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Dr. Colin Harvey, professor of surgery, received the Simon Award of the British Small Animal Veterinary Association for his outstanding contributions in the field of veterinary surgery. The award was presented to Dr. Harvey at the Annual Congress on April 9, 1983.

The Simon Award has an interesting history. Simon was a Golden Retriever, the property of a blind telephone operator. Simon lost his sight which was restored by surgery allowing him to resume his duties as a guide dog. His appreciative owner made the award possible.

Dr. Wilfred T. Weber, former acting chairman of the Department of Pathobiology, was named chairman effective January 1, 1983.

Dr. Ralph L. Brinster and Dr. Benjamin G. Brackett have been asked to serve on the organizing committee for a workshop on In Vitro Fertilization and Embryo Transfer in Animals to be held in 1983. The workshop is sponsored by the Reproductive Sciences Branch of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development of N.I.H.

Dr. Benjamin G.
Brackett, professor of animal reproduction, visited the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Queen Victoria Medical Center, Melbourne, Australia during the period March 14 to April 16, 1983. A primary purpose of the trip was to attempt to fertilize sheep ova in vitro, in cooperation with Dr. Alan Trouson.

Dr. David
Kritchevsky, Wistar professor of biochemistry, delivered the 1983 William
F. Geddes Memorial Lecture before the American
Association of Cereal
Chemists at Minneapolis,
Minnesota on March 7,
1983.

Dr. Alan Klide, associate professor of anesthesia, spoke before the Chester County Equine Council on April 11, 1983 on the subject of acupuncture in horses.

Dean Robert R. Marshak was recently elected to membership in the Philadelphia Society for Promoting Agriculture. The Society, founded in 1785, will celebrate its Bicentennial one year after the Veterinary School celebrates its Centennial. The Society had an interesting role in the early history of animal disease in this country. Many of its original members were physicians who wrote some of the first reports on Texas Fever and rabies. One of its members was Dr. Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, who advocated the development of veterinary medical education.

New Bolton Center hosted the joint meeting of the Helminthological Society of Washington and the New Jersey Society for Parasitology on May 14, 1983. Dr. Gerhard Schad, professor of parasitology, introduced the program which included the following presentations: Onchocerciasis, Dr. E. W. Cupp, Department of Eutomology, Cornell University; Schistosomiasis, Dr. Donald B. Hofmann, St.

Josephs Hospital, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; and Malaria, Dr. Franklin A. Neva, Laboratory of Parasitic Diseases, N.I. H., Bethesda, Maryland. The scientific meeting was followed by a reception at Allam House sponsored by Dr. Vassilios Theodorides, Smith Kline Beckman Corporation, and the Laboratory of Parasitology, Veterinary School.

The annual Phi Zeta Veterinary Student Paper Competition was held on March 22, 1983. Six papers, reflecting student research efforts, were presented. Papers were judged on two catagories: 1. Students in the Regular V.M.D. Program. First prize in this catagory went to Randall A. Frey (V'84) for his presentation titled "Lactic Aciduria in Irish Setters." Second prize was awarded to Paul Calle (V83) for his work on "Effect of Hunters' Switch from Lead to Steel Shot on Potential for Oral Lead Poisoning in Ducks." 2. Students in the V.M.D.-Ph.D. Program. First prize was awarded to Leslie MacGregor (V 85) for her research on "Enzymatic Determination of Tissue Myoinositol Concentrations in the Spontaneously Diabetic Chinese Hamster." Kim Tiplitz-Blackwell (V87) received the second prize for a paper titled "Baroreceptor Activity Related to Cell Properties." Congratulations to the prize winners and to all who participated!

The Mrs. Cheever Porter Foundation granted \$20,000 to Dr. Donald F. Patterson's Medical Genetics Laboratory. Dr. David
Kritchevsky, the Wistar
professor of biochemistry
in the Veterinary School,
has just been elected president of the Society for
Experimental Biology and
Medicine. He has also
been appointed by the
Honorable John Block,
U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, to the USDA Dietary Guideline Advisory
Committee.

At the invitation of the Heart Institute of Japan, Dr. Donald F. Patterson, Charlotte Newton Sheppard Professor of Medicine and chief, Section of Medical Genetics, participated in the Second International Symposium on the Etiology and Pathogenesis of Congenital Heart Disease, held in Tokyo, Japan, May 5-8, 1983. While in Japan Dr. Patterson also gave lectures to the Japanese Society of Animal Eletrocardiography and the Japanese Animal Hospital Association.

Dr. David Kronfeld, Elizabeth and Whitney

Clark Professor of Nutrition, participated as speaker at the Post-Graduate Foundation of the University of Sydney, Australia, in their course on nutrition. The course attracted 167 veterinarians from all over Australia and the proceedings will be published. Dr. Kronfeld was also recently the recipient of the New York Farmers Association Award for 1983, in recognition of his work in nutrition for farm animals. The New York Farmers Association was formed in 1882 and for over a century has made some outstanding contributions to agriculture. Mr. Oakleigh L. Thorn, 2 member of the Veterinary School's Board of Overseers is active in the Association.

Dr. Lawrence T.
Glickman received a
Ralston Purina Small
Animal Research Award
for his work in epidemiology in June, 1983. Evaluation and final decisions
for the award are made
by the American Veterinary Medical Association
Council on Research.



Dr. Colin Harvey, professor of surgery, with the Simon Award.