I Am Pharmacy... I Am ISU
As you read this edition of the Bulletin I am sure you will see why I am so proud to be associated with the ISU College of Pharmacy. We continue to be a thriving and growing institution with faculty and students that excel in teaching, research and outreach activities.

In August we admitted 75 new students to the College. It is our largest group of students thus far. We celebrated the future class of 2016 with white coat ceremonies in Pocatello and Meridian. We look forward to watching them develop as they pursue the noble profession of pharmacy.

As the class of 2016 begins their studies, the students of the class of 2012 have joined the workforce or are pursuing residencies. We are proud to announce the class of 2012 has received a 100 percent pass rate on the NAPLEX exam. Only a handful of pharmacy colleges can claim this distinction each year.

Recently we welcomed a new faculty member. Dr. Dong Xu is bringing his expertise in computer aided drug design and molecular modeling to the College. He joins Dr. Todd Talley as research faculty in Meridian.

We also congratulate our students who were recognized with the Region 7 American Pharmacists Association/Academy of Student Pharmacists award for Operation Immunization. They administered close to 1,400 immunizations in the 2011-2012 school year.

As we look forward to spring, we anticipate another year of commencement activities. We are also proud to announce the 20th annual Spaghetti Feed fundraiser on February 22, 2013. Every year we invite the community for a spaghetti dinner and auction. The Idaho State Journal lists the event as number 18 in the “Top 101 Things to Do in Pocatello.” Part of the proceeds from the event help fulfill the wish of a Make-A-Wish child while the remaining proceeds are used to fund student outreach projects. We invite you to attend and hope you can find the time to join us.

We would not be the mission-driven, strong and caring College of Pharmacy without our extraordinary alumni. Meeting with alumni is one of the highlights of my position as Dean. Just this fall, 1968 graduate Gary Thomas came by to visit and establish The College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund. It gives us all the opportunity to remember those that we have cared about in the form of scholarships that will benefit current and future students.

Of course there are many ways to give back to the College and we thank those individuals and corporations that give of their time, talent and treasure to make the ISU College of Pharmacy a strong institution with a wonderful legacy. We couldn’t do it without your support.

Enjoy this edition of the Bulletin and we welcome you to drop by the College any time to remember your alma mater. We look forward to seeing you.
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Mission

Our mission is to develop caring and highly capable pharmacists who positively impact the health care needs of people in our communities, the state and nation. We are committed to the advancement of the pharmacy profession and the biomedical and pharmaceutical sciences through research, service and patient-centered care.

Vision

The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy will be an innovator and leader in pharmacy education and scholarly activity. Opportunities will be provided to support lifelong learning and professional development in an atmosphere of collaboration, cultural awareness, and respect for individuals.

Values

The College is committed to:

- Integrity
- Leadership
- Professionalism
- Lifelong Learning
- Respect for the Individual
- Excellence
- Communication
- Scholarship
- Innovation
| **100%** | The percentage of 2012 ISU College of Pharmacy graduates that passed the NAPLEX exam |
| **1918** | Year the ISU College of Pharmacy was founded. |
| **75** | Number of students presented white coats in August’s welcome to the class of 2016. |
| **3,572** | Number of people that received direct patient care from pharmacy students during the 2011-2012 school year |
| **21** | Number of faculty actively engaged in research in the health and biomedical sciences. |

**Current Number of Students attending ISU College of Pharmacy**

- **274** - Traditional PharmD
- **115** - Nontraditional PharmD
- **9** - MS
- **4** - PhD
- **3** - Residents

**303,000** Number of people that received health related information through public relation efforts during the 2011-2012 school year.
White Coat Ceremonies

College of Pharmacy Welcomes 75 New Students

Seventy-five students marked their entrance into the pharmacy profession and the Doctor of Pharmacy program in ceremonial White Coat events in Pocatello and Meridian on August 27. They were presented white laboratory coats and signed the Code of Ethics for Pharmacists while faculty, staff and college administrators joined family and friends to witness the occasion.

The donning of the white coat is a tradition that signifies the beginning of a lifelong responsibility of professionalism for pharmacy health care providers. The coat also represents the clinical aspect of the profession.

“Tonight you will take your first step into the profession of pharmacy. You will don the white coat as a symbol of that step and sign the Pharmacist Code of Ethics. You will be expected to follow that code for your time here with as a student and, more importantly, for the rest of your professional lives,” said Associate Dean Catherine Cashmore, who was the emcee at the Pocatello ceremony.

And as Dean Paul Cady pointed out as the emcee in Meridian, “The white coat has meaning to your public, to your patients and it should have meaning to you.”

Dignitaries attended both ceremonies including representatives from the Idaho State Pharmacy Association and the Idaho Society of Health-System Pharmacists. They offered words of encouragement to the new students. ISPA President Tyler Higgins spoke to the students in Meridian. “Get out there, work hard and stay positive because the future is very bright for pharmacy,” he said.

Two keynote speakers also offered their perspective on ethics in the practice of pharmacy. VA Pharmacy Director, Dr. Brenda Dunn spoke in Meridian and Dr. Ty Swenson, co-owner of Idaho Drug in Rigby, spoke in Pocatello.

Donations to the ceremony came in many forms. Four sponsors provided donations to cover the expenses of the ceremony. They are Jack Walker, Deborah Yee-Chow, Albertson’s Sav-On, and Idaho State Pharmacy Association. Scholarship monies for the new students were donated by Robert J. DeKlotz, Larry B. Durrant, Thomas...
P. Hamilton, the Idaho State Pharmacy Association, and the Idaho Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

Experiencing Pharmacy in a Foreign Land

After several multi-hour flights and layovers in foreign lands Sara Baker (P3) and Cory Nelson (P3) were given the rare and exciting opportunity to travel abroad and learn global pharmaceutical practices through the International Pharmaceutical Students Federation (IPSF.)

