

**Western Section
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANIMAL SCIENCE
Summer Meeting 2007**

April 2007

Dear Colleagues,

The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Western Section, American Society of Animal Science (WSASAS) will be held **June 20-22** on the campus of the **University of Idaho, Moscow**. We invite you to come to Idaho, participate in this excellent conference, and enjoy the Palouse countryside.

Highlights of the meeting are listed below. Check out the Western Section Web Site for complete information (<http://www.asas.org/western07/>).

1. A Beef Symposium will be held on June 20 entitled: **‘The Repercussions of Lifetime Nutritional Programs.’** Complete symposium details are on the web (<http://www.asas.org/western07/>). ARPAS has approved this symposium for 5 CEUs.
2. Oral presentations in the WSASAS Graduate Student Competition will be given on June 21. Presentation venue is the historic Auditorium in the University Administration Building.
3. Presentations in the WSASAS Extension Symposium, on June 21, will highlight ‘Disseminating information to the industry through the Extension Service’. Complete symposium details are on the web (<http://www.asas.org/western07/>).
4. A Welcome Reception will be held on June 20 at 6:30 - 9 PM on the Idaho Commons Green. On the evening of June 21, the annual WSASAS Awards Banquet will take place at 6:30 PM, in the Ballroom in the Student Union Building. These events will be enjoyable opportunities to renew old friendships and make new ones.
6. As always, there will be high quality oral and poster presentations in the disciplines of Animal Science.
7. You can register for this meeting on-line using the WSASAS web site: <http://www.asas.org/western07/>.
8. Graduate student registration fees include payment of dues for one (1) year of ASAS membership. An application form for ASAS membership must be submitted at the 2007 WSASAS Meetings to receive the complimentary one (1) year ASAS membership. Membership application forms can be brought to the meeting (<http://www.asas.org/application.pdf>) or blank forms will be available at the registration desk. This is a great opportunity for graduate students to become members of ASAS - essentially for free! Please take advantage of it.
9. **MAKE YOUR ROOM AND TRAVEL RESERVATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** University housing will NOT be available. You will find a link for hotels and travel information on the web site: <http://www.asas.org/western07/>.

10. WSASAS members that have passed away are remembered each year at the annual meeting. If you know of a WSASAS member who should be remembered, please contact Dr. Elaine Grings by June 1, 2007. You may either E-mail the information to elaine@larrl.ars.usda.gov, or contact her by mail, phone or fax:

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11. As always, we thank the numerous sponsors who help make the annual WSASAS Meetings a continued success.
12. We are confident that this will be an outstanding conference and we look forward to seeing you in Moscow this June.
13. The 2007 WSASAS Officer ballot is available on the web site (<http://www.asas.org/western07/>). Richard Battaglia is on the ballot for President-Elect. On the ballot for Secretary is Gary Moss. Tim DelCurto and Bret Hess are on the ballot for the WSASAS National Director. Be sure to cast your vote by May 18, 2007.

Sincerely,

Tim Ross, President
Western Section, American Society of Animal Science