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## **Calling for nominations for Technician of the year and Member of the year!**

As you may know, our Annual Trade Fair is quickly approaching, March 22, 2007. An exciting part of the Fair is the announcement and recognition of the Bette J. Varnam Animal Technician of the Year and Washington Branch Member of the Year. This year I'd like to encourage each of you as Branch Members to nominate a staff member, fellow co-worker, friend, or acquaintance within the local research community that meets the spirit and intent of each of these awards.

The Bette J. Varnam Animal Technician of the Year Award is presented to an individual directly involved in lab animal care that performs daily husbandry duties, handling/restraint, feeding and water, room sanitation, health observation, etc., and has demonstrated a sincere concern for the well being of the animals under his/her charge.

The Washington Branch Member of the Year Award is presented to an individual who has actively participated in the Washington Branch and encourages participation by others in activities which promote WBAALAS or laboratory animal science in general.

This is an opportunity to recognize those and say "Thanks".

Thanks,

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## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

**The Washington Branch of AALAS  
will hold its 12th Annual Spring  
Trade Fair Thursday, March 22,  
2007**

**Center for Urban Horticulture at  
the University of Washington.**

**This exciting event will start at  
8:30AM**

**Don't be late!**

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The Bette J. Varnam Animal Technician of the Year

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupational Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check those that apply/fill in the blanks:

\_\_\_\_\_ Member of National AALAS  
\_\_\_\_\_ Held office in National AALAS past 3 years  
\_\_\_\_\_ Presentations at National AALAS past 3 years

\_\_\_\_\_ Member Washington Branch AALAS  
\_\_\_\_\_ Held Office in Washington Branch past 3 years  
\_\_\_\_\_ Active participant in Washington Branch

Membership in other scientific organizations:

List organization(s) with position(s):

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Please use a separate form for each nominee and return the nomination form(s) by March 13, 2007 to [gmillen@nastech.com](mailto:gmillen@nastech.com).

Nomination Application for:

The Washington Branch AALAS Member of the Year

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Occupational Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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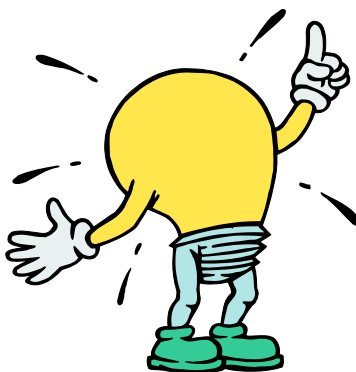
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**District 8 Meeting to be held in  
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***Animal Science***  
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Address		
City	State	Zip

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- WBAALAS newsletter
- Spring Trade Fair Discount
- Contacts with lab animal vendors
- Announcements of national AALAS activities
- Community involvement
- Leadership experience

**The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Trade Fair  
Washington Branch of AALAS  
Registration**

The Washington Branch of AALAS will hold its 12th Annual Spring Trade Fair Thursday,  
March 22, 2007  
Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington.

The tentative schedule is as follows:

8:30 Coffee and Pastries; Vendor area Open  
Oral presentations on current topics in laboratory science\*  
Break; Vendor area Open  
Oral presentations on current topics in laboratory science  
Lunch; Vendor area Open  
Branch Awards and Door Prize Drawings  
2:00 Vendor area Closed

\*This year we are excited to welcome the Education Coordinator for AALAS, Genevieve Fridland, Ph.D., who will be addressing the topic of communications in a mixed cultural working environment.

Lunch will be served in the vendor display area to allow attendees to acquaint themselves with area representatives.

A drawing for door prizes will be held after lunch. If you would like to donate a door prize or sponsor refreshments, please be sure to indicate this on the registration form.

