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NEWSLETTER **Spring 2009**

News from the Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. James A. Roth was approved by the ACVM Board as the recipient of the ACVM Distinguished Veterinary Microbiologist award for 2009. The award will be presented at the CRWAD meeting in Chicago, Illinois in December 2009. Congratulations Jim on the well deserved prestigious award!

On February 28 and March 1, 2009 I attended the American Board of Veterinary Specialties (ABVS) meeting in Schaumburg, Illinois to represent ACVM. Our annual reports were approved and a recommendation submitted by ABVS to the AVMA Council On Education to continue full recognition of our college. There was also a discussion concerning the proposed parasitology subspecialty within ACVM. We were encouraged to work with the organizing committee to prepare a petition for submission to ABVS. I will continue to provide updates on any progress.

ACVM Elections

Included with this newsletter is information on candidates for the ACVM Board of Governors'. There are eight (8) candidates for the three (3) positions available on the board. In addition, information is provided on the candidate for ACVM Honorary Diplomat for 2009, Dr. Lynn Joens.

Please provide your response to the ballot to me via email at Buckeyeone@kc.rr.com or at my residence at 30705 West 84th Circle, DeSoto, Kansas 66018. The deadline for returning your ballot is April 15, 2009.

ACVM Board of Governors' Candidates for 2009

Thomas E. Besser

My academic qualifications include a BS (Zoology, 1973, University of Wisconsin-Madison), a DVM (1981, University of Minnesota) and a PhD (1986, Washington State University). I completed a large animal clinical residency at WSU in 1985 and became ACVM certified in Bacteriology/Mycology and Immunology shortly afterwards. I've served various capacities in the Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory since 1990, when I helped found the WSU/WADDL combined PhD/microbiology training program. I am currently Professor in the WSU Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Pathology. My research interests have included many aspects of microbiology and infectious diseases, with a focus on enteric infections of cattle with diarrheal disease agents and agents of public health concern including rotavirus, *Escherichia coli* O157:H7, *Salmonella enterica* and *Campylobacter jejuni*.

Vision Statement

I have a pretty mundane vision for the ACVM. I

expect that we will continue to face the same challenges that we have addressed - with varying degrees of success - over the past decade: coping with rapid technology change, addressing the 'graying' of the membership by working to recruit new diplomates, persuading industry and academia that ACVM certification provides added value that should be recognized on paydays, keeping the certification examination up to date and relevant, etc. If honored by election to the ACVM Board of Governors, I would look forward to working together with the membership and the Board to energetically address these issues and any others that may arise.

Yung-Fu Chang

Dr. Yung-Fu Chang, a Taiwanese native, completed his DVM from National PinTung University of Science and Technology in 1974. From 1974-1979, I spent five years working as an assistant Veterinary Pathologist at Taiwan Provincial Institute for Animal Health. I received my M.S. in Immunology from the University of Idaho in 1981 and my Ph.D in Veterinary Microbiology from Texas A&M University in 1984. After that, I worked for five years as a post-doctoral associate studying the molecular biology/genetic basis of bacterial diseases at Dr. Ry Young's laboratory in the Department of Medical Biochemistry and Genetics, Medical School and Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M. In 1989, I joined Cornell University as an assistant professor. Currently, I am a full professor in the Department of Population Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences, where I direct the Infectious Disease Laboratory. In 2003, I spent a sabbatical leave at Dr. Gary Schoolnik's laboratory at Stanford University, School of Medicine. In 1987, I became a diplomate of the ACVM, certified in Bacteriology/Mycology, Immunology and Virology subspecialties. My research interests are on molecular basis of bacterial pathogenesis, animal modeling of infectious diseases, DNA and recombinant subunit vaccine development, host defense mechanisms and molecular diagnosis (recombinant antigens, DNA probes, PCR/real time PCR, and diagnostic microarray).

Vision Statement

The emergence or reemergence of infectious diseases in animals has given veterinary microbiologists, immunologists and virologists a

pivotal role in helping to protect both animals and humans from infectious diseases. The emergence of multi-drug resistance in multiple microorganisms, the outbreak of food poisoning through contamination with pathogens (like *E. coli*, *Salmonella* and *Campylobacter* and others), and outbreaks of infectious zoonoses, such as West-Nile virus, blue tongue virus, food-and-mouth disease, mad cow disease, even bioterrorism, are just some examples of the many challenges our country must face. Our organization can play a crucial role in dealing with this vast array of infectious disease-related problems. It is also important to protect animals from an infectious disease attack through bioterrorism that our organization can tackle by helping to meet the challenges of these problems.

