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The fund-raising campaign for the new Teaching and Research Building is closing in on reaching the two-thirds completed mark. Since December 2001, additional gifts bring the total to $35.1 million.

Several significant new gifts for the new building include:

Mrs. Elizabeth Moran, a longtime friend and supporter of the School, made a gift of $1.5 million to name the Allam Auditorium in memory of former dean, Mark Allam. This 300-seat auditorium encompasses, when divided, the Billhardt and Marookian classrooms. The auditorium will provide space for major lectures and events. It doubles the capacity of the largest space currently available and will be one of the largest spaces of its kind at any of Penn's graduate or professional schools. Mrs. Moran is one of the country's most successful Thoroughbred horse breeders and owners. One of her horses won England's prestigious Grand National and her yearlings fetch some of the highest prices.

Dr. Jules Silver, V'47, and his wife, Lucy Silver, have pledged $250,000 to name a lobby within the new Teaching and Research Building. A longtime supporter of the School, Dr. Silver's career includes service as a bovine practitioner, researcher, and entrepreneur. This is one of the largest commitments so far by an alumnus for the new building and comes on the occasion of the 55th year anniversary of Dr. Silver's graduation from the School.

The Richard King Mellon Foundation of Pittsburgh, Pa. has made a $1 million commitment for a research laboratory in the new building to support the Center for Animal Transgenesis and Germ Cell Research. The Foundation has been a longtime partner with the School in this area. In 1975, it endowed the Richard King Mellon Professorship of Reproductive Physiology, held since its inception by Dr. Ralph Brinster, V'60, a pioneer in transgenesis research.

Veterinary School Buildings in Philadelphia

Quadrangle Building 1907

Gladys Hall Rosenthal Building 1963

Veterinary Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania 1981

Site of Teaching & Research Building Planned Groundbreaking 2003

$48 million goal

$35.1 million raised

The Teaching and Research Building site is bounded by 38th Street, Woodland Avenue, and Baltimore Avenue.