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An e-letter for ISU College of Pharmacy Alumni & Friends

ConnectionISU
Annual Phonathon raises close to $95,000 for student scholarships

Pharmacy students, alumni and friends of the College, collectively, made the annual ConnectionISU Phonathon 2007 one of the most successful scholarship fundraising events for the study of pharmacy at ISU. Although final numbers are not in yet, donations are expected to be in excess of $95,000, an increase of about $14,000 from the previous year, according to Dan Dean, pharmacy director of development.

Pharmacy students gathered the week January 28-31, calling alumni and friends for donations to pharmacy scholarships, funds for greatest College needs and the student-organized Operation Diabetes campaign.

Several students commented that College of Pharmacy alumni are friendly and curious donors--asking many questions about what is happening at the College.

"Being with the students for four straight nights is energizing to me," Dean said, "and to top it off, our alumni give so much and faithfully."

The 2006 Phonathon saw a 22 percent increase in donations to student scholarships and programs, while this year donations increased by about 14 percent.

"Thank you to all the 450 alumni and friends of the College of Pharmacy for your gifts and thoughtfulness," Dean said. "I assure you, your investment in our future pharmacists is worth it. We have amazing students, faculty and staff."

This year, donors who pledged $200 or more will receive an ISU College of Pharmacy poster. This limited edition poster, featuring photographs of Leonard Hall and ISU landmark buildings and sites, is still available. For those who missed the students’ calls, or would like to contribute to the annual scholarship campaign, contact Dan Dean at 208-282-3655 or dandean@pharmacy.isu.edu.

First-year pharmacy students, Andrei Rudyi, left, Lyle Trone and others, call donors during the 2007 ConnectionISU Phonathon.
Boise, Post Falls and Pocatello

College schedules spring CE programs

The 2007 spring schedule for the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy Continuing Education program has been set, with courses to be held in Boise, Post Falls and Pocatello.

The first of the three live programs is scheduled April 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Saint Luke’s Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Topics for the spring CE events are:

- Pharmacy Law Update
- Primer on Bacteriology: Where Have All the Antibiotics Gone?
- Management of Rheumatoid Arthritis: Where do we Stand in 2007
- Complementary and Alternative Medicine: What Community Pharmacists Need to Know
- Nuclear Pharmacy: An Overview of Radiopharmaceutical Agents used for Diagnostic Imaging
- Overview of Chronic Pain Management

On April 29, the live programs will be held at the Red Lion Templin’s Hotel in Post Falls from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Pocatello CE program is scheduled for May 20, at the ISU L.E. and Thelma E. Stephens Performing Arts Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy supports a continuing education (CE) program that is dedicated to the continual enhancement of postgraduate skills and knowledge. As one of only two ACPE accredited providers in Idaho, the ultimate aim is to provide a variety of courses that offer high quality, unbiased, and up-to-date educational experiences for pharmacists and other health care professionals. Currently the College offers CE programs in two formats; live presentations, and home correspondence.

For additional information and registration instructions, please visit the College of Pharmacy CE Web site at www.pharmacy.isu.edu/live/ce/index.html

Alumni & Friends - Take time to join Us!

ISU & College of Pharmacy events:

- Pharmacy Dean’s Advisory Council meeting, April 14, Boise
- Boise Spring CE, April 15, Saint Luke’s Medical Center, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Post Falls Spring CE, April 29, Red Lion Templin’s Hotel, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- College of Pharmacy Graduation Banquet, May 11, 6 p.m., Pocatello Holiday Inn
- ISU Commencement ceremonies, May 12, 2 p.m., Holt Area, Pocatello
- Pocatello Spring CE, May 20, L.E. and Thelma E. Stephens Performing Arts Center, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
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- Faculty Recital ~ Tiana Grise’, flutist, March 23.
- Celtic Tenors, March 31. For ticket information, contact the box office at 208-282-3398.

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