In order grow and flourish, we need to recruit new blood and hatch new ideas. Although the need for new members is urgent, the numbers of ACVM are increasing very slowly. Perhaps one of the reasons is that we are not like pathology, clinical pathology and clinical sciences, which are recognized by academia, health profession and industries more so than we are. Therefore, ACVM must work with other veterinary and public health organizations to promote the control of infectious diseases and work towards improving the health of both animal and humans. Today's transportation systems have turned the world into one interconnected global village. This has greatly facilitated the rapid dissemination of infectious diseases. Therefore, we need to ask each of our members to actively participate in recruiting the highest quality new members to participate these important tasks. We ACVM members have a long tradition in providing new information, as well as crucial services, performing research, and instructing new generations of veterinarians, technicians, and researchers.

Continuing education is also important in ACVM. We offer an excellent symposium every year in conjunction with CRWAD. In the realm of continuing education, we offer short courses on practical and applied biotechnologies, such as molecular diagnostics, molecular pathogenesis of infectious diseases and recent advances in vaccinology. Although these short courses are more expensive to offer, they may have a more profound impact on our organization. In meeting the challenges of modern research, and in providing instruction/services, we need to continually expand our knowledge base in

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order to confront the difficulties posed by the emergence (or re-emergence) of infectious zoonotic diseases. In order to raise the visibility of the ACVM, we need our members to become actively involved in various veterinary and public health organizations. Our goals would be to promote the ACVM and the value of its membership by all means possible.

Chris Chase

Dr. Chris Chase is Professor, Department of Veterinary Science, South Dakota State University (SDSU) is a native of Sisseton, SD and attended SDSU. He received his DVM from Iowa State University and MS and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He was an associate at the Viborg Veterinary Clinic, Viborg, SD, for 5 years and has continued his involvement in clinical veterinary medicine as a consultant and relief veterinarian in Stoughton, WI, Laramie, WY, and Flandreau, SD. Prior to joining the faculty at SDSU, Dr. Chase was employed by the USDA-Agricultural Research Service in Laramie, WY and held a joint appointment in the Department of Molecular Biology at the University of Wyoming. Dr. Chase's research has been directed at understanding the initial events of viral infections to develop better methods for preventing virus infections in animals. He also has applied the tools of molecular biology to developing better methods of detecting disease producing organisms. His clinical experience is with cow-calf, feedlot, and hog herd health. He is a member of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners, American Association of Small Ruminant Practitioners, American Association of Swine Practitioners, American Society of Microbiology, American Society of Virology, and a Diplomat of the American College of Veterinary Microbiologists. He served as chairman of the ACVM Continuing Education Committee, chairman of the AVMA Council of Research and the president of the American Association of Veterinary Immunologists. He is currently the chair of the AVMA Council of Biologics and Therapeutic Agents (COBTA).

Vision Statement

My major goal for ACVM is to increase our stature as an organization and the recognition of ACVM as an important resource for developing emerging infectious disease programs. We can do this through our participation in continuing education programs with other veterinary and biomedical

organizations and societies and through the Biosecurity Taskforce. We have a tremendous expertise that needs to be shared with others. This will increase our visibility and provide an opportunity for members to network with other infectious disease professionals. Through this effort, we can help to shape infectious disease policy and funding opportunities.

