Students call alumni and friends

2008 Phonathon scheduled for February

The annual ConnectionISU Phonathon, where ISU College of Pharmacy students call alumni and friends of the College seeking assistance with scholarships, will be held on February 17, 18 and 24, 2008, according to Dan Dean, director of development.

As is the past, students will be contacting alumni and friends, requesting donations to scholarship endowments, student organization projects such as Operations Diabetes and Immunization and Heartburn Awareness.

“We expect great things from both the graduate and professional students and they never disappoint us,” Dean Joseph Steiner said. “I appreciate all of the hard work that our students put into the Phonathon.”

Many students have commented that College of Pharmacy alumni are friendly and curious donors, and they always enjoy visiting with them.

Nearly 500 friends and alumni chose to support the 2007 Phonathon with pledges to the College at over $90,000. The College has set a goal of $92,000 for the 2008 event.

This year, donors contributing $200 or more will receive an ISU College of Pharmacy 2008 90th anniversary commemorative three-by-four foot full-color poster that includes the names of all Pharmacy alumni and the anniversary logo.

The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy turns 90 in 2008, having served as Idaho’s only institution of pharmacy education in the state since 1918. More than 3,500 alumni began their professional pharmacy training at the College.

To commemorate the 90th anniversary, the ISU College of Pharmacy will host an all-class reunion on August 1-2, 2008 in Pocatello. To meet the interests of all alumni, several events are slated including golf, swimming and picnic at the Pocatello Aquatic Center and Ross Park, tours of the College and campus and a Friday evening ice-breaker social at Leonard Hall. The highlight of the weekend is a banquet at the L.E. and Thelma E. Stephens Performing Arts Center’s Marshall Rotunda. For additional information, go to the College Web site at pharmacy.isu.edu.
Proceeds to assist youth through Make-A-Wish Foundation

Pharmacy students plan 15th Annual Spaghetti Feed & Auction fundraiser

In addition to long hours spent in classrooms, pharmacy laboratories and studying, ISU College of Pharmacy students find time to assist area residents each year through fundraising events.

Student members of the ISU Professional Pharmacy Student Alliance (PPSA) will hold the 15th Annual Spaghetti Feed and Auction on Friday, February 23 in the Pond Student Union Building Ballroom at 6:30 p.m. Twenty-five percent of their $20,000 goal will benefit an area youth through the Make-A-Wish Foundation© of Idaho, with the remainder benefiting the PPSA professional development and community health promotion projects, said Neal Kelly, event chairman.

Last year the fund raiser assisted the foundation to send Thomas, a 5-year-old Pocatello boy who lives with Wilm’s tumor, a malignant cancer of the kidney that primarily affects young children, to Disney World with his family. His mother, Jessica, is an ISU student. Thomas has a younger brother and his father is a Pocatello police officer.

The benefit includes a feast of Italian food, prepared by College of Pharmacy faculty, and an auction of various items and services donated by area businesses and faculty members.

Additional information, including auction items and ways to donate is available online at pharmacy.isu.edu. The cost for the meal and benefit auction is $5 per person, $15 per family, and double at the door to encourage the community to get their tickets early for planning purposes.

Anyone interested in donating items to the benefit auction or tickets may contact Kelly at sfra@pharmacy.isu.edu.

Happy New Year from the faculty, staff and students of the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy!

Thank you for your support!