

## Commencement 2005

Students and their families assembled at the Zellerbach Theatre of the Annenberg Center on May 16 for the 120th Commencement Exercises of the School.

With the Class of 2005, Penn has graduated 6,158 veterinarians, 2,059 women and 4,099 men. The Class of 2005 numbered 105 and is composed of 72 women and 33 men.

Dean Alan M. Kelly welcomed everyone and introduced **Christine C. Connelly**, chairperson, School of Veterinary Medicine Board of Overseers. Calling her a “model of excellence,” Dean Kelly awarded her the silver Bellwether Medal, which is the highest recognition given by the School.

The commencement address was given by Edwin Sayres, president and chief executive officer of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Mr. Sayres received the bronze Bellwether Medal for Distinguished Leadership for his compelling record of achievement in animal welfare.

In the presentation of diplomas and hooding, Dr. Kelly was assisted by **Dr. Gary Smith**, Dean’s Awardee for Leadership in Clinical Science Education; **Dr. John R. Pehrson**, Dean’s Awardee for Leadership in Basic Science Education; and Associate Dean **Jeffrey A. Wortman, V’69**.

Marshall was **Dr. Charles D. Newton**, deputy associate dean.

Class President **Michelle Elizabeth Rosero, V’05**, presented comments and received the Class Flag from **James V. Stewart, V’68**, president of the Veterinary Medical Alumni Society. Dr. Kelly then awarded the prizes to the graduates, assisted by Dr. Wortman.

The Veterinarian’s Oath was administered by **Timothy J. Ireland, V’90**, president of the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association.

For more Commencement photos, see [alumni.vet.upenn.edu/commencement2005photos.htm](http://alumni.vet.upenn.edu/commencement2005photos.htm). ■



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## Class of 2005

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Kimberly Anne Alexander  
Elissa Aaron Allen  
Amanda Louise Andracavage  
Nicole Marie Arms  
Nina Elizabeth Atwood  
Emily Corinna Bedon  
Adam James Behrens  
Joseph Francis Bloom  
Christopher Howard Blum  
Joseph Thomas Borthwick  
Amanda Marie Bowden  
Jennifer Helen Brownhill  
Meghann Kathryn Brumsted  
Christopher William Brunner  
Breanna Lee Buxton  
Morgan Elizabeth Callahan-Javitz  
Janeé Olivia Carr  
Lynn Castiglia  
Lin-Yu Diana Chang  
Kristin Anne Chester  
Andrew John Church  
Rachel Erin Cianciolo  
Derek Duane Cissell  
Daniel John Clayton  
Jennifer Marks Cohen  
Mary Kathleen Coughlin  
Alexandre Elena Daley  
Anthony Richard Dallatore

Stephanie Danielle DiFrischia  
Heather Beth DiGiacomo  
Ian Jay Driben  
Amy Cleveland Durham  
Stacey L. Dworkin  
Ashlea Beth Erk  
Karlin Henry Erk  
Lauren Elisha Feldman  
Joseph Fent III  
Hannah Latham Flynn  
Laurel Anne Frydenborg  
Christopher Des Garg  
Keira Johanna Geithman  
Douglas Richard Gilison  
Rachel Michelle Glaser  
Elizabeth Eva Goedeke  
Sabrina Hanahoe Goscilo  
Sarah Katharine Portal Graboys  
Nora Selby Grenager  
Janine Marie Haney  
Nicole Rose Hehn  
Mary Ellen Hennessey  
Anna Lenore Hilton  
Alice Ai-Tzu Huang  
Melissa Ann Java  
Abbey Harding Jones  
Luke Taylor Jones  
Robert Patrick Juliano, Jr.

