



# IAAAM NEWS

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**DR. LANNY CORNELL WAS INSTALLED PRESIDENT AND DR. WILLIAM MEDWAY VOTED PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE IAAAM** at the conclusion of the Business Meeting of the 4th Annual Conference and Workshop of the IAAAM held in Victoria, B.C. Canada, April 30 to May 2, 1973. **Dr. J.D. Hyman** was chosen as the association's new **Secretary-Treasurer**, and **Dr's J.F. Allen, A.G. Greenwood**, and **J.C. Sweeney** were elected to the **Executive Board**. This year's Business Meeting, presided over by President, Dr. Mark C. Keyes, was held midway through the conference and was therefore attended by more members than at any previous meeting. Dr. Cornell and Dr. Alan Hoey who planned and co-hosted the conference are to be congratulated on a fine meeting at which 75 were registered. Special thanks are in order for Mr. Robert Wright, owner of Sealand of the Pacific and the Oak Bay Marina Restaurant for the finest whale show and full course dinner to be enjoyed anywhere.



**THE LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE**, appointed at the Honolulu meeting in 1972 by former President Dr. Joe Geraci, has been meeting one of the association's most important responsibilities. Dr. Thurman (Mike) Grafton, the first chairman of this committee, did a fine job marshaling initial input for the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (see newsletters 18 and 19).

Mike has been somewhat handicapped this past year by his temporary assignment to London and his travels in Africa; nevertheless, he did continue to conduct the committee's business. His report follows:

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Mark C. Keyes, D.V.M. President  
International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine  
c/o American Veterinary Medical Association  
Annual Convention  
Philadelphia, PA U.S.A.

Dear Mark:

Up until today when I was supposed to fly to Philly, I had every intention of attending the AVMA Meeting and the IAAAM Meeting associated with it. However, it seems both my wife and I were injured in a bus accident last week that occurred on the road between Samarkand and Penjikent near the border between Uzbekistan and Tajikistan. While we managed to get back to London on schedule, the combination of cuts, bruises, contusions, and exhaustion have ruled out my participation in the goings on at Philadelphia.

In earlier correspondence Pete Schroeder offered to report on my behalf for our committee. I thought it proper form for me to report directly to you, but it would be nice if you asked Pete to read what follows:

#### LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT

The past twelve months have been an extremely busy period from the standpoint of consideration of legislation relating to aquatic animals. The Animal Protection Act of 1972 was signed into law by President Oct. 21.

One of the basic problems in the original law that has influenced the very important codification of implementing regulations, is the fact that the authority for enforcement is divided between the Departments of Commerce and Interior. Each Department holds a traditional responsibility for certain species.

In drafting implementing regulations, those of you who have ever been involved in such a task know of the extreme difficulty the various nuances of meanings of words in the English language pose to the most conscientious. Without going into details of the problems of definitions, wording to be specific enough to be meaningful without at the same time being impractical, the important thing for our organization is the fact that from the very beginning, even before the law was passed, the Senate Committee considering it was aware that our organization existed as a professional body of experts on the subject that were both ready and willing to participate in the work on this legislation.

As a result, our President has been frequently consulted, and has passed such communications on to either this committee, or a Sub-Committee on Standards chaired by Dr. Lanny Cornell, or both. Feedback from these two committees has enabled our President to consolidate input from many members and coordinate the information through official channels of the Federal Agency in which he works.

In the opinion of this chairman, the net result has been one that has helped produce Federal Legislation which while admittedly not perfect, is a far sight better than it would have been without the professional input to its drafting furnished by the International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine.

The work is not yet finished. There are kinks to be smoothed out as we gain experience with the laws. The apparent intent to place responsibility for enforcement in the hands of the U.S.D.A. was received with mixed emotions by those already dealing with that agency under the Animal Welfare Act. Much is yet to be done, but none are better qualified to lead the way in matters regarding Aquatic Animals than the IAAAM.

Respectfully Submitted;

*Mike*

THURMAN S. GRAFTON, D.V.M. Chairman  
Legislative Liaison Committee

During the business meeting in Victoria, **Dr. Robert Temple** was named chairman of the Legislative Liaison Committee, according to rule, in the absence of Dr. Grafton. Other original members of the committee are Dr.'s Hyman, Schroeder, and Keyes. Dr. Keyes called for additional volunteers to work with Dr. Temple. Then added to the committee were **Dr.'s J. Mattsson, T.A. Gornall**, and **J. Sweeney**, and **Mr. John Prescott**. Shortly after his installation as President, Dr. Cornell designated Mr. Prescott Vice Chairman (for fish) and asked **Mr. L. Garibaldi** to assist in matters of fish legislation and **Dr. Oscar Clabaugh (USDA, APHIS)** to serve ex-officio.

