

January 10, 2013

Dear Fellow Alums, Faculty, and Friends of the College:

The Distinguished Alumnus Screening Committee is once again seeking nominations for the Distinguished Alumnus Award to be presented in 2013. The most recent recipients were Drs. W. Ron DeHaven and Max T. Rodibaugh, who were honored at the 2012 Fall Conference. They joined a distinguished group of 54 prior recipients who have set new standards of excellence in our profession and for our society.

There are five eligibility areas for the award. They are EXCELLENCE in: (1) practice, (2) teaching, (3) research, (4) service to local community, and (5) involvement in organized veterinary medicine. While the nominee need not qualify in all areas, excellent performance must be <u>documented</u> in at least one designated area.

<u>Documentation</u> is an extremely important aspect of the nomination for this award. Evidence that the nominee is held in high regard by his/her colleagues must be presented. A statement merely saying that the nominee has served on a legislative committee, a school board, or a church board does not reflect quality of performance. Rather, <u>evidence of excellence</u> in the performance of duties undertaken will be considered as <u>documentation</u> by the Screening Committee. Specific examples of quality performance should be submitted to support <u>documentation</u> statements. In the area of practice, letters from clients, as well as from other practitioners, are most appropriate. If you need help in preparing a nomination, feel free to contact the Screening Committee or the Dean's Office.

Please pause today to consider and nominate an alumnus you believe has distinguished himself/herself.

Sincerely,

Kristin Husband, RVT President, Purdue Veterinary Alumni Association

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College of Veterinary Medicine

### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD PURDUE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

#### Dear Colleague:

The Distinguished Alumnus Award was established in our College in 1978. The first award was presented posthumously to Dr. David R. Mullis (Class of 1967) in whose honor and remembrance the award was established. To date, the following have received this recognition:

David A. Mullis ('67)	1978	Charles L. Kanitz ('64)	1994	Timothy R. Boosinger ('76)	2004
William A. Haines ('65)	1979	G. Timothy Lee ('64)	1994	Kathleen T. Neuhoff ('79)	2004
Carl A. Osborne ('64)	1979	Ann L. Johnson ('75)	1995	Lawrence R. Rueff ('79)	2005
L. Kirk Clark ('65)	1982	William E. Disque ('66)	1995	Mary Anna Thrall ('70)	2005
M. Joseph Bojrab ('64)	1984	Mark S. Bloomberg ('69)	1996	Elizabeth S. Williams ('77)	2005
William D. Paramore ('63)	1984	Thomas E. Walton ('64)	1996	William E. Humphrey ('65)	2006
George W. Irving, III ('65)	1985	Bret D. Marsh ('84)	1997	Philip Roudebush ('75)	2006
James W. Kesterson ('64)	1987	Michael D. Storer ('74)	1997	Richard A. Goebel ('68)	2007
Donald E. Thrall ('69)	1987	Susan A. Brown ('76)	1998	John P. Sundberg ('77)	2007
Norman J. Wilsman ('65)	1988	Steven R. Bolin ('74)	1999	Susan E. Bunch ('76)	2008
Carol A. Ecker ('64)	1989	Jerome L. Turner ('65)	1999	Terry L. Grieshaber ('82)	2008
Alan H. Rebar ('73)	1990	John S. McKibben ('63)	2000	Karen K. Cornell ('88)	2009
H. Leon Thacker ('65)	1990	Willis G. Parker ('64)	2000	Lawrence W. Stauffer ('67)	2009
James F. Howell ('69)	1991	Gary G. Pearl ('63)	2001	Janice McIntosh Bright ('80)	2010
Jim E. Riviere ('80)	1991	John R. Scamahorn ('72)	2001	Roy A. Coolman ('65)	2011
Mary Beth Leininger ('67)	1992	Robert N. Jackman ('67)	2002	Frederic J. Hoerr ('76)	2011
Gerald Buening ('64)	1992	Herbert E. Whiteley ('77)	2002	W. Ron DeHaven ('75)	2012
John C. Pickett ('69)	1993	Dennis B. DeNicola ('78)	2003	Max T. Rodibaugh ('77)	2012
William G. Rodkey ('71)	1993	Allen R. Lueking ('66)	2003		

We now solicit nominations to be considered for 2013. If there are no nominees, or if the Screening Committee judges the qualifications of the nominees to be inadequate for the award, then no award will be made.

Those selected for the award will be recognized and honored during the Fall Conference on Wednesday, September 11, 2013. Announcement of the scheduled award presentation will be made in the conference brochure.

Following is an official Nomination Form, which includes guidelines and instructions. <u>Completed forms with</u> <u>supportive materials or documents should be in the Dean's Office by Friday, March 8, 2013</u>. Questions may be directed to any member of the PVM Alumni Liaison Committee, the Screening Committee (see list on next page), or Dr. Kathy Salisbury.

