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Letter from the AAAP President, Dr. Louise Dufour-Zavala



Happy Spring to all AAAP members!

Let's start with the elephant in the room...the avian influenza outbreak has made the first months of 2022 a trying period for the poultry industry, backyard poultry owners and wildlife enthusiasts. As a group, and with our government partners, we have been testing and preparing, dutifully applying our biosecurity plans, watching wildlife and other findings, looking at maps growing dots every week, and pondering about the miracle of waterfowl migrations, a miracle that comes with a threat to our industry... I would like to pause and give all of you kudos...for your resilience through these trying times. And to remind you to also pause and take care of yourselves between preparation and response zoom meetings and field activities. Yes, pause.

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AAAP Business Office Announcement

After 14 years Bob & Janece Bevans-Kerr will be stepping into advisory roles for AAAP, AAAP Foundation, and ACPV. Bob Bevans-Kerr will continue to work and support AAAP, AAAP Foundation, and ACPV, as a consultant and offering office support. Janece Bevans-Kerr will be working through April 30, 2022, as a consultant supporting the office. After that date she will continue to be available for office support as needed. It is time for new leadership that can develop

Nathan Bevans-Kerr will be promoted to Executive Director serving AAAP and AAAP Foundation effective March 1, 2022.

Nathan Bevans-Kerr has been supporting AAAP, AAAP Foundation and ACPV since 2014 and has grown through all positions and knows each organization well. For the last year he has been the assistant executive director working through much of the responsibilities of Executive Director. He is well positioned to fulfill the Executive Director position and he would continue to have the full support and engagement of the current executive director to ensure a smooth and efficient transition. We look forward to Nathan's leadership in helping AAAP and the AAAP Foundation to meet the demands of their mission and to foster the necessary relationships to move forward.

Nathan has a B.A. in History (2014) from the University of North Florida in Jacksonville. He is currently working on a MS in Organizational Management from Jacksonville University. He is a member of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE). Contact Nathan at: nathanbk@aaap.info

Diana Kerr will be promoted to ACPV Executive Director effective March 1, 2022.

Diana Kerr has been supporting AAAP, AAAP Foundation and ACPV since 2015 and has grown through all positions and knows each organization well. Diana helps oversee the logistics for annual meetings and office management of the Avian Diseases journal. She supports committees for all organizations, as well as foundation donations, AAAP bookstore, sponsorship administration, financial records management, and award and scholarship administration. She has been working closely with the current executive director of ACPV and she is well positioned to support ACPV. We look forward to Diana's leadership and direction for the American College of Poultry Veterinarians.

Diana has B.A. in Social-Studies (2009) from the University of Texas Pan-American, Edinburg, TX. She is a member of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE). She has attended Federal grant writing training and is a member and VP of the local Toastmasters International. Diana is bilingual in Spanish and English. Contact Diana at support@acpv.info

Extra Annual Meeting Events

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hold several social events you won't want to miss and our annual AAAP Symposium. Don't miss out!

2022 AAAP Symposium

"Current Respiratory Challenges in Poultry... A Perspective from the Field"

Saturday, July 30 at 11:30 AM

Objective:

Respiratory diseases constitute remarkable and very diverse challenges to the modern poultry industry. Every day, field practitioners must deal and solve issues related to a variety of viral and bacterial etiologies, that pose a significant threat on productivity. Questions regarding the best ways to apply the new developments and technologies to improve vaccination programs, diagnostic practices, biosecurity, and control measures need to be addressed. Therefore, the objective of this symposium is to provide poultry professionals with updated information on the most current and pressing respiratory issues, and about the practical application of new knowledge and technologies to solve the daily problems in the field.

Symposium Outline:

This will be a half day symposium, starting at 11:30 AM and ending at 4:00 PM. The program will consist of four 25-minute talks with five minutes for Q&A. Two discussion panels on infectious bronchitis and infectious laryngotracheitis are scheduled, with the participation of three veterinarians with recognized field experience, practicing in different geographic areas that will answer questions and share experiences on current or pressing issues regarding IBV and ILT. These panels will allow for more time for Q&A, and they will provide space for enthusiastic discussions as the panelists will have more opportunity to interact with the audience and to share their experiences and perspectives. A break is scheduled at 1:30 PM, and a session for final comments or announcements is also included.

