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THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF AVIAN PATHOLOGISTS

AAAP Annual Meeting Held in Atlanta, GA

The American Association of Avian Pathologists met at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta July, 31st –August 4th this year. The 3 ½ day event included a symposium sponsored by the Animal Welfare and Management Practices committee titled, "Animal Welfare: Reality, Perception and Thinking Outside the Box." The Scientific Program consisted of 114 oral presentations and 92 poster presentations. Featured speakers included keynote speaker, Dr. Christine Hoang whose address was titled, "Is the Sky Falling? Current and Future Challenges in Poultry Medicine," and Dr. David Espeseth whose Lasher-Eckroade History Lecture was titled, "Historical Data on Establishing Regulatory Oversight of Poultry Vaccines." Reed Rumsey Award winners Payvand Parvizi and Natalie K. Armour presented their papers, "Regulatory T Cell Marker Expression in Splenic CD4+ and CD8+ T Cell Subsets of Chickens Infected with Marek's Disease Virus (MDV)" and "Evaluation of the Pathogenicity and Transmissibility of Two Recent Mycoplasma synoviae Isolates from Arkansas," respectively. Milos Markis and Chasity Cox were the Richard B. Rimler Memorial Paper award winners. Milos presented his paper, "Feather Tip Monitoring of Marek's Disease Virus in Experimental and Commercial Settings," and Chasity presented, "The Effects of Dietary 2-Glucan Supplementation on Performance and Immune Response of Broiler Chicks during an Eimeria Challenge." Travis Schaal was the Dwight Schwartz Travel Award winner and he presented, "An Alternative to the Traditional "Poultry Pathologist" –Veterinary Careers through the USDA Food Safety Inspection Service."



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Preceptorship Program Assists Many in the Pursuit of a Career as a Poultry Veterinarian

The AAAP Foundation's Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Poultry Medicine Training Program was begun in 1988 through a generous contribution by Dr. Kenneth Eskelund. "He wanted to ensure that every veterinary student that had even a remote interest in poultry medicine had the opportunity to get some experience in that discipline in order to make a decision regarding their career. Dr. Eskelund felt that the preceptorship was a very valuable experience for every interested student even if they decided that poultry medicine was not for them," explained Steve Roney, chair of the Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship committee.

It was a great idea.

For 22 years the AAAP Foundation has offered preceptorship scholarships to interested 3rd or 4th year veterinary students. Preceptors are able to get specialized poultry medicine training at a variety of sites including universities, diagnostic laboratories, poultry production companies and poultry breeding companies. A positive preceptorship experience has often aided the student in choosing a career in poultry medicine. Many of our most active AAAP and ACPV members are former preceptors.

Karen Grogan, Secretary-Treasurer of ACPV, participated in the program in 1999.

"I completed a preceptorship with Dr. Bill Hewat at Tyson Foods, per the recommendation of my poultry advisor at NC State, Dr. Dennis Wages. I was determined to practice in food animal medicine, but was interested in several fields, including poultry. *Continued on page 4*

Letter from the President

**Stewart
Ritchie**

Dear Fellow AAAP Member:

It is truly a privilege and an honor to serve as the president of the AAAP. The AAAP has provided critical continuing education opportunities in so many ways to all members and all sectors of the poultry industry.

The AAAP has been a very effective organization for over 50 years and has continued to evolve and meet the demands of the modern world. The AAAP consists of almost 1000 members from over 65 countries. These members are extremely talented and generous. It is the generosity of our members that is one of the key hallmarks of the AAAP. The AAAP membership is very diverse and consists of elite scientists, geneticists, diagnosticians, clinicians, poultry health managers, and an extremely talented administrative staff. Our members are world renowned and are often key note speakers at various scientific and industry meetings around the world. Our members also provide our legislative and various government bodies with sound scientifically based guidance on matters important to the public.