Street markets, exotic aromas, lush greens, quite a different culture from Nampa, Idaho. Cory Nelson experienced a little bit of culture shock when he arrived at one of the largest cultural meccas in Africa.

“I kind of had to immerse myself in that culture. I had to assimilate myself,” said Nelson. “I had to become a Ghanaian, per se,” he added with a chuckle.

Thousands of miles away from home, Nelson worked with local pharmacists and pharmacy students and was even given the opportunity to travel to rural areas. Nelson was able to travel the globe because of his involvement with IPSF. Their student exchange program allows 50 to 60 American students to apply and travel the world each year while allowing 40 foreign students to visit the U.S. he explained. According to him, the program is aimed at “helping students practice pharmacy in different settings in different countries around the world.”

In Kumasi, the second largest city in Africa, home to the Ashanti people, Nelson not only faced cultural differences but also pharmaceutical differences.

One of his most memorable trips was to a rural area. Nelson and his travel companions were shocked to discover the local methods of treating illness.

People in many rural villages had access to medications but rarely used them as prescribed. Instead they would often times break open medicine capsules or grind up medication and rub the drug on infected areas, rather than taking the pills orally.
Another huge cultural difference was the lack of pharmaceutical regulations. According to Nelson, people are able to walk into a retail pharmacy, present their symptoms and the pharmacist has the ability to prescribe on the spot, which can be a problem when Ghana allows anyone to work in a pharmacy.

“The regulations are improving and they’re becoming more strict, but you can hire people that don’t really know anything about medication and have them handing out antibiotics like candy,” he said.

Nelson said that while he can see a problem with pharmacies having that sort of unrestricted power, he added he felt it would be more successful in the United States because of degree requirements.

While miles apart from his home in the states, literally and figuratively, he said he didn’t face very many obstacles when it came to communication. According to him, most people in Kumasi speak English and he only faced a language barrier when traveling to rural areas.

Somewhat of a “personal challenge,” Nelson said he welcomed his foreign experiences. “I ended up having to travel 100 miles through Ghana. I really didn’t know anything and was asking people as I went,” he said. “It was a little bit fun and exciting but a little bit scary.”

According to Nelson, he settled in within a few days and really began to love it. One thing he was extremely glad for was being an exchange student for the first few weeks, which gave him time to acquaint himself with the country.

Nelson said he didn’t really feel homesick during his stay. Turning into a true Ghanaian, he grew to love the native foods but really craved a hamburger.
The smell of the sea, the dry heat, the expanse of golden sand -- all vastly different from the landlocked mountainous valley of Pocatello. Miles from home, along the Red Sea in Hurghanda, Egypt, Sara Baker spent 11 days taking in a more worldly view of pharmacy.

Baker, who attends the Pocatello campus, specifically chose to attend IPSF’s 58th annual World Congress. A little scared at first because of the current political climate in Egypt, she tried to ignore news reports and just focus on the great opportunity.

“IPSF is just getting started here,” she explained. “I am the chairperson in Pocatello for IPSF and I wanted to go and get some ideas as to how to grow on our campus and just get the chance to talk with other students from around the world and just see what everyone else is doing.”

According to Baker, there were over 500 students from more than 50 countries gathered in Egypt to discuss the future of pharmacy, elect new officers and attend scientific and educational symposiums among other things.

“We had a lot of workshops involving the different campaigns that IPSF is involved in on a worldwide level,” said Baker. She was able to attend workshops on several social issues like HIV and tobacco, as well as anti-counterfeit drugs, Generation Rx and professional development.

“These workshops were opportunities to learn what we want to accomplish with each campaign,” she said. She also used these workshops as a place to brainstorm campaigns on a local level.

Baker was also able to work on finalizing
a student-authored paper entitled, “International Pharmaceutical Students Federation - European Pharmaceutical Students’ Association Declaration on the Future of Pharmacists,” which was presented to pharmacists from around the world at the International Pharmaceutical Federation congress.

“One of the neatest things about being there was learning about how pharmacy is different in each country and what they aspire to,” she said. “Learning about the different cultures of pharmacy was cool.”

The different views of pharmacy stuck most in her mind. “In some countries, a degree could only be used for research. In other countries they could do research and work in hospitals but not retail,” she said.

One of the biggest differences was that certain countries allowing anyone to work in a retail pharmacy yet others requiring a pharmacy degree to work as a drug representative.

“Many other students found it interesting that we require a doctorate degree here even if working in retail,” she said.

Other countries also have separate degrees for pharmacists and pharmaceutical sciences, according to Baker. “I found this interesting because I expected most of the students there to be looking at the same career options that I am.”

Even with such a diverse meeting of people Baker said she didn’t face much of a language barrier. “The official language of IPFS is English,” said Baker. “But there were still times when there were people from countries where they didn’t speak very good English.” She often resorted to hand gestures when she encountered this problem.

One of her first international trips, Baker was excited and nervous to spend time away from home and said she had a very safe and comfortable trip.

Baker visited during Ramadan, a Muslim religious holiday observed by fasting from sunrise to sunset. While she and other attendees are not Muslim, they were respectful and took meals later in the day to accommodate the holiday. She had a wonderful experience but was excited to return home and enjoy her favorite American food.
The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy and the Professional Pharmacy Student Alliance (PPSA) hosted the 2012 Pharmacy Recruiting and Exhibition Fair on Nov. 8 and 9 in Meridian.

Thirty-five health care recruiters representing 20 different companies and organizations from Idaho and across the United States attended the fair for the first time on the Meridian campus.

The recruiters typically attend the fair to interview students one-on-one for potential employment. P4’s traveled back to campus from their clinical rotation sites in Coeur d’Alene, Reno, Pocatello and Boise to attend. P1’s were required to attend and volunteer at the Fair and found the experience valuable, as many recruiters expressed interest in hiring them for internships. While P2’s and P3’s were not required to attend, many found the fair to be worth their time to network and prepare for their future careers.

