It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your president in these exciting and important times for PSA. The opportunity to gain a perspective on the multiplicity of activities related to our society is impressive and humbling. I am deeply in debt to the many hours committed to PSA by committee chairs and members, directors, and officers. I am especially thankful for the outstanding support and effort provided by our executive director, Jim Kessler. We are also blessed to have committed FASS staff like Mary Swenson and Susan Pollock to provide outstanding professional support for our activities. The success and accomplishments of PSA are due to the efforts of this outstanding cadre. A number of important and exciting activities are underway; I will highlight a few but encourage you to stay in touch through attention to the frequent communications from "Mary Says" and an occasional visit to the PSA Web site.

The Membership and Professional Development Committee has undertaken the task of documenting the opinions of PSA members (past and present) on several important issues. They will shortly be conducting a survey to gather input for the work of the Board of Directors. Please take the time to respond to the online survey—your opinion matters and greatly assists many committees as they serve the members of PSA.

The graduate student representatives on the Board of Directors, Darrin Karcher and Lindsay Stevenson, have been busy communicating and coordinating with the graduate student members of PSA. Chief among these projects is the graduate student manuscript competition. The winning entry will be selected soon, and the winner will receive a travel grant for the annual meeting.

On the subject of the annual meeting, this is one that you will not want to miss. There are several activities and events that will highlight the centennial of PSA. Among them will be a collection of historically oriented posters that will be available for viewing during the meeting and will also be provided to each attendee on CD. A landmark symposium will present selected papers that highlight some of the most notable research accomplishments throughout our history. This along with a beautiful site and the multiple benefits associated with a PSA meeting will provide for a very memorable and productive meeting. Muquarrab Qureshi is program chair and has done an outstanding job in putting together a high-quality program committee and coordinating the many details associated with the meeting. Please see Qureshi’s article (PSA Meeting Highlights) in this newsletter for further details.

The Board of Directors has authorized managing editor Susan Pollock to begin the process of arranging for scanning all back issues of *Poultry Science* into a digitally accessible format. The

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first step in this process is to acquire copies of all back issues that can be scanned in. If you know of any old back issues of Poultry Science that can be donated to this project, please contact Susan (See Legacy Archive Project for details). Unfortunately, the binding of the issues must be removed in the scanning process, thus the originals will not be returnable after the project is completed. This effort will provide all Poultry Science subscribers with the ability to search all volumes electronically.

The many committees of PSA have been active in their various tasks. Every member of PSA is indebted to those who serve as chairs or members of these committees. Much of the work of our society is accomplished through the efforts of committees.

These are but a few of the many varied activities that are underway within PSA. I encourage you to take advantage of the multiple benefits that your membership provides. As always, I and the entire Board of Directors are open to your input and suggestions; please feel free to correspond with me at any time. I am here to serve you and welcome your engaged participation in PSA.

From Your Executive Director

James W. Kessler

PSA Members and Friends — I hope this finds you well and ready for an exciting summer meeting in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. Our president, John Carey, has done an excellent job of providing an overview of the operations presently, so I will expound on a few of the items he addressed and take this opportunity to update you on some of the activities I’ve been working on this year.

Audit 2007: Our audit will be conducted by Martin, Hood, Friese & Associates, LLC (MHFA) again this year starting the week of April 28, 2008. The cost of conducting the audit for 2007 will be $9,300, which includes the preparation of the organization’s Federal Form 990 and Illinois AG990 information returns for the year ending December 31, 2007. I expect the cost of our audits to continue to increase with the implementation of the new federal requirements for not-for-profit organizations such as the PSA. MHFA still remains the least-cost, best-value auditor based on our latest review.

Electronic Awards Submissions: The awards site continues to evolve with committee and member suggestions for improvement. The awards Web site was updated following a member request to provide a table of contents and links so the award criteria can be easily accessed (http://www.poultryscience.org/psawards.pdf). Further, the award committees have been charged with formalizing criteria so each award can be reviewed based on the same criteria weightings from year to year. All committee chairs this year were provided with the names of those members who were nominated for an award in 2007 but were not selected because of excellent competition. These nomination packages were made available to the nominator to resubmit in 2008. So please continue to forward to my attention (jamesk@assochq.org) any comments for making the site (http://www.poultryscience.org/awards/lognom.asp) more user-friendly.

