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## Tribute to Drs. Stan and Joy Trauth

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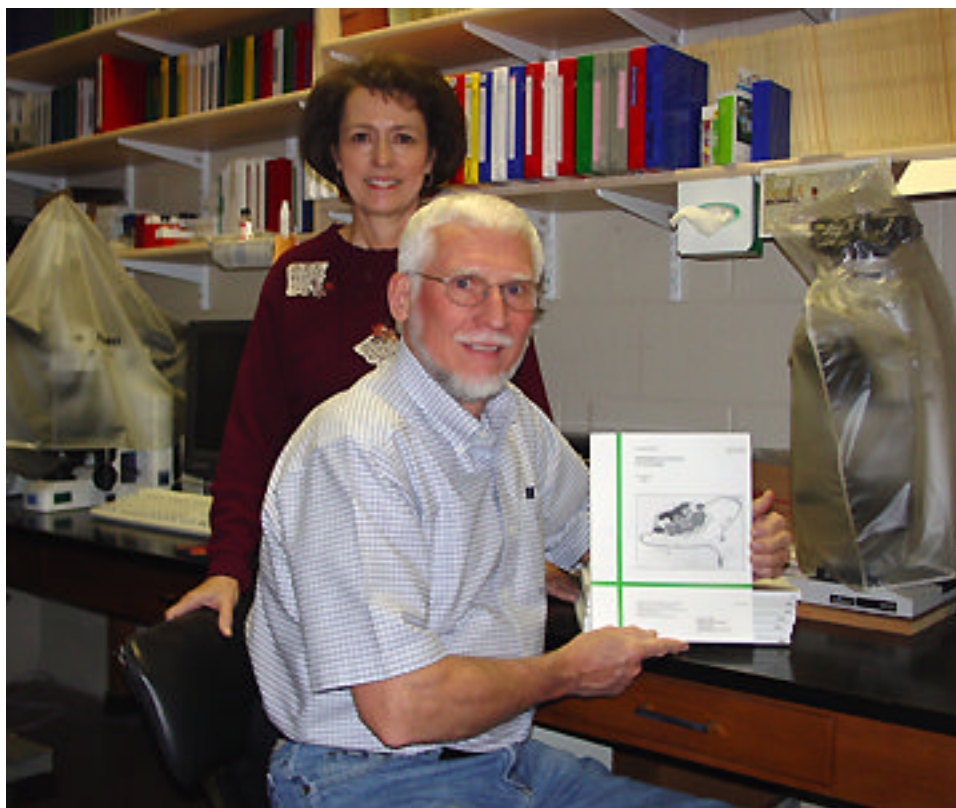
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## A TRIBUTE TO DRs. STAN AND JOY TRAUTH



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That the Journal of the Arkansas Academy of Science is recognized as one of the top publications of state academies of science is in large part due to the hard work and dedication of Drs. Stan and Joy Trauth. Dr. Stan Trauth resumed the duties of the editor in 1992 and served three terms as either the solo editor or the editor in chief. During this long service, he made significant changes to enhance the quality of the journal. Building on the work of previous editors, under Stan’s stewardship the publication shifted from being a proceeding of the annual meeting to a referred journal. The format of the publication changed to reflect the changing look of scientific publications.

We also owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. Joy Trauth. During the 15 years that Stan served as the editor, Joy read every manuscript for format, style, and some content. That amounts to a staggering 500 manuscripts! When reflecting upon his duties as the editor, Stan will quickly tell you that “I couldn't have managed all of those years without her help!”

We dedicate this volume of the Journal to Drs. Stan and Joy Trauth to honor their distinguished and dedicated service to the Arkansas Academy of Science.