In 2011 the AAAP will meet with the PSA for the first time in their collective histories. This meeting will take place July 16-19, 2011 in St. Louis, Missouri. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend this historic meeting. The AAAP and the PSA have also worked to develop a joint symposium titled, **"A Crystal Ball Look into the Future..." It will be held July 16, 2011.**

During my tenure as president of the AAAP I wish to shine more light on providing practical information for our flock managers. It is our flock managers who care for our poultry and it is critical that scientifically sound, practical information and guidance be readily available for use at the farm level. The impact that sound management has on flock health, food safety, welfare and the efficient utilization of resources is even more significant today. All sectors of the poultry industry have made great strides and it is critical that our flock managers be equipped with the information necessary to realize the significant benefits of these advancements.

The AAAP is a team and my role as president will be to continue to nurture our common goals and objectives and to help cultivate new opportunities to work together. The AAAP will continue to play a significant role in helping poultry industries develop successfully in other countries and in return the AAAP will receive continued enthusiasm and expertise.

The AAAP provides world renowned publications, including two quarterly journals, several books, manuals and slide sets. With new opportunities in social media and web based learning, the AAAP will meet the challenge, as a team.

In closing I would like to thank Dr. Jagdev Sharma for his leadership as president this past year, and also for his very significant contribution to the AAAP, the contributions were and are truly remarkable.

I look forward to serving as president this year, and yes, I am Canadian, eh.

Best Regards,





Letter from the Secretary-Treasurer

Chuck Hofacre

Our organization was very successful in navigating these uncertain financial times with our total assets growing last year by about \$18,000. Also, it is great to see that our declining membership may be leveling off. One of the reasons for our financial success despite lower membership numbers and no dues increase last year was the success of the royalties from the Avian Diseases journal. These royalties are from our relationship with the organization BioOne (\$60,187). Unfortunately, we can't always count on this level of royalties and so the board approved a \$10.00 dues increase for 2011. A second area that the board is considering for cost savings is to stop printing and mailing hard copies of Avian Diseases and having it only as an electronic journal. For those of you who are like me that want a hard copy to carry around, you will still be able to have that by paying a little extra with your dues. This move won't occur for at least 1 more year so you will still have the print copy this next year. In January, the board will look at the renewal numbers and decide if the journal should be offered "print on demand" in 2012.

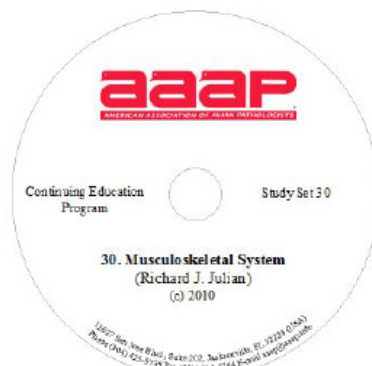
It has been great to see how well our committees are working and it's a pleasure to see so many members being actively involved in the governing of AAAP. We have had many committees survey our membership and I thank all who responded for their help. One survey I wanted to follow up on was from our membership committee. They found that many members have a lack of historical understanding of our organization, or to paraphrase; "Why has AAAP historically done things this way?" I am going to try to answer some of these questions over the next few newsletters. "Why does AAAP always meet with AVMA?"

Under Article VI of the AAAP By-laws it states; "The organization shall hold an annual meeting in conjunction with the annual meeting of the AVMA unless specified otherwise by the officers." We continue to hold our meetings with AVMA, our parent organization, because they provide us with a large amount of logistical support for the meeting site and registration. They also provide financial support for A.V. equipment and travel for presenters.

I am very excited about meeting next year at the AVMA Convention in St. Louis with all of our colleagues in the Poultry Science Association. We will be starting a day early (Saturday, July 16th) with a joint symposium and a joint opening reception. There will also be many other exciting events including 8 simultaneous rooms of scientific presentations and a large number of poster presentations. If you want to help in any area for next year's annual meeting, don't hesitate to let Janece or Bob Bevans-Kerr or I know. See you soon.

