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THE MANY WAYS PENN VET SERVES THE COMMUNITY

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE
(Above and far right) Penn Vet continued its commitment to the West Philadelphia community by providing free wellness exams to pets on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. Vet students administered check-ups and vaccines to approximately 200 dogs and cats from local Philadelphia neighborhoods.

PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW
(Middle) Penn Vet’s booth drew a crowd at the Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg this past January. Visitors spoke with clinicians, students, and staff about Penn Vet, what veterinarians do, and how they serve the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

RIDE TO CONQUER CANCER
(Below) Members of Penn Vet’s Pathobiology Department participated in the Ride to Conquer Cancer, a two-day cycling adventure through Pennsylvania. The team raised $25,000 to benefit Penn Medicine’s Abramson Cancer Center. From left to right: Dr. Charles Bradley, Sarah Rauers, Dr. Audra Walsh, Dr. Elizabeth Mauldin, Dr. Christopher Hunter, Ari Glatman-Zaretsky, and Dr. Nicola Mason.
BUCKS COUNTY KENNEL CLUB SHOW
(Top left and middle left) Penn Vet joined in the fun at this May event. Staffing the Penn Vet table were Dr. Dana Clarke, Assistant Professor of Interventional Radiology; Dr. Grayson Wallace, Medical Genetics resident; and Helen Radenkovic, Director of Development for Companion Animals.

GRIEF SUPPORT HOTLINE
(Above right) Michele Pich, Ryan Hospital’s Grief Counselor, speaks with a client over the phone during a Penn Vet Pet Loss Hotline session. The Hotline is open to the public and calls are fielded by Michele or a student volunteer such as Sophie Eiger, V’18 (pictured).

DERBY DAY RUN FOR THE ROSES
(Middle) On May 2, New Bolton Center hosted the inaugural Derby Day Run for the Roses, a 5K run/walk on New Bolton Center’s campus to benefit the Friends of New Bolton Center Fund.

FIRST TUESDAY LECTURES
As part of the First Tuesday Lecture series, faculty and clinicians at New Bolton Center share current information on topics of interest and relevance to horse owners and caregivers throughout the region. Many of the lectures highlight the advanced techniques performed by Penn Vet’s team of leading clinicians and the state-of-the-art equipment and facilities available to ensure the best possible outcomes for patients. (Bottom left) Dr. Elizabeth Davidson speaks during a demonstration in the Ilona English Equine Performance Evaluation Facility. (Bottom right) Dr. Dean Richardson lectures on equine fracture repair.
PHILADELPHIA SCIENCE FESTIVAL
(Above) Penn Vet faculty and staff manned a tent at the Philadelphia Science Festival’s Carnival on the Parkway. Dr. Carlo Siracusa helped children mend wounded stuffed animals at Penn Vet’s MASH Unit; “Ask the Vet” experts were on hand to answer veterinary questions; and VETPETS volunteers brought their therapy dogs to interact with attendees.

VETPETS AT RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE
(Right and below) Ryan Veterinary Hospital and the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House collaborated to develop a pet visitation program. On a weekly basis, Penn Vet faculty, staff, and students bring their certified dogs to interact with children and their families living at Ronald McDonald House while coping with serious illness. The program highlights the value of the human–animal connection and the benefits of animal-assisted therapy.
Family and friends gathered to celebrate the Class of 2015 as they launched their veterinary careers. Dean Joan Hendricks, V’79, GR’80, presided over Commencement, and the address was delivered by Dr. Tracey McNamara, Professor of Pathology at Western University Health Sciences College of Veterinary Medicine. Class president Samuel Gilbert addressed his classmates and received the class flag from Lawrence Gerson, V’75.