

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

ALUMNI NEWS

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EDUCATING FUTURE LEADERS IN PHARMACY

CALENDAR

CougaRx Nation & Admitted Student Reception

Saturday, April 16, 2016
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Cowiche Canyon Kitchen & Icehouse
202 E. Yakima Avenue
Yakima, Wash.
RSVP »

New Drugs New Laws Seminar (WSPA)

Reception to follow seminar
April 17, 2016
WSU Health Sciences
Spokane, Wash.
RSVP »

Celebrating Generosity

Donor Appreciation and Awards Night
April 22, 2016
5:30 p.m.
WSU Health Sciences
Spokane, Wash.
RSVP »

Commencement

May 5, 2016
1:00 p.m.
Fox Theater
Spokane, Wash.



MARCH 2016

A Message from Linda Garrelts MacLean
Associate Dean for Advancement

Dear Alums, Colleagues and Friends of Pharmacy,

Spring is in the air, which means it is almost time for our Donor Appreciation and Awards Night! We renamed this event "Celebrating Generosity" to show our gratitude of the time, energy and financial contributions of our alumni and supporters this past year. We appreciate each and every one of you. I hope you know that your involvement has a huge impact on our students and our future.

Please join us on Friday, April 22 at the South Campus Facilities building on the WSU Health Sciences Campus in Spokane for this event. The silent auction and reception will start at 5:30 p.m. and the dinner and program will start at 6:30 p.m.

Click here to [RSVP](#).

Along with our Celebrating Generosity event, we will be hosting an optional continuing education program at 4:00 p.m. Details about this event are posted on [our calendar](#).

STUDENT NEWS

CougarRx Nation & Admitted Student Reception

Thursday, May 12, 2016
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Columbia Tower Club
701 Fifth Avenue
Columbia Center 76th Floor
Seattle, WA 98104
RSVP »

Details on upcoming events will be posted as they become available on our CougarRx Nation events web page »

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Last summer I told you about Erin McCarthy, class of 2017, who interned for Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers in Washington, D.C. During her internship she discovered a passion for policy and learned the importance of advocating for the profession. This February, she accompanied pharmacy colleagues to meet with state legislators in Olympia, and has been on

several trips to Washington, D.C., for both leadership and advocacy meetings. Read the full update on Erin in our last [Dean's Newsletter](#).

On January 30, four WSU pharmacy teams participated in the local Student Pharmacist Compounding Competition. In this competition teams had to compound and document three prescriptions plus draft a stakeholder letter addressing various regulatory issues. Bonnie Chih, class of 2016, Kimberly Paulson, class of 2017, and Shauna Maple, class of 2018, will represent WSU in the national compounding competition on March 19-20 at the University of Southern California. [View photo »](#)



Karl Nacalaban, class of 2018, was elected as ASWSUS president and Alec Sisneros, class of 2019, was elected as the ASWSUS vice president. They will serve their term during the 2016-2017 school year.

COUGARx NATION EVENTS

This spring we will host two CougarRx Nation & Admitted Student Receptions and I hope you can join us at one, or both, events! This is a great way to catch up with old friends and also meet the incoming class of 2020. Both events are free to attend.

Our first reception will be in Yakima at the Cowiche Canyon Kitchen & Icehouse on Saturday, April 16 at 3:00 p.m. [RSVP](#)

Our second reception will be in Seattle at the Columbia Tower Club on Thursday, May 12 at 5:00 p.m. [RSVP](#)

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Pharmacy alumni
are social,
Join Us!



Go Cougs!

On April 17 the WSPA New Drugs/New Laws seminar will be at our Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences building at 4:00 p.m. We will be hosting a reception immediately following the seminar. If you are registered for the seminar please plan to stick around for the reception! RSVP at gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu.



And finally, it was great to see WSU well represented at the APhA convention in Baltimore. Professor Josh Neumiller received the prestigious PLEI Albert B. Prescott Pharmacy Leadership Award on Sunday, March 6. Congratulations Josh!

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[Read the news story »](#)

Later that evening, we held our “Alumni & Friends” Reception at the Hilton Baltimore, giving our students and alumni a chance to visit and network with VIP leaders from APhA.

As a member of the APhA board, I wanted to give you an update about provider status at the national level, which continues to be a top priority for APhA.

Our leadership is planning for the next steps that need to be in place when provider status is passed at the federal level. We want to be certain that the infrastructure is in place and assure that pharmacists are prepared to function as providers. In case you are not aware, 60% of the House of Representatives and 40% of the U.S. Senate have signed on to our bi-partisan bill.

I will present more details on this subject during my CE class “National Perspectives on Provider Status” on Friday, April 22 as part of our Celebrating Generosity event mentioned above.

FACULTY NEWS



In other faculty news, I wanted to share with you the announcement that Mark Garrison has retired. Mark will maintain emeritus faculty status with us, and I am looking forward to keeping in touch with him at future college events. Congratulations, Mark, on the start of your next chapter. Read the full news story [here](#).

ANSWER TRIVIA FOR A CHANCE TO WIN TICKETS

As I've mentioned in previous newsletters, 2016 is a milestone year for the College of Pharmacy because it marks our 125th anniversary. On November 4-5, 2016 we will be hosting a weekend of activities with a gala on Friday night and a bus to Pullman for the WSU football game on Saturday. [Click here](#) for more details.

To build momentum for November's events, each month we will post a trivia question related to the College of Pharmacy and our history. At the end of the month, participants that chose the correct answer will be put into a drawing for two complimentary tickets to the gala on November 4. This month's trivia question is posted below in the 125 section!

I hope you all are able to join in the trivia fun and attend our gala in the fall!

With Cougar pride,

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125TH ANNIVERSARY TRIVIA

Who was the first dean of the WSU College of Pharmacy?

- A. Pearl H. Dirstine
- B. George H. Watt
- C. Allen I. White
- D. Asa F. Maxwell

[Click here to submit your answer!](#)



ALUMNI UPDATES

- **Clell Hasenbank**, class of 2015, is a clinical oncology pharmacist at the Providence St. Mary Regional Cancer Center. He and his wife, Molly, welcomed their daughter Hattie on December 30!
- The **Beta Pi Chapter of Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, Inc.** will be celebrating their centennial on April 15-17 in Spokane! To view the list of events or to register visit their website: kybetapicentennial.com.

IN MEMORIAM

- We recently learned that **Clarence L. Helgeson**, class of 1942, passed away in February at the age of 97. Clarence owned and operated Ostrander's Drug Inc. in Ellensburg, Wash. from 1955 until he retired at the age of 72.
- **Kathleen Jamieson**, class of 1980, also passed away in February.

We would like to extend our deepest condolences to these families.

Want to be listed in our alumni updates? Send us your career information or let us know what you've been up to!
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