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Holiday Party

WBAALAS would like to thank everyone who attended this year's holiday party. It was definitely one of the best ever! Many thanks to Shawn Hooper and Charles River Labs for hosting the event too.

We'd like to recognize all the generous organizations and people who donated raffle items to make the party such a fun festive time-your support is vital to the branch and we really appreciate all you do-

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Happy Holidays! Hope to see you next year at the 2005 Trade Fair. Watch for more information coming soon...

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YOU DESERVE A PAT ON THE BACK

Dear WBAALAS Members,

At SNBL USA, Ltd. We recently started a Technician of the Quarter awards program in the Husbandry department. Each quarter we recognize an individual in our department who has excelled in the following four areas; attendance & punctuality, teamwork & commitment to going 'above and beyond', quality and quantity to their work and communication within our department and with other departments.

The winner of the 3rd Quarter, "Technician of the Quarter" award goes to Teanne Long. Teanne joined the Husbandry team in July of 2002. After her first year she studied and passed her ALAT exam and is currently preparing to take the LAT exam. Teanne is dedicated to the animals in her care and to her co-workers. Her outstanding accomplishment, along with consistency in the areas mentioned above, was to take over daily operations of our CDC quarantine facility. This requires great attention to animal care, performing many tasks daily and following CDC regulations and guidelines. Teanne receives a reserved parking spot for 3 months, certification and plaque that is displayed in our lobby and a cash award.

Gary Millen
Director of Operations
SNBL USA, Ltd.

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WBAALAS would like to congratulate the following members who have been elected to board positions for 2005:

President – Carlos Toledano (current)
President-elect – Shawn Hooper (new)
Past President – Geri Orta (current)
Secretary – Jolene Kidney (new)
Treasurer – Lynn Reed (new)
Board member – Gary Millen (current)
Board Member – JoAnn McCully (new)

Call for the Animal Technician and Member of the Year Award Nominations

Each year the Washington Branch of AALAS formally recognizes an Animal Technician of the Year and a Washington Branch Member of the Year who have made significant contributions. The Bette J. Varnam Animal Technician Award is presented to an individual directly involved in lab animal care who performs daily husbandry duties, handling/restraint, feeding and watering, room sanitation, health observation, etc., and has demonstrated a sincere concern for the well being of the animals under his/her care. The Member of the Year Award is presented to a branch member who has contributed significantly to the Washington Branch. Both are announced during the annual WBAALAS Trade Fair to be held March 16, 2005.

This is an opportunity for each of us to submit a nominee to be considered for these prestigious awards and an opportunity to recognize our staff for their outstanding efforts. Please use a separate form for each nominee and return the nomination form(s) by March 7, 2005. E-mail is encouraged: [gmiller@snblusa.com](mailto:gmillen@snblusa.com)

On behalf of the nominees, thank you for your time to honor them.
Gary

-Nomination Forms are enclosed-

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CALAS Annual Symposium

CALAS is having their annual symposium in Vancouver on June 25-28th and has extended an invitation to all AALAS members, particularly the Seattle AALAS branch members (district 8) to attend.

All registration information and details can be found online at www.calas-ascal.org, just click on the poster. We also offer registration reciprocity to all AALAS members (registration at CALAS membership rates).

We look forward to seeing you.

Claire Smits
CALAS/ASCAL President

Nomination Application for:

_____The Bette J. Varnam Animal Technician of the Year

_____Member of the Year

Name of Nominee: _____

Occupational Title: _____

Employer : _____

Please check those that apply/fill in the blanks:

_____Member of National AALAS

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_____Member Washington Branch AALAS

_____Held office in Washington Branch past 3 years

_____Active participant in Washington Branch

Membership in other scientific organizations:

List organization with position(s)

AALAS Certification: List current Level: _____

Degree(s): _____

Please attach a short narrative to include but not limited to the following:

Personal or professional accomplishments, contributions to the Washington Branch AALAS and to the field of laboratory animal medicine/management, innovative approaches to animal care problems, examples of concern for animal welfare, duties, and demonstrated examples of exceptional performance.

Washington Branch of AALAS

Cordially invites you to attend
The Spring Educational Trade Fair
Golden Gardens Bathhouse
8498 Seaview Avenue North
Seattle, WA 98117

March 16, 2005
Wednesday 8:00 AM-2:00 PM

8:00 to 9:00 a.m. Coffee and Pastries

Presentations:

9:00 a.m. Opening introduction and branch overview
Carlos Toledano: 2005 Washington Branch AALAS President

9:25 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Several presenters will give talks related to Lab Animal topics

10:15 a.m. to 10:35 a.m. BREAK

10:35 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. More presentations will be given

12:00 p.m. Lunch (catered by the Wedge) and Tabletop exhibits by Vendors

1:00 p.m. Awards presentations:
Technician of the Year and Branch Member of the Year

1:15 p.m. Raffle

WBAALAS members: \$10.00

Non-members: \$20.00, which includes WBAALAS membership
(we will bill later)

Registration/Lunch Reservations
(Please Print)

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

WBAALAS Member: Yes _____ No _____

Jolene Kidney – Secretary

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Washington Branch

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Animal Science

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

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Working with a world leader in animal production and facility management provides access to technical process innovations in animal health care, nutrition, and transportation.

Reducing overall costs is not the only benefit to your research. Caring for nutrition, sanitation, health and genetic stability of laboratory animals requires specialized attention to exacting details, as well as up to date awareness of animal husbandry procedures and advances. The right personnel training is essential.

Why Outsource?