In addition to the interviews, a company exhibition at the fair allows students to increase their knowledge of career pathways in community, institutional, research and other pharmacy career opportunities. A residency overview event allowed for a question and answer session with companies regarding their residency opportunities and a rotation roundtable allowed for P4’s to discuss their experiences with the other students.

The fair wasn’t all work. The “Pharmacy Olympics” allowed students and their families’ time together to compete in basketball and volleyball and enjoy dinner with their classmates.

Dr. Mark Phillips, Director of Pharmacy at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise visits with student Jamie Brower (P4)

Jeff Rasmussen (P1) meets with Samantha Lopez, Human Resources manager for St. Luke’s

Dean Paul Cady and Conrad Bio, Rite Aid recruiter and sponsor of Thursday’s student lunch
This year marks the 20th year the College of Pharmacy will host the annual Spaghetti Feed Raffle and Auction. What began as a fundraiser for student organizations has evolved into an event for someone in need. Each year, the College’s Professional Pharmacy Student Alliance (PPSA) shares a portion of the proceeds with Make-A-Wish Idaho to support the wish of a local youth.

The event has continually received an outpouring of support from the community of Pocatello with The Idaho State Journal listing it as one of the top 101 things to do in Pocatello. Last year $17,600 was raised and students decided to fund the entire wish for 7-year-old Savanah. Her wish was to travel to Disney World with her family.

This year’s Spaghetti Feed will be held February 22 at 6pm in the Earl Pond Student Union ballroom. We invite you to participate. PPSA students are currently accepting donations for the raffle and auction. If you are interested in donating or helping sponsor the event please contact student chairperson Cherie Medford (P2) at medfcher@pharmacy.isu.edu.

The Dr. David Chu Annual Lectureship Fund is privileged to welcome:

Dr. Rommie Amaro, Ph.D.
Visiting Lecturer

“Enabling Chemical Discovery Through the Lens of a Computational Microscope”

January 29, 2013 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
ISU Meridian Center Room 738, Meridian, ID and via two-way video transmission to Leonard Hall Room 162, Pocatello, ID

The ISU College of Pharmacy is pleased to offer this lecture as an Idaho Board of Pharmacy approved Continuing Education class for area pharmacists and pharmacy technicians. Please rsvp to carla@pharmacy.isu.edu or 208-282-2175.
“To practice five things under all circumstances constitutes perfect virtue; these five are gravity, generosity of soul, sincerity, earnestness, and kindness.”
- Confucius

One’s character can be difficult to capture and convey in words. However, Confucius’ quote nicely articulates the essence of Kathleen Lehman, ISU College of Pharmacy’s retiring Office Specialist II.

“Kathleen has been an absolute blessing to this College. She has been the first person people see - and I guarantee they were greeted with a smile and cheery disposition, which is invaluable to this College. She’s great,” said College Dean, Paul Cady.

Lehman touched many lives, and Dean Cady was just one of many who were quick to comment on her retirement.

“Kathleen is unselfish. She always put students and alumni first and with a smile,” said Dan Dean, Director of Development from 2006-2012, of the working relationship he shared with Lehman.

“Kathleen’s institutional knowledge, relationship with our alumni and her wonderful caring demeanor has made my transition as the ‘new guy’ totally seamless,” said current Director of Development, Phil Yankovich. Lehman also developed relationships with many students over the years. According to Katherine Hope (‘10), “I have many fond memories of Kathleen. Every time I saw her she always had a beautiful smile on her face. She was genuinely interested in how she could assist me as the PPSA President. She was rarely in the spotlight, but we know nothing could have happened without her behind the scenes. Kathleen definitely holds a special place in my heart.”

Alumnus Daren Kunz (‘10) commented, “It is hard to put into words what Kathleen means to me! I was fortunate to work with Kathleen on many projects at the college. Pharmacy Fair was always a huge success, mainly because she was so involved and concerned that we as students had a good experience. She really provided the continuity that the pharmacy school needed. If ever I had a concern or a question, I knew that I could go and ask Kathleen, and often she knew the answers, if she didn’t - she would point me in the right direction.”

Andrew Gauss, former Director of College Relations commented, “For more than eight years, I had the pleasure of working with Kathleen on a number of projects, including the annual pharmacy fair to help students with employment opportunities. The effort and dedication she put into each year’s fair, as well as other alumni and development events was invaluable. She is a true advocate for the students’ educational experience and future pharmacy careers.”

Director of Student Affairs, Dr. Cynthia Tillotson, provided the following description of her experience working with Lehman: “Kathleen has always been welcoming, thoughtful and professional. Students, alums, faculty and staff knew from their first interaction with her that she really cared about them and was there to help. Kathleen has been a warm and bright asset for the College of Pharmacy.”

Kathleen has been a part of the College of Pharmacy since October of 1999. In addition to her administrative duties which entailed working primarily with the development officers and public relations staff, Kathleen has assisted with admissions, student affairs, and served on various committees, providing the opportunity to interact and become acquainted with everyone at the College. Lehman stated “I really enjoyed planning and working with our students on the Women in Pharmacy and Leaders in Pharmacy dinners, but I also loved helping with Pharmacy Fair, White Coat Ceremony, Spaghetti Feed, American Pharmacists Month, and the phone-a-thon... how can I leave out any?”

Reflecting on her years of service with ISU COP, Lehman remarked, “The College of Pharmacy has been a dynamic, exciting place to work and I am happy to have been a part of its daily life. Thank you all for enriching my life.”

