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A joint University Scholars program has been initiated by Pennsylvania State University and the Veterinary School. The purpose of this program is to identify, each year, at the Pennsylvania State University a limited number of outstanding students whose career objectives are to attend the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. Students selected for the program will be granted early admission to the Veterinary School. The program is supervised by a Screening Committee at Penn State and a joint University committee comprised of faculty from both Penn State and the Veterinary School. Final decision as to accepting-rejecting a given student resides with the Admission Committee at the School of Veterinary Medicine.

Dr. Gustavo D. Aguirre, associate professor of ophthalmology, received a \$9,500 grant from ALPO to conduct studies on progressive retinal atrophy in dogs. Two other faculty have received grants from ALPO for the current year. **Dr. Lawrence T. Glickman**, associate professor of epidemiology, is the recipient of a grant for \$10,500 to investigate the relationship of diet to mammary cancer in dogs. **Dr. David S. Kronfeld**, Elizabeth and Whitney Clark Professor of Nutrition, has received a \$30,000 grant to continue a study of stress in dogs and to complete studies on calcium absorption and glucose kinetics in dogs. Dennis Bobita, director of Technical Services for Allen Products Co., Inc., indicates that this year there will be a total of \$100,000 in ALPO research grants for investigations in the field of pet animal health and nutrition. **Dr. Lawrence T. Glickman** has been named recipient of a \$1,000 Ralston Purina Small Animal Research Award for his work in the area of epidemiology.

Dr. Glickman is also the recipient of a Fulbright grant to participate in the binational program of educational exchange between the United States and France. He will pursue research in epidemiology at the Laboratoire de Parasitologie et d'Ecologie Humaine, CNRS, in Toulouse, France.

Dr. Benjamin G. Brackett, professor of animal reproduction, Department of Clinical Studies, New Bolton Center, participated in the Endocrine Conference held at Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia. He also participated in a conference on Reproductive Strategies for Endangered Wildlife, hosted by the Cincinnati Wildlife Research Foundation. Dr. Brackett was one of the organizers of a workshop "Fertilization and Embryo Transfer in Animals," conducted by the Department of Health and Human Services. He recently was appointed to serve a two-year term on the Medical Services Scientist Training Program Advisory Committee at the School, which began July 1, 1983.

The Department of Pathobiology has received a grant of \$131,924 from the United States Department of Agriculture for support of a project entitled "Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis Virus: New Approaches to the Analysis of Latent Infections." The project is under the direction of **Dr. William C. Lawrence**, associate professor of microbiology.

Dr. Corinne Sweeney, Dr. Chuck Benson, and Dr. Robert H. Whitlock received two grants to investigate Strangles (*Streptococcus equi*) infections in horses; one awarded by the Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association of New Jersey and the other from a private source. The research will focus on the determination of the carrier state for *Streptococcus equi* and the various clinical manifestations of the disease as related to possible strain differences.

Dr. Debra Deem Morris, lecturer in large animal medicine, recently received a three-year competitive USDA grant on *E. coli* endotoxemia in calves. She and **Dr. Robert H. Whitlock** are collaborators on the grant with scientists from Washington State University at Pullman.

Dr. Lawrence F. DeGeorge, resident in large animal medicine, has received support to continue his studies on electromyography, especially as it relates to the diagnosis of botulism. He will collaborate with scientists from the Michigan Department of Public Health to obtain more data to facilitate licensing their current experimental botulinum Type B toxoid.

The following appointments were made in the Department of Clinical Studies, New Bolton Center: **Dr. Lin V. Klein** was appointed associate professor of anesthesia; **Dr. James A. Orsini** and **Dr. Eric P. Tulleners** were appointed assistant professors of surgery.

Dr. Angeline Warner, resident in large animal medicine in the Department of Clinical Studies, New Bolton Center, received the Squibb Resident Award.

Dr. Jon Palmer, Dr. Charles Benson, and Dr. Robert H. Whitlock were awarded a small research grant to investigate the new seasonal equine malady referred to as "Potomac Valley Fever," or Acute Diarrheal Syndrome of horses in the Potomac area of Maryland. The investigation involves the University of Maryland, the Maryland State Department of Agriculture and Virginia Polytechnical Institute at Blacksburg. Last year over 100 horses contracted the disease with nearly 30 percent mortality. The cause is unknown.

Dr. Gerhard A. Schad, professor of parasitology, attended a symposium on "The Current Status of Unresolved Problems in Parasitic Diseases" held at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD, July 18 and 19.

Dr. Peter F. Jezyk, associate professor of medicine (medical genetics) will discuss "Metabolic Diseases of the Dog and Cat" at the 32nd Gaines Veterinary Symposium at the University of Minnesota, October 25, 1983.

Dr. Robert J. Rutman, professor of biochemistry, was co-chairperson of a symposium on DNA Reactive Anti-Cancer Drugs at the 1983 Annual Conference of the American Association for Cancer Research in San Diego, March 25 to 28.

At its spring meeting the AVMA Council on Education reviewed the annual interim report of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine and voted to continue the School on full accreditation status.

Dr. Ernest Witte (V'42) was elected as an honorary member of the American Veterinary Epidemiology Society, and was presented with the award at the annual AVMA meeting in July 1983. Dr. Witte is Epidemiologist with the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and holds an appointment as lecturer in epidemiology and public health in the Veterinary School.

Terry F. Miller, a senior student, has been awarded the 1983-1984 Bide-A-Wee Home Association's Long-Sondheimer Scholarship. The New York-based nonprofit animal welfare organization's award provides two full scholarships annually for senior students—one at the University of Pennsylvania and one at Cornell University. Terry Miller is a strong advocate of animal rights who believes that the first priority in veterinary practice should be the care and welfare of animals.

Terry received his preveterinary education at Penn State University where he was vice president of the Pre-Veterinary Club, vice president of the Wildlife Society, president and co-founder of the Golden Key National Honor Society. In 1982, Terry received a National Institutes of Health Summer Research Grant. His home is in Lynnport, PA.

The Long-Sondheimer Scholarship is Bide-A-Wee's way of acquainting veterinary students with public service early in their careers; it is hoped that scholarship recipients will practice at a Bide-A-Wee clinic when they graduate. **Dr. Scott D. Moroff**, last year's University of Pennsylvania scholarship recipient began work at Bide-A-Wee's Wantagh, Long Island Clinic this summer.

Jacqueline Metzler, a junior student, has been awarded two scholarships. One is from the William Goldman Foundation of Philadelphia for \$500, and the other was awarded by the Windham County Kennel Club, Inc. of Windham County, Connecticut, for \$1,000.

Dr. Jon Palmer, lecturer in Large Animal Medicine, was awarded diplomate status in the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine at the AVMA meeting, July 19, 1983.

Dr. Robert H. Whitlock, professor of medicine and chief, Medical Services, New Bolton Center, was recently installed as chairman, Board of Regents, of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine.