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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Suzanne Lee

Dear Alumni,

Over the years, the PAA has been able to host many events, educational as well as social, to keep members and non-members abreast of School news and in touch with UW SOP faculty and students. Many of us enjoy these opportunities to catch up with each other, to acquire new experiences, and to meet new people. The PAA would not be able to provide these opportunities without the support of its members, partners, and friends.

On behalf of the PAA, I would like to thank the School and the dean, who has been a valuable part of making these events possible, through support and monetary contributions. I would like to extend our gratitude to the chain stores and private pharmacy managers, who understand the important role the PAA plays in connecting graduates with each other, students, and the pharmacy community. The sponsorship we received from Medco, Walgreens, and Bartell Drug (this year) helps make educational events such as the annual Don B. Katterman Memorial Lecture (*more on page 3.*) possible. Most of all, I would like to express my greatest appreciation

to all the PAA members and all the alumni who support to the School and enable us to continue to graduate the best and the brightest in pharmacy.

On my last trip to Japan to attend the Second International Conference on Pharmacy Education in Tokyo, Dean Sid Nelson and I were pleasantly surprised and touched to be met by local alumni who came to greet us and reminisce about their time at UW SOP. They each expressed their appreciation for the high quality education they received at UW SOP, and in many cases, the support, mentorship and encouragement they received from alumni while students, and how this experience has enabled them to succeed in the profession post graduation.

Whether you are you are down the block or oceans away, you remain an important part of the UW SOP family. I thank you for the role you play, as a PAA member, School donor and/or positive member of your community and provider of quality pharmacy care that makes us proud to call you one of our own.

Suzanne Lee, '01
PAA President

Looking for a New Job?

Don't forget to check the PAA website for job opportunities. Alumni are also welcome to post jobs for free on the site. Please visit <http://depts.washington.edu/rxalumni> to view employment opportunities. Directions on how to post an employment opportunity is at the bottom of the job opportunities webpage.

Dean Nelson Named Outstanding Dean of the Year



(L-R) Class of 2009 Candidate Luis Ramos, Class of 2008 PharmD Candidate and APhA-ASP Foundation Scholarship recipient, Andrea Eberly, '08, APhA-ASP Outstanding Dean of the Year, Sid Nelson, and 2006-2007 UPPOW President, Class of 2008 PharmD Candidate, Madeleine Fry, who accepted the 1st runner-up APhA-ASP Chapter Achievement Award AAA, pose at the awards ceremony in Atlanta.

UW School of Pharmacy Dean Sid Nelson has been named Outstanding Dean of the Year by the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP). Nelson was chosen from a pool of nearly 100 pharmacy deans in the United States to receive the honor.

The award was established in 2004 to recognize a school or college dean who has made significant contributions to the APhA-ASP chapter and promoted, with distinction, the welfare of student pharmacists through various community service, leadership and professional activities. It represents APhA's appreciation for the recipient's leadership, inspiration, and outstanding guidance to APhA, the profession and pharmacy students. Nelson was recognized at the APhA-ASP Awards Ceremony held on March 19 at the APhA Annual Meeting in Atlanta.

"I am extremely honored to have been nominated by our students for this award and for their nomination to be supported by School of Pharmacy faculty, staff, and alumni," Nelson said. "It is all these people together who make the UW School of Pharmacy one of the top programs in the country and it is their support, and enthusiasm, along with that of my loving wife and family, that energizes me and makes me want to get up and go to work each morning."

Nelson is well-respected and admired by his students, faculty, and peers. His leadership has resulted in the UW's first-place ranking in National Institutes of Health funding among pharmacy schools, as well as provided the

support for students to serve in numerous regional and national leadership positions.

"In order for pharmacy students to flourish as leaders, they must have an environment that inspires them to have confidence in themselves, provides the support they need to be successful, and values student involvement," explained Nanci Murphy, associate dean of academic and student programs. "I believe no one accomplishes this better than Dean Nelson."

