



## "Mr. Dry Matter Intake"

## **Dr. Herbert Bucholtz**

The 2009 Proceedings of the Tri-State Dairy Nutrition Conference are dedicated to Professor Herbert F. Bucholtz, Department of Animal Science, Michigan State University. He retired in December, 2008 after 36 years of outstanding service. A New York native, Dr. Bucholtz has been involved in some capacity in dairy nutrition and management all of his adult life. He receive his early college education from Morrisville State College (NY), his B.S. in dairy science while grappling his way for the Bulldogs through the University of Georgia, his M.S. at the University of Illinois in nutrition, and his Ph.D. in ruminant nutrition from Michigan State University in 1972.

Professor (Herb) Bucholtz is one of the founding fathers, along with Drs. Maurice Eastridge (OSU) and Timothy Johnson (Purdue University), of the Tri-State Dairy Nutrition Conference, the preeminent Conference of its kind in the U.S. today. Dr. Bucholtz's dedication and commitment to the effort are certainly major reasons for its success. In its 18th year, the Conference attracts progressive, innovative professional nutritionists and dairy producers from across the U.S. and several foreign countries. Herb's work on the executive committee and special leadership from the beginning to develop and coordinate the commercial exhibits has been an integral part and key feature of the Conference. This effort generates considerable financial support and amplifies the goodwill of the commercial dairy and feed industries for the Conference. Paramount to the Conference's success has been relationship-building and the partnerships fostered by Herb. His unique interpersonal skills have been crucial to facilitate these partnerships and leverage resources to improve the educational programs for the Tri-State dairy industry and beyond.

Professor Bucholtz also has been a frequent speaker at the Conference over the years. It seems that no matter what topic he was asked to speak about, it always came back to three words...DRY MATTER INTAKE.

## Thank you Herb!