Matthew Jason Jurikson  
Jessica Amanda Kaleta  
Zaheda Khan  
Geraldine Ann Kilkelly  
Justin Daniel Kontir  
Alexandra Cole Koprowski  
Nathaniel Koval  
Daniel Philip Laucks  
Chung Min Lee  
Rebecca Anne Linke  
Alison Beth Loupos  
Jennifer Ann Luff  
Amy Kathleen Martins  
Lauren R. May  
Carolyn Patricia McKee  
Laura Danielle McNelis  
Hilary April Metz  
Jennifer Shannon Moll  
Brooke Ellen Moore  
Timothy Lyle Edward Mosebey  
Tracy P. Moussa  
Audra Dorothy Olsen  
Brian John Orr  
Garret Evan Pachtinger  
Brian Scott Palmeiro  
Elizabeth Sarah Perone  
Michael Steven Pierdon  
Zoë Margaret Ramagnano

Diana Claire Rawstrom  
Nancy Kathleen Reilly  
Matthew Gerald Reimert  
Sara Jeanne Reissenweber  
Sarah Margaret Reuss  
James Lawrence Rhodes  
Ellen Joy Rickey  
Michelle Elizabeth Rosero  
John Rossi  
Rosemary Vital Santos  
John Edward Schaible, III  
Ellyn Margaret Shea  
David Scott Sherer  
Aimee Simpson  
Sacha Rae Snyder  
David Lewis Taetle  
Rebecca Kathleen Taylor  
Erica Lesley Tramuta-Drobnski  
Heather Kathleen Westfall  
Fred Alan Wininger  
Tracy Hyer Wynder  
Billie Jo Zeigler

### December 22, 2004

Alfredo J. Geigel-Ortiz

## Award Recipients

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### Leonard Pearson Prize

Garret Evan Pachtinger

### J.B. Lippincott Prize

Nina Elizabeth Atwood

### 1930 Class Prize in Surgery

Amanda Marie Bowden

### Auxiliary to the American Veterinary Medical Association Prize

Sarah Margaret Reuss

### Faculty/Student Chapter, AVMA Prize

Janeé Olivia Carr

### Phi Zeta Award

Fred Alan Wininger

### American Animal Hospital Association Award

Hannah Latham Flynn

### American Association of Feline Practitioners Award

Elizabeth Eva Goedeke

### American College of Veterinary Radiology Award

Justin Daniel Kontir

### American College of Veterinary Surgeons Prizes

*Small Animal Surgery Prize*

Mary Kathleen Coughlin

*Large Animal Surgery Prize*

Sarah Katharine Portal Graboys

### BI-Vetmedica Swine Medicine Awards

Meghann Kathryn Brumsted

Joseph Fent III

Michael Steven Pierdon

### Everingham Prize for Cardiology

David Scott Sherer

### Field Service Prize

Kristin Anne Chester

### The Peter Francis Anatomy Award

Nina Elizabeth Atwood

### Hill's Award

Rebecca Kathleen Taylor

### James Hazlitt Jones Prize in Biochemistry

Nina Elizabeth Atwood

### Large Animal Medicine Prize

Sarah Katharine Portal Graboys

### Large Animal Surgery Prize

Jennifer Marks Cohen

### Merck Awards

*Small Animal Award*

Matthew Gerald Reimert

*Large Animal Award*

Billie Jo Zeigler

### 1956 Class Award for Achievement in Pathology

Jennifer Ann Luff

### George M. Palmer Prize

Nora Selby Grenager

### Pfizer Animal Health Small Animal Clinical Proficiency Award

Nicole Marie Arms

### Pfizer Swine Proficiency Award

Joseph Fent III

### Pfizer Veterinary Special Team Award in Dentistry

Garret Evan Pachtinger

### Pfizer Veterinary Special Team Award in Dermatology

Brian Scott Palmeiro

### Charles F. Reid Sports Medicine and Imaging Award

Derek Duane Cissell

### Lynn Sammons Food Animal Award

Jennifer Shannon Moll

### ScheringPlough Award for Swine Production Medicine

Meghann Kathryn Brumsted

### VECCS Award for Proficiency in Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Medicine

Melissa Ann Java

### Morris L. Ziskind Prize in Food Animal Medicine

Michael Steven Pierdon

### Morris L. Ziskind Prize in Public Health

Lauren R. May