Lehman plans to stay active in retirement spending time with her husband Joe, friends, and loved ones skiing and catching up on her tennis game. She is looking forward to being home with her two Bernese Mountain dogs,
College of Pharmacy Fosters Collaboration Within Health Sciences and Community

Idaho State University’s health care mission continues to be strong as evidenced by a recent collaboration between the units composing the Division of Health Sciences.

Five DHS faculty serve as members of the Southeastern Idaho Diabetes Awareness and Falls Prevention Partnership (SIDAFPP) led by Cherie Nelson of Southeastern Idaho Public Health. The disciplines involved include Pharmacy, Nursing, Physical Therapy, Health Education, and Dietetics. As Cherie presented a program for documenting and delivering community health care services, the members saw the opportunity for creating an interdisciplinary collaboration to deliver Cherie’s program and fulfill the 2008-2013 Idaho Diabetes 5-Year State Plan.

According to Cherie, “The program goal is to meet the health care needs of citizens of Southeastern Idaho.” Dr. Wilson, a longstanding member of the Partnership, states “I have advised and directed student pharmacists in delivering the Operation Diabetes programs for nearly a dozen years and knew the students would be a great asset while gaining unique experience working as part of an interdisciplinary team. The opportunity for direct participant interaction fulfills curricular requirements in early practice experience.”

The current Chair of Operation Diabetes, P3 Megan Koyle enthusiastically spearheaded the student pharmacist involvement. She said “I think that the interdisciplinary collaboration has been very beneficial. Each group has been able to contribute something different to patient care.” First year student pharmacists noted that the experience seemed intimidating at first, but afterwards, the experience was beneficial and the opportunity was greatly appreciated.

The result was 14 separate interdisciplinary events in 2012 to screen and educate individuals for diabetes and diabetes management. These events took place at public health buildings and senior centers spread throughout 8 rural counties in Southeastern Idaho traveling up to 300 miles round trip. The services and education provided at these events included blood glucose levels, blood pressure, cholesterol screening and medication counseling from pharmacy students, foot checks and foot care from nursing students, balance and fall risk screening from physical therapy students, action planning from health education students, and nutrition counseling from dietetics students.

All of the students participated in these events as part of courses, practice experience, practicum, and field experience requirements and were supervised by faculty from each of their respective disciplines. When a participant concern arose, each respective discipline assisted each other in addressing the needs of the participant. These events gave students from all levels and programs, a chance to use the knowledge and clinical skills they learned in the classroom. They are able to apply them to real life situations which they found to be an incredible learning experience.
Chris Daniels has left a legacy of excellence at the ISU College of Pharmacy. He retired in September after 24 years at the College. "It has been a privilege to spend my life doing what I wanted to do," he said.

Daniels received his doctorate from Stanford University and was an assistant professor at UC San Francisco before he came to ISU. Bringing an NIH grant with him, Daniels expanded the research presence of the College just as the PhD program was approved. Daniels was housed at the VA hospital in Boise for five years until a remodel at the College moved him to Pocatello. Daniels was Chair of the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences from 1996-2004.

College of Pharmacy students voted Daniels outstanding teacher multiple times. According to Dr. Alok Bhushan, "Daniels wanted to inspire students to succeed and to be good communicators. He looked at all students equally in his desire to help them. He was an effective teacher and he really cared for all students."

In addition to his research and teaching activity, Daniels was an initiating partner in the collaboration between ISU, the University of Idaho and Boise State University that created BRIN/INBRE (Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network/IDeA Network for Biomedical Research Excellence). Daniels was ISU director of INBRE for 11 years and oversaw the $2.2 million grant that built up bioinformatics and biomedical research in Idaho.

He was also the founding director of the ISU Biomedical Research Institute. As the IBRI Director, he worked to foster interactive interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary biomedical research on the Idaho State University campus, and to encourage collaborations between IBRI members and researchers from other institutions in the US and worldwide.

"Daniels has been a wonderful colleague and outstanding instructor," said Dean Paul Cady. He has done much to expand the research presence of ISU and the College of Pharmacy. Truly his skills will be missed."

"Daniels was a great collaborator," said Bhushan. He facilitated recruiting research faculty and enhancing the graduate program. Daniels’ research focus has been in three basic yet interrelated areas: regulation of the immune response of the intestinal immune system, the effects of aging on immunity, and the role of cell signaling in control of cellular proliferation and death. His research may ultimately have applications regarding the progression of HIV, decreased immunity in the elderly, and cancer cell resistance to chemotherapy.

"Overall, it's been the career that I wanted," said Daniels. "It's been a good experience in that the opportunities I had here at ISU were remarkable."

When asked what he is going to do with his retirement, Daniels said that he has been busy taking care of his wife and two cats as well as fixing up his house. Their goal is to move to California to be closer to family.

"I am going to miss the students and colleagues the most. They have always been great," he said.
Greatly successful in the prime of his career, one College of Pharmacy alum gives generously to future pharmacists.

“Every little penny is greatly appreciated because it’s just that much less you’re in debt,” said Lyn Nielsen, P4 and recipient of the Mike Prime Scholarship.

Nielsen was given the opportunity to meet donor Mike Prime during his recent visit to Idaho State University for the ISU Foundation Board of Directors meeting.

“Even though Idaho State is one of the cheaper schools, as far as tuition goes, it’s still a lot,” Nielsen said. A single mother of college students, she said the scholarship was a blessing.

Prime, a 1970 graduate, chose Idaho State University because of cost but stayed to finish his degree because he loved it so much. “I have wonderful memories here,” he said.

During his five years on campus he was a member of Phi Delta Chi and even lived in the fraternity house, helping with its renovations in 1969.

After graduating he started working in retail. “With the B.S. degree there wasn’t much choice,” he explained. He went on to own his own retail pharmacy for a short period of time before he changed the world of pharmacy.