It is fitting and proper that an institution of higher learning recognizes its graduates for outstanding contributions and performance. Identifying and adequately documenting exemplary performance is not always easy, and we recognize the seriousness and magnitude of the task we ask you to address. The Screening Committee and the faculty of the College of Veterinary Medicine, which make the final determinations, must have documentable evidence in hand to support a nomination. In order to consider all nominees fairly, nominees will be evaluated based on their accomplishments that are listed in the nomination document. Adequate performance of duties normally expected in our roles of practitioner, teacher, researcher, and routine contributions in community services, do not make a case for the award. These should not be ignored in considering potential nominees, but those in a position to judge the quality of performance are asked to document in writing the activity and why the performance is judged to be exemplary.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award is supported by the Distinguished Alumnus Award Fund, which was established by the Class of 1967 in memory/honor of a deceased classmate, Dr. David Mullis. Other names may be added to the fund sponsors. In 1979, the Class of 1976 chose to honor a deceased classmate, Dr. L. Jack Leonard, and in 1985, the Class of 1963 honored a deceased colleague, Dr. Quentin L. Hartzler, by contributing to the fund in their memory. Now the fund, and the program which it supports, stand in honor and memory of three of our deceased alumni, Dr. David R. Mullis, Class of 1967; Dr. L. Jack Leonard, Class of 1976; and Dr. Quentin L. Hartzler, Class of 1963.

Very truly yours,

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Willie M. Reed, DVM, PhD Dean

## THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

Every group or organization has members who, over a course of time and involvement, are judged by their peers and others to have performed in an exemplary manner. These individuals have been given, or develop, certain attributes and characteristics which permit them to contribute in a way and to a degree that is recognized as significantly above the norm. <u>Above and beyond the call of duty, going the extra mile, outstanding productive capacity and extreme sensitivity and understanding</u> are phrases frequently used to identify those who are observed to stand out in the crowd.

Our class of 1967 enjoyed at least one member who was destined for special recognition when his life was snuffed out in a tragic auto accident in November 1975. The following is paraphrased from an editorial in the November 26, 1975, edition of the Linton, Indiana, Daily Citizen.

"Dr. David Mullis, of Lyons, Indiana, was a principled, sensitive, and compassionate young man who, along with others in this Southern Indiana Community, instilled pride and a sense of purpose in the community. Following graduation 'Doc' Mullis returned home, opened an office, was elected to the Town Board and began to touch people's lives and to rejuvenate community pride. He treated every sick animal, from the largest feedlot steer, to a child's smallest pet, with the same professional expertise and personal concern. While animals were his vocation, people were his avocation. Dr. Butch always had time for kids and invariably found a job so that a young person could earn some pocket money."

It was in this spirit of dedicated service, competence, and concern that Dr. Mullis' classmates chose to recognize and honor him by providing funds to establish a basis for the Distinguished Alumnus Award. It is in this spirit that you are asked to consider a nominee to be considered by the Selection Committee and the faculty of the College for the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD

Any veterinarian who has been in possession of the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from Purdue University for more than five years is eligible for the award.

The nominee's contributions to the profession may have been made in any of the following areas:

- a) excellence in practice clinical, diagnostic, public health, regulatory, military
- b) excellence in teaching
- c) excellence in research
- d) excellence in involvement in organized veterinary medicine
- e) excellence in service to local community a humane, caring, helping attitude toward family, friends, clients and community, including, but not limited to, club work (Lions, Kiwanis, etc.), church, school boards, town councils, political parties.

#### THE AWARD

The award consists of a plaque which is presented during the banquet at the Fall Conference and Alumni Reunion. In addition, a color portrait will be hung and the name added to a plaque which hangs in the Alumni/Faculty Lounge of Lynn Hall.

2012-13	2013 Screening Committee:		
Dr. Whitney Camp ('09)	Amanda Laney, RVT ('05)	Dr. Jerry Rodenbarger ('79)	Dr. Larry Adams, VCS
Dr. Julie Davis ('05)	Dr. Keith Logue ('80)	Dr. Mark Stanforth ('82)	Dr. Eli Asem, BMS
Dr. John Feutz ('05)	Dr. Bruce McDavitt ('92)	Dr. Lynne Statler ('08)	Kristin Husband, RVT
Dr. Chris Hall ('10)	Dr. Cheryl Miller ('84)	Dr. Lawrence Stauffer ('67)	Dr. Kathy Salisbury, chair
Kristin Husband, RVT ('02), pres.	Dr. Sandra Norman ('80)	Blythe Swanger, RVT ('00)	Dr. Larry Stauffer
Dr. Melissa Justice ('98)	Dr. Andy Pickering ('71)		Dr. Ramesh Vemulapalli, CPB
Dr. Brian Koesters ('02)	Dr. Glenn Pullen ('86)		

# 2013 Distinguished Alumnus Award Nomination Form

# Note: Please limit the nomination document (not including letters of support) to 3 pages.

Nominee:

Nominee's Address:

Nominator(s):

Nominator's Address:

Nominator's Email:

Please check the area(s) for which the individual is being nominated for outstanding contributions and performance:

\_\_\_\_\_ excellence in practice – clinical, diagnostic, public health, regulatory, military

\_\_\_\_\_ excellence in teaching

\_\_\_\_\_ excellence in research

\_\_\_\_\_ excellence in involvement in organized veterinary medicine

\_\_\_\_\_ excellence in service to local community – a humane, caring, helping attitude toward family, friends, clients and community, including, but not limited to, club work (Lions, Kiwanis, etc.), church, school boards, town councils, political parties

Please list honors, awards and recognitions that the nominee has received which directly relate to the area(s) for which they are being nominated.

Please describe the activities and accomplishments that set this individual apart from other veterinarians in the given area(s). Give examples that indicate the quality of this nominee's contributions that distinguish this individual from other veterinarians.

Please describe the impact that the nominee has had on the Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine.

Please include 4-6 letters of support that provide additional evidence of the esteem in which this veterinarian is held.

Return to: Ms. Carlene Linn Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine 625 Harrison Street West Lafayette, Indiana 47907-2026

All nominations must be received by <u>Friday, March 8, 2013</u>.