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## \$445,000 From Raymond C. Firestone Charitable Trusts

## 1994 Saratoga Benefit



School Board of Overseers' member Christine Connelly (l), and Dr. Kelly accept the check from A WEEK-END IN OLD SARATOGA representatives, Mrs. John R. Landan, Jr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Ensor, Jr. (r).

In December, representatives of A WEEK-END IN OLD SARATOGA presented a check in the amount of \$112,000.00 for New Bolton Center to Dr. Alan Kelly, dean of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. The check represented the proceeds of the very successful benefit held in Saratoga in August. Monies will help support the building of a new wing for the Comparative Orthopedic Research Laboratory and for Sports Medicine Endowment.

A WEEK-END IN OLD SARATOGA is a non-profit organization which sponsors four days of carriage in Saratoga each August. The weekend consisted of a country carriage drive, a drive to a polo match, and a carriage parade at the Saratoga race course. Activities culminated in "An Evening in Old Saratoga," a black-tie gala and silent auction held at the Gideon Putnam Hotel in the Saratoga Spa State Park on August 8, chaired by Mrs. John R. Landan, Jr., Chester Springs, PA. More than 290 people attended the event and enjoyed the music by the Robert Hardwick Orchestra. Prior to the gala, a champagne reception was held at the Saratoga Springs home of Miss Beverly R. Steinman, Lancaster, PA, for underwriters and patrons. This was the second year that the gala has benefitted New Bolton Center, the large animal facility of the Veterinary School in Kennett Square, PA.

Chairperson of the board of A WEEK-END IN OLD SARATOGA is Mrs. Lawrence E. Ensor, Jr., of Philadelphia, PA, and president of the organization is Mr. John R. Landan, Jr. of Chester Springs, PA.

Honorary chairpersons of the gala were Mrs. Harry W. Lunger, Wilmington, DE, and Mr. Dinwiddie Lampton, Jr., Prospect, KY. The silent auction was headed by Mrs. James A. Orsini, Kennett Square, and Mrs. Hector Alcalde, Arlington, VA.

Members of the Gala Committee included such local residents as Mrs. Richard I. G. Jones, Unionville, PA, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rapp, Downingtown, PA. Mr. Gregory L. Landis, Wayne, PA, also assisted the Gala Committee.

The honorary committee for the New Bolton Center benefit included Mr. Seymour Cohn, New York, NY, Mrs. Walter M. Jeffords, Andrews Bridge, PA, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Lickle, Montchanin, DE, Mrs. J. Maxwell Moran, Paoli, PA, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent B. Murphy, Far Hills, NJ, Miss Beverly Steinman, Mr. and Mrs. Judson L. Streicher, New York, NY, Mrs. Anne F. Thorington, Malvern, PA, Mrs. Jacqueline Mars Vogel, Bedminster, NJ, and Mr.

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The University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine has received \$445,000 from charitable trusts established by the late industrialist Raymond C. Firestone. He was a lifelong equestrian and had supported the School's research programs for many years.

The funds are earmarked for the Dr. Loren H. Evans Research and Equipment Fund. The grant will be used for comput-

George A. Weymouth, Chadds Ford, PA.

New Bolton Center's George D. Widener Hospital for Large Animals and the Field Service treat more than 25,000 animals annually.

Approximately 1,500 of these equine patients are seen through the Center of Sports Medicine, a multi-specialty group encompassing clinicians from orthopedics, surgery, cardiology, internal medicine, radiology and nuclear medicine. The contribution to the Equine Sports Medicine endowment will enable the Center to pursue programmatic research such as the investigation of the equine airway smooth muscle and the development of new ultrasound techniques to detect tendon problems.

The other recipient of the funds, the Comparative Orthopedic Research Laboratory, will use the monies for the building of the new wing of the Kline Center to house expanded laboratory facilities for comparative orthopedic research. This laboratory, under the direction of Dr. David Nunamaker, has investigated the development of bone failure and training regimens that show promise of reducing the incidence of bucked shins in young horses. Another area of investigation is the development of new techniques and surgical approaches to fracture fixation to improve the outcome.

"The School greatly appreciates the dedication and hard work by the members of A WEEKEND IN OLD SARATOGA who made possible the outstanding event in Saratoga for New Bolton Center's benefit," said Dr. Alan Kelly, dean of the Veterinary School.

The 1995 benefit took place August 7, and again was very successful.

erization upgrading in the new Scintigraphy unit at New Bolton Center and for equine research by resident faculty.

The grant to the University of Pennsylvania is one of 10 to institutions nationwide. Firestone, who died last September, was the retired chairman and chief executive officer of The Firestone Tire and Rubber Company.