



WESTERN SECTION  
**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANIMAL SCIENCE**

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To: Members, Western Section American Society of Animal Science  
From: Tim Ross, President, Western Section, ASAS  
Subject: 2007 Western Section Meeting Announcements and Other News

Greetings and Thanks: As we begin planning for the 2007 meetings next summer, I want to thank Ken Olson and faculty, staff and students of Utah State University for hosting a great meeting in Logan, Utah this past summer. Every function from the beef symposium, graduate student competitions to the ice cream bar were informative and enjoyable. I also want to thank the national staff for their many efforts in making the meetings a success. Thanks to President David Buchanan, Executive Director Meghan Wulster-Radcliffe and Associate Executive Director Paula Schultz for attending the Logan meetings and keeping us informed at the national level.

2007 WSASAS Meeting. The 2007 WSASAS meeting will be held at the University of Idaho, Moscow June 20-22, 2007. Dr. Dick Battaglia (WSASAS Secretary-Treasurer) and his group are planning another excellent meeting. The schedule will include the beef symposium on Wednesday followed by scientific sessions on Thursday and Friday. More information will be posted on the WSASAS web site as it becomes available.

Awards. The deadline for the WSASAS awards submission is March 1, 2007. Last year, we did not have a nomination for The Distinguished Service Award. The Western Section has many deserving members. So, let's make sure this year we have multiple nominations for all of our awards. Directions for submission for all awards are in the Western Section Secretary-Treasurer letter located on the Western Section web site. Eligibility requirements for the awards are also available on the web site. If you have questions on the award requirements, contact Dr. Ken Olson. If you have questions on the electronic submission process, contact Paula Schultz, ASAS Associate Executive Director, ph 217-356-9050, ext. 21: email [paulas@assochq.org](mailto:paulas@assochq.org).

2006 WSASAS awards were presented to:

Distinguished Teacher	Dr. Anita Oberbauer	University of California, Davis
Young Scientist	Dr. Terry Engle	Colorado State University
Extension	Dr. Jim Sprinkle	University of Arizona

Thanks to our sponsors: Elanco Animal Health, Distinguished Teacher; Fort Dodge Animal Health, Extension; and Ridley Block Operations, Young Scientist.

The Graduate Student Paper Competition winners were:

First	Justin W. Waggoner	New Mexico State University
Second	Charles M. Murrieta	University of Wyoming
Third	Rebecca L. Atkinson	University of Wyoming

The institutional award winner was the University of Wyoming. This award is made possible through the generous support of Zinpro.

The Applied Animal Science Award winners were:

First	J. L. Martin	University of Nebraska
Second	T. W. Geary	USDA-ARS Miles City, MT
Third	D. G. Landblom	North Dakota State University

Thanks to all our industry sponsors for making this award possible.

Committee assignments for 2006-2007 are posted on the WSASAS web site. I appreciate your willingness to serve on the committees. I also want to extend my thanks to our members that served on last year's committees. Your commitment to the section makes a difference.

Western Section Proceedings: Our published proceeding is one thing that separates us from the other sections. Let's keep the proceedings of the highest quality. Proceeding papers are required for ALL submitted abstracts. Abstracts not accompanied by a proceedings paper will not be scheduled for presentation. So, watch those deadlines.

Future Meetings:

2008 University of Wyoming, Laramie

2009 University of Alberta, Edmonton

2010 Denver, CO. Joint with National