In its statement announcing the award, the APhA-ASP noted that "Dean Nelson encourages students to become actively involved in shaping the policies, practices and future directions of the pharmacy profession...Dean Nelson shows his support financially, administratively, and socially...He is a dean who knows each student by name."

Nelson is a professor of medicinal chemistry in the School and chair of the UW Health Sciences Board of Deans. He received his bachelor's degree in pharmacy from the UW in 1968 and his doctoral degree in pharmaceutical chemistry from the University of California, San Francisco, in 1974. After three years at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), he returned to the UW as an assistant professor in 1977, and was promoted to professor of medicinal chemistry in 1983. He was a visiting professor at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden from 1985-86. Nelson became dean of the School of Pharmacy in 1995 and chair of the Health Sciences Board of Deans in 2001. He teaches courses in organic medicinal chemistry and clinical chemistry and diagnostics to pharmacy students and lectures to graduate students on drug metabolism.

As a researcher, he is funded by NIH for his research on reactive drug metabolites, structure-toxicity relationships and cytochrome P450 structure-function relationships. He received the John J. Abel Award for research from the American Society of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics in 1981, and was elected a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1986. In 1990, Nelson received the Alumnus of the Year Award from the UW School of Pharmacy, and in 1992 the Sato Memorial International Award from the Pharmaceutical Society of Japan for excellence in research. In 1995 he received the Gibaldi Excellence in Teaching Award from the graduating class of pharmacy students. In 2002 he was listed as an Institute for Scientific Information highly cited research author.

Another Excellent Year for Katterman



Katterman attendees and old friends Malcolm McCallum, '63, Ralph Alexander, '62, John Tambellini, '69, and Bob Hamilton, '63, reminisce about Don Katterman for whom the lecture is named.

Over 90 people attended the 28th Annual Don B. Katterman Memorial Lecture: *Profitability and the Pharmacy Revolution*, sponsored by Bartell Drugs, Walgreens, Medco, the Pharmacy Alumni Association and Continuing Pharmacy Education. Professional speaker and business consultant, Steve LeFever, MBA, brought high energy to the crowd as he laid out a step-by-step process to increase pharmacy profits. Dale Christensen, PhD, RPh, presented an very informative session on MTM. The Katterman Lecture is an excellent venue to catch up important pharmacy issues, earn needed CE credit and as many of our alumni find, a great opportunity to connect with fellow graduates. We hope you join us next year!

FACULTY NEWS

Bill Atkins has received \$77K from NIH to support training of a minority postdoctoral associate and \$37.5K in research support from the UW Provost's Office.

Larry Bauer, Phil Hansten, John Horn and **Jennifer Lill** received the ASHP Drug Therapy Research Award for their work "Cyclosporine-drug interactions and the influence of patient age."

Doug Black was given the University of Washington Distinguished Teaching Award (one of five chosen from UW's 3000 faculty.)

Valerie Daggett has received a \$50,000 Technology Gap Innovation Fund (TGIF) award from the UW's TechTransfer program to support the development of a graphical user interface and functionality for Daggett's previously designed modeling and simulating protein dynamics software.

Beth Devine has been promoted to Research Associate Professor effective 7/1/2007.

Gary Elmer has been awarded the UW Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award for his numerous volunteer efforts to include his work with the Forgotten Children's Fund, Habitat for Humanity, and MLK Day "Make it a Day On, Not a Day Off." Also, Elmer, **Lynne McFarland** and journalist Marc McFarland have authored a guide to specific probiotics that have been shown to be effective in the prevention and treatment of specific diseases titled "The Power of Probiotics: Improving

Your Health with Beneficial Microbes", available at www.amazon.com.

Dana Hammer serves on the ACCP Academy Teaching and Learning Certificate Program Steering Committee and has become a member of a national interprofessional working group developing assessments of professionalism for practitioners and students.

John Horn was recently interviewed by "O" *The Oprah Magazine* for a March 2007 article entitled, "Pill Alerts, Think Twice if You..." on potential drug interactions involving antidepressants (SSRIs) and migraine (triptans) pills. Dr. Horn also served as a resource for "Drug Risks: A Complex Web of Interactions", a graphical representation of several common drug interactions, that accompanied the article "How Two Rights Can Make a Wrong" in *NY Times Week in Review* (March).