James R. Fahey

I received both a M.S. degree (Seton Hall University) and Ph.D (Rutgers University) in the fields of Immunology and Parasitology. During this period I also worked at Schering Plough (Bloomfield, NJ) in the Parasitology drug development group. After graduate school I spent 5 years as a postdoctoral fellow and research associate at Trudeau Institute, Saranac Lake, New York. Trudeau is a research institution whose faculty specializes in the study of the immune response to infectious diseases and cancer. At Trudeau I focused on cell-mediated immunity to malaria and on T-cell mediated immunity to cancer under the direction of Dr. Robert North. I left Trudeau Institute to work as an immunologist in the development of human viral vaccines at Lederle Laboratories (now Wyeth) and later on animal viral vaccines at Intervet America. I decided to enter veterinary school while working at Intervet. I graduated from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine in 1995 and practiced for 3 years in small and exotic animal medicine. It was during this period that I decided to take the board exams for ACVM and I was awarded diplomate status in 1996. While in veterinary practice I was contacted by the Jackson Laboratory and became the director of their diagnostic laboratory. The Jackson Laboratory is a private research institute devoted to the study of mammalian genetics using inbred mice as the principle animal model. In addition, The Jackson Laboratory is a repository for inbred and genetically engineered mice and sends mice all over the world to research institutions. In my position as director of the diagnostic laboratory, I am responsible for development of new diagnostic tests for detection of murine pathogens and for modeling diseases caused by these organisms. In this regard, I have been studying Murine Norovirus for the past 4 years. Interestingly, during this period Noroviruses have now been found in cattle, pigs, sheep and dogs.

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It has been my good fortune over the past 3 years to serve on the Board of Governors of ACVM and I would like to continue to do so. I feel a bit like a freshman senator who is just learning the ropes. I want to be able to provide continuity in the resolution of some of the issues that are before us and will require a sustained effort to resolve. I have seen some great work done on our behalf during these past 3 years and I would like to take part in continuing that work. Under the direction of Dr. Jim Roth and now Dr. M.M. Chengappa, we have seen an increase in the number of applicants to sit the ACVM examinations, a thorough re-evaluation and rewriting of our board exams and a stabilization of the financial status of ACVM. These are terrific achievements that required a lot of effort on the part of a number of our colleagues. I would like to see additional progress in the following areas; gaining an understanding of the poor test scores that a number of our applicants are getting on the general and specialty exams, finding alternative means of financially supporting ACVM symposia since we are competing with many others for the same dollars from pharmaceutical companies (as per Scott McVey and Chris Chase 12/06/08 ACVM Board Meeting), and establishing our college as a significant resource for government, private and overseas initiatives requiring expertise in infectious diseases of animals. With regard to the last item, I understand that some of our colleagues get involved in these affairs as part of their job, and because of their individual scientific reputations. However, I would like to see the full measure of our collective knowledge and expertise seen by outside agencies as an asset upon which they can draw for solutions to global animal health problems. I ask that you consider granting me 3 more years to continue to support our efforts to sustain our vital and important veterinary specialty college.

Subhashinie Kariyawasam

I obtained my veterinary degree from Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science at University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka, in 1992. Following veterinary school, I joined the clinical faculty of the same school where I served as a Lecturer/Senior Lecturer and a Clinician until 2004. In 1998, I entered the graduate school at the University of Guelph and graduated with a PhD degree in veterinary infectious diseases under the supervision of Drs. Carlton Gyles and Bruce Wilkie.

These experiences helped me refine my career goals and with the intent of pursuing a career in academic veterinary medicine, I began post-doctoral studies at the University of Guelph and Iowa State University under the supervision of Dr. Shayan Sharif and Dr. Lisa Nolan, respectively. After completion of post-doctoral studies, I worked as a Clinician and a Molecular Microbiologist in the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory of Iowa State University. Currently, I serve as the Bacteriology Section Head of Animal Diagnostic Laboratory and am an Assistant Professor in the Department of Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences at The Pennsylvania State University. My enthusiasm for veterinary microbiology, and my experience as a teacher, researcher and diagnostician inspired me to sit for ACVM boards, and I am pleased to say that I was board certified by ACVM in 2006.

Vision Statement

The continued success of ACVM depends on the diversity, creativity and resourcefulness of its current and future members. The latter can be accomplished through continuous addition of new members to the college. In this context, it is important to develop strategic efforts to recruit new members and also to provide educational opportunities for current membership to adapt to the scientific advances of the future. When it comes to recruiting new members, I would support any strategy that will promote awareness of the ACVM board certification program among young microbiologists, availability of training materials and resources, and appropriate residency programs. Additionally, ACVM should provide leadership on development and dissemination of new knowledge to veterinarians, microbiologists and stakeholders through scientific meetings, publications and regular meetings. I also believe the membership should give serious consideration as to how the organization should deal with facing such diverse challenges as emerging infectious diseases, food-borne and zoonotic outbreaks, and acts of bioterrorism that may threaten animal and/or public health. However, I am convinced that no single entity alone can face the problems ahead of us. Therefore, in order to position the college to play an expanded role in a globalized environment, a strategic plan that would address current research, diagnostic, and teaching challenges simultaneously is necessary. Setting up an ACVM Biosecurity Task Force is one such step taken by ACVM in recent

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years to achieve this goal. It would also seem important to interact with related national and international professional organizations to develop the types of alliances that will be needed to deal with the new global realities.