Sincerely,

Chuck Hofacre,
Secretary-Treasurer, AAAP



New Slide Study Sets

The Avian Cardiovascular System (25A)
by Richard J. Julian (2010)

Musculoskeletal System (30)
by Richard J. Julian (2010)

Available at:
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Preceptorship Program Assists Many in the Pursuit of a Career as a Poultry Veterinarian (continued from page 1)

By Janece Bevans-Kerr

Bill was a great poultry veterinarian to work with for two weeks and he quickly set me straight on the best path to take to achieve my career goals (in a much less polite and more country phrase). He strongly encouraged me to apply to the MAM program at UGA in order to receive outstanding training in the field. The next year I graduated veterinary school and entered the MAM program. I do believe my career path would have turned out a bit different if it weren't for the Eskelund preceptorship and the advice, encouragement and skills I gained from the many AAAP members who helped me along the way."

Others such as Scott Gustin (Director of Veterinary Services at Cobb-Vantress) and Ian Rubinoff (Technical Services Veterinarian at Hy-Line International) found that their preceptorship experience solidified their already established preference for poultry medicine. They also found value in the specialized training and the contacts they were able to establish.

"I have to admit I was pretty convinced that poultry was the area of veterinary medicine that I was most likely to pursue before my preceptorship experience. What I can say about the preceptorship experience is that it affirmed that this was what I wanted to do by seeing the different opportunities that existed in the poultry business. Additionally, the preceptorship program allows you to start building upon a network of contacts and professional experiences that you continue to build on throughout your further education or career. It is not easy for the average veterinary student to access the multitude of opportunities that the Eskelund Preceptorship program maintains. For those not living in areas of significant poultry production, it may be the only avenue to make these experiences available to a vet student." **Scott Gustin** (preceptorship 2002)

"As a recipient of the Eskelund preceptorship program I was fortunate to spend two weeks at the Poultry Diagnostic Research Center in Georgia and one week at the Lasher Laboratory in Delaware. These experiences gave me valuable repetitions in poultry necropsy, fieldwork, and disease differential diagnosis. By funding veterinary students in their goal to enter the field of poultry medicine, this preceptorship allows students opportunities to travel to locations they might not have been able to afford and learn about production in different areas of the country. My goal starting veterinary school was to become a poultry veterinarian, and this preceptorship program was vital for helping me gain experience and ultimately find a great job in the poultry industry." **Ian Rubinoff** (preceptorship 2008)

2010 Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Award Winners

Isa Ehr

University of Wisconsin

Blayne Mozisek

Texas A&M University

Travis Schaal

Oregon State University

John Garth Cummings

Cornell University

Gene Shepherd

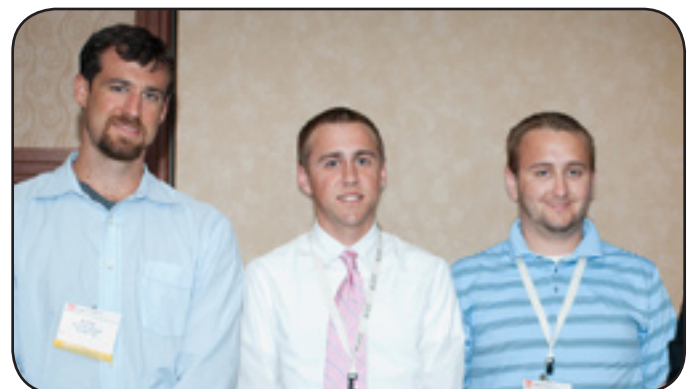
Oklahoma State University

Julie Kelly

Oregon State University

Dan Wilson

Purdue University



Blayne Mozisek, Travis Schaal, and Dan Wilson were able to attend the 2010 AAAP Awards Luncheon

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The Preceptorship Program continues to benefit those who choose a poultry medicine career. Below is a thank you letter to AAAP from 2010 Preceptorship scholar **Blayne Mozisek** which describes his experience:

May 10, 2010

AAAP
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Jacksonville, FL 32223-8638

Dear AAAP,

As I write this letter I am also counting the hours until it is official. That is, my walk across the stage, hooding, and the official, and long awaited, arrival into the profession of veterinary medicine. Sometime after 2PM and May 13th, after the ceremony has ended and the stage has cleared, my class will be able to look back at the variety of paths we all traveled to get to and through vet school. All those paths are converging at graduation and then quickly diverging to explore the limitless possibilities available in veterinary medicine. The path I choose to take in Poultry Medicine is a rare one and as such, obtaining funding to explore such a field during the final clinical year of vet school can be difficult.

