management Committee, and ADSA Board members continue to consider additional features to add the Journal to make it more useful for our readers and a more attractive place for authors to publish their best research results.

The Journal staff members have also been working in the background to make sure that JDS keeps abreast of current trends in scientific periodicals. As a response to the open access movement that many of you have heard of (advocating the “author pays” model so that there are no charges to readers), JDS has become a signatory to the DC Principles. This philosophy advocates that a balance of numerous models of mixed sources of revenue and mixed models of free access should cover the costs involved in publishing scientific literature across many interested parties. To date, the DC Principles have been signed by 49 publishers of 110 journals.

The Journal has also joined with 16 other not-for-profit scientific societies to form the Nonprofit Journals Group to help increase awareness of valuable nonprofit scientific journals to librarians (www.nonprofitjournals.org). We are working as a group on marketing efforts such as a joint catalog and web site to encourage libraries to include and retain subscriptions to our Journals. These subscriptions form an important source of the revenue to ADSA and are an important component in ensuring that our research is provided to the widest possible audience. We would like to encourage you as members to let your libraries know how valuable the Journal is to you, and to encourage them to activate their online access if they have not yet done so.

We continue to see an increase in new submissions each month. For 2003, JDS published 461 manuscripts and 4437 numbered pages, of which 4295 pages were research papers. This is the first year that JDS has published more than 4000 pages! These totals include two ADSA Foundation Scholar Award papers, six Invited Reviews, and 23 Our Industry Today papers. Of the published papers, 110 were in the Dairy Foods section, 128 in Physiology and Management, 159 in Nutrition, Feeding, and Calves, and 67 in the Genetics and Breeding section. A total of 671 manuscripts was received in 2003, which was up 31 from 2002, and 444 of these were accepted. Collectively, these numbers reflect the healthy status of our Journal with a continued high submission rate. The Journal is increasingly becoming international in scope, and for 2003, the submissions of papers from outside of North America were over 50% of the total.

The average time from receipt of manuscripts to publication was 256 days in 2003 compared with 271 days in 2002. An average of 105 days was used in the review and revision process with an average production time of 151 days; our goal is still to reduce production time to 100 days or less.

Special gratitude is expressed to retiring editors R. M. Akers and S. E. Gilliland. We thank Gary Rogers, who has agreed to serve another rotation as Senior Editor of Genetics and Breeding, and we welcome newly appointed editors Polly Courtney, Jeffery Stevenson, and Paul Boettcher. Boettcher is in a newly approved post as the third Genetics and Breeding Section Editor; a welcome addition to serve the needs of that rapidly growing category of our Journal.

As always, our editors, reviewers, and production staff are here to serve our membership, and we welcome your comments to help us provide you with the best possible product!

Stephen C. Nickerson
Editor-in-Chief
Journal of Dairy Science
JDS/JAS Managing Editor’s Report

Jean Rice

Developments from headquarters.
At the beginning of 2004, we the Journal of Animal Science (JAS) and Journal of Dairy Science (JDS) changed to a new printer. This move was made after a review of open bids and services throughout 2003. If you receive paper copies of your issues, we invite you to let us know if you have any problems. Those outside the United States should be getting receipt of your paper copies more quickly; we are now using an expedited service.

Our Editorial Department in the past few weeks has begun to use a preediting tooling service provided by our new printer. This tooling does citation matching, some styling, and runs through a set of macros to automate routine editorial changes (e.g., \( P \) for probability). We hope that this new tooling will result in papers going through production more efficiently. Headquarters staff, the Editors-in-Chief of the journals, and various committees of ADSA and ASAS are constantly evaluating our practices so that our readers and authors have the best available services. We always welcome input on how to do things better.

I’d also like to thank our journal team members, Leon Jeter, Amanda Kolling, Sharon Frick, Jeremy Holzner, Ted Veatch, Louise Audrieth, and Gayle Gleichman for doing terrific jobs for the journals. In terms of pages, 2003 was the biggest in history for our journals, and it takes their hard work to make it happen.

Authors: a request from the editors. As Mike Galyean mentioned in his article, one of the hardest parts of any reviewing editor’s job is to find qualified reviewers. Authors, when you are submitting manuscripts, you are offered the choice of suggesting reviewers for your paper. Try to provide this information, it may allow for quicker review.