Roger Parker

Dr. Roger Parker graduated from the University of Texas with a B.S. (Zoology) in 1979. He then attended graduate school at Texas A&M University, earning a M.S. (Epidemiology) in 1983 and a D.V.M. in 1984. Subsequently, he earned a Ph.D. (Veterinary Microbiology) at Texas A&M in 1994.

Following veterinary college, Dr. Parker entered active duty military service as Base Veterinarian, Beale Air Force Base, CA. His next assignment was Officer-in-Charge, Mobile Veterinary Services Support Team, Zweibruecken, Germany. After advanced academic studies, he worked as Chief, Department of Applied Diagnostics, U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID), Fort Detrick, MD. Thereafter he returned to Germany to serve as Commander, Veterinary Laboratory Europe, Landstuhl, Germany. He was then utilized as a senior instructor and program manager during his duties as Chief, Food Protection Branch, Academy of Health Sciences, Fort Sam Houston, TX. Since 2005, he has served as Director, Department of Defense Veterinary Food Analysis & Diagnostic Laboratory, Fort Sam Houston, TX. This agency is the definitive DoD veterinary resource (e.g., food safety, defense, and quality assurance and zoonotic disease diagnostics) providing public health support for U.S. Armed Forces across the globe.

Dr. Parker has numerous military honors and has attained the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He is a popular invited speaker and trainer on food safety, food defense, and public health topics. In addition to his diplomate status in the ACVM, Dr. Parker is a diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine. Dr. Parker participates in the following professional associations: AAVLD, AAFHV, AFDO, ASQ, AVEPM, AVMA, and IAFF. He and his wife, Linda, have three children, Stephen (serving as a military policeman in Iraq), Christina (college student), and Angela (high school student).

Vision Statement

My goal is for our College to strive for increased networking across the numerous veterinary disciplines and professions. The field of veterinary medicine has always excited me for its diverse and novel opportunities—no boredom in our jobs. I was encouraged to see the recent efforts toward welcoming the subspecialty of parasitology into the ACVM. As a weekend clinical relief veterinarian, I see the on-going overlap of etiologies of diseases, frequently requiring microscopy or clinical immunology techniques for effective diagnosis. From my clinical experiences, I am interested in facilitating rapid clinic-based culture and sensitivity tests because those potential resources seem to have fallen behind the very useful current point-of-care immunological tests. I will also support the continued research, application, and communication of preventive medicine efforts for pets and livestock. I hope for more visible liaison with and support to our practitioner colleagues, from generalists to specialists. From my food safety work and associations, I will encourage increased utilization of veterinary microbiologists to work with our food science colleagues toward improvements in the provision of safe and wholesome food and water.

In closing, I submit that I have a demonstrated record of well representing my position, title, and/or label. If I am elected to the Board of Governors for the ACVM, I pledge to serve to the full extent and within the intent of the College's Constitution and By-Laws, using my knowledge, skills, and experiences to represent and promote my colleagues to the best of my abilities.

Matthew J. Sylte

In 1988, I began my college education as a pre-veterinary student at Kansas State University, and worked part-time in pathology and infectious disease laboratories. These experiences greatly affected my interest to pursue a career in infectious disease research, so I changed my degree program to include microbiology and pre-veterinary medicine. In 1992, I received a bachelor of arts in microbiology from Kansas State University, and entered veterinary school. During my veterinary training, I participated in several infectious disease and immunology research projects with Dr. Scott McVey, and graduated in 1996 with a doctorate in veterinary medicine. Afterwards, I began doctoral training at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1997, and graduated in 2002 with a Ph.D. in veterinary

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immunology, under the supervision of Dr. Charles Czuprynski. During my doctoral training, I annually attended the Conference for Research Workers in Animal Diseases, where I first became aware of the ACVM. Post-graduate, I worked as a post-doc in the laboratory of Dr. Lorraine Sordillo at Penn State and Michigan State University. In 2004, I became an ACVM diplomate, specializing in immunology. From 2005 to 2007, I was employed at the Southeast Poultry Research Laboratory (USDA ARS), under the supervision of Dr. David Suarez. I was very fortunate to work with highly pathogenic avian influenza in poultry, which broadened my research interests to include viral immunity and vaccinology. Currently, I am a research assistant scientist in the department of infectious diseases in college of veterinary medicine at the University of Georgia. My research interests include host-pathogen interaction (virus, fungi and bacteria), innate immunity and vaccine development and efficacy testing.