Under the Legislative Liaison Committee, the **Sub Committee On Regulations And Guidelines** was fortified by the addition of **Dr. Sam Ridgway** (Chairman replacing Dr. Cornell) and **Dr. A.G. Greenwood**. Original members of this sub-committee include Dr.'s L. Cornell, J. Allen, J. Geraci, J. White, D. vanHeel, and Mr. P. Montreuil. This committee has been busy working on a **Reference Guide** to augment federal regulations on "Specifications for the Humane Handling, Care, Treatment, and Transportation of Marine Mammals," to be adopted coincidentally by the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Commerce.

Also under the Legislative Liaison Committee Dr. Temple named three members to a **Sub-Committee For Work On To Related Fields: Dr. George Migaki**, (Chairman), **Dr. Robert Temple**, and **Dr. Dean Brown**.

During the business meeting it was moved by Dr. Mattsson and seconded by Dr. Sweeney, that the Legislative Liaison Committee make it their first order of business to convey, to the federal government, IAAAM's policy on the disposition of stranded marine mammals. The motion carried and on June 22, Dr. Temple testified at hearings held in Washington, D.C. on this specific subject. The recommendation of the committee was as follows: "Whereas, under certain and frequently unknown conditions, marine mammals are discovered injured or stranded on the shores of the United States or its territories, it is recommended by this association (IAAAM) that for humanitarian reasons, their treatment, care and ultimate disposition shall be relegated by the appropriate agency (state, federal, or local) to any private or public institution providing professional veterinary care." Dr. Temple was given the opportunity to comment on a number of aspects that came up during the hearings. Along with the testimony of a number of others representing a variety of concerns, Dr. Temple's remarks are now in the record. Access to the complete testimony can be obtained through the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C.



**DR. NICHOLAS PALUMBO, CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS REVISION COMMITTEE** reported on the progress of his committee appointed by President Keyes in February and including Dr.'s T. Grafton, Ken Gray, J. Hyman, Ron Jackson, Al MacNeill, Sam Ridgway, and Jesse White. Dr. Palumbo stated that numerous changes had been suggested and were under consideration by members of his committee, including a document reflecting some bold new thoughts on structure of the IAAAM, including a possible change of name, membership requirements and scientific meeting format. He further stated that a draft of a new proposed constitution and by-laws would be ready for circulation in about 60 days. Such a draft was received by members of the committee in early August.

In connection with possible revision of membership requirements, **Dr. Murray Dailey** read the following statement signed by 15 associate members: "We the undersigned contributing associate members and colleagues would like to put forth the following statement

in support of our position in the IAAAM. We urge the executive committee to consider that the stated purposes of the organization would be enhanced rather than hindered by our admission to full membership. In view of the current feeling on the importance given to a interdisciplinary approach, we feel the contributions given by non-veterinarian research members does not limit the clinical exchange of information by veterinarians but provides a supplement urgently needed to give an overall insight into marine animal problems. We understand that the thrust of this organization is on health care and management of aquatic animals. We will contribute to this organization in this capacity to maintain its present integrity and design. This relationship is needed by all participating members regardless of academic degree."

Dr. Palumbo replied to Dr. Dailey that his committee would give the statement thoughtful consideration. After his installation as President, Dr. Cornell named an Associate Members Constitution and By-Laws Review Committee consisting of Dr.'s M. Dailey, D. Duffield, B. Fremming, and R. Conklin.



**THE 5th ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP OF THE IAAAM** will be held in Orlando, Florida and hosted by Sea World of Florida. The choice was made, according to rule, by the Executive Board. President-Elect Medway is, of course, Program Chairman for the scientific sessions. Three co-hosts were named by incoming President Cornell: Mr. Ed Asper, Sea World of Florida; Dr. Carl Chapman, Wometco Miami Seaquarium; and Dr. Jesse White, Miami.

Dr. Medway has already circulated a call for papers.



**INVITATIONS EXTENDED TO THE IAAAM** for its 6th Annual Conference and Workshop in 1975 came from Dr. Ron Jackson, Marineland of St. Augustine; Dr. Ken Gray, Seaarama, Galveston, Texas; and Mr. John Prescott, New England Aquarium, Boston, Mass.



**THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE** selected by the Executive Board was named by President Keyes and consists of **Dr.'s Sam Ridgway** (Chairman), **J. Geraci**, **T. Wilson**, **A. Hoey**, and **T.A. Gornall**.



**NEW MEMBERS OF THE IAAAM** approved by the Executive Board were: Dr.'s C.G. Chapman, M.R. Dinnes, G.E. Dukes, R.D. Gunnels, L.W. Harrell, F.G. Smith, and R.K. Stroud.