Jeannine McCune has been elected to the Pharmacotherapy's editorial board and awarded a contract by PDL BioPharma to evaluate the association of IV busulfan pharmacokinetics with GSTA1 polymorphisms.

Nanci Murphy has been named chair of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Council of Deans/Council of Faculties Joint Task Force on the Healthy Student Program.

Peggy Odegard and **Kam Cappocchia** were invited to author a systematic review on medication taking in diabetes for the journal *The Diabetes Educator* for publication this summer. Dr. Odegard has been invited to present their findings at the American Association of Diabetes

Educators meeting in St Louis in August. Dr. Odegard was also appointed to the American Geriatrics Society Education Committee, which provides guidance for geriatric care training for health care professionals at the national level.

Allan Rettie and **Ed Kelly** have been awarded a 4-year, \$1.3M grant from NIGMS to study bioactivation of furans and aromaticamines in Cyp4b1-knockout mice.

Danny Shen has been elected as 2007 chair-elect, to the Section on Pharmaceutical Sciences of the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences (AAAS). This will be a 3-year term, progressing to chair in 2008 and retired chair in 2009.

Ken Thummel has been named chair of the Xenobiotic and Nutrient Disposition and Action Study Section for the NIH Center for Scientific Review.

The UW School of Pharmacy, in partnership with other UW Health Science schools, has received a two-year \$200,000 RAND/Hartford grant to establish an Interdisciplinary Geriatric Health Care Research Center to develop and study innovative clinical and health services interventions in geriatrics, and build capacity for conducting interdisciplinary research by fostering center identity and sustainability, promoting linkages between schools and departments that will encourage collaboration and training, and mentoring for junior geriatric research faculty. UW was one of only seven institutions in the country to receive such funding.

Geriatric Program News

Training and education in geriatrics continue to be a major focus for the UW School of Pharmacy Geriatrics Program. This year's graduating class is one of the biggest in the program's 20-year history, with 18 students receiving their certificates at graduation. This increases the number of students who have completed this specialized training program to over 200. The certificate program aims to prepare pharmacy students or pharmacists with the necessary knowledge and skill to address the unique and complex

health care needs of older adults. As part of the training, students complete a full-time senior care clerkship at a pharmacy practice site where older adults make up at least 50% of the patient population. Clerkship learning objectives are based on those published by the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists. The Senior Care Clerkships offer students a wide range of learning opportunities at a variety of practice settings to include community pharmacies, clinics, hospitals, long-term care facilities, continuing care

retirement communities, and assisted living facilities. Recently signed on as a Senior Care Clerkship site is the Rainier School, an Intermediate Care Facility for the developmentally disabled certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Clinical Pharmacist Steve Williams will be the location's preceptor.

To learn more about the Geriatric Pharmacy Program, please contact Peggy Odegard at poedgard@u.washington.edu.

Warren Hall Named Distinguished Alumnus of the Year



The University of Washington School of Pharmacy is honored to present the 2006 Distinguished Alumnus Award for Excellence in Pharmacy Practice to Class of 1979 graduate Warren Hall.

Warren began his career at Thrifty Drug and Island Hospital in Anacortes. In 1987, he, with his cousin Ron Hall and fellow pharmacist **Jon Wiley, '85**, purchased Halls Drug Center (a fixture in the retail pharmacy business in Centralia, Wash. since 1959) from Warren's uncle, Phil Hall. In November of 2002, Warren and his wife Ruth Ann became sole owners of Hall Drug Center, Inc. which now boasts two pharmacies, one long-term care pharmacy, one compounding pharmacy and mobility center.

Throughout his career Warren has kept a strong connection to the School. He is a member of the University of Washington President's Club and the School of Pharmacy Dean's Club. He is also one of the founding donors for the Institute of Innovative Pharmacy Practice Program (I2P2) and helps teach in the Pharmacy Ownership and Entrepreneurship class.

