Rosettes & Ribbons
Dr. Peter Theran, V’61, vice president of the MSPCA’s Health and Hospital Division, was named president of the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Joseph Stoyak, V’52, was the recipient of the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association’s Distinguished Services Award. Dr. Stoyak is chief-of-staff at the MSPCA’s Angell Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Adrian Morrison, professor of anatomy, was awarded a Burroughs-Wellcome Visiting Professorship and Medal by the Royal Society of Medicine, London. While in England, he participated in a symposium, “Sleep and Rest in Man and Animals” at the Royal Society of Medicine, as well as the annual meeting of the Association of Veterinary Teachers and Research Workers in Scarborough. Dr. Morrison has been named to the Boards of Trustees of Americans for Medical Progress and the National Animal Interest Alliance. Both organizations have been formed to educate the public about the responsible use of animals and the dangers posed to the public’s health by the animal rights movement.

Dr. David Kritchevsky, Wistar Professor of Biochemistry, was Burroughs-Wellcome Visiting Professor in Nutrition at the University of Alabama School of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Kritchevsky is the recipient of the 1992 Robert H. Herman Memorial Award, presented by the American Society of Clinical Nutrition for: “sustained research efforts and achievements in clinical nutrition.”

Dr. Wilbur Amand, V’66, adjunct associate professor of zoology, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums. At the general meeting of the World Association of Wildlife Veterinarians in August in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Dr. Amand was elected chairman of the WAWA.

Dr. Urs Giger, associate professor of medical genetics, and his collaborators received the Shannan Award, a newly established award from NIH, for their studies on canine muscle phosphofructokinase deficiency, an inherited erythrocyte deficiency and metabolic myopathy in English springer spaniels. The Robert H. Winn Foundation awarded a research grant to Dr. Giger and Dr. Margaret Casel, resident in medical genetics, to study “Transfer of colostal antibodies to the neonatal kitten: prevention against infection and cause of neonatal icterus.”

Dr. Kevin Stanley, assistant professor of dermatology, received the “Warm Fuzzy Award” from the four Philadelphia area veterinary medical associations. The award is presented annually to recognize excellent service to referring veterinarians and clients.

Dr. Mattie Hendrick, V’78, assistant professor of pathology, was awarded a research grant by the Robert H. Winn Foundation to study the “Epidemiology of vaccine induced sarcomas in the cat.”

Dr. Edwin J. Andrews, V’67, has been invited to serve a four year term on the National Advisory Research Resource Council of the National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Todd Long, professor of pharmacology, received the 1992 Nikon Small World Competition for his darkfield micrograph “Canine Epithelium with Compound Hair Follicles.” The photo appeared in the 1992 Nikon Small World Calendar.

Dr. Leon Z. Saunders was honored with an International Symposium on The History and Science of Veterinary Pathology at the National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, MD in December.

Dr. T. Brinster, Richard King Mellon Professor of Reproductive Physiology, was awarded the 1992 Embryo Transfer Pioneer Award by Theriogenology, an international journal of animal reproduction.

Dr. William Brice, V’78, is a host on a weekly cable TV show, “Let’s Talk Pets,” broadcast in Chester County, PA.

Dr. E. Neil Moore, professor of physiology, has been reappointed visiting professor of medicine in the Department of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University Medical School and reappointed as adjunct professor of medicine at Hahneman University School of Medicine. Dr. Moore presented a paper and co-chaired the symposium at the 10th International Symposium on Frontiers of Arrhythmias held in Maralave, Italy. In the fall Dr. Moore presented a paper at a symposium on “Tachycardia Mechanism Management” sponsored by the Futura Medical Meetings. He co-chaired a two-day meeting on “New Drugs and Devices,” and presented a paper at a seminar sponsored by the American College of Cardiology.

Dr. Peter J. Herke, V’72, was named an Honorary Life Member of the Swedish Veterinary Dermatology Study Group and of the British Veterinary Dermatology Study Group. Dr. Herke presented a paper at the World Small Animal Veterinary Association meeting in Vienna in October.

Dr. Narayan A. Avadhani, Harriet Ellison Woodward Professor of Biochemistry, has accepted to serve as member of the Physical Biochemistry Study Section, Division of Research Grants, at the National Institutes of Health, for a four-year term.

Dr. Daniel E. Vernon, V’59, has turned vintner. His winery in Oldwick, NJ produces between 10,000 and 14,000 gallons of wine a year.

Dr. Sydney Evans, V’77, assistant professor of radiology, was honored by the alumni association of Cook College of Rutgers University and awarded the George H. Cook Award during 1992 graduation ceremonies.

Dr. Harry Reynolds, V’56, was recognized at a reception during the 1991 annual meeting of the American College of Veterinary Pathologist for “sustained excellence in the teaching of veterinary pathology.” The award, the first of its kind, was presented by the C. L. Davis Foundation for the Advancement of Veterinary Pathology. Dr. Reynolds retired in August 1991 after 32 years of service from the University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine, where he was chair of pathology and assistant head of the Department of Veterinary Pathology.

New Bolton Center was well represented at the American Association of Equine Practitioners meeting in December. Papers were presented by Dr. Benson Martin, V’80, assistant professor of equine sports medicine, Dr. William Moyer, professor of equine sports medicine, Dr. David Nonnemaker, V’68, Jacques Jenny Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, Dr. Virginia Reef, associate professor of medicine, Dr. Michael Ross, assistant professor of surgery, and Mr. Robert Sigafus, farrier.