Whenever possible, take this option. Here are a few more suggestions on how to get your paper accepted more quickly: be careful in preparing your paper according to style and form guidelines. You make it easier on editors and reviewers when they can concentrate on evaluating “the science” of your research. Turn revisions around quickly. When I have occasion to look at the Manuscript Central profiles of individual papers, I am frequently amazed that papers that have been returned to authors for minor revision often take weeks and even months to be returned.

Manuscript Central. We are awaiting a major upgrade of Manuscript Central sometime in 2004. The upgrade is taking longer to be scheduled than we anticipated, but it will be significant. As I write this, the Poultry Science Association journals are almost ready to launch with the new version, and it is significantly more feature-rich and flexible than the current system. We’ll try to give you a head’s up when the new version will launch.

JAS and JDS sign on to DC Principles. Many of you may have heard ripples either through memos from your libraries or from colleagues regarding a couple of currents in scientific publishing, which may affect all science publishing. It is no secret that university library budgets are under pressure, and librarians need to become more active in seeking solutions to maintaining their serial collections as their budgets shrink. One response of several libraries has been to cancel “big deal” contracts (bundling hundreds of journals together so that the cost per journal is low, but that causes libraries to take many journals they otherwise would have cut), primarily with Elsevier Publishers. In the discussions about the high price of serials, a number of not-for-profit publishers such as ASAS and ADSA became concerned that we are being lumped in with commercial publishers who generally price their journals much higher than the not-for-profit publishers. Another model that is developing is loosely called “open access.” There are many experiments, sites, and groups involved in this movement. In its most prevalent model, it moves to an “author pays” scenario, in which all of the costs of publishing are borne by the author, and the article is available to any user upon publication. We generally favor spreading these publication costs across a number of parties to distribute the costs involved in getting research available to all parties. JDS and JAS also offer free access to content older than 12 months; this allows us to retain our business model that permits us to stay in business, and makes the majority of our material available to anyone who needs it.

As a way of letting our “middle ground” gain a greater voice, a number of not-for-profit publishers, primarily hosted by HighWire Press, developed “Washington DC Principles for Free Access to Science” over the last several months; ADSA and ASAS were original signatories to this document. On March 16, 2004, representatives of the DC Principles announced the completed draft at a Press Conference at the National Press Club, in Washington, DC. The complete principles, list of signatories, and links to subsequent coverage can be found at www.dcpinciples.org. The DC Principles outlines the commitment of not-for-profit publishers to work in partnership with scholarly communities such as libraries to “ensure that these communities are sustained, science is advanced, [and] research meets the highest standards…”
Nonprofit Journals Group. In a somewhat related vein, ADSA and ASAS and 15 other nonprofit scientific societies and associations have formed the Nonprofit Journals Group to help increase awareness of valuable nonprofit scientific journals with librarians.

These groups publish many of the finest scientific journals in their fields, but each alone lacks the financial resources to compete with commercial publisher’s marketing efforts. “Aggregation is driving the higher value players [nonprofits] out of the market,” says Ken Frazier, Director of Libraries at the University of Wisconsin. This new nonprofit alliance allows nonprofit scientific publishers to share the cost in providing librarians with online and print guides to the nonprofit scientific journals available today.


The Nonprofit Journals Group Web site is located at www.nonprofitjournals.org. Online library recommendation forms are available within each journal. Recommend a nonprofit scientific journal today. To request a print directory, contact mdelong@scisoc.org.

A new journal? A task force, headed up by P. J. Hansen, University of Florida, has begun exploring the possibility of a new basic science journal to be published out of Savoy. At its first conference call meeting, the tentative title Animal Gene and Cell was brought forth. Although still in the talking stages, this journal would address the need to attract those researchers doing molecular level research in animals to the societies, and the needs of researchers for a more focused outlet who sometimes go to journals more biased toward research in the human model. The task force will meet again in St. Louis at the joint meeting. If you’d like to provide input on this project or hear more about it, contact Pete Hansen at Hansen@animal.ufl.edu.

Jean Rice
JDS and JAS Managing Editor

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**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT**

**SCIENTIFIC LIAISON**

The Executive Vice President - Scientific Liaison (EVP-SL) of the Federation of Animal Science Societies (FASS) is responsible for development, recommendation, and conduct of approved activities regarding governmental affairs and public outreach on behalf of the animal agriculture and food systems community. The EVP-SL will maintain a Washington, DC presence and interact with scientific, commodity, and government organizations as a scientific advisor and support the viewpoint of Federation Member Societies. The EVP-SL is responsible to the Federation Board and shall perform such duties as assigned by the President or the Board.