Warren has also been very active in the pharmacy community. He is a member of APHA and NCPA and is currently serving as president-elect of the Washington State Pharmacy Association. He has been the recipient of the 2000 Bowl of Hygeia Award, 2002 Innovative Pharmacy Practice Award, 2004 Lewis County Business of the Year, and his business has been voted "Best Pharmacy in Lewis County" for the past 10 years according to the *Centralia-Chehalis Daily Chronicle* annual business poll.

Warren is very active in his local community as well. He is the current President of the Centralia Providence Hospital Foundation Board and a member of the Twin City Rotary Board of Directors, the Southwest Washington Dance Center Board of Directors, and the Lewis County Community Concert Association Board of Directors. He serves as Master of Ceremonies for the Lewis County Red Cross Real Heroes Breakfast, the Providence Hospital Foundation Festival of Trees Gala auction and the Rotary Foundation's annual fundraising auction.

Warren and Ruth Ann have been married for over 25 years. They have three children. Two, Daemon (20) and Bryce (17), are interested in becoming the next general of Hall's pharmacists. The third, Jordyn (14), hopes to become a professional dance instructor.

"I enjoy the challenges and opportunities of balancing a wonderful career, a great family, and community involvement" explains Hall. The University of Washington School of Pharmacy is proud to call Warren one of its own and congratulates him on all he has accomplished.

Above: Distinguished Alumnus award winner Warren Hall. **Below:** Hall celebrates with his family and Dean Nelson. (L-R) Hall's wife, Ruth Ann and his parents, Phyllis and John Hall; Warren Hall, Dean Sid Nelson, and his wife Joan; Hall's sisters, Laura Harvey and Arlene Taylor (not pictured.)



CE Online Video Archive Now Available

Glycemic control, HIV therapy and drug-induced problems in older adults are some of the topics found in the University of Washington Continuing Pharmacy Education's (UWCPE) online video archive. Almost 20 hours of streaming video captured from many of UWCPE's live conferences and pharmacy grand rounds over the past two years is now available to view for free at the UWCPE website.

UWCPE is committed to providing pharmacists and other health care professionals with easily accessible information on current issues and therapies affecting pharmacy practice. Many of the online videos have been repurposed into online courses and provide ACPE accredited CE credit for a nominal charge. Visit the UWCPE website at www.uwcpe.org.

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Student Research Helps Address International Issues In Aging



Rotation provide a great opportunity for students to gain experience to help them in their future career. In many cases, as **Brionne Alvord Carroll, '07**, found out, these experiences can also can be reminders of how each can make a difference in the health of our world.

Last summer Brionne spent two months in Geneva at the Evidence and Information for Policy Department performing research for the

Study on Global Aging and Adult Health (SAGE). One of the areas of great concern to the WHO is increases in dementia due to the growing numbers of older adults and the fact that 2/3 of people with dementia live in developing countries, where there is less access to health care, fewer sound epidemiological studies to guide screening and treatment, and cultural differences on perspectives of dementia. In an effort to better understand and address the needs of dementia sufferers, the WHO has created the SAGE study based on tests that can quickly and accurately access cognition independent of participants' ethnicity and culture.

The study uses household surveys on the well-being of older adults from multiple countries to create a method for compiling accurate, reliable and comparable health data throughout the world. The surveys measure cognitive domains most affected by cognitive impairments, physical function (as it is correlated to progression of dementia), and self-reported health issues. Because the study is done across a variety of cultures it includes measures to determine participant's perspective of their health

and others, to ensure a universal measurement for health states.

This survey which is eventually hoped to be used in more than 60 countries worldwide, was first tested last year in three countries, Ghana, India and Tanzania. Brionne was responsible for conducting background research on how to measure cognition and what impacts the accuracy of this information. She tested the information gathered against the "culture-fair" methods of measuring cognition to determine if the WHO survey could provide a true and comprehensive assessment.