Vision Statement

I am honored to be considered as a candidate for the ACVM board of governors, and I look forward to serving the organization and addressing of vital issues such as increasing awareness to prospective diplomates and growth of membership. It is essential that ACVM membership continues to grow and recruit the best post-graduate veterinarians specializing in infectious diseases or immunology. However, the number of prospective ACVM diplomates is few because only a small percent of veterinarians receive post-graduate education. Of those, even fewer are trained in infectious diseases or immunology. Most of these recent graduates are not aware of the ACVM. Thus, the mission of increasing the number of ACVM diplomats is challenging. I believe it's essential for the ACVM to engage and inform young veterinary scientists, rather than waiting for them to become interested in us. Existing ACVM diplomates should be encouraged to take the initiative and seek out veterinarians pursuing a graduate degree in infectious diseases or immunology at their university or at scientific meetings. Introducing the ACVM and discuss its importance in veterinary immunology and infectious disease research may help plant the seed in these young veterinary scientists. Likewise, efforts to increase the awareness of ACVM could be made at national meetings, where young veterinary scientists meet. Hosting a free lunch Q&A session at major meetings (e.g., CRWAD, ASM and others)

might be an effective means to introduce the ACVM to our target audience. These are small investments to ensure that the ACVM will continue to attract the best young veterinary scientists in the fields of immunology and infectious diseases. I look forward to contributing to the ACVM, and am excited to explore new recruitment techniques to increase membership.

Deepanker Tewari

I obtained my Veterinary and then Master's degree in Microbiology and Immunology from Veterinary School at the Haryana Agricultural University, India. I then worked for a year investigating diarrheal diseases of cattle as Senior Research Officer before starting graduate work in 1991 at the Cambridge University in the UK on recombinant vaccines. I joined the National Institutes of Health at Bethesda in 1995 and worked on gene therapy strategies till 1998 before moving on to work at the Rockefeller University in New York, with joint appointment at the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center. In 1999, I accepted the position of Manager at the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to direct microbiology services for the Pennsylvania Veterinary Laboratory in Harrisburg. I was board certified in 2005.

Vision Statement

Efforts to recruit new members in the College are already beginning to show positive results. I am optimistic this growth is going to continue as veterinarian's role besides safeguarding animal health, is now also considered very important in protecting human health. Whether it's preparation for pandemic flu, fighting bioterrorism, or dealing with emerging infections, veterinarians with infectious disease training are helping shape the national and international response when dealing with such problems. Even with a weaker economy, it does appear that the market outlook and scope for veterinary microbiology jobs will continue to be strong in future years.

In my view, besides continuing with recruitment effort, visibility of the College needs to be increased by working with organizations having animal health focus e.g. AVMA, AAVLD, USAHA etc. and by participating in developing and publishing consensus expert opinions on important issues (antimicrobial susceptibility, avian flu, MRSA etc).

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We should also focus on the needs of members by conducting a survey and to see if any of their academic or growth needs can be met through expertise or resources available within the College.

For attracting new veterinary graduates into microbiology programs at the Vet schools, and into the College, I advocate we need to undertake job and compensation analysis for veterinarians with microbiology training and board certification. The findings should be made available to Vet schools and new graduates and could be posted on the ACVM's website to help attract the best and brightest.

I feel much honored to be nominated again to be running for the Board of Governors and I will try my best to promote the College and fulfill the needs of our membership and I ask your support!

Candidate for Honorary Diplomat

Lynn Joens

It is my great pleasure to nominate Dr. Lynn Joens for honorary diplomate status in the American College of Veterinary Microbiology. I have known Lynn for nearly 35 years and have watched his work unfold to the benefit of veterinarians, diagnosticians, animal producers, and the basic research enterprise. He embodies the characteristics the College seeks in its members.