Responsibilities:
- Full explanation of responsibilities is available at www.fass.org/jobs
- Staff the FASS Scientific Advisory Committees
- Outreach to Other Scientific Organizations
- Outreach to Animal and Other Commodity and Industry Organizations
- Interaction with Government Organizations and Monitoring Legislative Activities
- Conduct the Congressional Science Fellow Program
- Member Society Liaison and Communication
- Represent FASS at Meetings
- Manage the EVP-SL Office

Qualifications: Doctoral degree required, preferably in an area related to food animal sciences. Strong preference will be given to candidates with legislative experience and demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and communicate effectively with scientific, legislative, and governmental agency personnel.

Application Process: To ensure full consideration, a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and the names, addresses, e-mail addresses, and telephone numbers of five references should be received no later than May 17, 2004; however, applications will be accepted until a candidate is appointed. Applications should be mailed to: FASS EVP-SL Search Committee, attn: Chuck Sapp, FASS, 1111 N. Dunlap Ave. Savoy, IL 61874; phone 217/356-3182; e-mail: chucks@assochq.org (inquiries only). FASS is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.
The Eighth DISCOVER Conference on “Reducing Dairy Cow Culling Rates: Creating an Environment for Success” will be presented October 3-6, 2004 in Nashville, Indiana. This conference will identify and quantify causal factors contributing to current turnover (voluntary and involuntary culling) of cows from dairy herds on a local and national basis. Additionally, research needed to reduce turnover, especially for involuntary reasons, will be brought forth for discussion. Discussion will focus on controllable and uncontrollable issues leading to cows leaving the herd, how factors contribute to the decision to eliminate a cow, when during the life cycle should culling occur and what is an acceptable level of turnover within the dairy herd. To facilitate current and future discussion, a working group within the organizing committee will develop a paper on nomenclature for culling that provides consistency among terms for stakeholders. All of this is an effort for creating an environment for cows to succeed on modern dairy farms.

The Ninth DISCOVER Conference on “Protecting and Managing Animal Genetic Resources for Future Generations: The Next Steps” is planned for November 2-4, 2004 in Cheyenne, Wyoming. This conference will encompass an assessment of the progress made in identifying, preserving and utilizing the animal germplasm for each agriculturally important animal species through the National Animal Germplasm Program. The conference will consider current biological diversity, available preservation technology, future technology needs and the importance of protecting and preserving the available genetic resources for food animal species. In addition to speaker presentations, time will be devoted to species committee meetings and a tour of the National Center for Genetic Resource Preservation facilities in Ft. Collins. This will be a unique DISCOVER Conference due to the combination of scholarly presentations, in-depth interaction among participants, working sessions and the opportunity to build upon the results of the last DISCOVER Conference on this topic held in 1999 (see past conferences on the website).

“The Role of Milk and It’s Components in Nutrition and Health” is the topic of the tenth DISCOVER Conference, set for April 2005 in Atlanta, Georgia. Among the topics being presented are: an overview of the national health crisis, targeted genetic expression to improve milk composition, national selection of bovine phenotypes to improve the healthy aspects of fluid milk, milk as a tool to battle obesity epidemic, roles for dairy calcium in the aging population, overview of lactose intolerance, milk allergies, vitamin D deficiency, and dairy components and health.

Information on these conferences is posted on the DISCOVER web page at http://www.adsa.org/discover. Anyone with suggestions and ideas for topics and speakers should contact Bill Baumgardt or Molly Kelley.

Congratulations go to CSU Quiz Bowl Team!

The Colorado State University AQ Quiz Bowl Team won 1st place during the 2004 NCBA Convention held in Phoenix, AZ, January 28-31, 2004. Terry Etherton, ASAS President, and James Males, ASAS President Elect, were on hand to personally congratulate the team for their accomplishments. Left to Right: James Males, Jordan Dewing, Karen Geisler, Ryan Dompier, Jessica Rasmussen and Terry Etherton.
The American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) is a very strong and influential professional society. Every member has a vested interest in keeping the Society strong and active. We would encourage you to renew your commitment to ASAS by recruiting new members today. Some people are not sure of their membership status. If you need help finding out about current membership in ASAS or wish to obtain additional information about membership services, call (217) 356-9050 or e-mail ASAS headquarters at asas@assochq.org. We need everyone involved with animal sciences to be a part of the “scientific voice of animal agriculture.”