The Alternative Track program at Texas A&M allowed me to spend up to four months away training at an institution that could provide the specialized training in the field of veterinary medicine I wanted to pursue. There are only a few institutions remaining in the United States that offer such training in the field of Poultry Medicine and thanks to the generous help of the AAAP and the AVMA, I was able to take full advantage of one of these institutions by leaving College Station, Texas and traveling to Athens, Georgia.

The University of Georgia's Poultry Diagnostic and Research Center (PDRC) is widely considered the best of these institutions; a global leader in the field of poultry medicine. Veterinary students, company representatives, and researchers travel from across the world to train here.

With the funding, I was able to attend class, fieldtrips, labs, and lectures for nearly four months. During my time at PDRC, I was able to visit commercial poultry operations in California, Iowa, Tennessee, Kentucky, the Carolinas, and Alabama and throughout Georgia. At each of the locations I visited, I gained a critical understanding of the complexities that occur in the field, something no textbook can teach. Without the funding from the AAAP and AVMA, my abilities to travel would have been severely limited and these educational opportunities would not have been possible.

Lastly, I would like to thank the AAAP for continuing this tradition of travel scholarships in Dr. Eskelund's name. It was a great educational value to me and will be for students who receive them in the future. I hope these future students will have the same opportunities to receive such awards by the continuation, if not expansion, of this scholarship program.

Sincerely,
Blayne Mozisek

The Kenneth Eskelund Preceptorship Awards program has certainly been a success. Thank you Dr. Eskelund.

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Reed Rumsey Student Award:
Natalie Armour and Payvand Parvizi



A. S. Rosenwald Student Poster Award:
Ha-na Youn and Rodrigo Gallardo

Great Beginnings for AAAP Foundation Capital Campaign

AAAP members robustly supported the AAAP Foundation's first Capital Campaign by pledging just under \$150,000.00 during the 2010 annual meeting. The purpose of the capital campaign is to raise scholarship money for students who intend to have careers in the area of poultry health.

Fred Hoerr, President of the AAAP Foundation, had the membership surveyed to ascertain the kind of giving and fund raising events that should be included in the capital campaign. "A consensus emerged from the survey indicating strong support for student scholarships. The enthusiastic pledge response at the business meeting showed that AAAP members welcomed the scholarship program as a worthwhile Foundation activity".

The AAAP Foundation was founded in 1988 and since its founding has funded AAAP awards. The number of awards has grown throughout the years and there are now ten awards given annually. The Foundation also funds the Kenneth H. Eskelund Preceptorship Program. Many members don't realize that the American Association of Avian Pathologist, Inc. and the AAAP Foundation are two separate organizations. As a public foundation the AAAP Foundation relies on individual contributions.

If you would like to make a tax deductible donation, please send your check to the AAAP Business office or you can make your donation online at www.aaap.info/foundation.

