Summary of 2013 Annual Meeting of the Missouri Valley Branch of ASM
April 4-6th, Oklahoma State University-Tulsa, and Oklahoma State University-Center for Health Sciences, Tulsa, OK

Thursday Night Welcome
“If the Yeast Ain’t Happy, Ain’t Noboby Happy” by a representative of the Marshall Brewing Company

Keynote Address on Friday Evening
Nancy Freitag, ASM Distinguished Lecturer, University of Illinois, Chicago
“The Listeria monocytogenes Transition from Environmental Bacterium to Human Pathogen”

Outstanding Presentation Award winners.

Graduate Student Division
First Place: Michelle DeGear, OSU-CHS
Second Place: Philip Adam, Oklahoma State University
Third Place: Sallie Ruskoski, OSU-CHS

Undergraduate Division
First Place: Nicholas Kinkead, University of Nebraska, Omaha
Second Place: Rachel Rice, Oklahoma State University
Third Place: Anita Chaphekar, University of Tulsa

Awards: $100 for first place, $75 for second and $50 for third.

Chapter Business
• Julie Schaffer term as President ended. She had served as an officer for four years.
• Franklin Champlin of Oklahoma State University moved up from President Elect to President
• No one was elected President-Elect. The officers will solicit nominations.
• Donald Rowen will continue to serve as Secretary/Treasurer for another term.
• It was proposed that the next meeting will be a Joint meeting with the Missouri Chapter in Kansas City.