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Congratulations to the Class of 1982! There were ninety-nine graduates—forty-seven women and fifty-two men. In this, the 97th class graduated by the School of Veterinary Medicine. A large crowd attended the ceremonies, held in the Zellerbach Theatre on May 17. The commencement address was given by Dr. Ian L. McIarg, professor and chairperson of landscape architecture and regional planning of the University of Pennsylvania. The Honorable Matthew Ryan, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, was present with a handsome chair in recognition of his continued support for the School.

One member of the Class of 1982 who did not attend the graduation ceremony was Julia A. Staver, and for a rather good reason. Dr. Staver was in the South Pacific at the time competing with the U.S. Hockey Team.

A very nice note at the commencement exercises was the awarding of a $500 scholarship grant to Lisa Hamilton of the Class of 1984. The award was made by the Association for Women Veterinarians (AFWV). Lisa was chosen from among fifty-one applicants on a national basis. The award was presented to Lisa by Dr. Josephine Deubler, the first woman graduate of the Veterinary School.

Dr. Robert L. Ticehurst (V'34) was presented with the American Animal Hospital Association Award at the association's annual meeting in Las Vegas on April 27, 1982. The award recognized Dr. Ticehurst's leadership "in implementing and stimulating planned continued education programs" within each of AAHA's six regions. For many years Dr. Ticehurst practiced in Red Bank, New Jersey, and he is now a resident of Wildwood, Florida. Dr. Ticehurst has been an active alumnus and has served as president of the Veterinary Medical Alumni Society and chairperson of Alumni Annual Giving. In 1972 he received the Academy’s Award of Merit.

Dr. Adrian Morrison, professor of anatomy, received a Guggenheim Fellowship grant of $21,080 for the year 1982. The grant is for a project entitled "Brainstem Systems Regulating Aggressive Behavior During Different States of Consciousness."

Dr. Robert Whitlock has been elected president of the Comparative Gastroenterology Society, and is presently president-elect of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. Dr. Whitlock is a founding member of the Comparative Gastroenterology Society which is made up of physiologists, biochemists, immunologists, clinicians, radiologists, and pathologists with a common interest in gastrointestinal diseases.

Dr. Leon Saunders, adjunct professor of pathology, was awarded the Kitt Medal by the University of Munich on March 26, 1982. The medal is given in honor of Professor Theodor Kitt (1858-1941) who was one of Germany’s leading veterinarians for many years. The award recognized Dr. Saunders’ contributions to neuropathology, ophthalmic pathology, and veterinary history, and for his role in founding the Journal of Veterinary Pathology.

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Mrs. Gerard B. Lambert of Princeton, NJ, has established the Grace Lansing Lambert Professorship in Cell Biology at the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Mrs. Lambert, a member of the Veterinary School’s Board of Overseers since 1978, is a long-time breeder of Morgan horses and Flat-Coated and Labrador Retrievers.

In 1974 Mrs. Lambert gave the Orthopedic Engineering Laboratory in the C. Mahlon Kline Orthopedic and Rehabilitation Center to the School of Veterinary Medicine.

The Lambert chair will be held by Dr. Leon Weiss, professor of cell biology and chairperson of the Department of Animal Biology. Profiles of Mrs. Lambert and Dr. Weiss will appear in Bellwether V.

The Veterinary School has received a grant of $180,000 from the Mabel Pew Myrin Trust for the operation and maintenance of the Alarik Myrin Memorial Research Building at New Bolton Center. New Bolton Center also received a grant of $40,000 from the Stroud Foundation and an unrestricted gift of $10,000 from the Ohrstrom Foundation for the Friends of New Bolton Center.

The Animal Rescue League of Philadelphia has awarded us another $2,000 for equipment for the Wildlife Service and the Intensive Care Unit. The New York Farmers contributed $2,000 to the Scholarship Fund, and the Kennel Club of Philadelphia donated $1,000 to the Friends of the Small Animal Hospital.

A bequest of nearly $20,000 from the Estate of Salem G. Fine, V.M.D., Class of ’35, will be used for student loans, and a bequest of approximately $100,000 from the Estate of Charlotte Everingham will provide equipment for oncology and radiology, establish a new Senior prize, and enhance the student loan fund.

An anonymous gift of $70,000 has enabled New Bolton Center to computerize all of its client/patient records, and an anonymous gift of $5,300 has been added to the School’s unrestricted endowment fund.

Through the end of May, 513 donors have given $144,717 to Veterinary Annual Giving. The Friends of the Small Animal Hospital have received $44,887 from 967 donors, and 99 donors have given $38,293 to the Friends of New Bolton Center, including gifts for the Kline Center. The total for private gifts and subscriptions to the School of Veterinary Medicine from July 1981 to May 1982 was $5,944,247.