Annual Meetings

Niagara Falls/ Centennial 2008: Mary Swenson and yours truly are diligently working on the events for the 2008 PSA Annual Meeting, July 20–23, 2008, Niagara Falls, Canada. The Host Committee under the direction of Steven Lesson, University of Guelph, is preparing to assist with events on site. Details about the meeting may be previewed at the meeting Web site (http://www.poultryscience.org/psa08/). Please review the passport information so you are not inconvenienced as you travel to Canada this summer. And, remember the NEW PSA BOARD POLICY ON ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS: If you submit an abstract for the 2008 PSA Centennial Meeting, your registration with payment MUST be received by May 28, 2008. If you do not register by this date, your abstract will be removed from the program and abstract books.

Carolina State University will be the Host Committee, and Sam Pardue has taken the on-site leadership role for this meeting. Jason L. Emmert will be the PSA program chair. The meeting will convene in the new Raleigh Convention Center, and PSA will be one of the first events held at this new venue. The downtown area is being refurbished, and so we will have a great venue for this event. The meeting is scheduled for July 20–23, 2009, and the meeting will convene on Monday, rather than on Sunday, as you have requested.

**Denver, Colorado/2010:** This meeting will be the next PSA/ASAS/ADSA Joint Annual Meeting. The meeting is scheduled for July 11–15, 2010. Christopher M. Ashwell will be the PSA program chair.

**Strategic Plan 2007 Initiatives:**
The Strategic Planning Evaluation Committee under the watchful eye of Scotti Hester provided an overview at the midyear Board meeting of the progress the Board, the membership, and the executive director (ED) have made to date. The committee's overall assessment was that progress has been made on all the second-year initiatives, though not all of the objectives are complete and will require additional activities, as follows:
- Five press releases have been sent out, which is increasing PSA's visibility and its contributions to science. These releases following review by Rod Smith of Feedstuffs prompted a request to write a piece on PSA. The first of the two-part story was published in Feedstuffs Food Link (www.feedstuffsfoodlink.com) on March 3, 2008.
- Adjusted publication page charges to make PSA membership more attractive to nonmembers publishing in Poultry Science and The Journal of Applied Poultry Research.
- Approved participation in AGORA (Access to Global Online Research in Agriculture) to provide access to our journals by universities in very low-income nations. Our goals are to increase readership and potentially increase membership.
- Funded a survey instrument for the Membership/Professional Development and the Extension/Outreach Committees designed to generate data that will increase membership and increase member satisfaction with PSA services.
- The PSA Experts continue their success. Two requests were fulfilled to address antibiotic issues. Thank you to all the members who have volunteered as poultry experts!
- Ken Macklin continues to monitor the PSA Web site, which he updates weekly. Thank you, Ken, for your outstanding effort on behalf of the organization in your second year as Web site manager.

**PSA Journals:** An Open Access policy has been developed and implemented with the expertise of Susan Pollock, Colin Scanes, Henry Wilson, and yours truly. Our first article submitted under the new policy was published in 2007. Open Access is a trend in the publishing community that we continue to monitor closely, because it challenges the main source of income of the PSA.

All of the publishing changes noted during the summer business meeting have been implemented. We continue to search for alternate journal sponsorship opportunities to assist with the monthly cost of HighWire. A committee has been charged with possible alternatives and is actively pursuing such as they are identified.

**PSA Investments:** All PSA, PSA Foundation, and WPSA-USA assets are currently held at Stifel Nicolaus. Our accountant, William E. Gleason, continues to supply advice and opportunities as they appear. The PSA Finance Committee and leadership of the Foundation and WPSA-USA have made changes in their portfolios based on input from Gleason. The process in place to address our financial well-being on a daily basis is functioning well. And, the three entities have been able to take advantage of changes in the market on short notice.

