Dean Cady is featured in University of Arizona newsletter

Dean Paul Cady was recently featured in the newsletter of his alma mater, the University of Arizona.

He spent his student career at UA, receiving his bachelor’s degree, a masters in hospital management and a PhD in pharmacy administration in 1988.

He came to ISU COP in 1990 as an assistant professor. He has served as Dean since August 2010.

Dean Cady has many memories of pharmacy school at UA: “The fondest memories I have are of my classmates and the kinship you develop when going through such a rigorous program.”

The following is the article as it appeared in the November/December 2011 newsletter. It is written by, Ginny Geib

When Paul Cady goes to work as the dean of Idaho State University’s College of Pharmacy, he never forgets to glance up at the piece of paper posted on his office wall: “I am Paul Cady. I am six years old,” it reads. “When I get big, I want to be a druggist.”

Even as a first grader at Gilbert Elementary School, Cady was determined to manage prescriptions and change lives like his father had done before him. Pharmacy was in his blood. But even throughout his years at the University of Arizona and working in the field, Cady never dreamt he’d become so successful.

In August of 2010, Paul Cady became the dean of the Idaho State University’s pharmacy school, a mid-size program with approximately 70 students per class. He’d been working there since 1990, and had slowly moved up the ranks, starting as an assistant professor. Cady received his education solely from the University of Arizona, completing a bachelors and then returning a few years later for a masters in hospital pharmacy management and then a PhD in pharmacy administration in 1988.

“My initial intent was to come back [to UA] and get my masters and go into management,” he says. “While I was there, I was given an award of teaching assistant of the year, and I thought, maybe I should look at that as a career. And that’s kind of where it took me.”

While he was going to grad school, Cady lived in a student housing two-bedroom apart-
could. Becoming head dean has shifted his view more toward the external community, but it’s also given him more influence on the college’s direction. In cooperation with the university’s administration and surrounding community, Cady is working to expand pharmacists’ roles in managed care.

“My goal is to push the envelope every day, keep pushing it until pharmacists are more and more involved with the day-to-day management of patients,” he continues. “I believe we need more high-level clinical experiences during the fourth year. I really think the future lies in getting more people into residencies and more advanced training.”

His advice to students who want to follow in his footsteps: “I think pharmacy has many, many options, and if you find your career is not going where you want it to, there are always other opportunities.

1995 Alumna Shantel Mullin leads award winning Residency Program

The ASHP Foundation has named a residency program directed by Dr. Shantel Mullin, a 1995 alum of Idaho State University College of Pharmacy, the 2011 recipient of the Pharmacy Residency Excellence Program Award.

News of the award was released by the ASHP Foundation. The award, which is supported by an educational donation provided by Amgen, Inc., recognizes a pharmacy residency program that has a track record of excellence in the training of pharmacy residents and consistently provides an exceptionally positive and rewarding experience to its residents.

Shantel is the director of the program at the University of Utah and has developed it into an award winning program in preparing residents.

“Receiving the ASHP Foundation’s Pharmacy Residency Excellence Program Award is a major milestone for our PGY-1 program at the University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics,” said Mullin. “We are honored to receive such a prestigious award from the ASHP Foundation. Our PGY-1 program’s success stems from the incredible dedication of our residency preceptors and residents, the support of forward-thinking hospital and pharmacy leaders, and an innovative practice model that supports a high level of pharmacist engagement in patient care and medication management. I am so proud to be the residency director for a program that provides the diverse experiences and mentoring that allow our graduates to be leaders in patient care and catalysts in moving our profession forward,” says Shantel.

According to the news release from ASHP, The residency program offers comprehensive and progressive training that develops residents as clinicians, researchers, authors, preceptors and practice leaders. Residents work with strong pharmacist preceptor role models in acute and ambulatory care rotations that are on the leading edge of pharmacist involvement in patient care and drug therapy management. Residents also develop excellence in leadership with a talented group of pharmacy directors and managers and benefit from training with a premier drug information service.