11:30 AM– 11:40 AM

[Introduction and Welcome](#)

Dr. Rodrigo Gallardo

Moderator: Dr. Alejandro Banda

11:40 – 12:10 PM

[Effects Of the House Environment Management on Respiratory Health](#)

Dr. Guillermo Zavala. - Avian Health International, LLC

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12:40 – 1:30 PM

[Discussion Panel on Current Problems Associated with Infectious Bronchitis](#)**Panel Moderator: Dr. Mark Jackwood****Panelists:****Dr. Phil Stayer. Sanderson Farms****Dr. David French. - University of Georgia****Dr. Carl Heeder. - Mountaire Farms****Dr. Deirdre I. Johnson. - Perdue farms****Dr. Charles Corsiglia. - Foster farms**

1:30 – 1:45 PM

Break

Moderator: Dr. Simone Stoute

1:45 – 2:15 PM

[Current topics on fowl cholera.](#)**Dr. Mark Bland. - Cutler Associates**

2:15 – 2:45 PM

[New developments on infectious coryza](#)**Dr. Rodrigo Gallardo. - University of California, Davis**

2:45 - 3:15 PM

[Mayor respiratory issues of turkeys](#)**Dr. Eric Gonder. - Butterball**

3:15 – 4:05 PM

[Discussion Panel on current problems associated with infectious laryngotracheitis.](#)**Panel Moderator: Dr. Maricarmen Garcia****Panelists:****Dr. Louise Dufour-Zavala. - Georgia Poultry Lab****Dr. Mark Burleson. - Wayne Farms****Dr. Donald Ritter. – Poultry Business Solutions LLC.****Dr. Nancy Reimers. - Cutler Associates**

4:05 – 4:10 PM

[Final Announcements](#)

Dr. Rodrigo Gallardo

OTHER EVENTS

AAAP Diversity and Inclusion Committee Networking Event

Saturday, July 30 at 6:30 PM

The AAAP's Diversity and Inclusion Committee is planning a networking event at the Annual AAAP meeting in Philadelphia, PA. The event will be held at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown on Saturday July 30th, 2022, at 6:30pm and will include food of various cultural origins and stimulating conversation topics highlighting the importance of belonging and inclusivity in the poultry health field. This event requires an RSVP but is open to all AAAP members.

Yoga Session

Monday, August 1 at 6:30 AM

The AAAP Membership Committee is happy to announce that we will a yoga session at our annual meeting! It will be held on Monday, August 1st from 6:30-7:30 am at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown hotel. Please bring a mat or a towel with you. This event will be led by AAAP's own Dr. Christina Leyson!

Wellness Talk

Tuesday, August 2 at 11:00 AM

This year the AAAP Wellness Talk titled "Options for Loan Repayment Programs- an AAAP Panel" will include the following panelists:

- Megan Lighty
- Annika McKillop
- Dan Wilson
- Kevin Maschek
- Alex Strauch
- Michaela Olson

Look Out for Future AAAP Meetings

Jacksonville, FL

June 9-June 16, 2023

Designated AAAP Hotel: Sawgrass Marriott

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Values-based Approach to Feedback

Dr. Cyndie Courtney

Founder of Jerk Researcher

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The AAAP Women's Network Meeting will be held on **Sunday, July, 31, 2022, at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel from 6:30 PM-9:00 PM**. It will be an interactive meeting that will break-out into round table discussions and allow for networking opportunities for attendees. Tickets are limited to the first **100 participants**; interested participants must register for event in advance.

Tickets are \$25 for AAAP members/guests and free for AAAP student members.

[Register](#)

Silent Auction News

At the AAAP meeting this year, we are excited to announce that we will be holding an expanded raffle in lieu of the auction. There are many exciting new items being raffled off this year as well as favorites from past years. Raffle tickets are either \$10 or \$20 depending on the item. All proceeds from the raffle

need to be present to win as we will also contact winners by email.

AAAP Foundation Raffle 2022

Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 5 tickets for \$40 unless otherwise marked. Tickets for the last 2 items are \$20 each or 5 for \$80. All proceeds from the raffle will go to fund the AAAP Excellence in Mentorship Award. Winners will be drawn at the start of the AAAP awards banquet. The winners will be announced at the banquet and will also be notified via email.

Maine Shore Clambake Gram for Two donated by Biochek

Enjoy this ocean-fresh, authentic New England Clambake with all the fixings, delivered to your door!



