ISU College of Pharmacy first-year student, Jenilee Chambers, signs the Code of Ethics for Pharmacists during the White Coat Ceremony. The 60 members of the Class of 2011 were welcomed into their professional pharmacy education by donning white coats and signing the code at the annual event.
“Know Your Medicine, Know Your Pharmacist”

APhA-ASP students plan several events in support of American Pharmacists Month

October is American Pharmacist Month, sponsored by the American Pharmacist Association (APhA), and the ISU student chapter of national organization, Associated Students of Pharmacy (ASP) will host several local events to encourage area residents to learn more about the medications they are taking and the health-care provider who most likely can answer these medication questions - their pharmacist.

“Know Your Medicine, Know Your Pharmacist” is the theme of the annual month-long national campaign. Student pharmacists, along with faculty members, have written several editorials for local publication about common medical questions: student pharmcists will also sponsor the October 20th Bengal vs. Portland State football game (3:05 p.m. kick-off) with an information booth at the pre-game Bengal Fest and host an open house at the College on October 26 from 5 to 7 p.m. The Pharmacy Open House will feature several health-care services, including glucose and blood pressure checks, heartburn and diabetes information and free flu vaccinations for the first 50 people interested in being vaccinated.

After celebrating National Pharmacy Week for nearly eight decades, 2004 marked the launch of American Pharmacists Month. The expansion to a month responded to APhA member comments that a week was not enough time to fully promote the expanding role of the pharmacist. And while the length of time was changed, the goal of the event has remained the same: to highlight the importance of the pharmacists’ value to the healthcare system and their role as medication experts.

San Diego alumnus visits his alma mater
Pharmacy alumnus David Mashayekhan, ’81, recently stopped by to visit the College and his sister, Julie Mashayekhan, a third-year Pharmacy student.