

Meet a New ASP Member

by Amy Keller

ASP continues to welcome new members to the Society. Our featured new member, Mr. Timothy Meadows, is a resident of Colleyville, Texas, and works at Concentrated Aloe Corporation, a supplier of *Aloe vera* concentrations, powders, and extracts. Mr. Meadows took time out of his schedule to discuss his background, current research, and of course, the latest book he is reading. We are grateful for the opportunity to get more acquainted with him.

Why did you join ASP?

I have a personal interest, both for my health and business. I have had great success with taking herbal tonics, mainly Chinese. My company, the Concentrated Aloe Corporation, supplies aloe to various markets, including the health care industry. We are looking into expanding our raw materials.

What are your research interests in pharmacognosy?

I am interested in both internal and external applications of various herbal extracts. I am also interested in Chinese herbal extracts. Since I have finished treatment for hepatitis C, I have been taking a specially formulated blend of Chinese herbs designed to strengthen liver functions.

What is your scientific background?

I received my B.S. degree in Biology at the University of Charleston. I have been a cosmetic chemist for over 25 years, specializing in sunscreen and skin formulations. This work has led me to the use of *Aloe vera*. In 1983, I started my first *Aloe vera* company.

What would like to achieve through your membership?

I would like to keep up to date with advances in pharmacognosy and learn more about herbal medicine.

What are you currently reading?

I am reading, "Palestine: Peace Not Apartheid" by former President Jimmy Carter. I highly recommend the book. Growing up in the 1950's and 1960's, then attending college during the 1970's, I was not at all aware of the details of the Middle East crises.

What is your favorite movie?

My favorite movie is *Casablanca*.



Mr. Timothy Meadows