Package includes:

- Two Live Hard-Shell Maine Lobsters
- Two lbs. Fresh Littleneck Clams
- One 18 oz. New England Clam Chowder
- Two Servings of New Potatoes and Sweet Corn in the Husk
- Fresh Whole Lemon and Unsalted Butter
- Two Shell Crackers and Seafood Forks
- Two Lobster bibs and Moist Towelettes
- Informational Packet (includes: Preparation Instruction & Recipe Booklet)

Omaha Steaks- Deluxe Steak Dinner donated by Aviagen



Package includes:

- 4 (6 oz.) Butcher's Cut Filet Mignons
- 4 Split Lobster Tail Skewers (7 oz. pkg.)
- 4 (5.5 oz.) Stuffed Baked Potatoes
- 4 (4 oz.) Pear Butter Cakes

JBL Xtreme 2 Water Portable Bluetooth Speaker donated by Aviagen



- Wireless Bluetooth streaming
- 15 hours of playtime
- IPX7 waterproof
- Durable fabric and rugged material
- Connector type: 3.5 millimeter stereo
- Power source type: Battery powered
- Bluetooth version:4.2

Apple AirPods Pro donated by Boehringer Ingelheim



- Color: white
- Model: MWP22AM/A
- Comes with wireless charging case

Selection of Wines donated by Dr. Mark Bland

Enjoy this selection of premier wines handpicked by Mark and Karen Bland!



Package includes:

- 2020 Sauvignon Blanc from Black Stallion
- 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon from Black Stallion
- 2017 Merlot from Artesa
- 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon from Chateau Montelena

Apple watch series 7 donated by Huvepharma (Tickets \$20 each)

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- Series 7 Apple Watch
- Midnight Aluminum Case with Sport Band
- Pick your size 41mm/45mm

Bass Fishing Trip in Central California donated by Diamond V and Mr. Steve Riggs (Tickets \$20 each)



Package includes:

- 1 day of bass fishing in central California
- Host: Mr. Steve Riggs (semi-professional fisherman)
- Fishing license
- Tackle
- Transportation to and from the lake (starting at his home in Turlock, CA)

2022 AAAP Election Results

We are pleased to announce the results of this year's American Association of Avian Pathologists election.

AAAP Director: Claudia Osorio (2022-2026)

AAAP Student Director: Eliza Theis (2022-2023)

AAAP President-Elect: Deirdre Johnson (2022-2025)

Thank you to everyone who voted in this year's election and to all the candidates who participated.

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Join a AAAP Committee or a AAAP Foundation Committee today to receive exclusive access to committee content. Each committee has its own committee page where members can find committee reports, relevant scientific publications, and upcoming committee events. Get involved with the association by joining the committee that interests you most. By joining the committee, you will have access to the committee forum where members can engage in thoughtful scientific and committee-specific discussions. You will also gain access to a committee e-list. This e-list helps committees schedule meetings and communicate committee ideas with other poultry professionals.

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Coming Soon: Poultry Course for Veterinarians

This online training program titled, "**Poultry Medicine for Veterinarians**", is designed to educate general-practice veterinarians about poultry issues in small-scale commercial and home flocks. The construction of the course is a collaboration between the University of Kentucky, Utah State University, and Michigan State University. The structure involves a series of **22 modules**, which allows each participant to advance at their own pace.

General-practice veterinarians will gain knowledge about poultry issues in small-scale commercial and home flocks. This information will include topics of poultry biological systems, common diseases, and disease prevention. Attendees will be able to identify internal and external parts of poultry and what diseases could plague them.

Upcoming AAAP Webinars

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Tracking field IBD by time, by mutation, by response

Darrell Jackwood

August 15, 2022, 11:00-12:30

Recombinant Vaccines

Guillermo Zavala

Sept 26, 2022, 11:00-12:30 PM

Inclusion body hepatitis (IBH) and autogenous vaccines

Holly Sellers

Oct 24, 2022, 11:00-12:30 PM

New IBV variant designated as DMV/1639

Brian Jordan

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ACPV Sponsored Workshop:

Incubation and Hatchery Performance:



Coming Soon
Summer 2022
**The Devil
is in
the Details**

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AAAP Blog

Did you know the AAAP has a blog? Our blog is the best way to stay up to date on all AAAP news. The AAAP Blog is accessible under the News tab on the AAAP Website.

[View the AAAP Blog](#)

AAAP History Committee News

From the AAAP History Committee:

Two important issues relating to the activities of the History Committee were discussed and approved during the January 2022 meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD) of the AAAP. The first one relates to the selection of the cover photos for Avian Diseases. Previously, selection was based on the following three criteria:

1) Researchers with a significant impact on research of avian health topics and or involvement with the AAAP, 2) The candidates for the front cover are deceased. 3) The candidates can be from any part of the world.