There are many benefits to membership in ASAS. The Journal of Animal Science is consistently ranked by ISI in the top one percent for impact factor and citation immediacy of journal publishing in the agriculture, dairy, and animal sciences. The sectional and annual meetings provide an opportunity for animal scientists to present, share, and discuss research findings. The society is critically important and committed to the professional development of students, as well as faculty and extension personnel. The ASAS awards provide the opportunity for members to be recognized and honored by their peers.

Without a strong, active membership, there would be no American Society of Animal Science. Please help us to grow our society by encouraging your coworkers to join ASAS.

Dan B. Faulkner
Membership Chairman

Dr. Richard Willham’s Portrait in Saddle & Sirloin Gallery

Dr. Richard L. Willham, C. F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor of Agriculture, Department of Animal Science, Iowa State University, is the 2004 recipient of the Saddle & Sirloin Portrait Award. The award ceremony will be held in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY, on Sunday, November 14. The Saddle & Sirloin portrait collection began with the founding of the Saddle & Sirloin Club in Chicago in 1903, and the collection was moved to Louisville in 1977. Thus, Dr. Willham’s recognition will highlight the 101st year of this award. Dr. Willham is known for his many contributions to beef cattle breeding and his leadership in the Beef Improvement Federation. He is recognized as a major force behind the development of national sire evaluation and national cattle evaluation programs. In addition, he has also focused on the union of livestock and the humanities. Dr. Willham received the Breeding and Genetics Award from ASAS in 1978, became a Fellow in 1985, and received the Industry Service Award in 1986. Contributions are being sought to meet the approximately $25,000 required for the portrait and the celebration. Charitable contributions can be made to the Iowa State Foundation—Willham Recognition, and should be sent to Maynard Hogberg, Department of Animal Science, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011. For information on the celebration, contact Merlyn Nielsen, Department of Animal Science, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE 68583 (mnielsen1@unl.edu).

ASAS Section/ADSA Branch Midwest Annual Meeting Update

The 2004 Midwest Section/Branch annual meeting of ASAS/ADSA was held March 15–17, at the Polk County Convention Center in Des Moines, IA. There were over 1,000 registrants and over 300 abstracts. The meeting included a number of exciting symposia.

During the Wednesday morning Breakfast, Awards Program, and Business Meeting, undergraduate students were recognized in the Academic Quadrathlon Competition and competitive paper awards. Masters and doctoral students were also recognized with student competition awards, and professional members were presented with research and teaching awards. Visit the Midwest Web page for the most current information on the Midwest ASAS Section/ADSA Branch and for a list of the award winners. Don’t forget to mark your calendar with next year’s Midwest meeting dates: March 21–23, 2005 in Des Moines, IA.

Dan Faulkner
Midwest ASAS Director
This year’s Southern Section Annual Meeting was held February 14–18, 2004 in Tulsa, OK, in conjunction with the Southern Association of Agricultural Sciences (SAAS). Attendance included 143 regular members, 50 graduate students, and 23 undergraduates, bringing the total number of registrants to 216. There were eight invited presentations, nine presentations in the Graduate Student Paper Competition, and five Undergraduate Paper Competition presentations. Participants enjoyed extension sessions comprising 17 presentations on a wide variety of interesting topics. With the withdrawal of the Agronomy Society from SAAS this past year, ending a history of joint Southern Section programs, ASAS Southern Section voted to develop a new program for future meetings focused on pastures and forages.

In other news:

- Because Dr. Jerry Baker, president-elect, has accepted the position of executive director of ASAS, Dr. Ken Esbenshade and Dr. Debra Aaron will remain in their current positions as president and past president, respectively, for another year, allowing Dr. Ron Randel and Dr. Dale Coleman to rotate up into the president-elect and secretary-treasurer positions, respectively, for the coming year. Dr. Chad Chase was elected secretary-treasurer-elect. Dale Coleman was elected to the position of ASAS director for the Southern Section.
- The Southern Section’s “Past Presidents Club” reported 13 current members contributing $4,300 to support activities of the Southern Section.
- Six teams representing Oklahoma State University, Mississippi State University, Texas A&M University, University of Kentucky, University of Tennessee, and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University competed in the Academic Quadrathlon hosted by Oklahoma State University and chaired by Dr. Brian Rude of Mississippi State University. The University of Kentucky was the overall winner and will represent the Southern Section at the national level.