Lynn is a biology graduate of Wartburg College, after which he served in the US Army for two years. His graduate education began at Drake University, where he pursued a general microbiology project on oral flora of Iowa snakes. In 1974, he was accepted into the PhD program in Veterinary Microbiology and Preventive Medicine at Iowa State University, working in the laboratory of DL Harris. He was awarded his degree in 1977. He was employed by the USDA-ARS at the National Animal Disease Center in Ames (1976-1981) and moved into his current position in the Department of Veterinary Science and Microbiology at The University of Arizona in 1981. He advanced through the faculty ranks and was appointed full professor in 1988. He remains a distinguished member of the faculty, contributing in graduate and undergraduate teaching, research, and public service.

Lynn did much of the pioneering work on immunity to the organism now known as *Brachyspira hyodysenteriae*. He evaluated a wide variety of

immunogens and adjuvants, and his findings were the basis for the commercial vaccine which became available. He also developed methods for seroepidemiologic study of swine dysentery, as well as the first subspecific typing method for *B. hyodysenteriae*.

In Arizona, he continued his work on swine dysentery, but began investigation of porcine proliferative ileitis, and his efforts in this have continued to today. His ability to cultivate *Lawsonia intracellularis* is second to none, and he has progressed from Pasteurian bacteriology to reverse genetics to his current work in comparative genomics. Lynn has more recently become involved in pre- and post-harvest food safety, addressing the problems created by *Salmonella* Newport and *Campylobacter jejuni* in shellfish and the latter organism in chickens. His field-leading findings on *Campylobacter* virulence factors hold promise for prevention of disease and control of colonization. He is currently funded at a level greater than \$2.5 million.

Lynn is well-known for his teaching, and has been a marvelously effective graduate student supervisor. Among the notable graduates from his laboratory are Michael Konkel (Washington State University) and William Day (Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences). His knowledge and approaches are being passed to the next generation of veterinary microbiologists.

In sum, Lynn Joens has manifold accomplishments in veterinary microbiology and has brought distinction upon himself and honor on the field. He has achieved statesman-like status in the discipline, and is the sort of person for whom honorary diplomate status was instituted. I hope you will join me in endorsing his candidacy for this esteemed position.

Sincerely yours,
J. Glenn Songer, Ph.D., FAAM, DACVM (Hon)

Second letter of endorsement

I endorse enthusiastically Dr. Lynn Joens' candidacy for honorary diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Microbiology. I have closely followed Lynn's career for 33 years, first as a fellow graduate student in Veterinary Microbiology at Iowa State University, and then as a colleague in the Faculty of the Department of Veterinary Science at the University of Arizona for the last 25 years.

Lynn has been an indefatigable and accomplished

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contributor to basic and applied research in veterinary microbiology, to veterinary diagnostic medicine and outreach, and to the teaching of undergraduate and graduate students pursuing careers in Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Microbiology.

He is nationally and internationally recognized for his many contributions to the study of enteric diseases in swine, particularly to the pathogenesis and immunobiology of Swine Dysentery, Porcine Proliferative Ileitis and Campylobacteriosis. Lately, he has been a leading contributor to our understanding of the threat posed by animal infections by Salmonella Newport and Campylobacter jejuni to Food Safety. And he has provided continuous service to fellow veterinary researchers by his participation in numerous USDA and NIH panels.

I have been a direct witness for many years to Lynn's impact as a superb teacher of Veterinary Microbiology to many generations of undergraduate and graduate students.

I highly recommend Dr. Lynn Joens both personally and professionally for admission as a honorary diplomate in the College.

Carlos Reggiardo, DVM, PhD, Diplomate ACVM

One Health Initiative

Recent publications in JAVMA have noted that The "One Health Initiative", a joint AVMA-AMA program that promotes interactions among veterinarians and physicians as well as other biomedical scientists, is moving to the next stage in its development. In this stage, the One Health Joint Steering Committee of the AVMA will transition the work of the steering committee to an independent "One Health Commission". The target date for this transition is December 1, 2009. As stated in the February 1 issue of JAVMA (vol 234,#3, p309) "The ultimate goal of the One Health Initiative is to develop a national one-health strategy, create national awareness of the one-health concept, illustrate the value of "one health" through demonstration projects, and extend "one health" internationally to achieve tangible benefits to global health".

