

THURSDAY, September 14, 2017

Omaha Welcomes AABP!

One of the largest AABP meetings in history, the 2017 50th AABP Annual Conference in Omaha, Neb. this week has started off great with AABP Preconference Seminars and the Welcome Reception sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim.

“AABP welcomes our attendees to our 50th Annual Conference and we hope everyone has a great time getting excellent CE and connecting with peers, colleagues and new friends,” says AABP Executive Vice President Dr. K. Fred Gingrich, II.

Preconference Seminars Shine at AABP

At this week’s Annual Conference, over 300 veterinarians (and a few select veterinary students) attended 15 AABP Preconference Seminars in Omaha, with a couple of them offsite and on-farm.

Always exciting is the portable teaching milking parlor brought to the conference by Dr. Roger Thomson for the hands-on Quality Milk Production seminar.



At the offsite Strategic Stockmanship preconference seminar, participants had hands-on instruction on cattle handling principles to improve the health and welfare of beef cattle.



Credit: Dr. Joe Hillhouse

The Thoracic Ultrasound and Pre-mortem Diagnostics in Outbreak Investigation preconference seminar was also held offsite to allow for hands-on learning.



Credit: Dr. Terri Ollivett

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Front Row (L-R): Dr. Gary Koester, Dr. Rodney Chapman, Dr. Vickie Cooper, Dr. Eric Behlke, Dr. Dale Moore, Dr. Gary Koester

Back Row (L-R): Dr. Hunter Lang, Dr. Wayne Shewfelt, Dr. Carie Telgen, Dr. Lee Jones, Dr. Jeff Ondrak, Dr. Tom Massie, Dr. Joe Hillhouse

Welcome Reception Brings Attendees Together

It was a beautiful evening in Omaha at the AABP Welcome Reception, sponsored by Boehringer



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Dr. Robert Harding, Spanish Fork, Utah, received the 2017 Dairy Quality Assurance Veterinarian of the Year Award sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim and the Dairy Quality Center.

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\$50 for 50 Years Foundation Promotion!

Please join us in the AABP Foundation’s “\$50 for 50” promotion to celebrate 50 years of our annual conference, and consider donating \$50 to the AABP Foundation. The Foundation funds scholarships and relevant, clinical research for AABP members.



During this campaign, the first 150 \$50 (or more) donors will receive a new, limited edition AABP cap!

2017 AABP Foundation Competitive Research Grant Awards

The 2017 AABP Foundation Competitive Research Grant Awards were given to:

- Pat Gorden, Iowa State University: *Comparison of analgesics for control of lameness-associated pain in lactating dairy cattle*
- Craig McConnel, Washington State University: *Comparison of group versus individual calf rearing for a summary measure of health*

AABP Welcomes Invited Industry Guests

AABP is affiliated with and/or works with other industry organizations. Representatives from several organizations are present at the conference including:

- Academy of Veterinary Consultants
- American Association of Swine Veterinarians
- American Veterinary Medical Association
- British Cattle Veterinary Association
- National Cattleman’s Beef Association

Get Your Rabies Titer!

Kansas State University’s Rabies Laboratory is offering rabies titer and other wellness checks at their booth (#1017) in the Exhibit Hall. Technicians will take samples Thursday and Friday from 8:00am-3:30 pm. Blood draws will be offered in a curtained-off booth.

Rabies titer results will be emailed in approximately 3-4 weeks. Any other testing will be provided by OnSite Wellness, Inc., and will be mailed 2-3 weeks following the conference.