The following awards were presented:

- Jackie L. Roberts (Oklahoma State University) won the Undergraduate Paper Competition for the presentation entitled, “Porcine endometrial nitric oxide synthase gene expression and uterine nitric oxide content during estrous cycle and early pregnancy.” Lindsey E. Hulbert (Texas Tech University) won second place, and Nicole Burdick (Texas A&M University) was awarded third. Awards were sponsored by Agri Laboratories and Fuller Supply Company.
- Erin G. Brown (Texas A&M University) won the Graduate Student Paper Competition for his presentation entitled, “Physiological indicators of performance and feed efficiency traits in growing steers and bulls.” Joao M. B. Vendramini (University of Florida) won second place, and Jolena N. Fleming (Texas Tech University) was awarded third. Awards were sponsored by Agri Laboratories and Fuller Supply Company.
- Graduate Student Travel Scholarships were awarded to Sharon Freeman (North Carolina State University), Bryan Horsley (Virginia Tech), and Laura Jonovich (Texas A&M University). The Joe Fontenot Appreciation Club associated with the ASAS Foundation supports these scholarships.

The Extension Award was presented to Dr. Roger McCraw, North Carolina State University. Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica sponsors this award.

The Young Animal Scientist Award for Education was presented to Dr. Todd See, North Carolina State University. Southern Section ASAS Board sponsored this award.

The Young Animal Scientist Award for Research was presented to Dr. Theo VanKempen, North Carolina State University. Elanco Animal Health sponsored this award.

The National Pork Board Award for Innovation was presented to Dr. Jason Apple, University of Arkansas, for his abstract entitled, “Effect of iron supplementation level on performance and carcass characteristics of growing-finishing swine.” The National Pork Board sponsored this award.

The Distinguished Service to the Southern Section Award was presented to Dr. Don Ely, University of Kentucky. The Southern Section ASAS Board sponsored this award.

A Special Award in Recognition of Service was presented to Dr. Jerry Baker, who has served as a director to ASAS representing the Southern Section and also in every Southern Section officer position except president before being selected to serve as ASAS executive director. The Southern Section ASAS Board sponsored this recognition.

The 2005 ASAS Southern Section meeting will be held February 5–9 in Little Rock, AR, in conjunction with the SAAS Annual Meeting, and will be hosted by the University of Arkansas.

Dale Coleman
ASAS Southern Section Director
The Western Section meeting will be hosted at Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR, June 16–18, 2004, with 14 graduate student competition papers and a total of 106 abstracts. There will be a beef symposium entitled “Reproductive Management for Extensive Environments.” Hope to see you there. Jack Whittier, Colorado State University, is the new Western Section president; Elaine Grings, USDA/ARS, Miles City Montana is president-elect; James Thompson, Oregon State University, is secretary-treasurer; Bret Christensen, Alltech, is the industry representative; and Jerry Reeves, Washington State University, is representative on the national board.

On March 26 and 27, 2004, New Mexico State University hosted the 2004 Western Regional Academic Quadrathlon contest. Six teams participated in the quadrathlon, with the top placement going to the Utah State University team. The teams that were in the competition were Utah State University, Rex College of Idaho, Colorado State University, Montana State University, University of Idaho, and the host team, New Mexico State University. The 2005 ASAS Western Section Meeting will be hosted by New Mexico State University.

Jerry Reeves
ASAS Western Section Director

The Southern Branch of ADSA held their annual meeting in conjunction with the national meeting in Phoenix last year. The southern branch sponsored a symposium entitled “How can we best work together to serve tomorrow’s dairy industry?” featuring eight speakers. The symposium was well attended and stimulated some excellent discussion.

The graduate student competition was held in conjunction with the national meeting. Stephanie Hill (NCSU), Fred Lundy (Clemson University), and O. A. Peralta (Virginia Tech) placed first, second, and third in the competition, respectively. Support of the graduate student was provided by Dairy Farmers of America.

The Award of Honor was presented to Dan Webb of the University of Florida for his contributions to the dairy industry.

