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Centennial Year Program

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As the School of Veterinary Medicine enters its Centennial year it looks back with a deep sense of pride on its achievements in education, research, and service. These accomplishments have brought the School to a position as one of the great veterinary institutions of the world. 1984 not only marks the end of a first century but also the beginning of an even brighter and more productive future for the School.

In celebration of its legacy, and in recognition of its promise, the School will sponsor a yearlong series of events. Some are planned as educational ventures for veterinarians and animal owners, others are a means to recognize individuals who have contributed greatly to the School's success, and some are strictly for pleasure.

We hope you will join us in celebration of our birthday.

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January

26-27 Pennsylvania Annual Conference for Veterinarians
The 84th Annual Conference will be held at the Franklin Plaza Hotel, Philadelphia. This is the oldest such meeting in the United States.

February

11-17 Annual Meeting of The American College of Veterinary Surgeons
The Veterinary School will host a reception on Wednesday evening, February 15 at the University Museum.

13-14 Westminster Dog Show
The School will sponsor an exhibit and will host a reception for friends of the School from the dog fancy.
Centennial Celebration!

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devon dog show association
gift to small animal hospital

Dean Robert R. Marshak announced that the Small Animal Hospital has received a contribution of $5,000 from the Devon (PA) Dog Show Association.

The gift, said Mrs. John A. Lafone, Jr., President of Devon, is one which we are pleased to contribute to the fine work of the Small Animal Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine."

Dean Marshak noted that this gift from Devon is the largest gift the Veterinary School has ever received from a show-giving club. "It will do a great deal to help meet our need for unrestricted operating funds for the Small Animal Hospital this year. We are immensely grateful to Mrs. Lafone and her associates at Devon."

April

14 New Bolton Center Open House
This annual affair affords an opportunity for the public to become acquainted with the unique facilities and the educational, research and service activities of the rural campus.

May

19 Alumni Day
The Centennial Alumni Day will feature historical exhibits, presentation of special awards, and reunion dinners.

21 Commencement
Ceremonies for the School's Centennial Class will include the Dean's Reception for students, families and friends.

June

11-15 C. L. Davis Symposium on Pathology
The Veterinary School will host this prestigious international meeting of pathologists.

October

2 Founders Day Dinner
This date marks the founding of the School in 1884. The dinner, held in the University Museum, will provide those in attendance with a preview showing of the exhibit, Man and Animals - Living, Working and Changing Together. Other areas of the Museum will be open. Special awards will be presented.

November

6-9 Sixth International Conference of the Cardiovascular Dynamics Society
The Veterinary School will host this outstanding meeting of scientists working in the field of cardiovascular dynamics.

16-19 American Kennel Club 180th Anniversary Meeting Dog and Show
The Veterinary School will join the AKC in celebrating joint anniversaries. The School will sponsor a reception and will provide a Hospitality Suite at the AKC Show.

TWIN PROFILE

"TEST TUBE" CALVES

In 1981 we reported on the birth of Virgil, the world's first "test tube" calf at New Bolton Center. Happy tidings are again in order. On Labor Day, (no pun intended), 1983, the world's first twin calves born from in vitro fertilization were delivered at the Pennstar Embryo Transfer Clinic, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The calves, known as Penn's Pride and Quintus, were conceived in the laboratory of Dr. Benjamin G. Brackett at New Bolton Center. Dr. Brackett is professor of animal reproduction and is an international authority on in vitro fertilization. The births resulted from a collaborative effort between Dr. Brackett, the Atlantic Breeders Cooperative, and Dr. Carl Troop who was attending veterinarian.