The One Health Initiative has been supported by many biomedical and veterinary groups. You can view the list on the One Health website, <http://www.onehealthinitiative.com/contact.php>. by clicking on the tab marked as "contact us". I have submitted a letter of support for the One Health Initiative from the ACVM to let them know of the expertise of our membership and our value as a resource and ally for animal health-related issues. The editors of the support area of the website (Drs. Bruce Kaplan, Laura Kahn and Tom Monath) posted the letter on the One Health website. In addition, they will add the ACVM to the website list of supporting organizations.

James R. Fahey, ACVM Vice President

News

2009 Board Meeting at AVMA in Seattle, WA

All ACVM Diplomates are invited to attend the ACVM Board of Governors' meeting to be held in conjunction with the AVMA meeting in Seattle, Washington. Please plan on attending the ACVM Annual and Board of Governors' Meeting. The agenda and location of the meeting will be placed on the ACVM web site as soon as it is confirmed and available.

New Directions

Currently the Board of Governors is considering changes that will affect continuing education and the professional recognition of ACVM. If any diplomates have any suggestions or comments please contact one of the ACVM Board of Governors members or one of the ACVM officers.

ACVM on the Internet

Please note the ACVM website address is www.acvm.us/. The site contains meeting minutes, the history, goals, directory, Constitution, By-laws, instructions for potential candidates and an application form. All members should review the

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updated website. Any suggestions for changes are welcome.

Dues Status

Dues are \$80 per year. They are due by July each year. If you have not paid your dues for 2009 or for any past year(s) please submit payment to my attention as soon as possible. Please make remittances payable to ACVM by check drawn on a U.S. bank or by international money order and mail directly to me. *Emeritus or honorary diplomates do not need to pay dues* (donations are always welcome). Emeritus diplomates can vote, but not honorary diplomates. Please note that dues are \$80 per year.

Send Suggestions To Improve ACVM

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Deceased Diplomat

ACVM Diplomat Dr. Robert Williams recently passed away. We send our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

ACVM Official Ballot for 2009

Candidates for ACVM Board of Governors'

Return ballot by April 15, 2009 by e-mail to buckeyeone@kc.rr.com or postal mail to Chris Hayhow, 30705 West 84th Circle, DeSoto, Kansas 66018.

ACVM Board members [vote for not more than three (3)]

Thomas E. Besser _____
Yung-Fu Chang _____
Chris Chase _____
James R. Fahey _____
Subhashinie Kariyawasam _____
Roger Parker _____
Matthew J. Sylte _____
Deepanker Tewari _____

Candidate for ACVM Honorary Diplomat for 2009,
Dr. Lynn Joens

I approve Dr. Lynn Joens _____

I disapprove Dr. Lynn Joens _____

Dues Owed for 2008

Ali, Akbar
Allen, Gary K.
Angulo, Arthur B.
Archambault, Marie
Bowersock, Terry L.
Brodie, Scott J.
Bulgin, Marie S.
Carlson, Jack H.
Castro, Anthony E.
Cho, Yung
Collins, Michael T.
Corapi, Wayne V.
Dee, Scott A.
Eleraky, Nasser
Ellis, John A.
Ellsworth, Steven R.
Eriks, Inge S.
Fenwick, Brad W.
Fisch, Harvey
Garmendia, Antonio E.
Givens, Maurice Daniel
Griffith, Ronald W.
Grooms, Daniel L.
Guy, James S.
Hennessy, Kristina J.
Hodgson, Jennifer
Hong, Chou C.
Isaacson, Jeffrey A.
Issel, Charles J.
Kleiboeker, Steven B.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Labrecque, Olivia
Lalonde, Guy
Lester, Thomas L.
Loan, Raymond W.
Morton, Rebecca J.
Naqi, Syed A.
Narayanan, Sanjeev K.
Newbound, Garret C.
Nusbaum, Kenneth E.
Odemuyiwa, Solomon O.
Panigrahy, Brundaban
Pearson, Leonard D.
Plavsic, Z. Mark
Potgieter, Leon N.D.
Pugh Jr., George W.
Rajeev, Sreekumari
Reddy, Chilekampalli A.
Reddy, P. Gopal
Reggiardo, Carlos
Rice, Robert M.