Approximately 98 students, faculty and staff advisors, and graduate students attended the student affiliate division annual meeting in Baton Rouge, LA. Participating schools included Louisiana State University, Virginia Tech, University of Kentucky, University of Georgia, University of Florida, Oklahoma State University, North Carolina State University, and Mississippi State University. Students participated in dairy quiz bowl; undergraduate paper competition; judging chapter scrapbooks, displays and annual reports. The participants had the opportunity to watch the Mardi Gras parade and were treated to a crawfish boil with jambalaya. The University of Kentucky will host the 2004 student affiliate division annual meeting.

The executive committee is planning a symposium for the 2004 meetings in St. Louis entitled “Meeting the future needs of the dairy industry”. The symposia will be held on Tuesday afternoon and will feature six invited speakers. The speakers will address training graduates to succeed, providing information to dairy producers in the 21st century, and perspectives on funding programs of interest to everyone. We look forward to seeing everyone in St. Louis in July!

John Bernard
President, ADSA Southern Branch

ASAS News from the Western Section

ADSA Southern Branch News

ADSA/ASAS/PSA 2004 Joint Annual Meeting

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Register online at www.fass.org/2004
Housing Registration Deadline – June 14

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Student Affiliate Division
Meeting Program Highlights

Saturday, July 24

SAD Tour: Monsanto’s Biotechnology Research Facility
Bus leaves from Holiday Inn Express
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A departure from the traditional farm tour, this year the SAD will tour Monsanto’s Biotechnology Research Facility in Chesterfield, MO. Students and advisors will travel by motor coach from the SAD headquarters hotel, Holiday Inn Express, to Monsanto’s Chesterfield Village Research Center. This facility is one of the world’s largest devoted to plant biotechnology. In 250 laboratories, over 100 plant growth chambers and 2 acres of greenhouse space, top researchers from around the world are working to help achieve sustainable agriculture and to help make possible the vision of abundant food in a healthy environment. The tour will return in time for the Cardinal baseball game at 3:05. Space is limited to the first 55 registrants. This tour does NOT include lunch, so eat before you come! Ticket price: $7.00

SAD Bleacher Block:
Cardinals vs. Giants
Busch Stadium
3:05 p.m. Game Time

Game time is 3:05 Saturday, July 24 when the St. Louis Cardinals take on the San Francisco Giants. You won’t want to miss this one! Watch your email for more information on reserving your seat in the SAD bleacher block! Tickets in this block are limited to students and their advisors and will be ordered via email. Ticket price: $12.00

Sunday, July 25

Midday Mixer and Pizza Party
Convention Center
12 Noon

Free pizza and soda are on tap for all undergrads. Come help us launch the student meeting with this opening mixer and luncheon. See who else has come to the meeting, and get information you’ll need to help you prepare for the coming days. Best of all, lunch is on us! Registration is free, but required.

Dairy Quiz Bowl
1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Final Round: 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Calling all Dairy Clubs! Get your team together now and brush up on your knowledge of the dairy industry. All schools are encouraged to enter a 4-person team in this event. A seating test will be given on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. The competition will begin immediately following the seating and will continue throughout the afternoon. The final round will be held immediately prior to the Opening Session Sunday evening. Check the SAD web site for more information and to enter.

t-Shirt x-Change NEW!!
Convention Center
12 Noon (during the SAD Pizza Party)

Do want a chance to receive a Dairy Club T-shirt from another club? Bring one T-shirt for each registered undergraduate participating in the 2004 National Meeting to the pizza party at noon on Sunday, July 25th. This will give everyone a great opportunity to meet your fellow ADSA-SAD members. Remember, the funnier the shirt the better!

SAD Informal Mixer
Location and time to be announced
More information to come!

Monday, July 26

SAD Dance
Holiday Inn Express
8:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.

Come ready to rock on Monday, July 26 at the SAD Dance. Plan now to be a part of this cheap night of dancing, drinks, food and fun. This event is open to all meeting attendees, including students, advisors and anyone else looking for a fun evening. Ticket price: tbd.

Tuesday, July 27

Leaders in Training: Student Careers Symposium
Convention Center
9:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

This program is still being developed. More information to come!

SAD Luncheon and Awards Program
Convention Center
12 Noon – 2:00 p.m.

Dr. Jennifer L. Garrett, Ph.D., Technical Services Director for Monsanto Dairy Business will be presenting the keynote address for the student luncheon. Both students and professionals are encouraged to attend. There will also be an awards program for the students. This is a wonderful chance to get to know the next generation of the dairy industry. Ticket price: Professionals — $30, Students — $23.