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**Registration Form**

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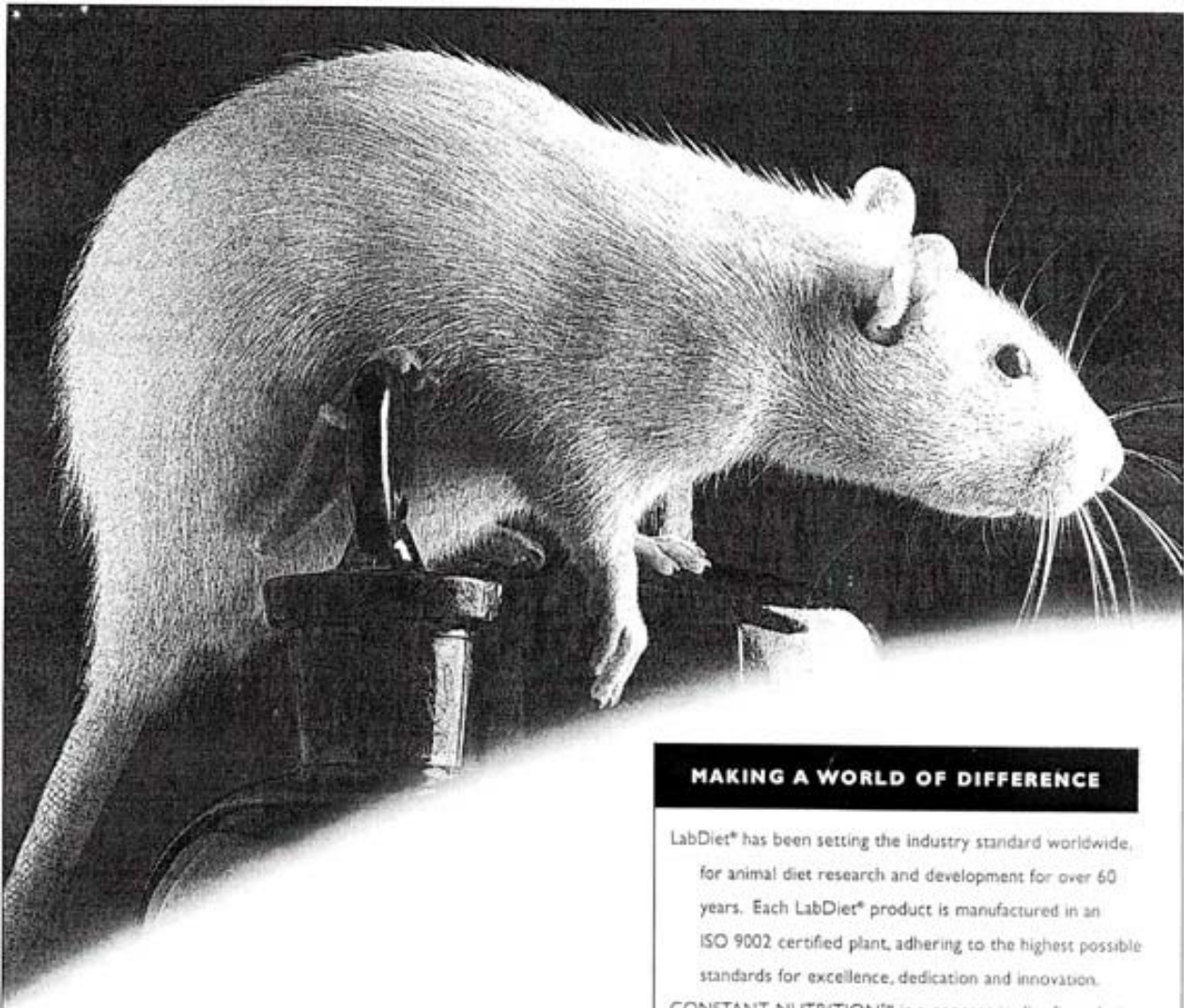
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The Center of Urban Horticulture at UW

April 12 & 13, 2007 District 8 Meeting  
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June 11, 2007  
Eighth annual IACUC Regional Education Conference at the Washington Athletic Club in downtown Seattle sponsored by Northwest Association for Biomedical Research  
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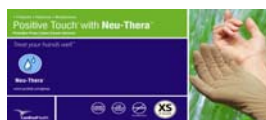


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