



Greetings from the President: Sharon M. Donovan, PhD

It has been an exhilarating first month as ASN President! There are so many exciting things going on at ASN. I am thankful for the excellent staff that we have who are continually working behind the scenes to make our society great. The June issue of [Nutrition Notes](#) is now available online. The *Notes* are transitioning to a digital-only format. To continue receiving a hard copy (annual subscriptions are \$30) please subscribe at www.nutrition.org/renew. You must log in with your email address and password; [email us](#) if you are having difficulty subscribing online.

My activities thus far can be divided into two themes: strategic planning and strategic partnerships.

Strategic Planning: For the past 3 years, ASN's activities have been guided by our Strategic Map, which was developed by the ASN leadership and staff working along with TSI Consulting Partners. One of the goals of my presidency is to update the strategic map. As a first step, the ASN staff under the guidance of John Courtney documented the impressive gains ASN has made since 2006. I would like to highlight a few: a 91% increase in membership from 2,200 to 4,200; doubling in revenue from \$4M to \$8M annually; generation of >600 media stories and articles as a result of our spokesperson and publications activities; and doubling the number of professional development and educational programs. On June 30, the Strategic Planning Subcommittee met with ASN staff and TSI to evaluate the central challenge and strategic priorities. The ASN staff members are currently developing objectives that support each priority and metrics to be used to evaluate progress towards meeting those objectives. The proposed 2011-2014 strategic plan will be shared with the full Board of Directors, Councils, RIS groups and key committees for comment in the near future.

Strategic Partnerships: ASN is actively pursuing opportunities to partner with other societies to expand nutrition knowledge, promote the exchange of scientific information and improve services for our members.

The Nutrition Society: On June 15-17, I had the pleasure of representing ASN at the first joint meeting of ASN and The Nutrition Society, Irish Section. The meeting was held on the campus of the University College Cork, Ireland. The focus of the program was "Vitamins in Early Development and Healthy Aging: Impact on Infectious and Chronic Disease." Congratulations to Simin Meydani and Richard Wood for their contributions to the program planning committee. More than 250 delegates from the UK, Ireland, North America, and mainland Europe attended and a number of ASN members were featured, including Irwin Rosenberg, Bonnie Specker, Bess Dawson-Hughes, Sarah Booth, Patsy Brannon, Margherita Cantorna and Sang-Woon Choi. At the meeting, I met with The Nutrition Society President Sean Strait and Executive Secretary Fred Wentworth-Bowyer and members Alison Gallagher and Kate Younger to discuss future opportunities for the Nutrition Society and ASN, including future joint meetings at EB and in Belfast in 2013.

Upcoming Events

July 23-26. [Society for Nutrition Education](#) Annual Conference. Kansas City, MO.

Sept. 24-27. ADA [Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo](#). San Diego, CA. Visit ASN at Booth #1941.

View all events [online](#).

Deadlines

EB 2012 Latebreaking Proposals: Sept. 1

Call for Awards: Sept. 15

Fellows Nominations: Oct. 1

SSCI Annual Meeting Abstracts: Oct. 14

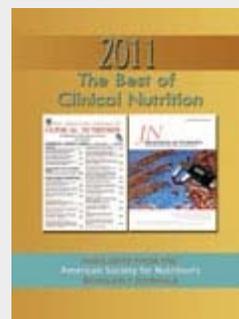
EB 2012 Abstracts: Nov. 8

More information for groups interested in hosting satellite sessions at EB 2012 will be forthcoming soon.

The Best of Clinical Nutrition 2011

[Order this compendium online.](#)

Makes a good addition to summer reading!



Finally, remember that the [Call for Awards is open](#) through September 15. Please nominate deserving colleagues for these honors.



Sincerely,

Sharon M. Donovan, PhD, RD
President

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Public Policy News

ASN submitted [comments](#) earlier this week in support of the Office of Government Ethics' proposed rule to permit the participation of Government employees in the affairs of not-for-profit, scientific and professional societies. On June 15 ASN also submitted [comments on FDA's proposed rule](#) for restaurant menu labeling.

In Congressional action, the Senate cut short their July 4 recess to continue budget and debt limit negotiations although progress is not expected this week. Senate appropriators aren't expected to move any spending bills this week, although the release of the Senate budget resolution is expected this week. It has been difficult for the Senate to reach agreement on FY 2012 funding bills in the absence of a bipartisan agreement on topline spending for the year. House appropriators continue their push to complete all 12 of the regular annual spending bills before the August 2nd recess, with three subcommittees scheduled to mark up their FY 2012 bills this week.

