Congratulations to all 2014 Award Recipients!

The College of Veterinary Medicine’s Annual Honors and Awards Banquet was held on Monday, April 14th. Following is a list of the awards presented and the recipients.

**Excellence in Clinical Performance**

**Indiana Veterinary Medical Association Awards**

*Superior proficiency in small animal medicine and surgery*
  - Jeremy Cartagena

*Superior proficiency in large animal medicine and surgery*
  - Brandon Miller

*Superior overall proficiency in all species medicine and surgery*
  - Tyler Peat

**American Association of Feline Practitioners Award**

*Interest and proficiency in feline medicine and surgery*
  - Maggie Placer

**Indiana Association of Equine Practitioners Awards**

*High proficiency in equine medicine and surgery*
  - Jake Jensen

*Exceptional proficiency and professionalism in equine medicine and surgery*
  - Lindsey Pence and Abigail Velting

**Amstutz Bovine Award**

*High interest and proficiency in bovine medicine and surgery*
  - Kyle Yarde

**American College of Veterinary Surgeons Awards and Ethicon Proficiency in Surgery Awards**

*Excellence in small animal surgery*
  - Jeremy Cartagena

*Excellence in large animal surgery*
  - Abigail Velting

**American College of Veterinary Anesthesiologists**

*Proficiency in anesthesiology*
  - Philip DeShield

**American College of Theriogenologists**

*Clinical Proficiency*
  - Kyle Yarde

**IDEXX Award for Proficiency in Clinical Pathology**

*Proficiency in diagnostic clinical pathology*
  - Stephen Zgrabik

**American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine**

*Interest and proficiency in internal medicine*
  - Meghan Komorek – small animal
  - Rachel Muur – small animal
  - Mallorie Theurer – large animal
Gerald P. Murphy Prize for Excellence in Comparative Oncology Award
Outstanding performance, interest and dedication in comparative oncology
 Mario Sola

Veterinary Cancer Society Student Award for Proficiency in Clinical Oncology
Proficiency in the care of veterinary oncology patients
 Sarah Lance

American College of Veterinary Radiology
Proficiency in clinical radiology
 Jeremy Cartagena

Student Vet Emergency Critical Care Society Award
 Katie McClain

International Programs Award
Outstanding clinical proficiency by an ECFVG or Ross student
 Nick Silverman

Hill’s Pet Nutrition Clinical Nutrition Award
4th year student interested in evidence based veterinary clinical nutrition and demonstrates importance of nutritional evaluation while making specific nutritional recommendations for every pet, every time
 Meghan Komorek

Excellence in Patient Care and Client Communication

G. Edward Cummins Compassionate Care Award
Student who best exemplifies compassion for animal and client
 Sarah Lance

Bastien Award
Exceptional care of canine patients
 Maggie Placer

Maddie’s Shelter Medicine Program Award
Exemplifies compassion for shelter pets and proficiency in shelter medicine
 Emily Rudman

World Animal Care Foundation Award
Student who has demonstrated an understanding and appreciation for the Human-Animal Relationship
 Emily Rudman

Central Indiana Veterinary Medical Association Award
Outstanding client communication skills
 Ashley Clemens

Katie McCallister Award
Intern or resident who demonstrates extraordinary compassion and empathy toward both patients and their families
 Dr. Sarah Cooper
Bayer Excellence in Communications Award
4th year student selected by review of client communication video submitted
Tiffany Premo

Excellence in Teaching by Residents

Dr. Ann L. Johnson and Dr. Walter E. Hoffmann Resident Teaching Award
Outstanding resident based on excellent teaching abilities
Dr. Chris Fulkerson

Excellence in Academic Performance

Omicron Chapter, Society of Phi Zeta Award
Academic superiority in the first year of professional program
Alyssa Brooker

Indiana Animal Health Foundation Award
Academic superiority in the first two years of professional program
Rachel Heintz

William W. Carlton Award for Aptitude in Veterinary Pathology
Outstanding junior with academic superior performance in pathology
Bret Moore

Special Recognition

Indiana Horse Council Equine Industry Award
Student providing the greatest exposure of the equine industry to other students
Andrew McClain

SVM Class of 1983 Award
Student who has overcome obstacles or persevered despite difficult circumstances
Philip DeShield

Holly Watts Memorial Award
Exceptional interest and proficiency in non-domestic animal medicine
Mariann Lempert

12th District IVMA and Elanco Animal Health Award
Demonstrates excellence in academic performance, research or service in preventive medicine
Amber Kerk

Simmons and Associates Business Aptitude Award
Student who has demonstrated entrepreneurial interest and an aptitude for business matters of a veterinary practice.
David Zimmer

Purdue Veterinary Alumni Association Award
Outstanding senior identified by classmates on the basis of academic performance, activities and leadership
Christina Blatcher
Indiana State Poultry Association Award
Proficiency in avian medicine
Geoffrey Lossie

Veterinary Software Associates and IDEXX Laboratories Award
Outstanding sophomore
Chris Brahos

American Society of Laboratory Animals
Student who exemplifies interest & potential in laboratory animal medicine
Kimberly Jen

President of the Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association
Daniel Thomasey

Open House Recognition
Co-chairs of Open House
Ashley Bernacchi and Katie Bennett

PVTSA President
Hannah Byers

Faculty Recognition

Alumni Outstanding Teacher Award
Faculty recognition by professional students
Dr. Kevin Hannon

Pfizer Distinguished Teacher Award
Outstanding teacher recognized by professional students
Dr. Mohamed Seleem

Weedon Faculty Recognition Award
Faculty recognition by fourth year students
Dr. Jim Weisman

Zoetis Animal Health Award for Veterinary Research Excellence
Distinguished faculty award for research excellence
Dr. George E. Moore

PVM Excellence in Research Award
Excellence in Research
Dr. Riyi Shi

Veterinary Technology Awards

Eber H. Allen Leadership Award
3rd year veterinary technician students who exhibit outstanding leadership and professionalism which has resulted in advancing a positive image of the Veterinary Technology Program
Hannah Byers
Emily Kennedy
Abbey Taylor
Highest Academic Achievement Award
Veterinary Technology Student who has excelled academically and has the highest grade point average in the Associate degree program
Lauren Rainier

Indiana Veterinary Technology Association/West Central Indiana Veterinary Medical Association Leadership Award
Andi Doll

Outstanding Veterinary Technologist Award
4th year veterinary technology student who exhibits excellent academics and very strong clinical skills.
Maggie DeWitte

Veterinary Technology Highest Technical Proficiency Award
Andi Doll