“Another pharmacist and I came up with this great idea to continue intravenous therapy at home,” he said. According to Prime, they were the second people in the country to come up with the idea.

Starting a full-scale operation, Prime and his business partner helped to set the standards for the new market. “At the time, the hospitals didn’t want to touch it,” he said.

Working with a small group of R.N.s, he was able to set up a program that provided total parenteral nutrition and expanded into the world of chemotherapy. The service quickly grew and became a staple in a lot of care regimens.

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Hoping to get other pharmacists involved, Prime and his partner franchised the idea and traveled the country to let other pharmacists know about it.

“At one time we had close to 300 franchises in 46 states,” he said. “It never would have happened if it weren’t for ISU,” he said.

Thankful for his education at the College of Pharmacy, he was happy to continue the strong tradition of giving. While he might not always be able to visit Pocatello and the College one thing remains sure - the College of Pharmacy is “like a family” to him.
A century-old pharmacy license has been presented to the College of Pharmacy’s collection by a generous alum. With fading ink and yellowing paper, a 1908 pharmacy license rests behind the glass of a black frame. Though it might only be a piece of paper to some, it is an important part of Idaho history and a beautiful piece of pharmacy history.

Joe Carlson, 1961 College of Pharmacy alumnus, received the antique license as a gift from his sister and thought it would be a great addition to the College of Pharmacy’s collection of antique pharmacy items.

Carlson knew the awardee, Carl Howard Pixley. Growing up near Pixley’s pharmacy in Old Town Pocatello, Carlson said the relationship he cultivated with Pixley is what really sparked his interest in pharmacy.

Carlson said Pixley graduated from Creighton University around 1908, the same year he applied for his Idaho license. A vast difference from today’s pharmacy education, Carlson said Pixley learned everything he knew from a single textbook. “You would open it up to page one and when you got through the last page you were a pharmacist,” he explained with a chuckle. This textbook, the “Remington,” was considered the gold standard of pharmacy in its day and continues to hold its place in the pharmacy world.

According to Carlson, Pixley opened a small drug store on North Main in Pocatello. Different from today’s pharmacies, the public didn’t see a lot of the action. “In those days, filling the prescription was almost a mystery,” Carlson explained. “You’d give your prescription to a pharmacist and they’d take it back into a room with doors that closed.”

Another vast difference from today’s pharmacies, most drug stores of the era also served as a soda shop, lined with a counter and stools. Pixley’s drug store was one of the few pharmacies in the area without a soda fountain.

At the end of the 1940’s, Pixley sold his pharmacy and retired. Pixley and his wife never had any children and when Mrs. Pixley passed away, Carlson’s sisters became family to Pixley and took care of him until his death.

Holding countless pieces of history, the Carlson’s inherited Pixley’s vast collection of pharmacy items, including a vintage typewriter, already donated to the college’s collection.

Carlson, a Pocatello native, graduated from Pocatello High School in 1954. After marrying his high school sweetheart, Carlson was deployed with the Navy and returned shortly after to enroll in the College of Pharmacy.

Graduating in 1961, he worked a very short time in a Soda Springs pharmacy before moving to a position at the Pocatello Skaggs store. His Skaggs position lead him to his lifetime of work with Merck, the global pharmaceutical company.

Carlson worked as a field representative for Merck for 12 years before moving to the position of Health and Welfare coordinator. The development of this position came about as “HMO” became a more common word to pharmacists.

Currently living in Orem, Utah, Carlson enjoys his wife, four children, 11 grandchildren and five great grandchildren, with two more on the way.
It is with admiration that we thank Mrs. Carol Lecumberry and her family for her incredibly generous gift of $100,000 that she made to the College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment in memory of her husband, Fermin. Fermin passed away on September 23, 2011 at the age of 90, while still holding an active Pharmacist License.

A very humble person, Fermin was born in Spain in September of 1925. At the age of two, his family, including his father Lario and brother Pete, immigrated to the United States. They settled in Winnemucca, Nevada where his father leased ranch land and the family raised sheep. Fermin was very proud of being from Winnemucca.

During his childhood, Fermin dreamed of having a professional career. His dream came true when he was accepted into the College of Pharmacy at Idaho State University and graduated in 1943. Upon graduation, Fermin entered the U.S. Army where he served two years during the final years of World War II. Upon his discharge he returned to Nevada where he settled in Reno.

Fermin spent the remainder of his life in Reno where he was the owner/operator of Arch Liquor and Drug on Virginia Street, which is a main street of Reno. His store was adjacent to the iconic Reno Arch landmark with its famous slogan, “The Biggest Little City in the World.” He operated Arch Liquor and Drug for many years before moving across the street where he opened Arch II to make room for a new casino. Fermin owned his store in those two locations for over 40 years before his retirement.

According to Mrs. Lecumberry, he often said that he was extremely proud of the education that he received at ISU and owed much of his career success to his pharmacy degree. He did, however, have memories that often included how he was hungry many times during his school years and it was Carol’s hope that her gift in memory of Fermin will prevent another student from having that same memory. This gift along with the other gracious donations we receive from family, friends and fellow alumni will do exactly that in addition to educating current and future generations of College of Pharmacy students in this very noble profession.

We are very grateful to the Lecumberry family for their generous gift and to all supporters of the Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment and the College of Pharmacy at ISU.
Gary Thomas’ return trip to Pocatello came with a purpose. “I have a mission to memorialize my classmates that have passed away,” he said. In the last two years, Thomas has lost three friends and classmates from the College of Pharmacy. “My goal is to make a contribution in their memory,” said Thomas.

Gary and his wife Jan have fond memories of Pocatello and ISU. While retracing their honeymoon to Yellowstone National Park, in September, Gary and Jan stopped by the College and visited with Dean Paul Cady. What resulted was an opportunity for all graduates to carry on the memory of those that have passed on.