Selection in the future will be based on the following three criteria (amended portion underlined):

1) Researchers with a significant impact on research of avian health topics and or involvement with the AAAP, 2) Candidates for selection are deceased or retired, and 3) Candidates for selection can be from any part of the world. Furthermore, a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree or membership in the AAAP are not required to be selected.

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We remember Dr. Richard Julian, Dr. Peter M. Biggs, and Dr. Egon Vielitz

The American Association of Avian Pathologists regrets to inform members of the passing of Dr. Richard Julian, Dr. Peter M. Biggs, and Dr. Egon Vielitz. We send our condolences to their families and colleagues.

It is with great sadness that we heard that **Dr. Richard (Dick) Julian** a AAAP life member (1997) and professor emeritus at the University of Guelph, Canada, passed away peacefully on May 15 at the age of 92. Dick grew up on a farm before entering veterinary medicine and graduating from the University of Toronto, Ontario Veterinary College in 1952 with a DVM, VS. He married Jean in 1954 and was initially a practitioner in Kenora, then in Kemptville,

Diagnostic Laboratory (1964) with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food in Brighton, Ontario. They spent two years in the West Indies where Dick was working with the Pan-American Health Organization to organize the veterinary diagnostic laboratories network in the Caribbean islands.

Dr. Peter M. Biggs passed away at the age of 95 on Monday, December 27, after a brief illness. His was certainly one of the most recognizable names in the field of avian medicine., having a long history of “firsts” in his chosen field of virus-induced avian tumors. Beginning in 1959, he conducted research at England’s Houghton Poultry Research Station (HPRS), where he later became the Director, and where he carried out definitive studies on both lymphoid leucosis (LL) and Marek’s disease (MD), The latter was named by him in honor of Josef Marek, who first described the disease in 1907. Work at the HPRS, by Peter and his colleagues, defined the difference between LL and MD, identified the etiology of the latter as a herpesvirus (simultaneously with workers at the USDA laboratory in Michigan) and developed the first vaccine for protection against MD. He helped in the birth and success of the World Veterinary Pathology Association and its journal, Avian Pathology, and he became President of the former and Editor of the latter. He will be sadly missed, and forever respected for his monumental contributions to his chosen field. [View Autobiography](#).

Sadly, **Dr. Egon Vielitz** died on December 29, 2021 at the age of 89. He was the principal veterinarian for the Lohmann Company, a major poultry breeder and vaccine manufacturer located in Cuxhaven, Germany, from 1959 to 1999. He was involved in nearly every important poultry disease problem in Europe (and the world) at various stages of his illustrious career but was especially proud of his work on chicken anemia virus leading to the first vaccine. Dr. Vielitz collaborated widely, conducted and published groundbreaking research, and was a prominent contributor to international poultry medicine for many decades. Fortunately, his amazing story of survival during the Hitler years and strong professional career is preserved for the ages in the AAAP biographical archives. [View Autobiography](#).

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AAP Foundation Student Awards

2022 L. Dwight Schwartz Scholarship

Brittany Skaggs, Iowa State University

Abstract Focus: *Nanopore Sequencing: A Promising Tool for Fast Identification and Accurate Characterization of IBV Directly from Clinical Samples*

2022 Rimler Memorial Paper Award

Allison Boone, North Carolina State University

2022 Reed Rumsey Award - Basic Research

Allison Boone, North Carolina State University

Abstract Focus: *In ovo Vaccination with HVT Accelerates Immunocompetence in Chickens*

Reed Rumsey Award - Basic Research

Amro Hashish, Iowa State University

Abstract Focus: *A Peculiar Avibacterium paragallinarum Infection in Layers with Complete Absence of any Clinical Presentation of Infectious Coryza*

2022 Phibro Avian Bioscience Travel Award

Shailes Bhattra, University of Georgia

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2022 AviServe Avian Bioscience Travel Award

Guanchen Liu, University of Georgia

Abstract Focus: Effects of Different Methionine to Cysteine Ratios on the Gut Health, Oxidative Status, Gene Expression of Nutrient Transporters, and Tight Junction Proteins of Broiler Chickens Challenged with Eimeria spp.G

