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Rosettes & Ribbons

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Dr. Sherbey W. Ostrich, V'63, was installed as president of the American Veterinary Medical Association at the 132nd annual meeting in Pittsburgh, PA. He is the 12th V.M.D. to lead the organization.

Dr. Joseph H. Slick, V'53, took office as president of the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association in January.

Dr. Adrian R. Morrison, professor of anatomy, has been named to the External Scientific Advisory Board of the Air Force Office of Scientific Countermeasures for Jet Lag and Sleep Deprivation. The Center is a consortium of laboratories at Harvard, Penn, and Stanford. Dr. Morrison was elected president of the National Animal Interest Alliance, an organization founded by two dog breeders to support the humane use of animals to improve animal welfare and educate the public about the difference between animal welfare and animal rights.

Dr. Donald A. Abt, V'61, Robert R. Marshak Term Professor of Aquatic Animal Medicine, was elected president-elect of the International Association of Aquatic Animal Medicine at the recent annual meeting of the organization.

Dr. Robert Washabau, V'82, assistant professor of medicine, received the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Dr. Harry Rozmierek, University veterinarian and professor of laboratory animal medicine, was installed as vice president of the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine at the annual meeting of the organization in July. In October of last year, Dr. Rozmierek was the recipient of the Griffin Award, the most prestigious award given by the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science. The award is annually given to an individual for outstanding accomplishments in the improvement of the care and quality of animals used in biologic and medical research. It is named after the late Dr. Charles A. Griffin, a pioneer in the breeding and maintenance of laboratory animals.

Dr. David Knight, professor of cardiology, was honored by the American Heartworm Society and received a Special Recognition Award for "outstanding contributions to the knowledge of heartworm disease and for exceptional dedication to the American Heartworm Society." Dr. Knight is vice president of the organization and program coordinator for the society's symposia, held every three years.

Dr. Donald F. Patterson, Charlotte Newton Sheppard Professor of Medical Genetics, received the 1995 American Kennel Club Career Achievement Award in Canine Research. The award was presented at the AVMA convention in July. Dr. Patterson also was appointed to the scientific advisory board of the AKC Canine Health Foundation.

Dr. Peter Hand, V'61, professor of anatomy, organized the School's hosting of the 1995 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Veterinary Anatomists in July. Dr. Hand was recently elected president-elect of the American Society of Acupuncture.

Dr. Joseph Romatowski, V'82, received the AVMA's 1995 Practitioner Research Award at the association's annual meeting in Pittsburgh in July. Dr. Romatowski was recognized for his contribution to a study of the effectiveness of feline leukemia virus vaccination carried out collaboratively with members of the University of Washington's Department of Applied Mathematics. Dr. Romatowski has a feline practice in Seattle and is the author of a number of articles and a chapter on feline anesthesia in the book Feline Medicine and Surgery.

Dr. Carl E. Aronson, associate professor of pharmacology and toxicology, is the first recipient in the American Academy of Veterinary Pharmacology and Therapeutics Service Award.

Dr. E. Neil Moore, professor of physiology, was reappointed visiting professor of medicine at Johns Hopkins University Medical School and adjunct professor of medicine at Hahmemann University. Dr. Moore received a grant from the W.W. Smith Charitable Trust for research on defibrillation. In the fall he presented a seminar at the Houston Electrophysiology Society on Ventricular Fibrillation and Defibrillation; he also presented medical grand rounds at the University of Texas Medical School, Houston, TX. Dr. Moore gave a multimedia presentation on Mechanisms of Common Arrhythmias at a symposium sponsored by the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, held Lake Louise, Alberta. He served on the faculty for the Cardiovascular Board Review Course for Electrophysiology, sponsored by the American College of Cardiology. He presented a talk on atrial fibrillation, sponsored by the University of Southern California and held in Hawaii.

Dr. Garry Smith, associate professor of population biology and epidemiology,
presented an invited lecture at the Pan American Conference of Veterinary Science in Acapulco, Mexico.

Dr. Gerhard Schaud, professor of parasitology, attended a World Health Organization meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, in December, as a consultant for the working group on hookworm diseases in women. He also went to New Delhi to organize a hookworm research program in rural India.

