Look What Kay Did in May...

“We are very grateful to Kay and to all alumni who stay involved. They are our backbone and we couldn’t do what we do without their continued financial support,” says Whitney Cooley, President of PPSA.

Recently Kay Walters, long time donor and board member made a donation to Operation Heart which allowed the purchase of a cholesterol machine to be used to screen patients at outreach programs. “With Kay’s donation we are able to offer much more support to patients.” adds Whitney, “Each year our students screen and counsel hundreds of patients through health fairs that we set up or attend. Our goal is to make a difference in the lives of those people by providing them not only the results of a cholesterol test, but ultimately by giving them the information and tools to do something with those results.”

Kay’s generosity was also evident when she opened her home May, 15th for a picnic. COP and Health Division alums enjoyed a western barbeque at her home in Durham, California. A beautiful slow-roasted Prime Rib was prepared by her husband Jerry. According to Dean Cady many alumni from the surrounding area attended and, “It was a wonderful experience to reconnect with past alums, many of whom were long-term friends and colleagues. We thank Kay and her family for their hospitality.”
Lindsay Kaster chosen as T.O.P. Pharmacist

If you open a copy of June’s “The Oncology Pharmacist” you just may see a familiar face. Lindsay Kaster, 2008 alum, has been chosen out of 750 pharmacists as this year’s “T.O.P. Pharmacist” for the magazine.

Going up against many distinguished pharmacists that are seasoned veterans in the field, Lindsay’s dedication and enthusiasm brought her the most votes to secure this recognition.

According to the article, her colleagues at the Boise Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center nominated her because of her, “commitment to cost-cutting, without sacrificing quality of care”. Kaster says her paycheck doesn’t depend on reimbursement so she can focus her attention on cost and quality. She is able to save the government more money than she makes.

Kaster’s dedication to her patients is also evident in the article. She says, “I love the patients because they’re so resilient... I deal only with cancer patients. Some people think that’s depressing, but they’re so strong and courageous.”

Kaster is a native Idahoan and comes back to ISU every year to make a pitch for oncology.

Read the entire article at: http://www.theoncologypharmacist.com

Larry and Debra Updyke

Passionate about Diabetes treatment, Debra and Larry Updyke have been loyal donors to The Operation Diabetes program at the College of Pharmacy.

Operation Diabetes was established by Dr. Cindy Wilson with the goal of offering much needed access to screening and counseling in Southeast Idaho, which has a high instance of type 2 diabetes.

“The Updyke money helps offer these services at no charge and develop addition services.” says Dr. Wilson. “The students get direct patient contact and offer much needed access to screening and counseling education.”

Larry Updyke and his wife Deb both graduated in pharmacy from ISU in 1984. While at ISU, Larry participated in intramural sports, was a member of the Rho Chi society and earned the Lemmon award. Deb ran track and field for the Bengals for two years while at ISU. Larry went on to earn a Doctoral Degree in Toxicology at Purdue University. He is currently the portfolio manager of cardiac/metabolic diseases at Pfizer Corporation. He is board certified in toxicology and a member of the Society of Toxicology. Larry is an active member in the Lions Club. He is the winner of the Lions Melvin Jones Award, Knight of the Blind Award and Ambassador of Sight.

Debra, also an active Lion, is a Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE), the Lions District 23C chairperson for Diabetes (2009–2012) and in this role in addition to educating Lions on the connection between diabetes and blindness she has also conducted multiple diabetes screenings.

In June Debra became the President of the New Haven Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Board of Directors.

Deb and Larry are the proud parents of Kimberly, 25, Amanda, 22, and Raymond, 19.
Pharm D students were hooded this year in Meridian and Pocatello by Dean Paul Cady, including Adam Simmons who is pictured.

Pharm D graduates take the Oath of the Pharmacist.

ISU College of Pharmacy Class of 2011
Attention Class of 2011!

Commencement photos are available for download at the following site:

https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/myphotos

If you would like higher resolution images contact...

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If you would like to be involved in the Recruiting and Exhibition Fair... there is still time. Sponsor a breakfast, set up a booth... Participate!

http://pharmacy.isu.edu/live/pharmFair/

Take Time to Join Us:
College of Pharmacy& ISU Events

* August 22nd - First day of classes
* August 22nd - White Coat Ceremony
* August 31st and September 1st - Back to School Picnics
* September 30th - Golden Bengal Luncheon
* October 15th - San Diego Alumni Gathering
* November 3rd and 4th - Recruiting and Exhibition Fair - Pocatello
* November 12th - Tailgate party, Sacramento, CA
  3:30 pm - drinks and appetizers
  7:00 pm - game

For questions on any of these events call Julie Hillebrant (208) 282-3393

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