The program offers more than 40 diverse rotations with 70 engaged and talented pharmacist preceptors throughout the health system. Residents quickly learn the university’s culture of exceptional patient care that is individualized to the needs of each person serving in the hospitals and clinics and in the community at large. Residents participate in the teaching mission of the department through providing multiple presentations, completion of an innovative teaching certificate program and working with the pharmacy intern training program. Research and project management skills are honed through both longitudinal and rotational projects.

Over the past 20 years, the PGY-1 program has produced leaders in a broad range of practices across the country. The University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics’ commitment to continually improving the quality of the PGY-1 program has led to a program that exemplifies excellence in residency training.

“Residency preceptors and program directors have the opportunity and the responsibility to influence, motivate and cultivate the next generation of pharmacy practice leaders,” says Stephen J. Allen, ASHP Foundation Executive Vice President. “In administering the Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards Program, the ASHP Foundation recognizes pharmacists who demonstrate excellence and innovation in training residents. We work to share the success stories of these recipients with all residency program directors and preceptors as examples of successful strategies that they may consider applying in their own residency training programs.”

The Pharmacy Residency Excellence Awards recipients will be formally recognized during the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting in New Orleans, La. A reception was held in their honor on December 3, 2011, at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside.
Donations Are Still Being Accepted for the 19th Annual Spaghetti Feed, Raffle & Auction on February 24th at the Pond Student Union Ballroom

After the tremendous success of the 2011 Spaghetti Feed, Raffle & Auction, the Professional Pharmacy Student Alliance (PPSA) is back. The students are continuing their record success and they want you to be a part of it!

The Spaghetti Feed, Raffle and Auction is an annual fundraiser event put on by students to help raise the necessary money to fund their rural community patient outreach projects for which they have received national recognition. Recognizing the importance of community stewardship, the pharmacy students donate at least 25% of the proceeds from the Spaghetti Feed Auction to a Make-A-Wish child and have traditionally fully funded wish recipients in past years.

This year, the Make-A-Wish child is Savannah, a 7 year-old girl from Pocatello, who was diagnosed with a congenital heart defect. Her wish is to experience the magic of Disneyworld with her family.

Your donations will go a long way to help support pharmacy students in the local community and fulfill the wish of a local child!

You can give either monetarily or through an item that will be auctioned off at the live event. And of course, we encourage you to attend the event. The evening is full of good food, drawings, the auction, and activities for the whole family. Tickets are $5 per person or $20 per family and will be available at the door. The event will be held at the Pond Student Union Ballroom on the Pocatello campus.

For more information and updates about PPSA, the Spaghetti Feed and our past Make-A-Wish beneficiaries, please visit our website at http://pharmacy.isu.edu/live/sfra/

If you have any questions or would like to make a donation please email sfra@pharmacy.isu.edu or call Julie at 282-3393

P3 Student receives MBA degree

P3 student, Olsi Zhebo who will receive his PharmD in 2013, recently defended his Master of Business Administration degree. With a Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration, Olsi knew he wanted to continue in a health related profession. As a pre-health major he took a closer look at pharmacy as a profession. “The MBA decision was a fairly easy decision,” said Olsi, “The joint degree program (MBA/PharmD) offered at ISU is ideal considering my background.”

Born and raised in Albania he came to the US 10 years ago with his family. He plans to stay in the U.S., but says, “In terms of future plans only time will tell. For the time being, I look forward to finishing the didactic part of the program, rotations, and future challenges.”

Nominations being accepted for 2012 Professional Achievement Award

The professional Achievement Award is presented to an alumnus of Idaho State University College of Pharmacy in recognition of significant professional achievement in the field of pharmacy each year at Commencement. Individuals selected for the award must have been out of school at least 10 years and have excelled in their chosen field attaining significant success and accomplishments.

