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The Washington Branch of AALAS would like to thank its membership for attending the 9th annual Spring Trade Fair on Wednesday, March 17, 2004.

We would also like to thank the following presenters for their time and expertise: Susan Adler from the NWABRA, Dr. Steve Kelly for his talk on "Things You always Wanted to Know About Detergents and Disinfectants But Were Afraid to Ask", Dr. Renee Hukkanen for her talk on "Pox Virus in Finches", Dr. Steve Baron for his talk on "Analgesics in Laboratory Animals", and Dr. Dick Vetter for his talk on "Mad Cow Disease".

Many great door prizes were given away, graciously donated by our supporting vendors; Allentown Caging, Animal Specialties, Britz-Heidbrink, Cardinal Health, Charles River Laboratory, KLASS, Lab Equipment Company, Lithgow Laboratory Services, Simonsen, Steris Corp., and VWR.

Refreshments for the event were sponsored by the following supporters: Allentown Caging, Animal Specialties, KLASS, Lab Equipment Co., Labconco, Purina Mills, R&R Research & Development, Shepherd Specialty Papers, Simonsen, Summit Medical, Taconic, and WORC.

During the Fair, the Bette J. Varnam Animal Technician of the Year Award was presented to Traci Roger from the Veterans Admin. Puget Sound Health Care System and the WBAALAS Member of the Year Award was presented to Tim Dawe from SNBL, USA – former WBAALAS President and instrumental in making the Trade Fair happen! Congratulations to you both and thank you for your dedication.

Thanks again and we hope to see all of you at next year's Trade Fair!

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Each year the WBAALAS formally recognizes a Technician of the Year and a Member of the Year. However, each person in their own way makes contributions daily to the field of laboratory medicine that are worthy of recognition. We would like to publish those contributions in the WBAALAS Newsletter. If you, your co-worker, lead, supervisor, manager, PI, Chair, President or CEO have done anything that deserves special recognition in the field of lab animal medicine, please send a short email to Marisa Dobiash, WBAALAS Newsletter Editor at mdobiash@harlan.com with the details. It can be as simple as, "John Doe of Eastern State University always comes to work with a positive, cheerful attitude, and really cares for the animals. This makes the rest of the team feel positive too." Send as many and as often as you like. This is an opportunity to recognize and be recognized.

1st ANNUAL WBAALAS FALL SYMPOSIUM

Are you unable to attend National AALAS this year? Do you love to hear about the latest technologies and advances in Laboratory Animal Science? Do you like opportunities to network with other people who work in Laboratory Animal Science in our area? If your answer was "yes" to any of the above then register now to attend our first ever Fall Symposium. WBAALAS is sponsoring this event to allow easier access for our members to new information and discoveries. Presenters will cover topics in the areas of facility design/innovations, new rodent technologies, new primate technologies, drug discovery/genetics/models, and identification methods. The Symposium will be an all day event (8-5), held in Seattle on August 12, 2004. Refreshments and lunch will be included with your registration. If you would like to attend please fill out the registration form enclosed in this newsletter and return it with your admission payment by July 30th, 2004. If you prefer to have an invoice sent to your institution for the registration fees please be sure to have a manager/ supervisor sign off on the approval line prior to submitting the form back to us. See you in August!

The WBAALAS Board

WBAALAS 2004 Fall Symposium Registration Form

The 2004 Fall Symposium will be held on August 12, 2004.
Preliminary schedule: speakers begin at 8 am, and end at 5 pm.
Lunch will be served at 12:00. Lunch and refreshments are included in the registration fee.

Location: Ballard Rowing Center, North end of Lake Union in Seattle, WA, just past the Fremont Bridge. Pay parking or street parking is available.

