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IN REMEMBRANCE

Doris B. Ritter

September 29, 1919 - December 23, 2014

Doris B. Ritter, wife of the late Dr. William B. Boucher, V'40, passed away on December 23, 2014. She and Dr. Boucher lived on the New Bolton Center campus for many years, when Dr. Boucher served as a beloved teacher and member of the New Bolton Center faculty. They are remembered by generations of students for their tremendous hospitality. They invited students, interns, and residents to their home for dinner on Thursday nights until the crowds became too large, at which time they hosted dessert instead each Thursday. In addition, they provided a picnic for the graduating class and faculty members at the close of every school year. Their house was always open to students, often providing a "home away from home" during the holidays. For years, Doris held a weekly bake sale in the New Bolton Center hospital lobby, raising funds for students. Donations may be made in Doris' memory to the Doris and William Boucher Scholarship Fund, University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, 3800 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104.



FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

Gary C. Althouse, DVM, PhD, Chairman, Department of Clinical Studies at New Bolton Center, was recognized in August as outgoing president of the American College of Theriogenologists at the annual meeting in Portland, Oregon.

Ashley Boyle, DVM, spoke at the 2014 ACVIM Forum last June in Nashville. She also spoke at the Veterinary Comparative Respiratory Society in October, held at New Bolton Center on the topic of *Complications in Strangles Infections in Horses*.

Samuel K. Chacko, PhD, Emeritus Professor of Pathology in the Department of Pathobiology, was appointed as a chartered member of the NIDDK-D NIH Study Section, which reviews the Institutional Training grants (T-32) and K programs for clinicians, PhDs, and graduates of health profession schools. Dr. Chacko was also appointed as an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Physiology & Pharmacology at the Drexel University College of Medicine.

Julie Engiles, VMD, was invited to present a review of equine laminitis pathology and research during the Concurrent Session on Equine Pathology at the annual national ACVP meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, this past November. This was the first time a dedicated session on Equine Pathology was given at this conference.

JD Foster, VMD, gave a lecture on *Advances in Extracorporeal Therapies* at the Azabu Veterinary University in Japan.

Hannah Galantino-Homer, VMD, PhD, was invited to speak at the Mid-Atlantic Hanoverian Breeders' Club last September, and two poster abstracts were accepted at the annual meeting of the

American Society for Cell Biology in Philadelphia in December. Images generated at the Laminitis Laboratory were featured in the *Larger Than Life* exhibit, sponsored by the American Society for Cell Biology, at the Philadelphia International Airport from September to December 2014. In addition, the following conference oral presentation and proceedings paper was accepted for oral presentation at the American Association of Equine Practitioners Annual Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, last December: *Galantino-Homer, H.L., Clark, R.K., Linardi, R.L. "Characterization of equine hoof lamellar tissue microanatomy with fluorescent markers."* Publications included: *Clark, R.K. and Galantino-Homer, H.L. Wheat Germ Agglutinin as a Counterstain for Equine Hoof Lamina Immunofluorescence Studies. Exp Dermatol. 23: 677-678; Epub 2014 July 16.*

Urs Giger, Dr med vet, was an invited speaker at Columbia University, New York City, and University in Kiev, Ukraine. He was also part of a Hot Topic Panel on pet-jerky-treat-associated Fanconi syndrome with the FDA at the AVMA conference in Denver.

Ronald Harty, PhD, was invited to present a seminar entitled *Controlling Ebola Virus Outbreaks: A New Strategy to Block Virus Transmission and Spread* as part of the Dean's Distinguished Speaker Series at Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey, last November.

Rachael Kreisler, VMD, will be speaking on the topic of a *Community Approach to Veterinary Care* at the Animal Care Expo on March 31, 2015, in New Orleans, Louisiana.