Happily, Brionne discovered that the survey did indeed provide a high level of accurate measurement and she can be proud to know that her research was an integral part of creating a method by which the WHO can understand the true prevalence of cognitive impairment at the worldwide level and begin to address it in the most efficient and effective manner.

UW SOP PhD Research Programs Rank #1

The University of Washington School of Pharmacy medicinal chemistry and pharmaceutical sciences research programs are the best in the nation according to a recent academic ranking. The findings, announced in the January 12 issue of *The Chronicle for Higher Education*, are based on faculty scholarly activities calculated by The Faculty Scholarly Productivity Index.

The Index looked at 104 programs at top ranked institutions from leading State Universities to elite private and ivy-league schools. The UW School of Pharmacy medicinal chemistry and pharmaceutical science programs ranked at the top despite tough competition.

"This is a well-deserved honor," said UW School of Pharmacy Dean, Sid Nelson, "This ranking, the first based on benchmark data, provides a useful metric analysis of the exceptional work of our faculty."

The Faculty Scholarly Productivity Index partly financed by the State University of New York at Stony Brook and produced by Academic Analytics, a for-profit company, rates faculty members' scholarly output at nearly 7,300 doctoral programs around the country. It examines the number of book and journal articles published by each program's faculty, as well as journal citations, awards, honors, and grants received. The Index is being hailed by some in academe for its objective benchmarks, its transparent methodology, and its commitment to regular and predictable reporting. The National Research Council's rankings of doctoral programs, once the most respected in academe, have not been updated since 1995 and have never included pharmacy research programs in its rankings. Other annual graduate program rankings such as *U.S. News & World Report's* have been criticized for years by academics as unscientific popularity contests.

The University of Washington ranked number one in five additional PhD research programs: microbiology, genetics, zoology, business administration, and fisheries science and management.

The University of Washington School of Pharmacy Department of Pharmaceutics has instructional and research programs that emphasize a Physiologically-Based Approach to Drug Delivery and Disposition. This program includes a molecular evaluation of drug delivery, metabolism and transport processes, and the genetic and environmental factors that control enzyme and transporter protein function. The University's Department of Medicinal Chemistry focuses research in the areas of mechanistic drug metabolism, toxicology, bioanalytical chemistry, molecular modeling, biological mass spectrometry and biological NMR. Learn more about the School, our doctoral programs and our faculty at www.pharmacy.washington.edu

2006 ANNUAL REPORT

Highlights

STUDENT AWARDS AND ACTIVITIES

- Students won national awards from APhA, ASHP, NCPA, and AACP and served in regional or national leadership positions for ASHP, Kappa Psi, Phi Lambda Sigma, NCPA and APhA-ASP
- UPPOW was recognized nationally, winning 1st Runner-Up in the APhA-ASP AAA Division Chapter Achievement Award for the second year in a row
- Students organized and participated in numerous educational outreach events throughout the year that raised awareness of the pharmacist's key role in helping patients achieve optimal health outcomes.
- Grad students took first and second place awards at national and international research conferences.

FACULTY

- Doug Black received the coveted UW Distinguished Teaching Award (This annual award is given to only five of UW's 3000 faculty).
- Faculty continue to receive coveted appointments to include national and international academic organization to include National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, AAAS, United States Pharmacopeia, International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology, National Institute of Health and American Geriatrics Society, American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics.
- Dave Veenstra, Lou Garrison, Scott Ramsey and Beth Devine all made the list of authors of the TOP 100 articles downloaded from *Value in Health* since its inception in 1998.
- Joanne Wang was quoted and her work discussed in *Science* (article "Google of the Brain: Atlas Maps Brain's Genetic Activity" on the Paul Allen brain map).
- Annie Lam has been awarded the UW Provost Diversity Grant to conduct an interdisciplinary research project with faculty from Dentistry and Social Work.
- Terri O'Sullivan and Dana Hammer were invited speakers at the ACPE Institute (again), an opportunity which provided great national visibility and recognition for their expertise in experiential education.
- Allan Rettie's Warfarin research was the subject of *Molecular Interventions* central article "The Pharmacogenomics of Warfarin; Closing in on Personalized Medicine."
- John Horn remains an expert resource on Drug interactions for both scholarly publications as well as laymen media to include "O" *Oprah* magazine and the *New York Times*.
- Peggy Odegard and Kam Capoccia will author a systematic review on medication taking in diabetes for *The Diabetes Educator*.
- Larry Bauer, Phil Hansten, John Horn, and Jennifer Lill received the ASHP Drug Therapy Research Award for their work "Cyclosporine-Drug Interactions and the Influence of Patient Age."
- Gary Elmer and Lynne McFarland have co-authored a book entitled "The Power of Probiotics: Improving Your Health with Beneficial Microbes."