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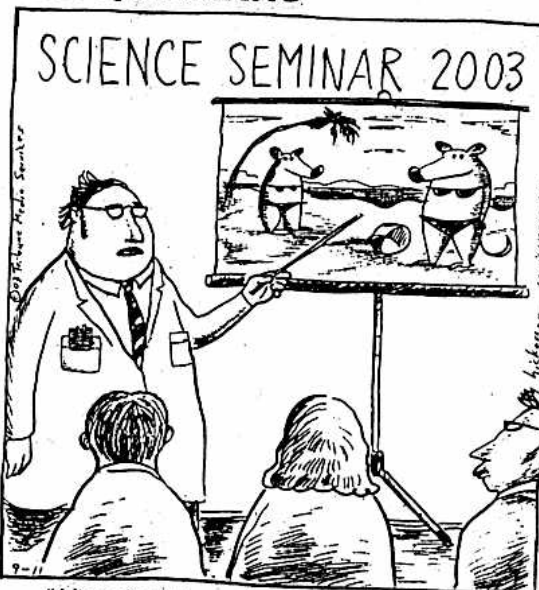
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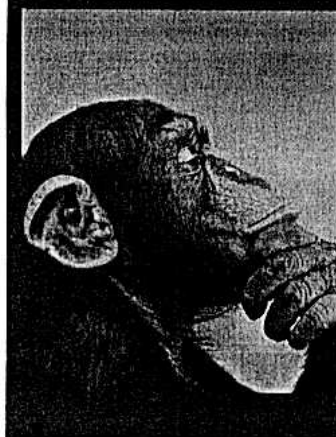
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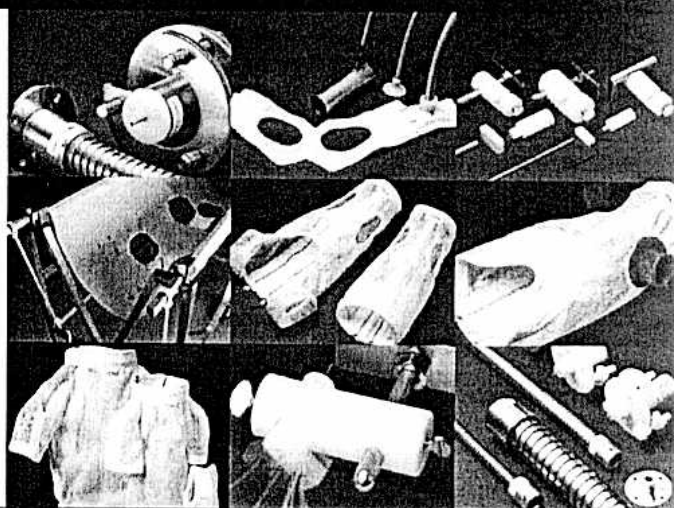
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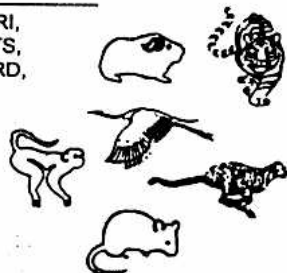