Ross, Richard F.
Saliki, Jeremiah T.
Schlater, Linda Kelley
Simmons, Donald G.
Simpson, Russell B.
Sriranganathan, Nammalwar
Srivastava, Kunwar K.
Stephenson, Edward H.
Tewari, Deepanker
Toth, Thomas E.
Tresnan, Dina Barbis
Tudoriu, Constantin D.
Velayudhan, Binu T.
Wilcox, Graham E.
Wooley, Richard E.
Zhang, Yan J.

Dues Owed for 2007

Ali, Akbar
Allen, Gary K.
Angulo, Arthur B.
Archambault, Marie
Brodie, Scott J.
Bulgin, Marie S.
Carlson, Jack H.
Cho, Yung
Corapi, Wayne V.
Dee, Scott A.
Eleraky, Nasser
Ellis, John A.
Ellsworth, Steven R.
Eriks, Inge S.
Fisch, Harvey
Garmendia, Antonio E.
Givens, Maurice Daniel
Grooms, Daniel L.
Hennessy, Kristina J.
Hong, Chou C.
Isaacson, Jeffrey A.
Issel, Charles J.
Kariyawasam, Subhashinie
Kleiboeker, Steven B.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Labrecque, Olivia
Lalonde, Guy
Lester, Thomas L.
Loan, Raymond W.
Meyerholz, David K.
Morton, Rebecca J.
Naqi, Syed A.
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Nusbaum, Kenneth E.
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Pearson, Leonard D.
Potgieter, Leon N.D.
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Reddy, Chilekampalli A.
Reggiardo, Carlos
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Ross, Richard F.
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Simpson, Russell B.
Stephenson, Edward H.
Tewari, Deepanker
Toth, Thomas E.
Tresnan, Dina Barbis
Tudoriu, Constantin D.
Velayudhan, Binu T.
Wellehan, James F.X.
Wooley, Richard E.
Zhang, Yan J.

Dues Owed for 2006

Ali, Akbar
Angulo, Arthur B.
Brodie, Scott J.
Carlson, Jack H.
Cho, Yung
Corapi, Wayne V.
Dee, Scott A.
Eleraky, Nasser
Ellis, John A.
Eriks, Inge S.
Fisch, Harvey
Garmendia, Antonio E.
Grooms, Daniel L.
Hong, Chou C.
Isaacson, Jeffrey A.
Issel, Charles J.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Lalonde, Guy
Lester, Thomas L.
Loan, Raymond W.
Morton, Rebecca J.
Naqi, Syed A.
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Ali, Akbar
Angulo, Arthur B.
Brodie, Scott J.
Carlson, Jack H.
Cho, Yung
Corapi, Wayne V.
Dee, Scott A.
D'Offay, Jean M.
Eleraky, Nasser
Eriks, Inge S.
Fisch, Harvey
Garmendia, Antonio E.
Hong, Chou C.
Issel, Charles J.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Lalonde, Guy
Lester, Thomas L.
Loan, Raymond W.
Naqi, Syed A.
Nusbaum, Kenneth E.
Tudoriu, Constantin D.
Wooley, Richard E.

Dues Owed for 2004

Ali, Akbar
Angulo, Arthur B.
Carlson, Jack H.
Cho, Yung
Corapi, Wayne V.
Eleraky, Nasser
Eriks, Inge S.
Fisch, Harvey
Garmendia, Antonio E.
Issel, Charles J.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Lalonde, Guy
Lester, Thomas L.
Loan, Raymond W.
Naqi, Syed A.
Tudoriu, Constantin D.
Wooley, Richard E.

Dues Owed for 2003

Ali, Akbar

Angulo, Arthur B.
Carlson, Jack H.
Eleraky, Nasser
Eriks, Inge S.
Fisch, Harvey
Frank, Glynn H.
Garmendia, Antonio E.
Issel, Charles J.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Lester, Thomas L.

Dues Owed for 2002

Ali, Akbar
Carlson, Jack H.
Eleraky, Nasser
Eriks, Inge S.
Issel, Charles J.
Kowalski, Joseph J.
Lester, Thomas L.

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Kowalski, Joseph J.
Last paid 6/94

Issel, Charles
Last paid 6/97

Carlson, Jack H.
Last paid 6/98

Lester, Thomas L.
Last paid 6/98