AABP Foundation-Zoetis Scholarship Awards and Amstutz Scholarship Auction
Friday, September 13, 2019
St. Louis, Missouri

The AABP Foundation and Zoetis partnered to award 10 scholarships to veterinary students who will graduate in 2020. The AABP Foundation-Zoetis Veterinary Student Scholarship program was established to recruit outstanding students into careers in bovine veterinary medicine. In addition to a $5,000 scholarship, each recipient was invited to attend the 52nd AABP Annual Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, and was provided a stipend for travel and housing.

Recipients were honored at a dinner Friday, September 13. The sources of the funds for these scholarships were Zoetis and individual AABP members who participated by designating the Veterinary Student Scholarship when provided the opportunity to contribute to the recruitment of future colleagues.

The recipients of the 2019 AABP Foundation-Zoetis Veterinary Student Scholarships and their respective schools are:

Elizabeth Endres  
Emily Griswold  
Andrew Harding  
Scout Josey  
Colleen Potter  
Adam Strebe  
Emil Walleser  
Austin Whitmon  
Janelle Wiser  
Nathan Yerian

University of Wisconsin  
University of Pennsylvania  
Colorado State University  
University of Georgia  
Michigan State University  
University of Wisconsin  
University of Wisconsin  
Mississippi State University  
North Carolina State University  
University of California-Davis

The AABP Foundation offers congratulations and best wishes to this group of deserving students.

Virginia Fajt, DVM, PhD, DACVCP  
Chair, AABP Foundation Board of Directors
JAVMA, February 1, 1969 had a report on the First Annual AABP Convention at the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago on November 24-26, 1968. Hitherto, the annual meetings had been held in conjunction with the AVMA Annual Meetings. The report stated:

“This was the first convention in recent years where a bovine practitioner could elbow to the right or to the left and everywhere find a newly made friend to talk to about cattle. Hoping and praying for at least 200 registrants, the AABP officers were delighted to find themselves hosts to more than 350 veterinarians. Exhibitors, speakers and guests swelled the attendance to 425.”

One of the highlights of every AABP Convention has been the Practice Tips Session. At the Chicago meeting there were lively descriptions of novel gadgets and procedures.

Dr. Joe Knappenberger, AVMA President, was a guest speaker. He spoke of the practicing veterinarians’ role in the future, trends which would lessen the physical strain on the practitioner by using improved techniques and specially trained assistants. He defined the future role of veterinarians as supervisors instead of skilled laborers.

Dr. Knappenberger expressed concern over the sluggishness of new product development, due to the stringent regulations imposed by the Food & Drug Administration and the Veterinary Biologicals Division of USDA. He was also concerned with the diminishing percentage of veterinarians engaged in food animal practice. He urged members to take a direct interest in the activities of their state’s representative in the AVMA House of Delegates.

AABP and AVMA counterparts join forces at AABP’s first annual meeting held in Chicago, Nov. 24-26, 1968. Left to right: Dr. Don Williams, Ada, OK, president of AABP; Dr. Joe Knappenberger, Olathe, KS, president of AVMA; Dr. R. A. Vie, Follett, Texas, president-elect of AABP; and Dr. John B. Herrick, Ames, IA, president-elect of AVMA Dr. Vie took over as president of AABP for 1969.