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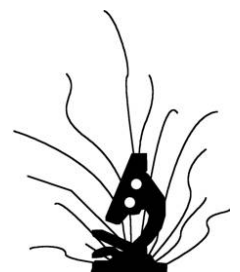
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World Renowned Physician Speaks at NutriCore NorthEast Annual Meeting

YORK, PA. – December 21, 2005 – The 3rd Annual Meeting of NutriCore NorthEast, Inc.’s Stakeholders & Invited Guests was held on December 8, 2005 at the Manufacturers’ Association of South Central PA. The meeting was hosted by Darrell Auterson, NutriCore & YCEDC President, who also delivered a brief overview of the three year old Center of Excellence. “We’re pleased with the progress of NutriCore here in the northeast and now that the York Center of Excellence has been designated as the National Headquarters, we intend to have a greater impact on a national level,” stated Darrell Auterson.

Presenters on the program included Michael Smeltzer, Executive Director of MASCPA, Alan Cotich, Project Coordinator for NutriCore, Prof. Bob Beelman and Joy Dubost, Food science researchers from PSU-University Park, and Prof. Bob Farrell, Molecular Biologist from PSU-York.

The featured speaker was Dr. Virginia Stallings. Dr. Stallings is the director of the Nutrition Center and deputy director of the Joseph Stokes Research Institute at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. Dr. Stallings and Dr. Nicolas Stettler were awarded a \$44,000 grant from NutriCore NorthEast earlier this year to conduct research at the The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. An attending physician in the hospital’s Division of Gastroenterology and Nutrition, she holds the Jean Cortner Endowed Chair in Pediatric Gastroenterology. She also is a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, and in October of this year she was elected to the National Academy of Sciences’ Institute of Medicine(IOM). The IOM released a report on the obesity “crisis” in America and Dr. Stallings reviewed the findings of most significance to the food industry, and suggested that “the food industry will have a major role in preventing obesity – both with products and public health messages.



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In addition to progress reports on the sponsored research that has totaled over \$150,000 in the past two years, the meeting was highlighted by national recognition of NutriCore's progress and achievements with an \$87,000 appropriation for nutrition research in the Federal Budget for FY2006, a level almost double the current year's funding.

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