Thomas is spearheading a scholarship fundraising campaign. The “College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund” will be an ongoing endowment to memorialize any friends, family, and alumni that have passed away. The scholarships will benefit students for generations to come. It will be a tangible way for alumni to recognize the long and rich history of the College of Pharmacy family.

“The success I’ve experienced during my career was due, in large part, to the education I received at ISU,” said Thomas. Thomas graduated from the College of Pharmacy in 1968. In the summer after his second year he went back to Sacramento and married his high school sweetheart, Jan. They came back to Pocatello and Gary finished his education while Jan worked for the local telephone office.

After graduating, Gary went to work for Bill Eames (’57) and entered his management training program. From the experience he received working with Eames he decided he wanted to become a pharmacy owner. A year later he went to work for Bob Kellogg in Sacramento, CA and soon after purchased his pharmacy.

In the seven years that Thomas owned his pharmacy he developed a close clinical relationship with a skilled nursing facility in the area.

“We didn’t just fill prescriptions and deliver the drugs for the nurses to pass out the medication. I thought that I owed more to them than that,” he said.

Thomas began staff development of RN’s and LPN’s. He taught basic pharmacology, “helping them know a little bit about the drugs that they were distributing to patients, and some of the common side effects.” He said it was a symbiotic relationship and he learned a lot from the nurses.

After selling his store, he used his experience with the skilled nursing facilities and became a consultant and contracted with nursing homes.

Although he enjoyed the skilled nursing arena, he wanted to go back to a community pharmacy environment. A friend offered him a position at his pharmacy and he jumped at the chance.

Although away from consulting, Thomas has never stopped educating. He continues to speak to seniors groups and service clubs, and has become a visible spokesperson in his community for the practice of pharmacy.

While he was here, Dean Cady invited Gary to speak to a class of P1 students. “You are coming into a profession at an exciting time.” he said. “You are going to face so many interesting challenges as you embark on your careers. I am still enthusiastic about what I do and I hope you are too.”

He left the class with one last thought, “When you graduate you can stand alongside anybody from any other pharmacy school and know that you got a great education.”
To My Fellow Alumni,

When I decided to create The College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund, I wanted to give back to the College that did so much in preparing me to have a successful career. I also wanted to provide an opportunity for fellow alumni of the College and family members to honor the memory of their friends and family who have passed away. The scholarship will truly benefit students of the College for generations to come.

I have been very touched by the stories behind some of the gifts. One that really touched me was from Les Jan ('70) who made a gift in memory of Sergeant Robert (Bobby) Ray from Bakersfield, CA.

I met Les and Bobby as students, but also as brothers of Phi Delta Chi. Les and Bobby were on track to graduate in 1969 when they received notice to get their draft physicals in Boise. Les joined the army reserve unit in Idaho Falls. Bobby was drafted into the army and sent to Vietnam. He was a medic rendering aid to a wounded soldier when he was killed on July 15, 1968, just before he was to be sent home. Les mentioned that, at the time, there were thoughts to set up a memorial for Bobby but, like many things, it never materialized. For those of us who remember Bobby Ray, this fund is a perfect way for us to honor his memory.

I want to personally thank all of you who have already made a contribution and would encourage my fellow alumni to support this important initiative. Even though you may not have a specific alumni or family member to memorialize, your financial support will help increase the scholarship amounts that we can award to current and future students of the College. It is important that each of you support the fund or your choice. Please return the Gift Affirmation Form that is attached to the Bulletin with your check or credit card information.

Thank you so much for supporting The College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Gary Thomas, RPh ('68)
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I have truly enjoyed meeting many of our alumni since I became the Director of Development in September and look forward to meeting many more of you as we enter the New Year. The support that we received this year, as well as previous years from our alumni, friends and corporate partners means so much to our students.

This support includes student scholarships that provide critically important financial assistance to many of our students. It has also helped us immensely in purchasing new equipment for teaching and research purposes as well as continuing our important community outreach programs and much more. By being able to provide these important resources, we continue to educate the best and the brightest future pharmacists in the country.

There is no better indicator than the news that in 2012 our students received a 100% pass rate on the NAPLEX exam for the second time since 2008. In the U.S. we were one of only six who can claim this honor. We are very proud of our students and our alumni, friends and corporate partners who with their financial support continue to make the ISU College of Pharmacy one of the very best in the country.

We are Pharmacy, We are ISU!

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* as of November 30, 2012
New faculty member Dong (Danny) Xu, Ph.D., brings an impressive background in computer simulated molecular modeling and computer-aided drug design to Idaho State University Meridian Health Science Center. Dr. Xu received his undergraduate degree in chemistry but always had an interest in computer science. His family encouraged him to continue pursuing chemistry and at the time, San Diego State University had just developed a computational science program. This allowed him to not only continue his work in chemistry, but also pursue his second interest in computer science, resulting in an interdisciplinary approach to molecular and drug design.

Using two types of computer modeling technologies, Dr. Xu is able to screen compounds and simulate how they interact and bind with proteins responsible for ligand-receptor interactions.

The first type of simulation he carries out is called computer-aided drug design, which consists of a computational method called “virtual screening.”

Dr. Xu said that before companies spend millions of dollars designing and testing compounds they hire people like him to run simulated binding on computers. After the screening, predictions are given that specify compounds that are the most potent against disease targets. Once the compounds are identified, other chemists can test these hypotheses in a wet lab.

The second type of simulation Dr. Xu performs is called molecular dynamics simulation in which a detailed protein-ligand system is set up and super computers are used to simulate what’s happening in a physiological environment.

“We want to know how drugs approach the target protein binding site and stay there,” Dr. Xu said. “This shows how drugs interact with disease targets at an atomic level.” According to Dr. Xu, these large, complicated simulations can take several weeks to run on supercomputers.

