

# *Resolutions*

## **Potomac Division Meeting 2010**

1. **Whereas** the 2010 meeting of the Potomac Division of the American Phytopathological Society is held at the Carousel Resort Hotel in Ocean City, Maryland **Therefore** be it resolved that thanks be given for their fine facilities and excellent service
2. **Whereas** the Carousel's first breakfast contained scrambled eggwhites because the Chef considered us to be a healthy eating lot **Therefore** be it resolved that the chickens genetically engineered to not produce yolks be devitalized.
3. **Whereas** Ralph Scorza's mechanism of resistance to the plum pox virus is the phenomenon of gene silencing **Therefore** be it resolved that this silencing phenomenon be applied to his squealing microphone.
4. **Whereas** Ralph introduced the new pathological term "devitalizing" **Therefore** be it resolved that next times he the term "burn baby burn". Further be it resolved that Carousel's cold coffee be devitalized.
5. **Whereas** Margaret Jones faced the protest of an angry public for release of the deicing bacterium **Therefore** be it resolved that we remind her of the massive protest by wine drinkers in France in 1878 when Bordeaux mixture was introduced.
6. **Whereas** Nicole Juba is worried about outcrossing of her transgenic peanuts **Therefore** be it resolved that she, in the future, plant bee hives that are resistant to bears.
7. **Whereas** during the Eco-Tour of Assateague Island, Don Davis stopped to buy a map to avoid the nude beach **Therefore** be it resolved that next time he should look on the back of the handouts by the tour guide.
8. **Whereas** Elizabeth Bush while walking around at last night's social discovered that her shirt was on backwards, then hid out to correct the problem, and returned to the social with her name tag on her back **Therefore** be it resolved that Elizabeth Bush be known hereafter as "girl who walks backwards".
9. **Whereas** Amy Rossman presented a very nice and entertaining look at systematics **Therefore** be it resolved that looking at a government building, particularly one where she works and stores specimen in boxes behind doors which squeak is not much of a treat **Therefore** be it resolved that the title of her presentation be changed to "Rusts, smuts, and Amy". Kudo to her

nomenclature geeks. Be it resolved that she attend Potomac Division meetings thereafter as long as she does not use the S bomb.

10. **Whereas** all the graduate student papers were great **Therefore** be it resolved that we all congratulate the winners.
11. **Whereas** 20% of the graduate student papers were by students from Russia and 20% from Pennsylvania **Therefore** be it resolved that we annex these two foreign entities to the Potomac Division and thereby fulfill the desire of APS to have greater international representation.
12. **Whereas** we warmly invited and welcome our APS president Barbara Christ and her presentation of our council's work, and love her presentation of a proposed reorganization of APS council **Therefore** be it resolved that the vote in May to approve or reject this proposal be to our liking. P.S. This last resolution was a politician's statement and didn't say a damn thing.
13. **Whereas** West Virginia University's men Mountaineer basketball team is playing in the sweet 16 at this very moment **Therefore** be it resolved that we stop this nonsense and go watch the game.