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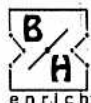
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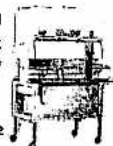
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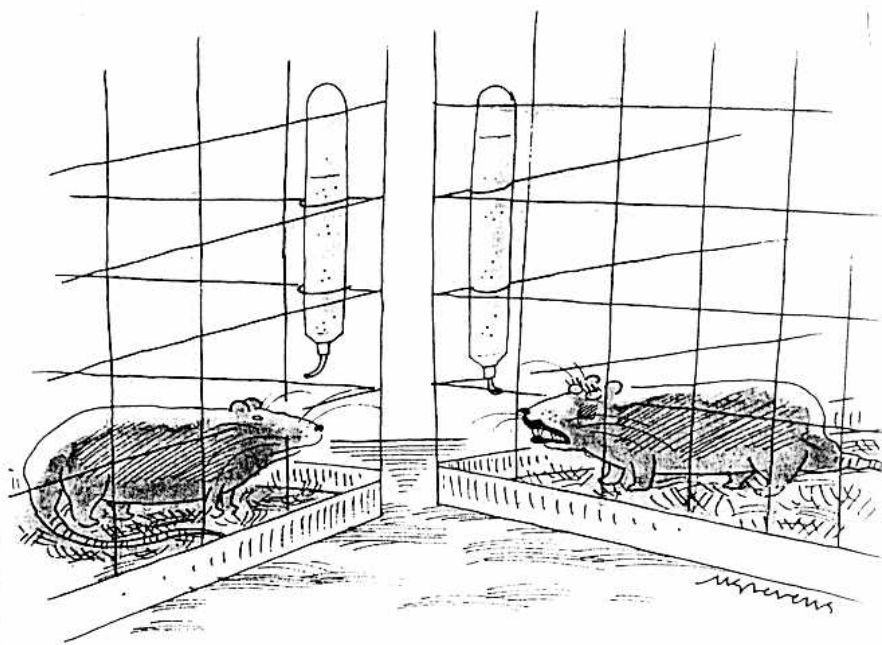
