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Dr. Robert R. Marshak, professor of medicine and former dean, retired. On May 7, 1993 Dr. Marshak gave a valedictory address at the School to faculty and students entitled Veterinary Medical Education Towards the 21st Century. He was then presented with the Centennial Medal of the School and in the evening the faculty gave a dinner in his honor.

### The Medal Citation Follows:

*Distinguished member of the veterinary profession, skilled clinician, inquisitive research scientist, energetic academic administrator, champion of and wise counselor to young scholars, tireless worker for excellence in our profession, leader in the establishment of specialty certification, resolute and effective fund raiser, recipient of numerous professional awards and accolades worldwide, generous provider of leadership to organized veterinary medicine, champion of the "one medicine" philosophy, critical editor, prolific writer - all these and more you have been during the almost 50 year span of your professional career.*

*Throughout that career, you have generously given of yourself to advance the goals and aspirations of your chosen profession as you saw them. Never one to take the easy path or champion the safe point of view, you have followed your instincts and led the profession to new heights of stature and scientific accomplishment. You have significantly elevated the profession in the eyes of society and effected a greater fulfillment of our obligations to animals and their well being. An eloquent spokesperson for far ranging topics important to veterinary medicine, your voice has never stilled because of opposition and has*



*sounded the call for vital advancement of the profession. The scientific status of veterinary medicine at large, and this academic institution in particular, is a testament to your ability to identify and articulate future imperatives and essential accomplishments for the profession. Your dreams for veterinary medicine have never grown dim.*

*For the past 37 years, you have served the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania as a member of its professorate, as Section Chief, as Department Chairman, and as Dean. In fulfilling the responsibilities of each position, you have brought to bear the enormity of your energy, the depth of*

*your knowledge, the dedication of your heart, and perhaps most importantly, your never flagging sense of humor and appreciation for the lighter side of any difficult issue. The twinkle in your eye often has been quick to replace the fire in your soul.*

*In recognition of your extensive contributions to this institution and the veterinary profession at large, the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania is honored to present to you this seventh day of May, 1993, our Centennial Medal.*

Bob Marshak has given 37 years of service and gifted leadership to the Veterinary School of the University of Pennsylvania. During these remarkable years, Bob pioneered a series of fundamental changes in veterinary education at our School that have broadened the horizons of veterinary medicine and have been emulated by the profession throughout the world.

Bob has now retired but his reputation persists. As a tribute to this legacy, the School has established the "Robert R. Marshak Distinguished Lectureship in Veterinary Medicine." To properly endow the lectureship requires a fund of at least \$15,000. Those wishing to support this initiative should make checks payable to "The Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania," designated to the R.R. Marshak Fund, and return to Ms. Catherine Larmore, New Bolton Center, 382 West Street Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348.

## Emergency Service to Receive New Equipment

Thanks to a multi-year commitment from Mr. and Mrs. John H. Remer of Villanova, PA the Emergency Service at

the Veterinary Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania will benefit from sophisticated new equipment. The Remer's gift will fund the entire equipment requirements of the renovation of the Emergency Service – the hospital's top fund raising priority.

In the words of Jay Remer, "It gives us great pleasure to have the privilege of

donating this important equipment as it will save lives, bring additional revenues to the School, and help provide a state-of-the-art service to the community."

For information about how to contribute to the Emergency Service renovation project, contact Ms. Nancy Martino, Director of Development, Philadelphia Campus, at 215-898-4234.