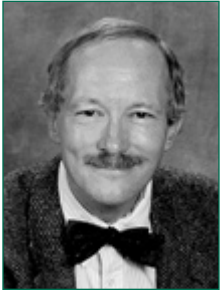




**2006**  
**Business Report of**  
**The American**  
**Phytopathological Society**



John H. Andrews  
APS President

Dear Colleagues:

APS has had another busy and successful year thanks to the diligence, insight, and contributions of APS staff and innumerable volunteers. I have outlined below several highlights for the period of August 2005-2006 categorized by the goal of the APS strategic plan to which they are most germane. Details are available in reports to Council and membership by our boards and offices, and in documents published at the annual meeting and in the January issue of *Phytopathology*.

In closing, let me thank all of you for your interest and assistance in many ways over the past year. It has been an honor and privilege to have served as your president.

### APS Key Accomplishments and Highlights for 2005-2006 Consistent with Strategic Plan Goals

(Overarching priority is a secure future for APS)

#### Promote highest quality research and professional standards (Goal 1)

- 1) Rowe ad hoc committee reported to Council at midyear on *Phytopathology* (see March *Phytopathology News*); action implemented on recommendations; other journals being reviewed similarly.
- 2) Publications Board charged to focus on strategic issues and to closely monitor rapidly evolving communications media; identify new sources of revenue to replace traditional print sources:
  - Contract signed with electronic consolidator (Atypon) for cross-referencing journal content.
  - Back issues online (UW Libraries) project launched, with some delays in posting but with MPMI now (as of June 2006) available online back through 1994.
- 3) Build annual meeting and other topical meeting programming to attract additional audiences:
  - Scientific Programs Board (SPB) reorganizing structure to allow programming that will enable SPB to lead on initiatives such as potential meetings with microbial ecologists, or plant microbiologists (alternate years with IS-MPMI), or collaboration with AACC International on joint symposium on cereals.
  - Second National Soybean Rust Symposium planned (St Louis, Missouri / November 29 - December 1, 2006).

#### Maintain a strong, proactive and united professional organization (Goal 2)

- 4) Ongoing implementation of key aspects of the strategic financial plan:
  - Barbara Mock hired as Vice-President for Finance.
  - Budget projections show profit for APS for 2005-06 FY; outlook promising.
  - Fixed costs distributed by undertaking management of two new scientific societies, the Controlled Release Society and the International Society of Brewing Technologists.
- 5) Ensuring that APS addresses membership needs; members see relevance:
  - Councilors' Forum reviewing role/opportunities for emeritus members involvement.
  - International initiatives under active consideration by Executive Committee and Office of International Programs, some in conjunction with other scientific societies. Further planning at Quebec City meeting.
  - Ad hoc committees appointed for: (1) plant pathogen culture collections (Jeff Jones, chair); (2) future of profession of plant pathology (Brad Hillman, chair).
  - Leadership forum workshop (1 day) planned for Quebec to provide efficient tools for volunteer responsibilities.

- Public Policy Board communicating successfully with USDA APHIS on regulations for moving pathogens.

#### Be the premiere resource for plant health information and knowledge dissemination (Goal 3)

- 6) Plant Management Network moving to a position of greater financial stability:
  - Strategic advisory board formed, Dennis Gross, chair.
  - USDA National Agriculture Library subscribed.
  - PMN Partners increased to 54 total.
  - Internship posting (industry collaboration) service launched.
  - PMN journals indexed by AGRICOLA and science database at over 5,000 documents.
  - *F&N Tests* and *B&C Tests* will be merged into a new publication *Plant Disease Management Reports* (PDMR) to be published by Plant Management Network beginning in 2007.
- 7) Meeting organized with USDA National Plant Disease Recovery System to review disease threats and biosecurity plans.

#### Foster professional growth and development (Goal 4)

- 8) Increasing participation in APS from key segments (biotechnology, industry, etc.)
  - Biotechnology committee formed.
  - PMN and APS staff to work with industry to arrange annual industry visitations and implementing ideas/recommendations from those trips.
- 9) Developing annual meeting program plans to highlight students, including undergraduates, and early career professionals.
- 10) Planning advanced for Centennial (2008) and fundraising at target levels.

#### Promote understanding and increase awareness of plant pathology and the practice of plant pathology (Goal 5)

- 11) Continuing to build alliances and interactions with sister societies:
  - This past year APS has focused on building international collaborations and is working closely with the Australasian Plant Pathology Society.
  - Annual meeting in Quebec with CPS and Mycological Society of America.
- 12) Office of Public Affairs and Education working with staff and Office of Electronic Communication to develop user-friendly website for public with information on plant diseases of key commodities.