AAAP Foundation Scholarship Awards

Endowed Poultry Scholarships

AAAP Past Presidents Poultry Scholarship

Nikolas Faust, Texas A&M University

UGA Jack Tumlin MAM Poultry Scholarship

Alejandra Figueroa, Western University of Health Sciences

Amy Taylor, Western College of Veterinary Medicine

Arthur Bickford Poultry Scholarship

Sabrina Hurst, University of Georgia

G. Yan Ghazikhanian Poultry Scholarship

Adrea Mueller, University of Georgia

AAAP Women's Network/Boehringer - Ingelheim Foundation Poultry Scholarship

Myrna Cadena, University of California, Davis

Frederic J. Hoerr Poultry Scholarship

Valeria Rae Johnson, Michigan State University

R. W. Winterfield Poultry Scholarship

John Moseley, University of Missouri

H. John Barnes Poultry Scholarship

Linda Flores, Western University of Health Sciences

Riddell-Julian Canadian Poultry Scholarship

Youngkyoung (Isabelle) Kwon, Ontario Veterinary College

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AAAP Foundation Poultry Scholarships

Lucah Strickland, Stephen F. Austin University

Merck Animal Health Poultry Scholarships

Luke Trimble, Ohio State University

Caley Ellington, University of Nebraska-Lincoln/Iowa State University

Josie Gamble, Mississippi State University

Jason Sousa, Texas A&M University

Tiffani Allen, University of Georgia

Brittany Skaggs, Iowa State University

Kaitlin Gorrell, North Carolina State University

Lauren Sartor, University of Georgia

Cole Taylor, Ohio State University

Olivia Jane Lockyear, Auburn University

Cobb Poultry Scholarship

Eliza Theis, University of Minnesota

Elanco Memorial Poultry Scholarships

Ashley Hallowell, University of Pennsylvania

Mikayla Schlosser, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities)

Endowed Poultry Preceptorships

2022 Kenneth H. Eskelund Preceptorships

Linda Flores, Western University

Sabrina Hurst, University of Georgia

Valeria Rae Johnson, Michigan State University

Sponsored Poultry Preceptorships

2022 Aviagen Preceptorships

Aaliyah Gore, Purdue University

Brittany Skaggs, Iowa State University

Cole Taylor, Ohio State University

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2022 Association of Veterinarians in Egg Production Preceptorship

Gabriela Kiesel, University of Minnesota

2022 Huvepharma Preceptorship

Jason Sousa, Texas A&M University

2022 Alltech Preceptorship

Hannah Sather, North Carolina State University

2022 Southern Poultry Research Group, Inc. Preceptorship

Lauren Sartor, University of Georgia

ACPV News

Letter from the ACPV President, Mark Bland

Dear ACPV Diplomates,

I trust you all made it through the pandemic, now endemic and your families and co-workers are healthy and safe. Unfortunately, our industry is now facing its own pandemic known as Avian Influenza, keep your biosecurity strong!

I would like to take the time and update our members with some of the recent ongoing ACPV activities.



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2022 ACPV Election Results

Poultry Veterinarians election.

ACPV Governor: Chad Malinak (2022-2025)

ACPV Governor: Brandon Armwood (2022-2025)

ACPV President-Elect: Francene Van Sambeek (2022-2025)

Thank you to everyone who voted in this year's election and to all the candidates who participated.



2022 ACPV Workshop

“Sensor Data and Analytics for Poultry Health, Welfare, and Food Safety”

The 2022 ACPV Workshop titled, “Sensor Data and Analytics for Poultry Health, Welfare, and Food Safety,” addressed technologies available to monitor the health status of flocks, disease prevention, improving animal welfare, and food safety. The workshop had two components one virtual interactive course online and one live event in Vancouver, Canada.

The interactive course Introduction to Data Analytics provided a short overview of data analytics techniques applied in poultry production and health. It included eight modules:

1. Statistical Thinking
2. Identifying Potential Root Causes
3. Data Visualization and Graphics
4. Compiling and Collecting Data
5. Data Preparation for Analysis
6. Logistical Regression
7. Decision Trees and Random Forests
8. Neural Networks

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analyze data.

Both the 2022 ACPV Workshop and the 71st Western Poultry Disease Conference (WPDC) are available on demand for viewing. The ACPV has been approved for 8 hours of continuing education credit in jurisdictions that recognize RACE approval. Register below to gain access to the 2022 ACPV Workshop presentations.

Register for the 2022 ACPV Workshop

The 2022 WPDC has been pre-approved 18 hours continuing education credits. Register below to gain access to the 2022 WPDC presentations.

Register for the 71st WPDC

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