**PSA Board Training:** The PSA Board and PSA FASS representatives participated in a one-day Board development session. The training was very beneficial, because a number of the ideas addressed during the session have been implemented and have improved communication and project management.

This concept was further developed for the new PSA Board members elected during the business meeting. The new Board members convened in Savoy, Illinois, for a training program to assist them in getting familiar with Board functions, activities, and expectations for their positions.

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**Executive Director Leadership Program (EDLP):** I completed this 9-month program in October 2007. John Carey joined me for the final training session with the other EDs in attendance and their respective Board representatives. The exercise assisted us in implementing some new strategies to improve the efficiency of PSA and introduce some new programs, that are being developed. And by the way, I graduated with honors!

**PSA Web Site:** Have you ever viewed the “Policy and Procedures Manual” on the PSA Web site? This document was developed by the leadership of PSA and continues to evolve over time. It contains information addressing the position requirements of your Board representatives, annual meeting requirements, absentee ballots, camera policy, etc. The document is updated yearly, and can be found under “About Us” on the upper banner of the home page (http://www.poultryscience.org/procmmanual/default.asp).

In conclusion, I believe 2008 will be a very good year for PSA. All indications are that the direction is up and that pride in the Association is high. I look forward to seeing you in Niagara Falls, Canada, this summer, and I am proud to represent you as your ED!

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**Nominating Committee Report**

Andrew F. Giesen, Chair

The 2008 PSA Nominating Committee of S. Bilgili, P. Hester, D. Korver, R. Buresh, A. McElroy, and A. Giesen thank all who volunteered and those who were volunteered to serve as officers of your association. Many qualified individuals were reviewed; subsequent to serious discussion and deliberation, the following are presented as candidates for election to the Board of Directors at the Centennial meeting:

- **President**
  - Mike Lacy
- **First Vice President**
  - Sally Noll

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Although primarily a teacher, Downs has also been involved in small-scale broiler nutrition research through several undergraduate research projects and has collaborated on a number of occasions with Auburn University’s Poultry Science Department (where he currently serves as an affiliate faculty member) in research involving broiler management and nutrition. Most recently, he has collaborated on work with novel lighting programs for broilers. He has authored or co-authored 11 peer-reviewed publications, along with other abstracts and presentations.

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Before accepting a nomination, each individual reviewed the responsibilities and charges of the position, PSA Strategic Plan, and PSA Conflict of Interest Policy and was made aware of nonprofit Board responsibilities as provided by legal counsel. As such, all are fully aware of the responsibilities of the office for which they are standing for election.

The Nominating Committee encourages member participation in our electoral process. Your involvement to date has been enthusiastic. Please converse with the candidates in advance and attend the Business Meeting at the PSA Centennial in Niagara Falls to vote for those you believe are best prepared to lead our association into its second century.

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poultry industries in student career placement. He is involved in youth development programs (National FFA Organization and 4-H) around Tennessee and currently coordinates the state FFA Poultry Career Development Event. He is also working closely with local 4-H programs in support of the Tennessee 4-H Chick Chain.

Downs is a member of PSA, where he recently served as chair of the Careers Committee and a member of the Teaching Committee. He is also a member of the Tennessee Egg & Poultry Association.

**Director #1**

Theresia K. Lavergne

Theresia Lavergne received a BS in animal science from Auburn University, an MS in nonruminant nutrition from Mississippi State University, and a PhD in nonruminant nutrition from Louisiana State University (LSU). Lavergne is an associate professor in the School of Animal Sciences in the LSU AgCenter and has served as a poultry extension specialist since January 1, 2000.

As a poultry extension specialist, Lavergne has both adult and youth work responsibilities. In coordination with other LSU AgCenter faculty, Lavergne has provided educational programs to the poultry industry and growers in the area of nutrient management and regulations, on-farm biosecurity, avian influenza, and poultry production management and techniques. Lavergne also has conducted demonstration trials on alternative litter and mortality management programs.