Kenneth H. Eskelund Preceptorship Scholarship

www.aaap.info/aaapreceptorship

Due Date: December 15, 2010

Send application forms to:

Eskelund Preceptorship Scholarship
AAAP Foundation
12627 San Jose Blvd., Suite 202
Jacksonville, FL 32223-8638

Phone: 904-425-5735
Fax: 281-664-4744
Email: AAAP@aaap.info

2011 AAAP Awards

www.aaap.info/aaapawards

You are invited to submit your nominations by the following deadlines:

Due Date: December 1, 2010

Reed Rumsey Award

**Richard B. Rimler
Memorial Paper Award**

**L. Dwight Schwartz
Travel Scholarship**
(www.aaap.info/travel)

Due Date: February 1, 2011

**Bayer-Snoeyenbos
New Investigator Award**

**Bruce W. Calnek
Applied Poultry Research Achievement Award**

Lasher-Bottorff Award:

Life Membership

**Phibro Animal Health
Excellence in Poultry Research Award**

Special Service Award

Send nominations by mail, fax or email to:

Calvin Keeler
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Newark, DE 19716-2150

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Email: ckeeler@udel.edu

AAAP Members Donate AAAP Educational Materials

AAAP and AAAP members, Nestor Adriatico, Agnes Agunos, Daniel Bautista, Teresa Cereno, Dan Domingo, Teresa Dormitorio, Dave Fernandez, Elleen Katigbak and Nathaniel Tablante donated two copies of all the recent AAAP educational materials to the University of the Philippines College of Veterinary Medicine/Institute of Animal Science (UPCVM-IAS) Library and the C.L. Davis Pathology Reference Center (1 of 4 international pathology centers outside the U.S.) at the UPCVM campus.

"We thank AAAP for facilitating discounts (50% of the listed price) for 2 sets of AAAP materials purchased by our group. In effect, AAAP donated 1 of 2 sets of AAAP educational materials. These educational materials will go a long way in helping our poultry professional colleagues in that part of the world to have access to our latest publications. We hope this kind gesture will pave the way for closer ties with AAAP in terms of enhanced AAAP awareness, international membership, and collaboration," stated Daniel Bautista, group member and Eastern Director on the AAAP Board of Directors. "The next phase of this endeavor is the shipment of a near complete set of AAAP-donated Avian Diseases journals to the UPCVM library. Our group will take care of the shipping charges." Again, on behalf of our group of AAAP members, University of the Philippines-CVM, C.L. Davis Foundation, and Philippine Veterinary Medical Association-U.S.A., we are extremely grateful for AAAP's generous donation and international vision.

AAAP is encouraging other members to facilitate the donation of near complete sets of Avian Diseases journals (1957-present). Complete sets are available and all that is needed is a group or sponsor to pay the shipping costs. For more information, please contact the AAAP office at: aaap@aaap.info or 904-425-5735.



Nathaniel Tablante and Conrado Valdez, Dean of the University of the Philippines College of Veterinary Medicine



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53rd Annual Report American Association of Avian Pathologists, Inc. For year ending April 30, 2010

The American Association of Avian Pathologists, Inc. weathered the financial turmoil very well with our total assets increasing by \$18,000 (\$528,965, FY09-10 vs. \$510,591, FY08-09). This growth in our organization has come without a dues increase this past year as the Board felt last July it was an added financial burden for our members. It is great to see that our decline in membership may be starting to level off with 814 members and 294 book dealers and subscribers. Our 3 major sources of revenue are dues (\$140,388), subscriptions (\$283,689) to our journal, Avian Diseases, and sales of educational material (\$54,772). The income source that helped keep us financially in the black was the royalties from researchers around the world downloading Avian Diseases articles via BioOne (\$60,187). This revenue nearly doubled from last year, partly due to an accounting change at BioOne. However, it does demonstrate how valuable the articles we publish are to the world's research community. We have 5 major sources of educational material income and I want to thank the editors and authors of each of those for their contribution to keeping these books current and valuable to poultry health professionals all over the world. They are the slide study sets (\$2,907), 6th Avian Diseases Manual (\$11,977), Isolation and Identification (\$7,993), Avian Histopathology (\$15,590) and 12th Diseases of Poultry (\$8,907). Also, I am excited that Bob Owen and his team of authors will next year have a new Biosecurity Manual.

