

From the Dean

The calendar year 1990 has been exciting for the University of Pennsylvania, which is celebrating its founding by Benjamin Franklin some 250 years ago. The academic year that just ended has been equally exciting for the School of Veterinary Medicine.

We have been fortunate in turning the corner on our fiscal constraints by ending the year on budget. What made this especially exciting was our ability to accomplish a balanced hudget a full year ahead of schedule.

Now our efforts can be turned to the creative process, as the recommendations from our various strategic plan task forces come forward. We are now in a position to devote full attention to the necessary changes and growth that will ensure our foundation of excellence beyond the 1990's.

Already we have launched efforts to improve student affairs, enhance faculty development, and focus on our unique strengths in equine sports medicine, aquatic animal medicine, basic research, and zoo and wildlife medicine to name a few. Truly exciting opportunities exist in these and many other areas.

Our curriculum task force is ready to present to the faculty its recommendations for an "academic major" curriculum. The ability to allow students to maximally tailor their areas of interest will parallel the School's own focus on its strengths.

By this time next year, I will be able to detail for you our specific development plans to accomplish our programmatic and capital

We continue to appreciate and value the support of our many friends and alumni, and look forward to working with you in this new academic year.

Edwin J. Andrews, V.M.D., Ph.D.

Board of Overseers

In June, the Board of Overseers voted to restructure its organization and establish terms for all board members. Further, an ex-officio category was added, and three long-standing board members were accorded emeritus status. In addition, The Board adopted by-laws to govern its activities.

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Creme Fraiche Nursing Station



Mrs. J. Maxwell Moran and Dean Andrews unveil the plaque for the Creme Fraiche Nursing Station as Creme Fraiche looks on.

Creme Fraiche, the winner of the 1985 Belmont Stakes, visited the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine's New Bolton Center campus on June 4 to unveil a plaque citing the stakes winner's contribution of the Creme Fraiche Nursing Station to the Connelly Intensive Care Unit/Graham French Neonatal Section.

The Nursing Station allows observation of all seriously ill patients on a 24-hour basis. It is central to the new intensive care facility, the first building of its kind designed specifically to meet the special demands of delivery of critical care to seriously ill large animal patients. The neonatal side, accomodating up to seven foals and three mares in its dividable five stalls, opened earlier this spring. The six-stall adult intensive care unit opened in June; four of its stalls are connected by monorail to the C. Mahlon Kline Orthopedic and Rehabilitation Center, allowing for easy transport of critically ill adult patients.

Creme Fraiche retired from racing in 1989 after a five season career with 17 wins, 12 seconds, 13 thirds, and winnings of \$4,024,727 in 64 starts. He is the sixth highest Thoroughbred money winner of all time, behind Alysheba, John Henry, Spend A Buck, Sunday Silence, and Easy Goer. The bay gelding is a



Creme Fraiche accepts a celebratory glass of champagne, one of his favorite beverages.

two time winner of the Jockey Club Gold Cup and of five other Grade I events.

Creme Fraiche is owned by Brushwood Stable, Paoli, PA. He is enjoying his retirement from racing and romping in the pastures at the Chester County farm. Periodically some of his fans from far and near stop to visit and to deliver a treat, red and white striped peppermints, to show that they have not