Additionally, Lavergne is the executive secretary of the Louisiana Poultry Federation. The Louisiana Poultry Federation is the official state agency for the direction, supervision, and administration of the National Poultry Improvement Plan in Louisiana as a joint project with the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry Livestock Sanitary Board. She works with commercial, youth, and hobby poultry producers.

Lavergne is a member of PSA, the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists, the S1035 Multi-State Research Committee that works on “Environmental Issues Affecting Poultry Production,” Phi Kappa Phi, Epsilon Sigma Phi, and the National 4-H Poultry & Egg Conference Specialist Committee.

**Director #2**

Stephanie D. Frankenbach

Stephanie Frankenbach is the poultry technical services manager for JBS United Inc., an animal nutrition and biotechnology company based in Sheridan, Indiana. She joined JBS United in April 2006, and her primary responsibility is poultry sales and technical support of OptiPhos phytase. Frankenbach is based in her hometown of Kansas City, Missouri, and spends some of her time traveling to poultry integrators.

Frankenbach received her BS and MS degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Her MS thesis focused on digestible amino acid requirements of turkey pouls. She received a PhD degree in poultry nutrition from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she studied phosphorus and phytase utilization in laying hens and broilers. Frankenbach has authored 17 journal articles and presented numerous papers at poultry science meetings and industry meetings. Prior to joining JBS United, she was a poultry nutritionist for Purina Mills/Land O’Lakes Purina Feed for 7 years.

**Director #2**

E. Ernest M. Pierson

Ernesto "Ernie" M. Pierson was born on the border between Mexico and the United States in Nogales, Arizona, and grew up on two American Indian reservations, the Tohono O’odham (also known as the Papago) in the Sonora Desert and White Mountain Apache Reservation in Eastern Arizona. Pierson grew up in what he thought was a normal household with his mother speaking Spanish to the five children in the family and the brood answering back in English. He did his best to communicate with his various Spanish-speaking relatives during his youth and adolescence and young adulthood; however, he did not begin to master the language until he was fully ensconced in his doctoral program at Auburn University, where he graduated in 1981 with a PhD in avian reproductive physiology. This time included a temporary appointment at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center Avian Physiology Laboratory. In 1976, Pierson received a MS in poultry nutrition from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. His undergraduate degree, a BS in agriculture, was received from the University of Arizona in 1972 with a major in animal science. He began his professional career in 1981 at Central Soya, which continued with the Nutrition Chemicals Division of Monsanto Company (1982-1991) and Novus International Inc. (1991-1998). From 1998 to the present, he has been with what is now Dansico Animal Nutrition in the Genencor Division of the Dansico Company. In his current role, he is a sales and technical manager with domestic responsibilities. His previous professional responsibilities have included new product and market development, research management, technical service and sales, and extensive international responsibility and travel, especially in Latin America, which has resulted in a modicum of proficiency in Brazilian Portuguese. A member of the PSA (since 1974), the Southern Poultry Science Society, and the World’s Poultry Science Association, he has served on the Maurice Stein Welfare Committee, as a reviewer for Poultry Science, and on the AFIA Microbes Enzymes and Forage Technology Committee. Pierson is a past president of the Southern Poultry Science Society.

**PSA Meeting Highlights**

Muquarrab Qureshi

Chair, Scientific Program Committee

The Poultry Science Association’s 98th Annual Meeting is going to be held on the Canadian side of the world-famous Niagara Falls in Ontario, Canada. The dates are July 20–23, 2008. The meeting location is the Sheraton at the Falls hotel, which overlooks the magnificence of nature. The scientific program committee invites you all to come and join us at this great meeting, which is even more special this year because we will be celebrating 100 years of Poultry Science during our Centennial meeting. The program committee realizes that it has a great challenge on its hands to come up with a scientific program that will keep the participants more engaged with science as opposed to the scenic distractions around the meeting place. But fear not—we have done just that. There is something for every scientific interest. The scientific program spans nine sections addressing both basic and applied areas of poultry science. These (continued pg 6)
The Hatchery representatives, Darrin Karcher and Lindsay Stevenson, have been very active in promoting the student division of PSA. A bimonthly newsletter for student members has been created to inform members about association news and upcoming deadlines. A portion of the newsletter focuses on getting to know graduate students by highlighting two student members in each edition. To further communication between student members, a PSA Hatchery Facebook page has been created. This has allowed student-to-student communication via a medium most students are already familiar with.

