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From the Dean

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Dear Friends:

The dust has finally settled on the State budget. The School of Veterinary Medicine was most fortunate in having the Governor’s recommended cut of some $6.9 million restored, but we did not obtain an increase over our fiscal year 1990-91 appropriation. While the restoration is good news, the lack of an adequate increase has forced us to further staff reductions by some 20 positions. Unfortunately, a continued lack of funding increases will shortly place the School in an untenable position.

I thank all of our readers who contacted the legislature and Governor’s office on our behalf. Your help plus that of our agricultural constituencies, alumni, students and their parents certainly provided an awareness of the School’s importance.

Included in this issue of the Bellwether are the summarized results of an important economic impact study. As you will see, the School of Veterinary Medicine represents far more to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania than an intellectual resource. Our value to this great State and its citizens can be quantitated and defined in terms that everyone understands — dollars.

We are proud of our intellectual strength in research, teaching, and service, but we are equally proud of being a strong economic force throughout the State of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,

Edwin J. Andrews, V.M.D., Ph.D.
Dean

Dedication of Bruce J. Heim Antique Furniture Collection

The Bruce J. Heim Antique Furniture Collection was dedicated on June 21, 1991 at New Bolton Center. The tenant house there is home to the H. Scholarships Foundation, and board members Daniel Mullay, Hutton and Mr. Jim Cunningham. From left to right: Mrs. Barbara Pallet, Mr. Daniel Mullay, Dr. Barbara Vail, Dr. Kirk Smith, Mr. Tom Hutton and Mr. Jim Cunningham.

The dedication was attended by Mrs. Barbara Pailet, executive director of the Bruce J. Heim Foundation, and board members Daniel Mullay, Jim Cunningham and Tom Hutton. Also present were two Bruce J. Heim Dean’s Scholars, Dr. Barbara Vail, V’91 and Dr. Kirk Smith, V’91.

New Bolton Center, synonymous with superb veterinary care for large animals, provides a fitting backdrop for this fine collection assembled by Bruce J. Heim, a man devoted to animals and deeply committed to furthering the education of young people. Mr. Heim endowed the first two Dean’s Scholarships at the Veterinary School.

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Dean Andrews and Mrs. Barbara Pailet unveiling the plaque identifying the collection.

Charles S. Wolf Honored

Charles S. Wolf, the chairman of the School’s Board of Overseers for 25 years and a trustee emeritus of the University, was awarded an honorary degree by the University. Following is the citation:

“A double alumnus of the Wharton School, and a member of Penn’s basketball team in your student days, you went forth to conquer the world as a successful industrialist and community leader, and came home to stay when you were elected a Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania over twenty years ago, and harnessed to serve as Chairman of Overseers of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Demanding of others no more than the hard work you put in yourself, you are an ideal boss as well as sought-after volunteer. Preferring involvement to standing on the sidelines, you nonetheless think long and hard before taking action, and your wise and inspirational leadership and analytical consideration have benefited three presidents as well as three deans at Penn. Believing that “free enterprise depends on free education,” with a voice that is heeded on the Commonwealth front, you have brought your sage and courtly counsel to bear in the State, as at the University of Pennsylvania. A pragmatic and successful man of business, you have long been an eloquent and heeded advocate for the liberal arts.

President and CEO of York Container Company, president of trustees of York College, past president and director of institutions in that locale from the orchestra to the YMCA, you are a fitting recipient of the Duke of York Award of the York Chamber of Commerce. Grateful to you for your spurring them to ever greater heights from the top of your particular hill - Mount Wolf - your colleagues and fellow Trustees at the University of Pennsylvania celebrate you, Charles Samuel Wolf, a friend trusted and true, and red and blue. Adding their acclaim for your magnificent generosity with your time and treasure, they take pride and pleasure in presenting you, along with warmest wishes on a significant birthday, with their medal and their preferment, the honorary degree, Doctor of Laws.”

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