The unique nature of Dr. Xu’s lab is that he can combine the information from both virtual screening and the molecular dynamics simulation into a “pretty powerful drug discovery pipeline,” he said.

Dr. Xu, who pursued his masters degree and Ph.D at San Diego State University, also completed a three-year postdoctoral fellowship at the National Biomedical Computation Resource, an NIH funded research center, with Professor J. Andrew McCammon, a member of National Academy of Sciences, at the University of California, San Diego.

At UCSD, Dr. Xu’s research interest focused on anti-influenza drug design and he is continuing this line of research at ISU Meridian.
According to Dr. Xu, the first step of the viral life cycle is viral infection when influenza viruses attach themselves to the sugar molecules on the exterior of human cells. Through a cell fusion process, they break inside the cells. Once inside they start to replicate and make more viruses.

Dr. Xu said current flu drugs, such as Tamiflu, target the end of the viral life cycle, inhibiting the release of virus particles from infected cells. However, it makes lots of sense to design new drugs preventing initial viral infection. According to Dr. Xu, his research is specifically geared to identifying the key interactions of the viral proteins and use advanced computational methods to design novel therapeutics to stop the flu viruses from adhering to human cells in the first place.

Dr. Xu moved to Idaho in 2010. Prior to coming to ISU he was an assistant professor at Boise State University. He also currently holds an adjunct appointment at the Boise VA Medical Center.

Dr. Xu also organizes and chairs Computational Chemistry and Biophysics Symposia at the American Chemical Society and American Association for the Advancement of Science national meetings.

In addition, he is also the executive editor for the journal *Interdisciplinary Sciences: Computational Life Sciences* and serves on the editorial advisory boards of multiple computational biology and chemistry journals, including *ISRN Computational Biology, Journal of Proteome Science & Computational Biology, Journal of Molecular Engineering & Systems Biology, Journal of Pharmaceutical Technology & Drug Research, and Dataset Papers in Biology*.

Dr. Xu was born and raised in Tianjin, China where his parents still live.

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**Dr. Rex Lott Installed as President of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists**

ISU College of Pharmacy Professor Dr. Rex Lott was installed as 15th President of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP) in the “gavel-passing ceremony” at CPNP’s Annual Meeting in Tampa, Florida on May 2, 2012. He assumed his official duties as president on July 1. Dr. Lott had previously served for one year as an at-large member of the CPNP Board of Directors before being selected as president-elect in 2010.

CPNP is the professional organization for pharmacists who specialize in the treatment of persons with psychiatric or neurologic disorders. There are approximately 1,100 CPNP members in the United States and Canada. CPNP’s mission is “to promote excellence in pharmacy practice, education and research to optimize treatment outcomes of individuals affected by psychiatric and neurologic disorders.”

Dr. Lott has practiced and taught psychiatric and neurologic pharmacy for over 35 years. Since 1997 he has been a full-time faculty member with Idaho State University with a practice in psychiatric pharmacy at the Boise, Idaho VA Medical Center. His practice focuses on inpatient and outpatient adult psychiatry. He precepts students from Idaho State University and, since 2008, has also taught third and fourth year psychiatry residents from the University of Washington in the Idaho Track Residency Program.

Dr. Lott is also a member of the American Epilepsy Society. He is a member of the Professional Advisory Board and the Board of Directors of the Epilepsy Foundation of Idaho, and he has served as President of that nonprofit organization’s Board of Directors.

He also teaches PGY1 and PGY2 pharmacy residents.

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**(Dr. Dong Xu continued)**
As we have often heard and well understand, the practice of pharmacy continues to evolve with ever-greater emphasis being placed on the ability of pharmacists to contribute meaningfully to the many aspects of patients’ well being as part of an inter-professional healthcare team. Pharmacists are in leadership roles at many levels, they develop and implement quality improvement initiatives, conduct clinical research, and bring a specific knowledge base and skill set to patient care.

To meet these many expectations, the Department of Pharmacy Practice’s 25 full and part-time faculty as well as literally dozens of affiliate faculty members spend countless hours each year in the classroom as well as in many practice areas, preparing students to identify and solve drug-related issues and provide the level of care that will be required of them. To this end, there have been a number of curricular developments that have been implemented in recent years and more still being planned to enhance the clinical focus of the entire program.

Starting in the P1 year, students complete Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experiences (IPPEs) in community and institutional settings. In the classroom, they are given a foundation in both the science and practice of pharmacy. The clinical problem solving skills course in the first year prepares students for the case studies sequence that runs throughout the program and teaches them clinical decision-making and medical record notation techniques. This has been a focus of the Department’s efforts in the past year especially and a great deal of teaching time is spent facilitating small group discussions of cases and helping students begin to apply these principles to patient care.

In this past year, members of the Department in Meridian have also developed an elective course in Residency Preparedness that focuses on giving students the opportunity to become more competitive for residencies through CV development, interviewing skills, the application process, and the chance to work with faculty on research projects very similar to ones they will be required to complete as part of most residency programs. The course was delivered for the first time this year, but we are hopeful that it will be expanded and enhanced to help all those who wish to better compete for residency slots.

While the Department is committed to professional and clinical service, as well as scholarship and teaching, we recognized that our students and the promotion of the pharmacy profession are our future and the major reason why we do what we do. By constantly working with our partners in the community to enhance the educational experience of our students, we believe that we can continue to prepare them to provide the highest level of patient care amid a changing healthcare landscape.
The Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences (BPSCI) continues to move forward placing faculty members in the Skaggs Pharmacy Complex at the Meridian Center. In addition to giving the department a physical presence for instruction, these new faculty members are taking the department in a new direction of research.

The individuals hired so far and another with whom negotiations are in progress all have overlapping expertise in various aspects of computer assisted structural based drug discovery. These faculty members have strong backgrounds in chemistry and medicinal chemistry. BPSCI has the opportunity to hire additional new faculty members over the next two years, and it is our goal to hire strong Ph.D. researchers who also possess a Pharm.D. degree.