The goal of the PSA Hatchery is to promote participation of students in PSA. Every school with at least one poultry science student is asked to have a Hatchery Champion as a contact person for that school. Several schools are still missing a champion, but the current list of champions can be found on the PSA Web site under PSA Hatchery. If your school does not have a Hatchery Champion, please consider identifying an individual.

The upcoming Centennial Meeting is important for celebrating where PSA has been and where we will go in the future. Focusing on the students, several events are being planned for this summer. On Monday, a student luncheon will be held with the annual Hatchery Meeting following the luncheon. Elections will be held during this meeting for the next student representative to replace Darrin as his two-year term comes to an end. A student social is being planned for Tuesday evening to allow students to network and catch up with friends. Finally, an essay contest on the “Future of Poultry Science” has been created, and all student members of the Association are eligible to participate. Students are invited to submit an essay on the future of poultry science. The authors of the top essays will receive $500 in support of their travel to the PSA Centennial Meeting and an award plaque, and the top two essays will be published in Poultry Science. In addition, the two winners will have the opportunity to present their views on the future of poultry science at the Centennial meeting in a symposium on the future of poultry science.
You will be thanking Lou Arrington for this one.
9. Get ready to party!
10. Party, and then party some more!
This one is what YOU make it!

**News and Notes**

**Texas**

John Carey has been appointed head of the Texas A&M University Poultry Science Department. Carey received his doctorate in 1982 from the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry at Kansas State University. He served as extension poultry specialist and assistant/associate professor at North Carolina State University from 1982-1989. He then served as an associate professor and Texas AgriLife Extension Service poultry specialist at Texas A&M from 1989-1992. In 1993, Carey was promoted to professor and extension program leader for poultry and associate department head. He has served as interim head of the department since January 2007. He is a member of the Intercollegiate Faculty of Food Science and Technology. His teaching responsibilities have included courses at the undergraduate level and serving as major professor for both masters of science and doctoral graduate students. Carey has received state and federal grant and contract funding and industry support for his research program. He is president of the PSA.

**Legacy Archive Project**

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**Thank You to our Foundation Donors**

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**Deadline for articles for the next issue of the PSA Newsletter**

All submissions for the next issue of the PSA Newsletter are due at PSA Headquarters by August 31, 2008. Please submit articles, news, and announcements to susanp@assochq.org.

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**FASS Ag Guide Revisions**

**P. Y. Hester**

The Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Agricultural Research and Teaching better known as the Ag Guide has recently been reviewed and updated. A poultry subcommittee was appointed by chairs John McGlone and Janice Swanson and charged with making revisions and updates to Chapter 8: Guidelines for the Care of Poultry and to review other chapters of the Ag Guide having impact on poultry care and management. Members of the poultry subcommittee include Ken Anderson, Inma Estevez, Patricia Hester, Ken Koelkebeck, Sally Noll, Rob Porter, Mike Turk, and Bruce Webster. The poultry subcommittee for the revision of the FASS Ag Guide invites individuals attending the PSA annual meeting in Niagara Falls to attend an open comment session on Wednesday, July 23, 2008, from 8 to 11 a.m. in Strategy 1. The venue will be informal with opportunity for open comments whereby the poultry subcommittee will interact and listen to individuals with suggestions for change. Copies of revised Chapter 8 can be picked up at the registration desk in Niagara Falls. For PSA members unable to attend the annual meeting and who want to provide input or want advance copies of revised Chapter 8, please contact subcommittee chair P. Y. Hester (phester@purdue.edu or phone: 765-494-8019).