[Read the full public policy update.](#)

Education Programs

ASN Partners with FASEB on Summer Research Conference on Nutrient Control of Metabolism and Cell Signaling

ASN is partnering with FASEB on a Summer Research Conference on "Nutrient Control of Metabolism and Cell Signaling" taking place August 7-12, 2011 in Steamboat Springs, CO. The conference aims to bring together scientists from multiple disciplines with an interest in the regulation of metabolism and cell signaling by nutrients, with particular

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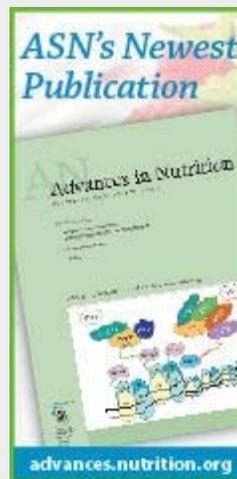
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New Author Videos

New videos now available featuring the authors of the following studies discussing their work:

[Development of a Cardiovascular Risk Score for Use in Low- and Middle-](#)

emphasis on the macronutrients, amino acids, lipids, and carbohydrates. Session topics include the mechanisms through which nutrients control signaling pathways, gene transcription, and mRNA translation in cells in culture and in vivo, as well as the role of nutrients, and in particular lipids, in regulating metabolism, inflammation, and insulin resistance. Young investigators, post-doctoral fellows, and students are encouraged to attend and present their work; several abstracts from those submitted by this group will be selected for oral presentations. For more information, visit the [SRC website](#).

ASN Collaborates with Southern Society for Clinical Investigation

ASN's Medical Nutrition Council is planning a half-day program to be held at the Southern Society for Clinical Investigation's upcoming annual meeting, February 9-11, 2012, New Orleans, LA. The session will consist of a keynote lecture, presentation of approximately 10 abstracts in the nutrition/obesity topic area, and a moderated discussion of the research presented. The MNC is seeking funding for to support this educational event, and to conduct a poster competition for students. ASN members are encouraged to submit abstracts for the meeting; the deadline for abstract submission (in nutrition) is October 14, 2011. [Click here](#) for more information.

Submit Your Late-Breaking Symposia Proposals for ASN's Scientific Sessions & Annual Meeting at EB 2012

The ASN Scientific Program Committee (SPC) is accepting late-breaking proposals for symposia, workshops and controversy sessions for presentation at ASN's Scientific Sessions & Annual Meeting at EB 2012. Typically, late-breaking proposals focus on hot or emerging topics in the nutrition and obesity arena. The SPC is particularly interested in proposals in the areas of basic sciences, such as molecular and cellular nutrition, genomics, and metabolism. [Access the proposal application here](#). The deadline is **September 1, 2011**.

Satellite Symposia at the ASN Scientific Sessions & Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2012

Share your message with attendees of ASN's Scientific Sessions through a Satellite Symposium. Satellite Symposia are programs that are planned and conducted by external groups (e.g., trade groups, corporations, other health organizations) in conjunction with ASN's Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting. These sessions provide attendees with additional educational/informational opportunities, are well-attended and evaluated highly by participants, and are offered during times that are unopposed to exhibits or sessions. Symposia proposals and date/time assignment will be reviewed and approved on a first-come, first-served basis beginning **July 15, 2011**. To guarantee meeting room space and program promotions in all printed materials, Satellite Symposia proposals must be received by **September 1, 2011**. The satellite symposia application will be posted online.

Agri-Medical Research: Providing Dual Benefit for Agriculture and Human Health

On Saturday, July 9, more than 200 animal and nutrition science researchers gathered in New Orleans, LA for the joint ASN-American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)-American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) meeting, *Agri-Medical Research: Providing Dual Benefit for Agriculture and Human Health*. The scientific program focused on biomedical and agricultural interventions or therapies to improve both human health, companion animal health and farm animal health and production. Eighty-four posters were presented at the conference and a competition for graduate students and post-docs honored the top three posters. Congratulations to the following winners:

Trevor Faber, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL
The Effects of a Galactoglucomannan-Arabinosyl Complex on Eimeria acervulina Infection in Broiler Chicks

Samer El-Kadi, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX
Feeding modality impacts muscle protein deposition by influencing protein synthesis but not degradation in muscle of neonatal pigs

Yanhong Liu University of Illinois, Urbana, IL
Effects of plant extracts on peripheral blood immune cells and inflammatory mediators of weaned pigs experimentally infected with a pathogenic E. coli

[Income Countries](#)

[Soy Protein Diet, but Not Lactobacillus rhamnosus GG, Decreases Mucin-1, Trefoil Factor-3, and Tumor Necrosis Factor- \$\alpha\$ in Colon of Dextran Sodium Sulfate-Treated C57BL/6 Mice](#)

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The program was recorded and will be archived for online viewing. Stay tuned for details. We thank our partners, ASAS and ADSA, and look forward to future joint efforts.