## Deceased Members

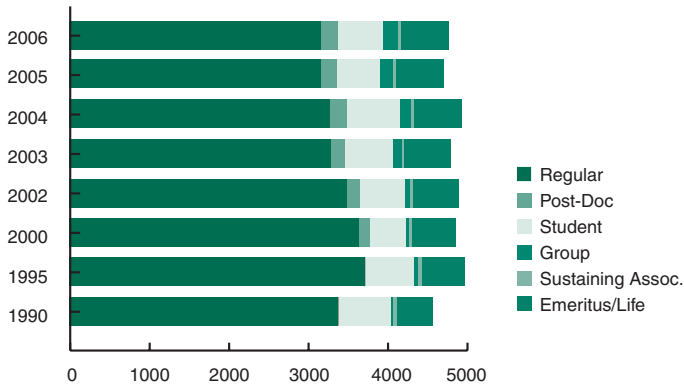
June 11, 2005 - June 14, 2006

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Rudolf Casper	Gordon A. Nelson
Albert Y. Chambers	John S. Niederhauser
C. Wayne Ellett	Syamaprasad Raychaudhuri
Leonard J. Francl	Donald H. Scott

## Membership

As of June 30, 2006 (Fiscal Year End)

### APS Membership Count by Type



### Geographic Distribution of APS Membership

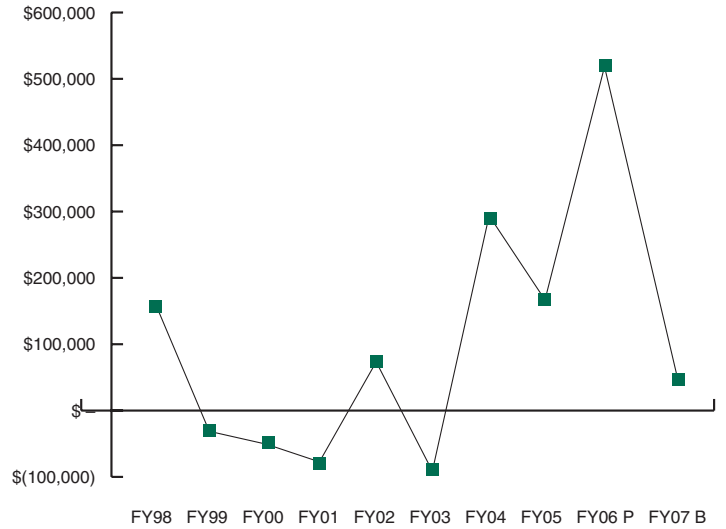
Domestic – 69%  
 Canada – 5%  
 International – 29%

## Financials

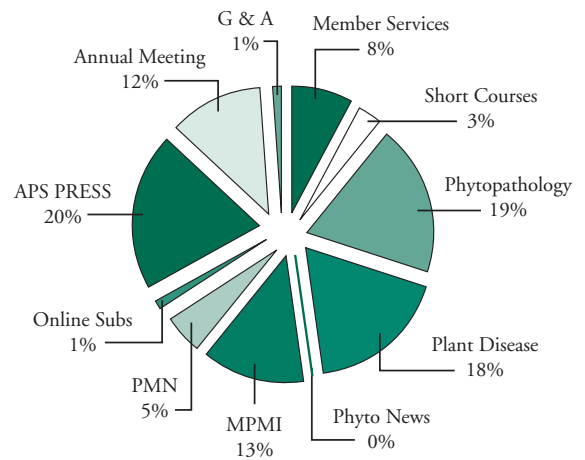
### The American Phytopathological Society Unaudited 6/30/06 (Twelve Months)

Income		Expenses	
Member Services	326,993	Member Services	650,930
Short Courses	108,325	Short Courses	76,516
Phytopathology	829,759	Phytopathology	325,341
Plant Disease	763,460	Plant Disease	356,575
Phyto News	9,579	Phyto News	54,748
MPMI	574,438	MPMI	308,642
PMN	204,097	PMN	246,593
Online Subs	39,556	Online Subs	18,244
APS PRESS	853,520	APS PRESS	567,551
Annual Meeting	533,267	Annual Meeting	358,521
G & A	35,679	G & A	795,282
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,278,673</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,758,943</b>
<b>Surplus (Loss)</b>	<b>519,730</b>		

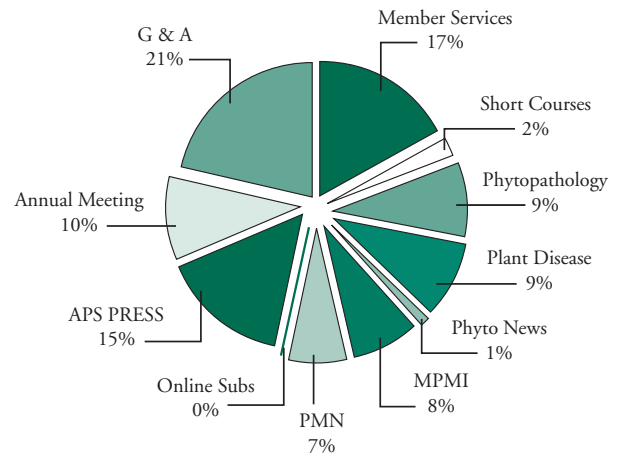
### APS Net Income (Loss)



### Unaudited Income (6/30/06)



### Unaudited Expenses (6/30/06)



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