Last year, I let you know the board had responded to your requests for AAAP, Inc. to become more involved in helping AVMA in the educational process of federal administrators and legislators. The Board again went to Washington, D.C. in March to meet with administrators at FDA, USDA and EPA to discuss many issues facing the poultry

veterinarians and the poultry industry. The board members also met with their Senators and Representatives to help them understand veterinary medicine and let them know they can contact AAAP if they need any assistance with understanding upcoming legislation. AAAP has also joined the Coalition for Animal Health advocating for judicious antibiotic use. Also, thank you to James Barton for representing AAAP by making a presentation to the National Organic Standards Board regarding animal welfare recommendations. One of our strengths on the national level is our close association with our parent organization, AVMA. We provided authorship and review to 3 position statements for AVMA this past year: Layer Hen Housing Systems, Beak Trimming and Induced Molting of Layer Chickens.

Lastly, I want to thank all of our members who serve AAAP as representatives of the many committees of AVMA and the allied organizations that AAAP is a member. I want to especially congratulate Nat Tablante for his election to President of the Council on Agriculture Science and Technology (CAST) and Dave Hermes for his election to Chairman of the board for PAACO.

Thank you Janece and Bob Bevans-Kerr for all of your hard work keeping us all on track this past year.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles L. Hofacre
Secretary-Treasurer, AAAP

Interested in serving on an AAAP committee? Please indicate your committee preferences here or when you renew your dues online.

2010-2011 AAAP Leadership Roster
available online for members who login
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2011 Annual Meeting

AVMAconvention
2011 st. louis



AAAP Call for papers

accepted from October 1- December 1,
2010 Submit here.

**Convention Registration and housing will
be available at** www.avmaconvention.org
early next year.

AAAP Hotel Headquarters

Hyatt Regency
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Program information available at
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The American Association of Avian Pathologists strives to prevent and eliminate the suffering and loss of poultry due to disease, to assure a safe poultry-associated food supply and to develop and use cutting edge, science based techniques to meet these goals through education of current and future scientists.

July 16-19, 2011 St. Louis, MO America's Center Convention Complex

A joint symposium will be hosted on
Saturday, July 16, 2011 from 8:00AM-1:00PM.

A Crystal Ball Look into the Future of

The symposium is designed to take a look into the future of poultry production in the next 5 to 10 years. Topics will include genetics, nutrition, hatchery, immune modulation, and coccidiosis. The session will be capped by this year's keynote speaker addressing the issue of the Future of Antibiotics in Animal Agriculture.

There are preliminary plans for an evening opening reception on
Saturday, July 16, 2011

The AAAP/PSA Scientific sessions will be from
Sunday- Tuesday, July 17-19, 2011

AAAP/PSA Posters will be required to be 4X4 format.

NEW: We are planning an evening wine & cheese event tentatively
scheduled on Monday, July 18, 2011 from 4:00-6:00PM in the poster
room

The joint AAAP Lasher-Eckroade History Lecture and the
WPSA Lecture will be held on
Monday, July 18, 2011 from 1:15-2:00

The History of the Poultry Industry: Scientific Breakthroughs
by Dr. Greg Mathis

AAAP Moves Forward

AAAP continues to be a vibrant and evolving organization setting standards for scientific research and education. As we all know, our methods of communication and data sharing in today's world have been evolving at rapid speeds. AAAP as any scientific/educational organization has to continually evaluate the cost/benefit of these new tools and methods of communication and data sharing. One tool that AAAP has been utilizing is our website which is designed for public and membership access. Our website (www.aaap.info) recently went through a platform upgrade that will enable us to more effectively share information.

