



2006 PERSON OF THE YEAR

Dr. Paul G. Miller PhD, DVM

A familiar personality in pigeon circles, Dr. Paul G. Miller PhD, DVM, Pennsylvania Veterinary Laboratory Harrisburg, Pennsylvania is an easy choice for I.F. Man of the Year in 2006. Dr. Paul Miller has expended a tremendous amount of time on behalf of our hobby and sport, and it is with much pleasure that we recognize his efforts by honoring him with this year's award.

Born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Dr. Paul Miller graduated from high school in 1959 and attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland, Ohio. Veterinary School was attended at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, OK. Also University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

He has worked for the Georgia Poultry Lab from 92 till 2000 as a Poultry Veterinarian. Then moved to the Pennsylvania Veterinary Lab in Harrisburg Pennsylvania.

Throughout his professional years, Dr. Paul Miller was active in a wide range of assignments, including committees, professional associations and running a laboratory. He also served in various capacities on the Advisory Boards such as The American Pigeon Fanciers Council.

Dr. Paul Miller began his pigeon hobby at age 15 in Milwaukee with the Cream City Junior Club. Doc Miller helps today where needed with the Harrisburg pigeon club in Pennsylvania.



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Dr. Paul Miller's interest in birds and science, has led him into a study of Pigeons, and that's the arena in which bird enthusiasts have come to know and respect this man. In 2005, Dr. Paul Miller stepped up his pigeon activities; he has attended various pigeon functions across the United States, and has written numerous articles about pigeon health for the International Federation and the fancy at large. These articles are cited worldwide as a base reference on the subject and available on the International Federations web site.

During 2005, an outbreak of a new virus in the series spread across Europe, and there was fear that the disease could travel to the United States. The news media abound with fearful stories of some new and treacherous 'Bird Flu' that will

'kill us all,' Avian Influenza Update; winter, 2005 was written by Doc Miller and published in Skytalk and other publications in the United States education and informed the fancy.

In response to growing concern related to Avian Influenza, he spent the past year as a guide to the fancy.

His many efforts in the world of Pigeons have not gone unnoticed, and Dr. Paul Miller has received acknowledgement in a variety of forums worldwide. We salute our Man of the Year for 2006, Dr. Paul Miller.

Best to you, Dr. Paul Miller!

The tradition of selecting a Person of the Year began in 1999, when I.F. officers decided to recognize a person each year whose actions positively and noticeably impacted the sport. At the end of each year, we select a "Person of the Year" and tell their story in the annual Sky-Talk magazine. This honor may be bestowed on any person deemed fit by the I.F. board, who is nominated by an I.F. member. The honoree does not necessarily have to be an I.F.

member themselves. Non-members have been selected for the honor of "Person of the Year" when appropriate due to their contributions to the sport. This Award does include a prize as well as the honorary title. Many admirable people have been, and are still contributing to this sport of ours. Big names in our sport who work to promote and preserve the sport, such as Mr. Joe Quinn, have been granted the title.