BPSCI also is working closely with clinical faculty members to reevaluate its role in the pharmacy curriculum. Course content is being scrutinized to the level of the individual lecture in order to eliminate unnecessary redundancy and provide students with the content most relevant to the generalist practitioner.

The BPSCI graduate program also is undergoing revision by eliminating some courses as required courses and creating a curriculum individually tailored to meet the needs of individual graduate students.

The department is committed to forging stronger bonds with colleagues in the Departments of Chemistry and Biological Sciences and providing graduate students with the option of performing most or all of their research in departments outside the College of Pharmacy. We have observed an increased interest among some pharmacy students to pursue the combined Pharm.D./Ph.D. program, and we are excited to revitalize this option for students.
Faculty Accomplishments

Presentations

Jarmin, M, Sharma, B, Johnson, TE, Downing, C (September 2012). The Role of ADAMTS Metalloproteases in Digit Malformations Following Prenatal Alcohol Exposure. Skaggs Symposium for Biomedical Research, Aurora, CO.


Lott, R. (July 2012). Psychopharmacology 101 and Brain Impact of Psychotropic Medications. Children and Families Institute, Boise, ID.

Talley, TT, Wu, J, Ho, KY, Sankaran, B, Taylor, P (September 2012). Advancements in the Development of Novel Nicotinic Therapeutic Agents. 3rd L.S. Skaggs Biomedical Research Symposium, Aurora, CO.


Talley, TT, Wu, J, Ho, KY, Taylor, P (June 2012). Acetylcholine Binding Protein-Nicotinic Receptor Chimeras for Delineating Structure and Determinants of Ligand Selectivity. 67th Northwest Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society, Boise ID.


Xu, D. (April 2012). Accelerating Biomedical Discovery with Advanced Molecular Simulation. NIHINBRE Research Meeting, Northwest Nazarene University, Boise, ID.


Culbertson, VL (September 2012). Use of Statistical Process Control Charts (SPC) as a Claims Database Surveillance Screening Technique. Skaggs Symposium for Biomedical Research, Aurora, CO.

Poster Presentations

Wright, C, Schafer, K, Carr, G (December 2012). Evaluation of the Frequency of Vitamin B12 Level Assessment in Patients Taking Metformin. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.

Griffith, B, Hoover, R, Cleveland, K (December 2012). Increasing Importance of Gluten-Free Excipients: An Analysis of a Drug Information Center’s Call Data. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.


Zou, Y, Jue, S, Ruan Z (December 2012). Health literacy in First Generation Chinese immigrants in Idaho. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.


Ward, S, Oliophant, C, Madaras-Kelly, K (December 2012). Risk factors for Acquisition of Nosocomial Clostridium Difficile Infection. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.

Caplinger, C, Oliophant C, Vuong, K (December 2012). A Pilot Study Investigating the Role of Student Pharmacists in Pharmacist-Physician Communication in an Adult Inpatient Internal Medicine Setting. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.

Krawtz, K, Vickers, J, Pugmire, B, Holmes, J (December 2012). Comparing Timely Follow-up and Therapeutic INRs Between Different Provider Types: An Analysis of Warfarin-treated Patients in a Family Practice Residency Clinic. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.

Vickers, J, Krawtz, K, Pugmire, B, Holmes, J (December 2012). The Effects of Specifying Date of Follow-up and Timely INR Monitoring on Maintaining Therapeutic Range in Warfarin-treated Patients within a Family Practice Residency Clinic. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.

Steinmetz, B, Hoover, R, Pugmire, B (December 2012). Treatment Options for Idiopathic Recurrent Miscarriage. ASHP Midyear Meeting and Exhibition, Las Vegas, NV.

Talley, TT, Wu, J, Ho, KY, Sankaran, B, Taylor, P (September 2012). Crystallographic Comparison of Nicotinic Ligands in Complex with the Acetylcholine Binding Protein. 3rd L.S. Skaggs Biomedical Research Symposium, Aurora, CO.


Xu, D. et al. (September 2012). Autodock2MMGBSA, A Multi-Level Virtual Screening Rescoring and Refinement Scheme That Combines Consensus Scoring, Simulated Annealing and MM-GBSA Binding Free Energy Methods. 3rd L.S. Skaggs Biomedical Research Symposium, Aurora, CO.

Xu, D. et al. (June 2012). Anti-Bacteria, Anti-Parasite, and Anti-Cancer Drug Design through Large-Scale Computer Aided Virtual Screening. American Chemical Society Northwest Meeting, Boise, ID.

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Remembering Our Lost, But Not Forgotten Fellow Students

In reading the story about Bobby Ray on page 21, it makes one wonder how many other classmates the ISU College of Pharmacy may have lost before they graduated. Sergeant Robert (Bobby) Ray, who gave his life while trying to save another during the Vietnam War, is one example. There are probably many others who were lost serving their country and others still who were lost due to illness, an accident or other unforeseen reasons.

We would like to hear about those individuals. It would be an opportunity for them to be memorialized by fellow alumni, friends or family members through a gift to the Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment fund. But more importantly, it would be an opportunity for us to pay tribute to them in future bulletins and to honor them posthumously. While taken from us early, they remain our colleagues and friends. If you know of any former students who were enrolled in the College of Pharmacy, but were unable to graduate due to their passing, please let us know who they are. We would like as much background information as possible, including personal stories, their expected graduation year, hometown, pictures, etc. As with Bobby Ray, we have some background information but pictures would make their stories come alive. This could become a tradition for us to remember those students who were lost way too soon. If you have knowledge of any of these students please contact me at Phil Yankovich at p.yankovich@pharmacy.isu.edu

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