



CALENDAR

Cougars of the Desert

February 27-28, 2016
 Annual Luncheon and Golf
 Classic
 Palm Desert, Calif.
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APhA Annual Meeting

March 6, 2016
 Alumni and Friends
 Reception
 Baltimore, Md.

New Drugs New Laws Seminar (WSPA) and Reception

April 17, 2016
 WSU Health Sciences
 Spokane, Wash.

Donor Appreciation and Awards Night

April 22, 2016
 5:00 p.m.
 WSU Health Sciences
 Spokane, Wash.

Details on upcoming events
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 become available on our
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NEWS FROM THE DEAN

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DECEMBER 2015



A Message from Linda Garrelts MacLean
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Dear Alums, Colleagues and Friends of Pharmacy,

Happy holidays from the College of Pharmacy! As the season of giving is upon us, it is a great time to thank those who have been so gracious in supporting our students and the college throughout the year. We would not be where we are today without your support.

In that regard, I would like to share with you a message from student scholarship recipient Kimberly Paulson on why she chose pharmacy and how much her scholarship means:



"I was elated and appreciative to learn that I was selected as a scholarship recipient this year. I admire your contributions to the WSU College of Pharmacy and want you to know that your support is making a big impact on my education." [read more](#)

SPOKANE PHARMACY ASSOCIATION

One of my favorite things about this newsletter is I get to brag about our outstanding students and alumni.



Stephanie Lind, class of 2016, received the Pharmacy Student of the Year award at the Spokane Pharmacy Association annual banquet on November 6 at the Davenport Grand.

Hart & Dilatush, a pharmacy owned by Dan Reidt, class of 2004, and his wife Jody, was named Pharmacy of the Year. See all the photos from the event online here: [photo album](#). Our very own

Jacqueline Q. Garza, class of 2016, once again took photos at the event.

WASHINGTON STATE PHARMACY ASSOCIATION

At the WSPA meeting in November, Crystal Bryan, class 2013, was named Young Pharmacist of the Year. Congratulations Crystal on this well-deserved recognition!

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Go Cougs!

Chris Greer, current SPA president and class of 1991, was recognized as the Washington state Health System Pharmacist of the Year. The award honors outstanding pharmacists and their service to the profession of pharmacy, specifically hospital pharmacy. Congratulations Chris!

COUGARx EVENTS

The WSU Golden Grads reunion took place on October 29-31. The three-day event in Pullman allows for WSU Golden and Diamond Graduates to reconnect with old friends and make some new ones. This year, Golden Grads from the College of Pharmacy made a detour up to Spokane to tour the WSU Health Sciences Spokane campus and had lunch with Dean Gary Pollack and myself. I would like to extend a special thank you to John Otebro for his efforts to lead this year's Golden Grads reunion, and to the whole class of 1965 for establishing a new scholarship to benefit student pharmacists. For more information on the Class of 1965 Endowed Scholarship, please email gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu. Photos are [posted here](#).



The CougaRx Nation had a reception on December 6 during the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting in New Orleans. More than 100 alumni, students and VIP guests attended. Thank you to everyone who came! View the [event photos here](#).

And finally, in collaboration with the Spokane Pharmacy Association we hosted a joint holiday reception on December 11 at the WSU Connections store here in Spokane. We had a great time catching up and mingling with our Spokane pharmacy colleagues, and even had several incoming potential students in attendance who had interviewed earlier that day for the Doctor of Pharmacy program. It was truly a wonderful introduction to the Cougar Family! View the [event photos here](#).

Thank you to all who have been able to attend our events this year. It has been great getting to reconnect with so many of you!

BOWL BOUND

The WSU Cougars are headed to the Hyundai Sun Bowl! The Cougs will take on the Miami Hurricanes on Saturday, December 26 at 11:00 a.m. in El Paso, Texas. Get your tickets here: <https://wsu.is/bowlbound>.

If you can't get to the game, details on official viewing parties are posted on the [WSU Alumni Association website](#).

COUGARx NATION UPDATE

Over the past year we received good feedback from you on the type of alumni organization you want, and so we've made some adjustments in regards to membership and alumni events. In order to support an environment that gives inclusion, comradery and welcome we are taking out the membership dues element of the CougaRx Nation. In order to support membership fees, we would have to make some of our events only available to paying members, and we did not want to exclude anyone in our WSU pharmacy family.

Now all future CougaRx Nation events are free! (with a few rare exceptions) Plus, all WSU alumni have access to receive \$100 off the pharmacy obstetrics continuing education course offered through the College of Pharmacy online. [Click here to register](#). Email gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu for your coupon code!

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you are still looking for that perfect gift for a loved one, look no further. Right now the College of Pharmacy is offering an opportunity to name rooms in our Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences building. This is a great gift to create a lasting legacy at the college and support excellence. Please [contact us](#) if you are interested.

I also want to be sure you have the link www.pharmacy.wsu.edu/give should you want to make an end of year contribution. We greatly appreciate your support and our students are the beneficiaries of your generosity!

Wishing you a holiday season filled with the joy and warmth,



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ALUMNI UPDATES

- We recently heard from **Chris Wuestefeld**, class of 2001. Chris and his wife purchased the Cathlamet Pharmacy in January 2015. Their pharmacy serves a rural community in Washington where they are the most accessible health care source for area residents.

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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