Recipients of this prestigious award are alumni who have made important contributions to their careers or professions, to the social, political or economic well-being of the world around them and have shown continued community and civic involvement in addition to their association with and contributions to Idaho State University.

Nominations are to be sent directly to the office of Dean Paul Cady. Nomination forms and guidelines can be found at www.pharmacy.isu.edu or by calling the College of Pharmacy at 208-282-4597.

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Idaho State University College of Pharmacy
Congratulations to Ashley Richman and Kyle Roberts for winning the College of Pharmacy’s Clinical Skills Competition in November. They qualified for the American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) national competition in New Orleans, LA, December 3-4. We would like to thank the Idaho Society of Health System Pharmacists (ISHP) and the Idaho Pharmacy Research and Education Foundation (IPREF) for their generous donations to the winners to help with their expenses for nationals.

Clinical Skills competition winners left to right: 3rd place winners Rob Geddes & Jeremy Crowfoot, 1st place winners Ashley Richman & Kyle Roberts, 2nd place winners Christie Caplinger & Elizabeth Thompson

Jennifer Garner’s family stopped by to see her endowment plaque which hangs on the wall at the COP. Jennifer was a class of 2001 graduate and passed away in 2008 from complications of an extended illness. The memorial endowment was established in honor of Jennifer and the passion she had for her profession and school. The scholarship is awarded to students who suffer a personal hardship or loss making it more difficult to continue or finish their pharmacy education. To contribute to the endowment contact Dan Dean (208)-221-2491

P2 student John Malamakal has applied and been chosen for a summer internship position at Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. We wish him good luck.

In December, COP students reached out to the community through a canned food drive and hosting a needy family with gift donations. The P3 class won the food drive with the equivalent of 599 food items. Over 1200 items were given to the Idaho Food Bank as a result of the drive and the P3 class received a free lunch. The students also sponsored a local family in need and provided them donated items to help make their holiday special.
Sacramento Tailgate Party 2011
Endowment established

An endowment has been established as a memorial to Val D. Middleton, a 1950 College of Pharmacy graduate. Val was dedicated to the people he served and meeting patient needs in Idaho Falls for 54 years. He was a member of the State Board of Pharmacy for 10 years. The Val D. Middleton Scholar shall exhibit knowledge, skills and attitudes required by a pharmacist to contribute to patient care as well as academic excellence. He passed away January, 28, 2005.

In Memoriam

Sidney J. Fry, ’63 (February 4, 1934 – December 8, 2011)
A successful pharmacy proprietor, loving father, husband, grandfather, and friend, Sid Fry of Payette, ID was a generous supporter of ISU COP. In 2011, Mr. Fry donated a sizeable collection of historical pharmacy memorabilia for the Meridian Center. Sid will be greatly missed.

A. Jack Bishop, ’50 (March 10, 1921 – December 17, 2011)
Jack Bishop of Spokane, WA was a devoted Scotsman, sportsman, husband, and family man with a quick wit and zest for life. Jack dutifully served his country in WWII and retired from a career with Merck and Co. as a pharmaceutical representative. A past Phi Sigma Kappa President, past Alumni President, and #1 Bengal fan, Jack will be remembered fondly.

2012 Annual College of Pharmacy CE Conference

The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy is pleased to offer our annual continuing pharmacy education (CE) program, designed to update your therapeutic knowledge base and rejuvenate your pharmacy practice skills. This one day seminar will provide you with current information and a fresh perspective on a variety of topics.

CE Meridian - March 4th
CE Pocatello - March 18th
CE Post Falls - April 1st

If you have questions regarding this continuing education program, please call the Office of Continuing Pharmacy Education at 208.282.2586 or visit http://pharmacy.isu.edu/live/ce/live.html

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

* February 24th - 19th Annual Spaghetti Feed
* March 4th - CE Meridian
* March 9th-12th - APhA Meeting
* March 18th - CE Pocatello
* March 26th-30th - Spring Break
* April 1st - CE Post Falls

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