For members only we have access to:

- AAAP membership directory and AAAP Leadership Roster
- Avian Diseases and Avian Diseases Digest.
- Committee and board reports
- Events
- Publications and discounts
- Forms to provide feedback, submit committee interest and vote on board members
- Forms to renew membership
- Forms to submit Scientific abstracts
- Video tutorials

For public access we have available:

- AAAP position statements, comments and letters endorsed by our board of directors
- Order forms for publications
- Forms to pay page charges
- Subscription forms for Avian Diseases and Avian Diseases Digest
- Other news and information about AAAP and its committees

The list above only highlights some of the capabilities/offerings of the AAAP website. It is our way to share on an international level who we are and what we are about. It is also a source of revenue for AAAP. Since mid 2008 AAAP has seen a dramatic increase in revenue transactions online generating over \$150,000. a year in receipts. Also keep in mind that all our journals since 1957 are online and last year the online royalties from BioOne and JSTOR were over \$60,000. Clearly a good decision by AAAP to partner with BioOne, Allen Press and JSTOR to house our journals.

While we are only touching the surface of the capabilities of online communication and data sharing, we do have many initiatives in progress. Recently AAAP had Allen Press migrate our journals to a new platform which enables advance search features and ability to save favorite articles and searches and share them. You can search by authors, titles, and words in an article or abstract, date, or DOI (Digital Object Identifier). You can also set up RSS feeds when there is a new article that matches your saved search. In addition, the site has a translator tool to provide help with navigation.

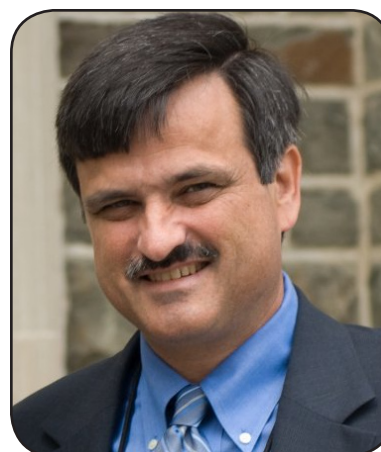
We invite you to explore these tools and see the benefits of online access.

Soon after the above migration AAAP set up an auto-authentication method for AAAP members only to access the journal. Once a member logs into the AAAP website they have immediate access to Avian Diseases. No more logging into Allen Press and then to login to JSTOR for other volumes. Take a look at this 4 min video to see how it works.

Online access to content is expected to grow as more ways of access to the content continue and interactive capabilities develop. AAAP is in a position to evaluate the option to offer content by electronic access only. Print on demand is one way to have a hybrid solution that offers online access to all but with the option to select a print copy at an additional cost. Currently, members who select online only pay \$205 and members who select a printed copy pay \$225 or \$250 for international shipping. In the meantime expect to see content improvements on our website as we start to utilize new features and capabilities. Your suggestions, comments and feedback are always welcomed. Please send to aaap@aaap.info

One other initiative in progress is the development of our "Slide Study Sets". While the AAAP Education Committee continues to update slides, we will retire the older sets. All sets are scheduled to be available individually and available as a downloadable pdf file when purchased by Spring of 2011 or sooner.

Lastly, I would like to let you know that Cindy Wilson has joined our team in Jacksonville working part-time to support our book sales, subscriptions and claims process and online processing. Cindy has been with us since the beginning of September and has been a valuable team member in helping us improve and speed up our processes. If you have a chance please welcome Cindy at aaapbookstore@aaap.info



Bob Bevens-Kerr
Executive Director, AAAP

2010 Summer Meeting

- 2010 Summer Board meeting Minutes 
- 2010 Summer Business Meeting Minutes 
- 2010 AAAP Foundation Board Minutes 

AAAP in AVMA News

- AVMA write up on 2010 AAAP Symposium
- AVMA write up on AAAP Awards & ACPV

Statement and Advisories Approved by AAAP Board of Directors

- Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking –
Veterinary Feed Directive- (Docket No. FDA-
2010-N-0155) 
- Guidance For Industry # 209 (Docket No. FDA-
2010-D-0094) 
- Statement on the Future of the Research
Programs at USDA-ARS Avian Disease
Oncology Laboratory (ADOL) (August 2010) 

AAAP Comments to NIFA regarding Docket
No. NIFA 2010-0001 (6/7/2010) 

Statement on Avian Influenza (May 2010) 

See all postions at: www.aaap.info/positions

Welcome to our New Members

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