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Toxicology Graduate Group Seminar Series at the University of Illinois.

Donna Oakley, director of the Penn Animal Blood Bank; **Dr. Kathryn Michel**, associate professor of nutrition, clinician educator; and **Dr. Chick Weisse, V'98**, assistant professor of soft tissue surgery, traveled to the Waltham Centre for Pet Nutrition in England in November 2005, where they met with researchers and gave presentations on minimally invasive diagnostic and therapeutics and the blood bank.


In December 2005, **Dr. Gary Smith**, professor of population biology and epidemiology, spoke at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health on "Epidemic disease in animals: Controversy and consequences." He spoke at the Annual Biomedical Seminar at Chestnut Hill College on "Foot and mouth disease: Catastrophic infectious disease epidemics in domesticated animals" in November 2005. In addition, Dr. Smith has joined the Models of Infectious Disease Agent Study, an international research network developing computer-based simulations of infectious disease outbreaks.


**Dr. Meryl Littman, V'75**, associate professor of medicine, spoke at the North American Veterinary Conference in Orlando in January on "Lyme disease: What do to when the SNAP is positive." In addition, an examination room at the Ryan Hospital was named in her honor in December 2005, made possible through donations from breeders and owners of soft-coated Wheaten terriers.

**Dr. Andrew Wood**, professor emeritus of radiology, presented the results of an NIH grant (held with colleagues from Penn's Medical School) to the International Symposium on Therapeutic Ultrasound at Harvard. In January 2006, he was named president of Penn's John Morgan Society. He also presented a seminar on "Large animal models for gene therapy" at the University of Florida Medical School.

In October 2005, **Dr. Sherrill Davison, V'83**, associate professor of avian medicine and pathology, was the featured expert on avian flu on "Radio Times with Marty Moss-Coane," a syndicated show of National Public Radio. In December 2005, she gave a talk on avian flu at the PennAg Meat and Egg Committee Meeting.

In October 2005, **Dr. Peter Dodson**, professor of anatomy, was a guest of the Geological Bureau of Gansu Province in China for the dedication of the skeleton of *Lanzhousaurus*, a new dinosaur found in China. Also in October 2005, Dr. Dodson and Dr. You, Geological Institute of Beijing, named a new dinosaur, *Auroraceratops rugosus*, in honor of Dr. Dodson's wife, Dawn.

Anesthesiology staff members **Lori Marturano** and **Stacey Reiling** were awarded certifications as veterinary technician specialists in anesthesia by the Academy of Veterinary Technician Anesthetists. 

If you have submissions for Rosettes and Ribbons, please e-mail them to John Donges at [jdonges@vet.upenn.edu](mailto:jdonges@vet.upenn.edu). Also, watch for the latest in Rosettes and Ribbons at  [www.vet.upenn.edu/bellwether](http://www.vet.upenn.edu/bellwether).

2006 is the 25th Anniversary of the Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital Building! Join us as we celebrate this milestone in the School's history. Watch for details on our Web site in the months ahead at [www.vet.upenn.edu](http://www.vet.upenn.edu).

## MAY 2006

5 – 5:00 p.m.

Inaugural Specialty Day  
"The Melding of Medicine: Trends in Human and Animal Health"  
*Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital  
Philadelphia, Pa.*



10 – 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Opportunity Scholarship Annual Retreat  
*New Bolton Center  
Kennett Square, Pa.*

10 – 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Veterinary Medical Alumni Society  
Executive Board Meeting  
*New Bolton Center  
Kennett Square, Pa.*

15 – Commencement of the School of Veterinary Medicine  
*Philadelphia, Pa.*

## OCTOBER 2006

6-7

Alumni Weekend  
*Philadelphia, Pa.*

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Parents and Partners Day  
*Philadelphia, Pa.*

## NOVEMBER 2006

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Rush Shippen Huidekoper Society Dinner  
*Adventure Aquarium, Camden, N.J.*  
Opportunity Scholarship Reception

## COMING THIS FALL

Global Food Symposium  
Vernon and Shirley Hill Pavilion Dedication  
Rosenthal Imaging and Treatment Center Celebration