Journal Feature Update: Citetrack Alerts

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Journal Highlights

Advances in Nutrition

The July issue of *Advances in Nutrition* is now online. Don't miss reviews on n-3 fatty acids, equol's cousin, intracellular folates, trans fatty acids and CVD, proteomics and systems biology and Vitamin D. A new [podcast is also available for download](#) featuring study author Dr. Naima Moustaid-Moussa discussing fatty acids and adipose tissue.

[Institutions can subscribe](#) to receive a 2012 online subscription.

The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition

[Energy-balance studies reveal associations between gut microbes, caloric load, and nutrient absorption in humans](#)

[The hybrid science of diet, microbes, and metabolic health](#)

[Estimating changes in free-living energy intake and its confidence interval](#)

[Energy intake: reduced as prescribed?](#)

[Urinary tract stone occurrence in the Women's Health Initiative \(WHI\) randomized clinical trial of calcium and vitamin D supplements](#)

[The risk of kidney stone formation: the form of calcium matters](#)

[Metabolic responses to prolonged consumption of glucose- and fructose-sweetened beverages are not associated with postprandial or 24-h glucose and insulin excursions](#)

The Journal of Nutrition

[Clinical trial finds no effect of CLA on body fat in overweight men](#)

[Animal study shows promising effect of a specific nutritional combination on cancer treatment complications](#)

[Prebiotic fiber and starch may decrease severity of inflammatory bowel disease](#)

Member Spotlight

- **Dondeena Bradley, PhD**, Vice President of Global Design and Development, PepsiCo, was featured in the "Women We Love" series on the Forbes blog.
- **David Heber, MD**, was quoted in several news outlets regarding the NEJM study, *Changes in Diet and Lifestyle and Long-Term Weight Gain in Women and Men*.
- **Stephen Kritchevsky, PhD**, has been named the next editor of *Journal of Gerontology: Medical Sciences*, effective January 2012.

Welcome New ASN Members June 2011:

Ala K. Shaikhkhalil, MD
Alesin T. Tipler, BS
Alexandra D'Adamo, BS
Alissa Wilson, MPH, PhD, RD
Allison Nichols, BSc, MS

Amanda S. Wendt, BS,MS
Amy Schweitzer, MS,RD
Anna Floegel, MSc
Anthony G. Boutagy, BSc
Bruce E. Enos, MD, PhD
Bryan A. Wilson, BS
Charles M. Mueller, PhD,RD
Cynthia K. Colapinto, BSc,MSc,RD
Danielle Sobieski, BS
Deborah A. Boggs, ScD
Dianne M. Crowley, BS
Dina Farhana
Diwakar Vyas, MS
Don Harris
Eliz Konat, MSc
Esther B. Wamono, BSc,MSc
Fahmina Anwar, MSc
Francine L. Duguay, BSc
Janine Higgins, Ph.D
Jean Pierre Abega, MD
Jean-Louis Houet, MD
Jennifer M. Monk, PhD
Jeri W. Nieves, PhD
Jian Han
Jing Chen, BS
John S. White, PhD
Jonathan G. Messer, BS
Joshua D. Liberman, MD
Juhan Kim, BS
Kacie Allen, BS
Kamon Chaiyasit, MSc
Kanae Konishi, PhD
Katherine Sanchez, MBA
Kyungho Park, PhD
Lawrence Mabasa, PhD
Leonard H. Epstein, PhD
Lili Indrawati, MD
Lowell L. Isom, MS
Lwin M. Hlaing, MBBS
Moh H. Malek, PhD
Natalie K. Cooke, BS
Nicholas V. Ralston, PhD
Rachel Condie, BS
Raha Jahani, BSc
Rebecca Gardner, MS,RD/LD
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Ronald Kettenacker, DVM
Sarah B. Johnson, BS,LD,MS,RD
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Sonia Shenoy, BS,PhD,RD
Sushma Sharma, PhD
Sze Yen Tan, MSc,PhD
Tim Hou
Timothy O. Lipman, MD
Vera S. Yamamoto, MS,RD
Virginia Carraway-Stage, MS
Wadie I. Najm, MD
Xiaomiao Lan-Pidhainy, BSc, MSc
Yaw O. Agyeman, PhD
Yun-Hee Youm, PhD

Have you received an award from your institution or other membership organization? Have you been quoted in the media or published a book recently? ASN is proud of its members and wants to know about such accomplishments. Send the information to Suzanne Price at sprice@nutrition.org to be featured in an upcoming newsletter.

[Forward to a Colleague](#)

