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On August 1, 2004, Penn Veterinary Medicine’s New Bolton Center held a champagne brunch at Saratoga Springs’ historic Reading Room in honor of Pennsylvania’s favorite racehorse, Smarty Jones. Approximately 50 people were there to raise funds for New Bolton Center, and to honor the great little horse who almost won a Triple Crown. Smarty’s owner, Mrs. Pat Chapman, sent her regrets and best wishes for a successful event. Decision-making pressure about Smarty’s future prevented her and her husband, Roy, from attending.

Scott Palmer, V’76, of the New Jersey Equine Clinic, where Smarty Jones was treated by his fellow professional and Penn graduate, Patty Hogan, V’92, for a devastating head injury less than a year before he won the 2004 Kentucky Derby, were at the brunch and brought good wishes from Dr. Hogan and the Clinic staff.

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The Section of Reproduction at New Bolton Center sponsored two third-year veterinary students who gave an outstanding performance in the Society for Theriogenology Student Case Presentations Competition that was held at the Society’s Annual Meeting in Lexington, Ky. in August. Both students initially submitted an abstract that was ranked for presentation at the national meeting. Each prepared and presented a 15-minute PowerPoint presentation. Jennifer R. Feiner, V’05, sponsored by Patricia Sertich, V’83, won a cash prize and third place for her presentation entitled “Hydrops allantois in a mare.” Patrick J. Ford, V’05, sponsored by Regina Turner, V’89, won second place and a cash prize in the competition for his presentation entitled “Aortic-iliacl thrombosis resulting in ejaculatory dysfunction in a stallion.” This was a great opportunity for these two equine-track students to speak to equine practitioners in Lexington.