We are often overwhelmed by the generosity of our alumni. Whether you give back monetarily or through your time and talents we are grateful for your desire to give back to the College of Pharmacy. This special edition Refill is dedicated to some of those that have recently given to the College.

Peter and Mee Woo,
A Legacy of Healthcare from Hong Kong to ISU

Born and raised in Hong Kong, Peter and Mee Woo were only acquaintances. They attended the same high school and knew many of the same people, but it wasn’t until they came to ISU that they decided to spend their lives together. Now they have two children, two grandchildren, and a legacy of healthcare that spans two lifetimes, and it all started at ISU.

In 1975, Mee received her degree from the Kasiska College of Nursing and Peter from the College of Pharmacy. They were both drawn to Pocatello because of its size and the quality of education they would receive for a reasonable price.

Before ISU, Mee was in Barstow and Peter was attending junior college in Brawley, CA. He was looking at pharmacy school in Wyoming but they had been writing each other since they traveled to the U.S., and ISU seemed a good fit for each of them.

They both remember their education at ISU fondly. “Everyone was so friendly,” says Mee. “The professors were very helpful. They gave me extra effort and opportunities because I was a foreign student,” she said.

And Peter remembers Dean Cosgrove and Dr. Gary Isom as favorites. “Dr. Isom, who was new to the pharmacology department, was young, energetic and spent a lot of time with his students,” he said. And, “Dean Cosgrove was one of the nicest men I have ever met. He was so helpful to the students,” said Peter.

After they graduated, the Woo’s married and moved to Brawley, California. Mee worked...
California Dreamin’ Doug and Ginny Nau

On September 2nd, 1951, Doug and Ginny Nau were young, newly married, and ready to start their future. They knew they wanted to return to raise their family in La Jolla, California, but found that the College of Pharmacy at ISU was the best place for Doug’s education.

“We took off for Idaho State the afternoon after our wedding,” says Doug. When they arrived in Pocatello, they rented an apartment, bought groceries and were left with $50 in their pocket and no clear idea of where their monthly income would come from. Fortunately, Doug had served for two years in the Navy on the GI bill; he found a job at a local pharmacy and Ginny found a job at the Naval Ordnance Plant. “Idaho was good to us,” says Ginny.

Doug remembers the professors and Dean at the College with fondness and respect. “Dr. Riedisel was very strict,” he said. “As the door swung closed at the beginning of his class he would begin to lecture, and he expected you to be ready.”

And, after a long day of classes, a weekday shift from 4 to 9 pm at the pharmacy, Doug would return to Leonard Hall with a group of students to study. Dr. Ivan Roland, who taught pharmaceutical chemistry, would be in his office and often take the time to join their group and answer their questions. “All of the faculty was so helpful,” says Doug.

After graduating, Doug and Ginny returned to La Jolla. Their first daughter Nancy was born in Pocatello and they were to have 3 more: Ron, John and Sharon. Doug purchased a small neighborhood pharmacy that he called, “Kensington Drug,” and they “got...
Doug and Ginny Nau continued...

a good start,” says Ginny.

Doug was a well-respected part of the small community in which he and his wife Ginny lived. Kensington Drug sat in a small suburb of San Diego. “It’s just like a small town inside a big city,” says Ginny.

Doug tells numerous stories of how his relationships with patients at his pharmacy touched his heart and theirs. “I really enjoyed being a pharmacist, says Doug, “You feel like you’re accomplishing something, like you’re helping people.” Doug remembers comforting those that were suffering with cancer and giving retirement advice. And, because he was a well-respected part of the community in which he lived, people listened. “In a small community people really trust you, and they really want to talk to you.”

Now retired, Doug and Ginny enjoy spending time with their family. Every year they plan a camping trip in Yosemite with their 4 children and 10 grandchildren.

If he were to give any advice to students pursuing a career in pharmacy, it would be, “Communication is so important. Always be open to the people that you’re serving and be willing to listen to what they have to say.”

The dedication of Doug and Ginny Nau to community pharmacy and the COP is evident in their recent endowment to the Dean’s discretionary fund that will support faculty and students.