Free Registration for SAD Members
Again this year, Undergraduate Student Members will receive free registration. However, the complimentary offer is only valid until July 1. After that date, registration will be $25. Nonmember rates are very steep. This is a very good time to encourage students to join, as SAD
membership is only $5.00! To join, go to www.adsa.org/sad/

Stay Where the Action Is — Make Your Club’s Housing Reservation Today!

Many have commented over the years about the desire to get all the students in one hotel. This year, as in the past, a hotel has been designated at the Student Headquarters Hotel: the Holiday Inn Select. Although it is designated as the student hotel, the housing bureau cannot deny any meeting participant’s (student or professional) reservation request if space is available. In order to get as many students as possible in one hotel, it is up to the clubs to make their reservations early. You may make your club’s reservations by going to the meeting housing page, http://www.fass.org/2004/house.asp On the web site you will find the housing form and a link to the online housing reservation system.

The Holiday Inn Select is offering room rates of $115 single/double, $141 quad. The hotel is very close to other hotels and the convention center, as well as many restaurants and nightclubs. You may make your reservations by either printing out the form or returning to the Housing Bureau, or by using the online housing reservation system. This is a secure site operated by the CVB and is very similar to making hotel reservations online through individual properties or a travel service.

CAST REPORT SPRING 2004

Why Should You Belong to CAST?

CAST was formed in 1972 to assemble, interpret, and communicate unbiased science-based information on food, fiber, and agricultural issues to legislators, regulators, policy makers, the media, the private sector, and the public, both nationally and internationally. Other sciences had the National Academy of Sciences and medicine had the NAS Institute of Medicine to provide this voice, but food and agriculture had none. Since its founding, CAST has become the most respected voice for the science of agriculture for these stakeholders. Although it is true that 38 societies belong to CAST, membership of individual scientists is critical both to enhance financial resources and to enhance the power of our voice.

To accomplish its mission, CAST has four work groups:
1. Animal sciences
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4. Plant protection sciences

These work groups are charged with identifying issues of importance to agricultural science for which good scientific data are available to inform the public and to guide the development of policy and/or legislation. Several methods have been developed to communicate this information, including 1) publication of “issue papers” that are comprehensive and unbiased reviews and interpretations of the scientific information available, as edited by a team of scientists and identified by the work group, and 2) publication of “commentaries” that are short, rapid, and thus more timely synopses of the state of science pertaining to a particular issue.

Some recent publications that may be of interest to you:
1. Issue Paper No. 24, Nutraceuticals for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention.
3. CAST Commentary, Food Safety and Fresh Produce.

Some publications that are in progress that may interest you include:
1. Issue Paper: Animal Organ Donors: Human Health Applications
2. Issue Paper: Ethics in Agriculture
4. Issue Paper: Global Risks of Animal Disease
5. Issue Paper: Microbial Risk Analysis in Food Safety

I am vice chair of the Food Sciences and Agricultural Technology work group, so I would welcome your suggestions of issues that could be addressed. I hope you will give this some serious thought.

Finally, I invite you to visit the CAST Website at www.cast-science.org to learn more about CAST. I hope you will consider becoming a member.

Harold Swaisgood
ADSA CAST Representative
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DEPOSITS
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DO NOT CONTACT YOUR HOTEL DIRECTLY UNTIL AFTER JULY 16, 2004.
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Spouses and children are not required to register. To receive a name badge(s), please provide name(s) below.

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Please note that all session rooms will be equipped with a computer and LCD projector. All oral presentations and invited speaker presentations will be pre-loaded one week prior to the meeting. You will be contacted with the pre-loading instructions and deadlines which can also be found online at www.fass.org/2004.

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**PAYMENT**

**Total Amount Due $__________**

- Check Enclosed (drawn on US bank in US funds)
- Please charge $________________ to my credit card

**Card Number______________________________**

**Expiration Date__________________________**

**Signature_______________________________**

**CANCELLATION POLICY**

To be eligible for a refund of meeting registration fees, requests must be received in writing before the following dates:

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The cancellation dates apply only to the meeting registration fees. Ticketed events may be cancelled due to minimum attendance requirements. Refunds will be issued for CANCELLED ticketed events. There will be NO REFUNDS for non-cancelled ticketed events. All approved refunds will be issued after the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE**

Please be sure to pre-register for non-program ticketed events; they will not be available for purchase onsite.

**SUBMIT THIS REGISTRATION FORM**

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