A change of status from associate member to member was approved for Dr.'s M.H. Bealeu, A.G. Greenwood, W.M. Hauck, and R.M. Temple.

New associate members approved by the Executive Board were: Dr.'s J.B. Belfrage, O.F. Clabaugh, D.W. Coombs, R.E. Dolphin, J.L. Dunn, H. Evans, N.J. Flanigan, B.D. Fremming, L.E. Garibaldi, S. Gurin, S.V. Machotka, J. McBain, J.M. Petras, K.M. Sandilands, E. Schallenberger, K. Thornton, P.W. Tulacz, N.A. Vedros; Ms. D. Duffield; and Messrs E.D. Asper, W.S. Flynn, D. Goldsberry, C.A. Grover, B. Jones, I. Kang, K. Onderka, and J.H. Prescott.

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**PIEH POINTS**—Positions of individual members relative to legislation, teaching, research and other matters pertaining to aquatic animal medicine can be put across most effectively through committees of the IAAAM. With respect to legislation, at least, the members attending this year's business meeting passed a resolution to adopt this protocol.



**SQUID BITS—JAY HYMAN TAKES THE PLUNGE.** Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. J. Hyman who weighed anchor on the sea of matrimony September 8.



**WATER WORLD—SONIC TAGS FOR MANATEES—**Three sonic tags were designed and built by the staff of the National Marine Fisheries Service's Northwest Fisheries Center in Seattle for scientists of the Manatee Research Project in Crystal River, Fla.



**PRESIDENT NIXON APPOINTS MARINE MAMMAL COMMISSION**—Members of the three man commission are: Victor B. Scheffer, of Bellevue, Wash.; retired biologist with the Marine Mammal Biological Laboratory, Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and author of several books and numerous scientific publications on marine mammals. His appointment is for three years; he will be Chairman.

A. Starker Leopold, of Berkely, Calif.; Professor of Zoology, University of California, for two years.

John Ryther, of Falmouth, Mass.; Chairman, Department of Biology, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, for one year.



**DR. JESSE WHITE NAMED TO COMMITTEE OF SCIENTIFIC ADVISORS** to the Marine Mammal Commission by Dr. Scheffer. Also named were:

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**SEA HORISING AROUND**—For those of you who missed the banquet, the menu was as follows:

Fourth Annual Conference and Workshop

I. A. A. A. M.

Oak Bay Marina Restaurant, Victoria, B.C.  
Wednesday, May 2, 1973

S O U P

The Medway

a taste you'll never forget, guaranteed to enliven any gathering: French onion soup with croutons and cheese

S A L A D

Salad a la Geraci

liberally sprinkled with vitamins: crisp lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, carrots and beets; choice of French, Roquefort or Thousand Island dressing

M A I N C O U R S E S

Pierce's Passion

bound to be balanced: Alaska King Crablegs broiled and basted in a tantalizing blend of butter, lemon and wine

Farrell's Brand

an 8 ounce New York steak so perfectly broiled you can read the brand, served with french fried onion ring and baked Idaho potato

The Dailey Special

always a delight: succulent roast prime rib of beef, as rare as you like it, with natural juices and fresh mild horseradish

Van Heel's Treat

a favourite halfway around the world: a choice cut of beef tenderloin accompanied by a broiled rock lobster tail

All main courses are served with Palumbo's hot garlic bread and either a Gilmartin's baked Idaho potato or Migaki's rice pilaff.

D E S S E R T

The David Taylor

it's good for you: cheese cake with strawberry sauce and whipped cream

Klontz' Sherbert

a teacher's delight: a lively sherbert, orange or lime

W I N E

Keyes' Nectar

imported from Puget Sound: St. Emillion or Liebfraumilch



**THE NEWSLETTER OF THE IAAAM** is being edited by Dr. Mark C. Keyes, 19903 92nd Ave. So., Kent, Washington 98031. 206-852-6985 (Home), 206-527-3517 (Office). The membership agreed with the President's suggestion that the duties of Secretary-Treasurer were great enough without having to write, edit, and publish the newsletter only no one volunteered. Until someone with a greater flair for this sort of thing comes forward I guess I'm it. Please help out by sending in items of news and pictures or by suggesting topics to cover or ways to improve the newsletter. Please let me know what you think about the new look and format.



**PORPOISE PRATTLE**—This issue of the IAAAM Newsletter has been devoted to highlights of the last business meeting. If you are interested in further details you may obtain a copy of the minutes from the Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. J. Hyman. I believe Dr. Hyman has distributed copies of the new membership list already.