Dr. Robert Eronade, associate professor of pathology, and Dr. Charles Benson, associate professor of microbiology, presented papers at the Symposium on the Diagnosis and Control of Salmonella, sponsored by the United States Animal Health Association and the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians, in October in San Diego, CA. Dr. Max Van Bever, Jr., V’56, was a program moderator at the event.

Dr. M. Phyllis Lose, V’57, has revised and updated her book, "Blessed are the Brownies. The second edition is published by Howell Book House.

Dr. John E. Martin, V’42, received the PVMA’s Distinguished Public Service Award for his roles as “educator, author, editor, researcher, historian and friend...in a career that has spanned 50 years.”

The organization’s 1991 Public Service Award of Merit was presented to Dr. Henry L. Croft, V’78, for his “outstanding achievements in working with young people to encourage respect and responsibility for nature, animals and the environment.”

Dr. John Cable, V’56, and Dr. Joseph O. Simington, V’43, were elected to corresponding (life) status in the PVMA.

Mr. Charles S. Wolf, chairman-emeritus of the School’s Board of Overseers was elected to honorary membership of the PVMA.

Dr. Edward Dionne, V’68, is a volunteer for the Heifer Project International. In September he accompanied 88 heifers and six bulls to Egypt to ensure that they were transported safely. Heifer Project International, based in Little Rock, AR, tries to eliminate hunger worldwide by sending farm animals, cows, pigs, chickens, goats and even bees, to small villages in the Third World.

Elizabeth K. Stanley, V’93, was one of 26 students from around the country selected to participate in the Pfizer Animal Health Student Representative Program. The program provides one student from each U.S. veterinary school with the opportunity to plan and implement selected educational activities tailored to complement the veterinary school curriculum and to increase exposure to the principles of veterinary pharmacology and therapeutics.

Dr. Jeffrey M. Ott, V’77, was elected president of the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association.
Dr. Manuel A. Gilman, V’45, was named the 1991 recipient of The Jockey Club Medal. The medal is awarded each year in recognition of an individual’s outstanding contribution to the Thoroughbred racing and breeding industry.

The Dinoaurse, a book edited by Dr. Peter Dodson, associate professor of palaeontology, David A. Weishampel and Helska Osmolka, was named Best Geoscience Reference Book by the Geoscience Information Society.

Dr. Sherlyn Ostrich, V’63, was presented the 1991 Regional Outstanding Service Award by the American Animal Hospital Association at the AHA Northeast Regional meeting in November. Dr. Paul Dicke, V’65, was named the 1991 Outstanding Practitioner for the Northwest Region by AHA.

Dr. H. Wesley Towers, Jr., V’68, was recently elected president of the National Assembly of Chief Livestock Health Officials. He has also been elected as second vice president of the United States Animal Health Association. Dr. Towers recently received the George M. Worlows Award, presented by the University of Delaware. “For outstanding service to agriculture by a College of Agriculture graduate.”

Dr. Towers is employed by the Delaware Department of Agriculture and is the Delaware State Veterinarian.

Dr. Gerhard A. Schaud, professor of parasitology, is the author, together with C S. Pawlovski and G. J. Stott, of Hookworm Infection and Anemia, Approaches to Prevention and Control, a manual published by the World Health Organization, Geneva.

A number of faculty members and alumni presented papers at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists in December in Orlando, FL. They were: Dr. Maron C. Calderwood, Mays, V’68, Dr. Larry Glickman, V’72, Dr. Michael Goldschmidt, associate professor of pathology, Dr. Margaret I. Harison, V’74, Dr. Karen Kubl resident in dermatology, Dr. Kevin Shalley, assistant professor in dermatology, and Dr. Emily J. Walder, V’77.

Dr. Dan Blecher, V’53, received the Governor’s Award from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for his work in the Townwatch Council for Abington Township, Montgomery County, PA. Dr. Blecher also received a Certificate of Commendation from the Pennsylvania Senate and the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

Dr. Dieter M. Schifferli, assistant professor of microbiology, received a grant from the University of Pennsylvania Research Foundation for his project “987 F Frimblar Export in Escherichia Coli, Dr. Marcia McMurtry Bergman, V’70, Dr. Brian D. Farleigh, V’73, Dr. Gene Fink, V’83, Dr. Brenda J. King, V’76, Dr. Jacob Levenson, V’51, Dr. Frederick Marz, Jr., V’81, Dr. Dan R. Rufus, V’76, Dr. Joseph D. Slick, V’53, and Dr. Margaret Yeaw, V’80.

Dr. Charles Newton, professor of orthopedic surgery, has been appointed associate dean of the School.

Dr. Gail Smith, V’74, associate professor of orthopedic surgery, and chief, section of surgery, presented a scientific presentation on hip dysplasia at the annual meeting of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons in San Francisco. Dr. Smith was invited to be the guest consultant on the National Dog Guide Dog Center for the Blind. The dog was donated by the Seeing Eye, Inc., of Morristown, N.J., to become part of the breeding program of the Israeli organization.

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The gavel was presented as a gift from the School of Veterinary Medicine to the Association on the occasion of the 25th anniversary. The gavel was crafted from Pennsylvania walnut by Dr. Mark Allam, former dean of the School and the first president of the AAVMC. The plaque in the background lists all the AAVMC presidents and their names, along with the gavel, in the Association’s offices in Washington, DC. Dr. Andrews serves as the president of the Association through the 1991-92 academic year.

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