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Every blood pressure check, every blood glucose monitoring, every immunization makes a difference. It benefits the patient but also helps create a compassionate, well-educated pharmacist that is invested in patient health. Every year our students deliver care to 4,000 people through health screenings and immunizations. Over 120,000 people are reached through all community education efforts. The students pay for all of these efforts on their own. Your donations help keep these student programs funded. We would like to recognize the following people for their recent donations to student outreach. Thank You!

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Dr. C.K. and Jane Chu

Dr. Chu, Distinguished Research Professor, Emeritus at the University of Georgia, finished his B.S. degree in pharmacy from Seoul National University. After serving as a Korean Naval officer, he came to the United States in 1968 for his M.S. degree at Idaho State University and subsequently received his Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1974. He was involved in drug discovery at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Institute of Cancer Research, New York, as a Research Associate for six years. He has been a faculty member at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy since 1982.

Dr. Chu, a medicinal chemist, has been involved in drug discovery of anticancer and antiviral agents over thirty years and published more than 300 peer-reviewed research articles in major scientific journals in the fields of organic, biochemical and medicinal chemistry, and four edited books are credited to him. He has more than fifty (50) United States patents to his credit. During his academic career he has discovered several clinical candidates for cancer as well as for viral diseases.

Dr. Chu has trained over 120 graduate students and postdoctoral fellows for the past thirty years at the University of Georgia and is still maintaining an active research program in drug design and synthesis after his retirement in 2008. His research program in drug discovery has been recognized as one of the top academic laboratories nationally and internationally.

The Chu’s have established an endowment for scholarships and guest lectureships for the College.

Conrad Bio and Rite Aid

Conrad Bio is the Director of College Relations & Professional Recruitment for Rite Aid. He recently came and spoke to the students about pharmaceutical business practices. He devotes a lot of his time to traveling to various Pharmacy Schools and meeting students. He’s one of ISU’s most active recruiters. Dianna Reynolds, a P3 student who has known Conrad since 1998, says, “In the many years I have known Conrad he has continuously offered support and guidance to pharmacy students as well as exemplified his dedication toward advancing the profession of pharmacy.” Over the past 4 years Rite Aid has contributed over $26,000 toward student organizations including: scholarships, the Pharmacy Fair, the Welcome Back Picnic, the End of the Year Picnic and the Spaghetti Feed.
Bob’s Pharmacy

Bob Newsom is a preceptor and 1984 alum of the College of Pharmacy. He opened Bob’s Pharmacy 15 years ago in Pocatello and has mentored countless pre-pharmacy and pharmacy students in his pharmacy. Tyler Hemsley, P3, says, “I began working with Bob in 2008 before I was even accepted to the pharmacy program at ISU. He really got me interested in Independent Pharmacy and all the different possibilities out in the “real world” of pharmacy. He’s been a good friend and an excellent resource for both pharmacy and business related questions.” Tyler is one of five students in the last four years that Bob has mentored through the PharmD program.

Sid and Amy Fry Endowment Fund

The Sid and Amy Fry Endowment Fund has recently been received by the College of Pharmacy from the estate of the late Sidney J. Fry, ’63. Sid was a generous supporter of ISU College of Pharmacy. Mr. Fry also donated a sizable collection of historical pharmacy memorabilia for the Meridian Center. Our thanks and condolences go out to the family of Sid Fry.

In Memoriam - Frank Savage 1929-2012

Frank Savage was a devoted contributor to the College of Pharmacy and was a member of the Dean’s Advisory Council. A 1951 physical education graduate of Idaho State University, he created the Frank L. Savage Scholarship Endowment to benefit pharmacy students. His 40-year career in the health care industry included positions with Dow Pharmaceuticals, Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, Marion Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals, Amgen, Biogen, Genzyme, Agouron, and Pfizer. He is survived by his wife of fifty-seven years Joyce Laws Savage, 4 children and 4 grandchildren. Frank will be greatly missed.

Thank You!

We are so grateful to all of you for your gifts of time, talent and treasure. Whether you are a donor, a preceptor, a recruiter or an alum, our College is a better place because of you and what you do for the students that will follow you into the field of pharmacy. Please accept our thanks.

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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 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

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**2012 Annual College of Pharmacy CE Conference**

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

* March 18th - CE Pocatello
* March 26th-30th - Spring Break
* April 1st - CE Post Falls
* April 14th-15th - Dean’s Advisory Council Meets
* May 5th - Commencement Pocatello
* May 7th - Commencement Meridian

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