The Bellwether Award
On Sunday, May 17 at the General Meeting of the Veterinary Medical Alumni Society, Dean Alan M. Kelly awarded Dr. Norbert McManus, V’47, the School of Veterinary Medicine’s Bellwether Medal on the occasion of his 50th Reunion. The Bellwether medal recognizes and thanks individuals who, over time, have demonstrated an extraordinary devotion and commitment to the School. The medal may be presented to alumni or non-alumni.

Norbert McManus was recognized for his truly tireless efforts as a dedicated alumnus on behalf of the Veterinary School. He has been an active and effective Class Agent for the Class of 1947 for many years, keeping his classmates informed about School activities through numerous newsletters. He motivates his class to some of the highest participation rates in Veterinary Alumni Annual Giving. Norbert is a long term member of the Benjamin Franklin Society and a previous winner of an Alumni Award of Merit in 1986. Both he and his wife, Mary, regularly attend alumni activities and in recent years he personally organized a raffle at Alumni Day, providing all of the prizes. When the School of Veterinary Medicine needed support with the Commonwealth, Norbert wrote numerous powerful and effective letters to key government officials. Professionally, Norbert served a distinguished career in the Armed Service, and is an active member of the Carlisle, PA community.

The entire School of Veterinary Medicine community applauds Dr. Norbert McManus for his 50 years of solid devotion to the School. We are fortunate to call him one of our own.