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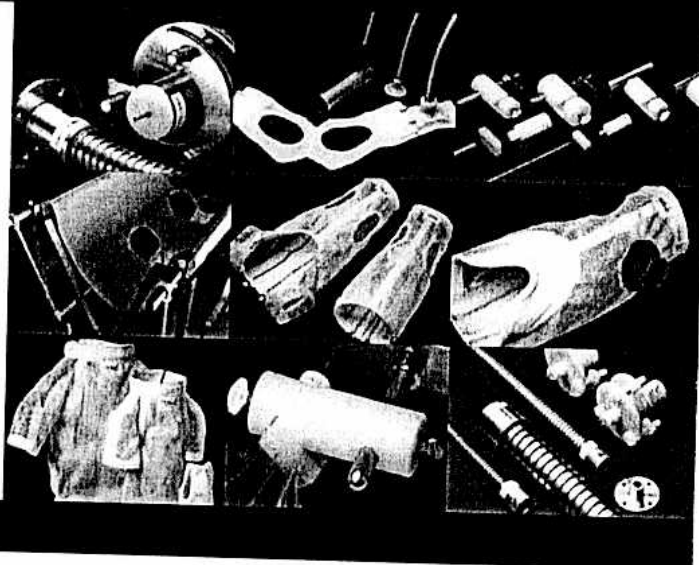
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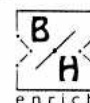
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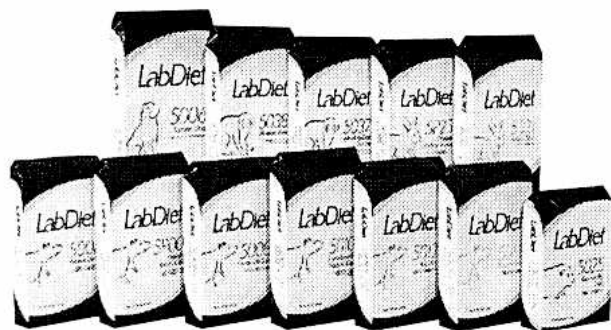
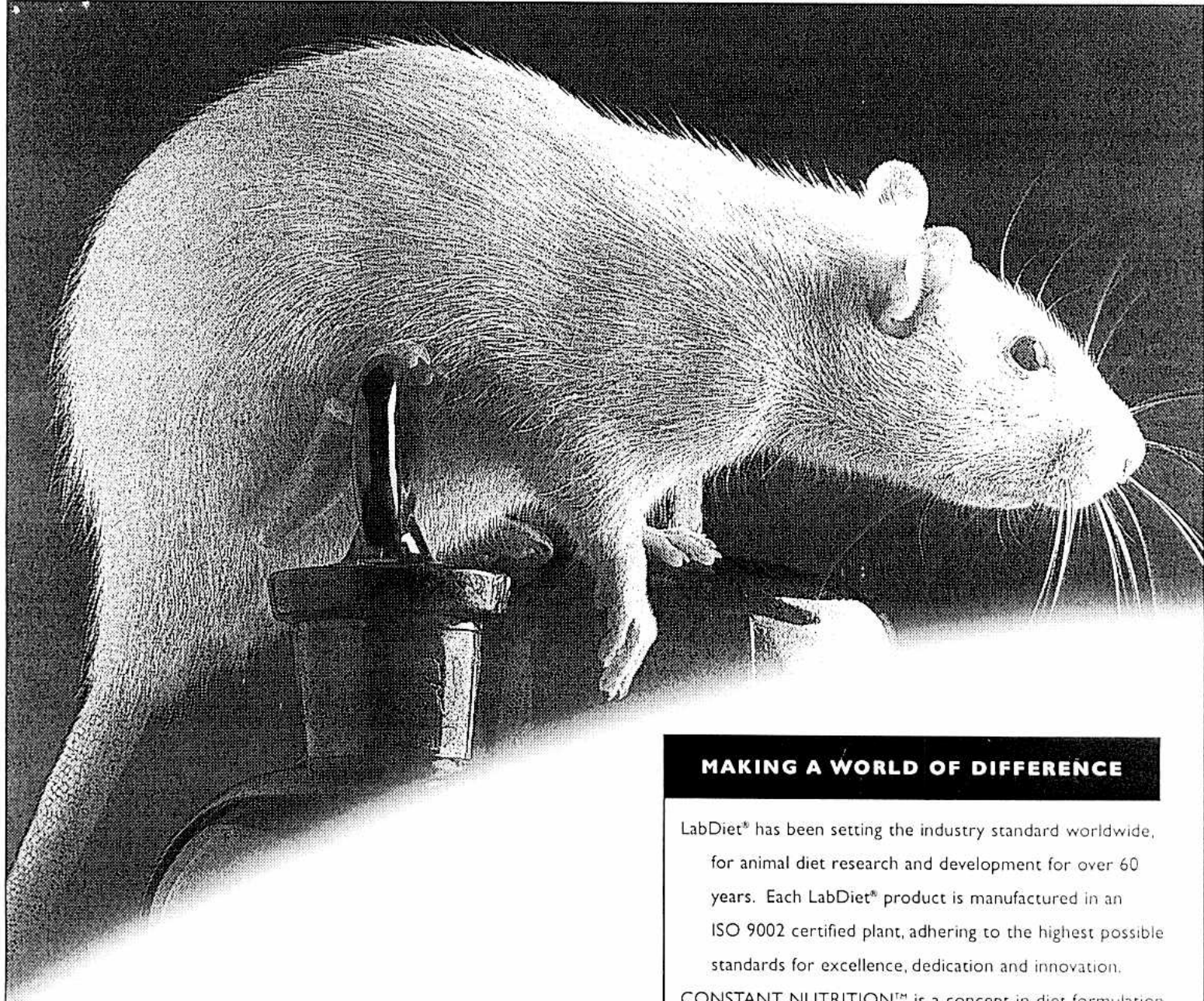


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