Dr. Leonard Kravitz, V'39, received the PVMA Outstanding Service Award for using his musical talents to provide entertainment at senior citizen recreation centers, churches, hospitals, nursing homes and retirement facilities. Dr. Kravitz is a clarinetist and saxophonist.

Richard Detwiler, V'48, received the 1994 PVMA Distinguished Veterinarian Award.

Dr. Wesley H. Towers, Jr., V'68, was installed president of the United States Animal Health Association. Dr. Towers received the Delmarva Poultry Industry's 1994 Medal of Achievement Award for outstanding achievement and service on behalf of Delmarva's poultry industry. Dr. Towers is the Delaware State Veterinarian.

Dr. Karen Overall, V'83, director of the behavior clinic at VHUP, recently became certified by the Animal Behavior Society as an Applied Animal Behaviorist. She is also a Delta Society Certified Evaluator of Pet Therapy. Dr. Overall presented a course at the AVMA meeting and she lectured at the World Veterinary Congress in Tokyo, Japan, on canine behavioral medicine.

Amanda Fine, V'97, gave a presentation at the New Jersey Society for Parasitology meeting in February.

Dr. Steven Melman, V'73, received the Dog-Writers' Association of America Maxwell Award for Best Book in the Science and Health category for his book *Skin Diseases of Dogs and Cats: A Guide for Pet Owners and Professionals*. The book received a Certificate of Excellence from the Cat Writers Association.

Dr. Helen Acland, associate professor of pathology, was installed as president of the American College of Pathology.

Dr. Hilton J. Klein, V'80, director of laboratory animal resources, Merck Research Laboratories, was invited to serve on the board of trustees of the Scientist Center for Animal Welfare and as a board member of the organization.

Dr. Peter Ihrke, V'72, received the CYCLF® "FIDO" Award in recognition for "significant advancements in small animal medicine or surgery." Dr. Ihrke is chief of service in dermatology at the veterinary medical teaching hospital, University of California, Davis.

Dr. Edwin J. Andrews, V'67, former dean of the School, was appointed senior vice president, science and technology, at Mallinckrodt Veterinary, Inc., headquartered in Mundelein, IL.

Dr. Paul W. Pratt, V'73, has been appointed executive editor in veterinary medicine by Moby-Year Book, Inc., a publisher of health sciences books and periodicals.

Dr. Roselyn J. Eisenberg, professor of microbiology, was appointed as a member of the Experimental Virology Study Section, Division of Research Grants, National Institutes of Health.

Dr. John Wolfe, V'82, associate professor of pathology, was appointed to the Medical Biochemistry Study Section, Division of Research Grants. Dr. Philip Scott, associate professor of parasitology, was appointed to the Tropical Medicine and Parasitology Study Section.

Dr. J. Clyde Johnson, V'62, has been elected president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners.

Promotions and Appointments

Dr. Michaela Kristula has been appointed assistant professor of medicine and chief of the Section of Field Service at New Bolton Center. Dr. Dean Richardson has been promoted to associate professor of surgery and Dr. James Ferguson, V'81, has been promoted to associate professor of nutrition. Dr. Alan Klide, V'65, has been promoted to professor of anesthesia and Dr. Urs Giger has been promoted to professor of medicine and medical genetics.

Dr. Virginia B. Reef has been appointed chief of the Section of Sports Medicine and Imagining at New Bolton Center. Dr. Susan Crane, V'82, has been appointed assistant professor of medicine in Field Service. Dr. Michael Atchison has been promoted to associate professor of biochemistry in Animal Biology. Dr. Mattie J. Hendrick, V'78, and Dr. Thomas J. Van Winkle, V'75, each were promoted to associate professor of pathology in pathobiology. Dr. Phillip Scott was promoted to associate professor of parasitology in pathobiology.

Dr. Erich J. Parente was appointed assistant professor of sports medicine in Clinical Studies, New Bolton Center. Dr. Paul Pitcher was appointed assistant professor of swine production medicine. Dr. Thomas Nolan was promoted to adjunct associate professor of parasitology.

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