

## Dr. Brinster honored



The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center presented the 2001 Ernst W. Bertner Memorial Award to **Dr. Ralph L. Brinster, V'60**, Richard King Mellon Professor of Reproductive Physiology. Dr. Brinster was honored for distinguished contributions to cancer research.

The Ernst W. Bertner Award is conferred annually on a physician or scientist who has made distinguished contributions to cancer research. Established in 1950, it is the oldest award conferred by the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. It is presented at the annual Symposium on Fundamental Cancer Research.

Histologic Classification of Epithelial and Melanocytic Neoplasms of the Skin of Domestic Animals. **Dr. Tom Van Winkle, V'75**, professor of pathology, and Dr. Yvonne Schulman, AFIP, presented three hours on Histologic Classification of Tumors of the Nervous System of Domestic Animals

**Dr. Robert Eckroade**, associate professor of poultry pathology, traveled to Mongolia for four weeks in April for ACDI/VOCA as a Veterinary Curriculum Development Volunteer to review the curriculum and to aid in designing curriculum and suggesting changes and areas of development. Dr. Eckroade also worked with government level officials and representatives of veterinary associations and veterinary educators to draft the continuing education requirement of a veterinary practice act. Dr. Eckroade traveled to Denver, Colorado in June for a NASDA meeting to evaluate the USDA-APHIS response to foreign disease outbreaks.

**Dr. Virginia Reef**, professor of medicine, spoke at the World Equine Veterinary Association meeting in Sorrento, Italy in October, the AVEF meeting in Paris in November and presented her fifth ultrasound laboratory at the AAEP meeting in San Diego, Ca. in November

**Chung Lee, V'04**, has been designated the Morris Animal Foundation's Ballard Student representative. As a Foundation ambassador, a Ballard Student works to educate the student body and the faculty at the veterinary schools about the Foundation's vital role in advancing veterinary medicine

**Dr. Reid Groman**, lecturer in critical care

medicine, presented eight hours of continuing education seminars at the South American Society for Small Animal Specialists meeting in Montevideo, Uruguay in November.

**Dr. Alicia McKnight**, resident in radiology, presented a talk entitled "The Feasibility of Standing Equine MRI-Work in Progress" at the Annual Conference of the American College of Veterinary Radiology in Honolulu in August.

**Dr. Mark Rondeau**, resident in medicine, won first place in the 2001 Eukanuba Veterinary Diets Case Report Competition. Second prize was won by **Dr. David Puerto**, lecturer in surgery.

**Dr. Heather DeHeer**, staff clinical pathologist, is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists. **Dr. Jennifer Bouma, V'97**, lecturer in radiology, is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Radiologists. **Dr. Mark Krecic**, lecturer in medicine, is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine.

**Drs. Colleen Brady, Deborah Silverstein and Rebecca Syring**, all lecturers in emergency and critical care medicine, passed their boards and are now diplomates of the American College of Emergency Critical Care.

**Dr. Margaret Sleeper, V'93**, has accepted the position of assistant professor of cardiology.

**Dr. R. Avery Bennett** joined the faculty at VHUP in December as associate professor of surgery.

**Dr. Jennifer I. Baez, V'92**, lecturer in oncology, is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Oncology.

September 2001, had to be postponed.

**Dr. Shelly Rankin**, assistant professor of microbiology, received a two-year grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to study "Genotypic Characterization of Antibiotic Resistant Salmonella."

**Dr. Phillip Scott**, professor of microbiology and immunology, received the Bailey K. Ashford Award by the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. The award, which recognizes distinguished work in the tropical medicine field, was presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene in Atlanta, Ga. in November.

At the First Annual C.L. Davis/AAVLD Diagnostic Pathology Symposium in November **Dr. Michael Goldschmidt**, professor of pathology, presented three hours on

## Penn Approved as ECVDI Residency Training Center

The European College of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging (ECVDI) has recently approved the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine as an official residency training center in diagnostic imaging. The ECVDI is the analogous European organization to the American College of Veterinary Radiology (ACVR).

The University of Pennsylvania is the first ECVDI training center in America. **Dr. Tobias Schwarz**, who is a diplomate of the ECVDI, and **Dr. Jeff Wortman**, who is a diplomate of the ACVR, co-direct the ECVDI residency program.

It is now possible for the School's radiology residents to simultaneously fulfill the requirements to sit for both the ACVR and the ECVDI certifying examinations in the third year of the residency. This ECVDI residency program is another example of the strong European bonds with the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine.

Two first year radiology residents, **Dr. Yael Mosenco** and **Dr. Allison Zwingerberger**, have already enrolled in the ECVDI residency program.

More information about ECVDI can be found under: <http://www.vet.gla.ac.uk/EVDI/ecvdi.htm>