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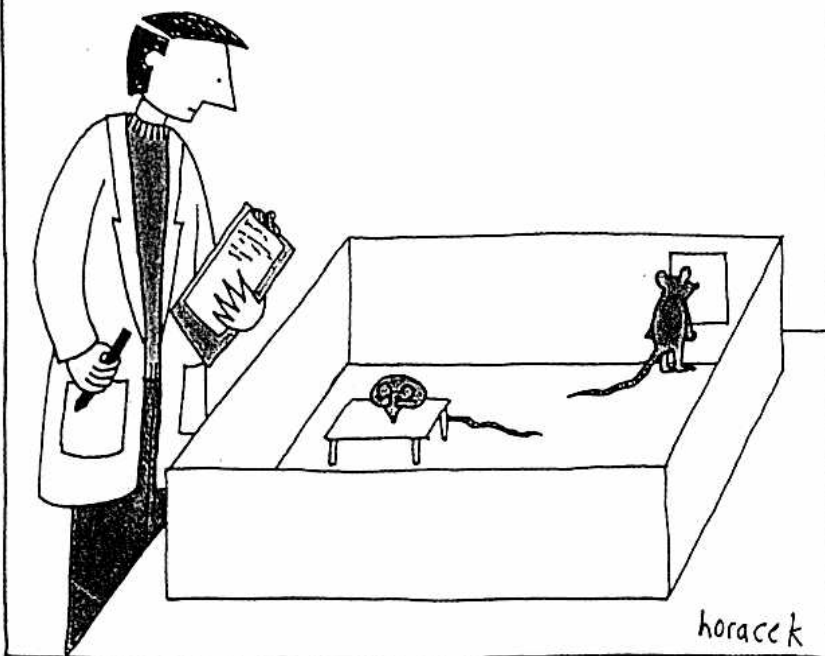
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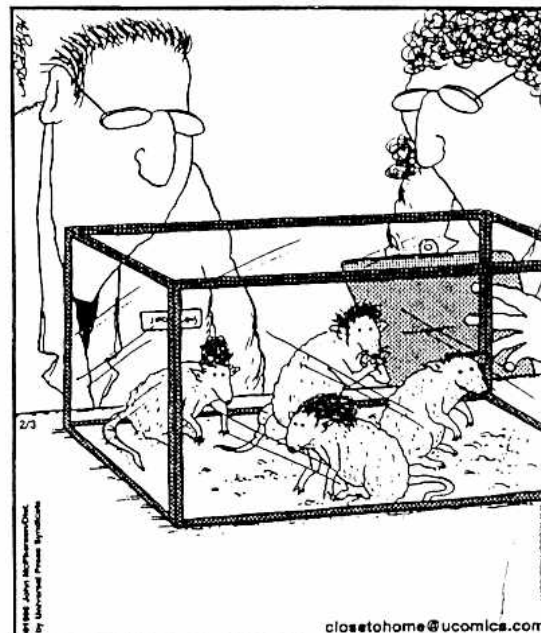
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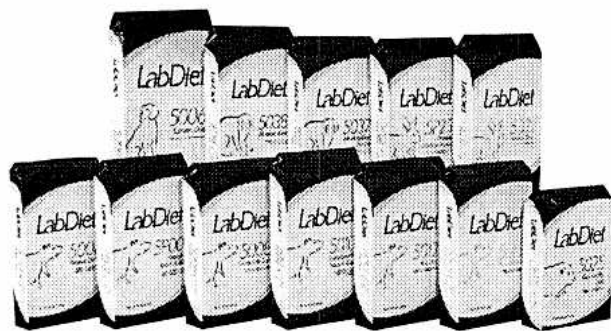
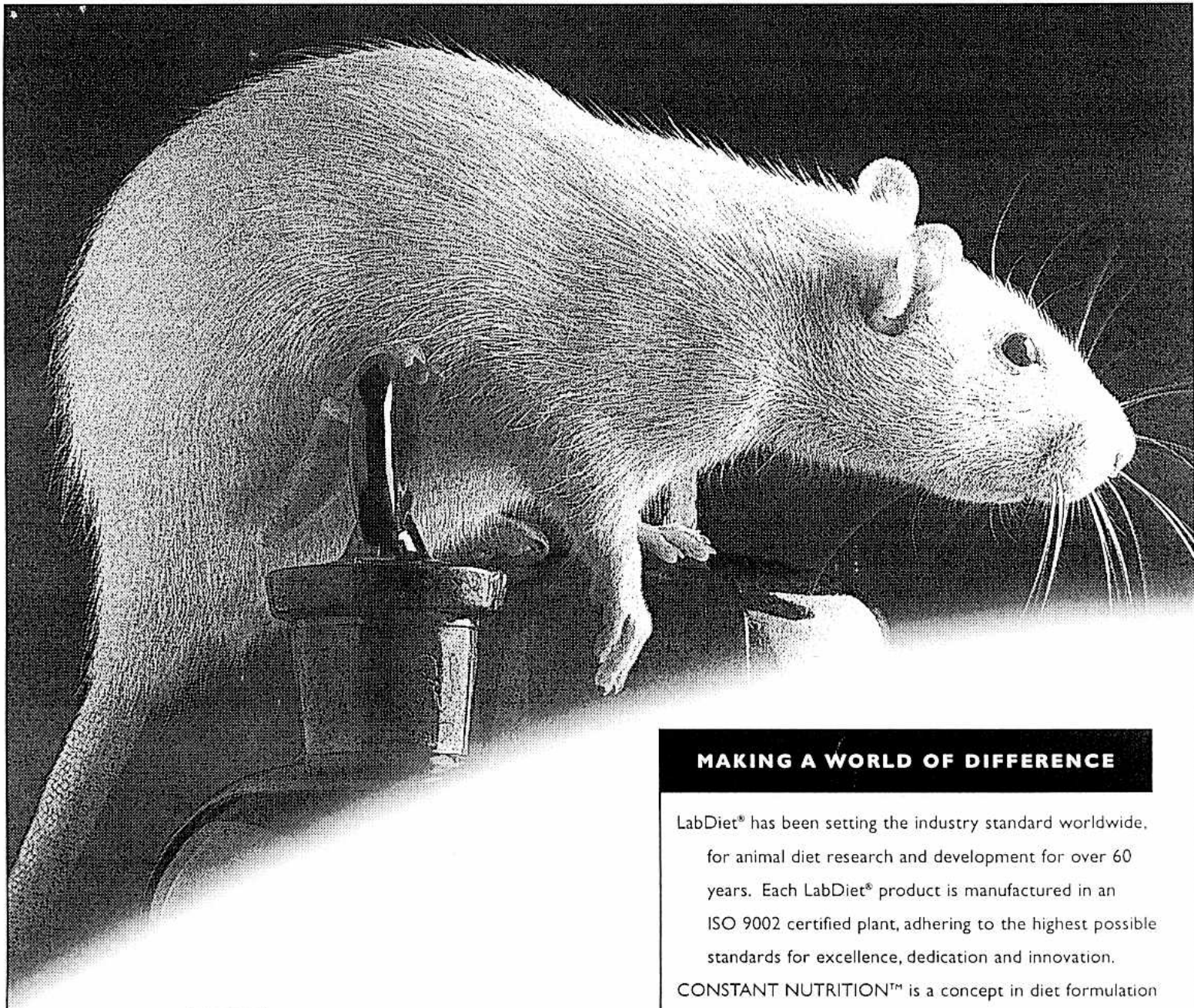
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