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Dr. Kenneth Bovee, emeritus professor of medicine, was presented with the Scientific Achievement Award of the World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA) at the group’s meeting in Amsterdam in April.

Dr. Erika L.F. Holzbaur, associate professor of biochemistry, has been appointed Keith R. Porter Fellow by the Keith R. Porter Endowment for Cell Biology. Dr. Holzbaur was recognized and honored for her accomplishments in cell biology.

The Sigafoos Bonded Shoes® will be available at the Olympics in Sydney. Rob Sigafoos, the farrier at New Bolton Center, developed these special horseshoes which are glued on instead of nailed. They were patented and licensed to SoundHorse Technology, Unionville.

Dr. James Serpell, Marie A. Moore Associate Professor of Humane Ethics and Animal Welfare, received grants from the Kenneth Scott Foundation and the University Research Foundation for research on behavioral development in dogs. Dr. Serpell was an invited speaker at the WSAVA/FECAVA symposium in Amsterdam in April. He was featured in an article in the April/May Gazette, Penn’s alumni magazine.

Dr. David Numanaker, V’68, Jacques Jenny Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, is a Trustee of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft fuer Osteosynthesefragen (AO), a group of international medical and veterinary researchers who teach and research fracture healing, bone development, and similar subjects. Dr. Numanaker attended the recent meeting in Vancouver, Canada. He is president of AOVET.

Dr. Robert Poppenga, associate professor of pathology, has been elected president of the American Board of Veterinary Toxicology for a three-year term.

Dr. Gerhard Schad, professor of parasitology, presented the Stoll-Stunkard lecture at the meeting of the American Society of Parasitologist in Puerto Rico in June. Dr. Schad presented invited lectures at Heska Pharmaceuticals in Fort Collins, CO and at the AVMA meeting in Salt Lake City, UT.

Dr. Eric Parente, assistant professor of sports medicine, made a presentation on respiratory diseases at the meeting of the Italian Society of Veterinary Surgery in Giulianova, Italy in June. Dr. Parente has joined the section of surgery at New Bolton.

Dr. Lesley King, associate professor of critical care, presented courses on critical care at the British Small Animal Veterinary Association meetings in the UK earlier in the year.

Dr. Colin Harvey, professor of surgery and dentistry, was the external examiner for the first Fellowship level examination in veterinary dentistry of the Australian College of Veterinary Sciences. Dr. Harvey participated via telephone in the oral examination and marked written papers.

Dr. Linda Mansfield, V’86, associate professor of at the College of Veterinary Medicine, Michigan State University, received the Pfizer Animal Health Award for Excellence in Research. Dr. Mansfield is an authority on the pathogenesis of Campylobacter jejuni.

Dr. Amy Kapatkin, assistant professor of surgery, received a grant from the University Research Foundation for a study on elbow dysplasia in the basset hound.

Dr. Narayan G. Avadhani, Harriet Ellison Woodward Professor of Biochemistry, received a grant from the University Research Foundation for the purchase of a DNA synthesizer for the Veterinary DNA Core Facility.

Amy Parkman, V’02, received a grant for a summer project from the Geraldine Dodge Foundation to review current disaster preparedness for animals in the Philadelphia area and to develop an information piece.

Dr. R.H. Whitlock, associate professor of medicine, presented a paper entitled “Johne’s Testing in Cattle. A National Perspective” at the National Institute of Animal Health Meeting in Corpus Christi, TX in April. Dr. Whitlock continues to serve as Co-Chair of the National Johne’s Working Group, working under the auspices of the US Animal Health Association. He was one of the speakers to discuss large Animal topics at the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association summer conference in Myrtle Beach, SC in June.

Dr. Dez Hughes has been appointed assistant professor of critical care medicine.