GRANTS

- Faculty have continued to receive important research grants and remain #1 in research grant dollars received per faculty out of all 100 Schools and Colleges of Pharmacy nationwide (details in previous *DangScripts*.)

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Led the way in alumni support across the UW campus, yet again, with one out of three alumni giving back to the School.
- Our medicinal chemistry and pharmaceutical sciences research programs are the best in the nation according to study published in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.
- Alumni support enable 100% of the students who applied for financial aid to received scholarship funds.
- Metabolism-based Drug-Interaction Database, directed by Dr. Rene Levy, is recognized as one of the Top Ten Revenue Generating Technologies of the UW.
- New joint Pharmacy Management/Masters in Health Administration (MHA) residency program has been created with UWMC and HMC.

Message from the Dean

I am going to depart from my usual thank you message for all of your support over the past year (which indeed is appreciated and provides for our continued excellence) to relay my acceptance remarks for the APhA-ASP Outstanding Dean Award, which is an award that we can all share in:

Remarks to APhA-ASP assembly, March 19, 2007 in Atlanta, Georgia:

"I am overwhelmed and humbled by being honored as the APhA-ASP Outstanding Dean of the year knowing that there are many other deans who are as worthy of this award as I am, including many of my friends and colleagues in the Pharmacy Dean's Research Group who have taught me so much. I deeply appreciate you students who nominated me and wrote very gracious letters of support. I know that most of you are here tonight, and very much appreciate that. I especially appreciate the presence of my associate dean for student programs, Nanci Murphy, who is the inspirational force behind our students.

After hearing about the award, I thought to myself that I never really wanted to be a dean, and am in fact an "accidental dean" who was a member of a failed search committee some 12 years ago. With a little friendly persuasion from my dear wife, Joan; from students, faculty, staff and alumni, such as the Washington State Pharmacy Association CEO, Rod Shafer; from the then retiring dean, Milo Gibaldi; and from my faculty research mentors, Professor Emeritus Al Huitric and Professor Bill Trager; I found myself in a job that no child growing up ever aspires to. At least I know I didn't. Growing up in the Pacific Northwest I wanted to be a forest ranger, and did not even know what a dean was until I was in college, and am still not exactly sure how to explain what I do to others.

So, what is it that makes me want to get up each day and be a dean of the UW School of Pharmacy?

First, I have been blessed with a loving wife and family who are very supportive, and are there for me when I have a bad day. My wife also is there to kick me out of bed in the morning.

Secondly, what makes me want to get up are the students, both professional PharmD students and PhD graduate students, who together are our schools and colleges most important clientele and product, and who constantly energize me with their excitement as they learn and discover new things, and who are active in their student organizations through which they have garnered many awards for their dedicated work. A special thanks to Maddie, Megan, Elyse, Collin and Jeff from our University, and Chris from Washington State University.

*Thirdly, what makes me want to get up in the morning is that I have been blessed with awesome faculty, staff and alumni who work together to move the profession forward. It was faculty of our School of Pharmacy (e.g., Dale Christensen) and alumni in our state pharmacy association and state board of pharmacy (e.g., Don Williams) in the 1970s who made Washington the first state where pharmacists have prescriptive authority. It was this same coalition with different individuals (e.g., Jackie Gardner and Don Downing) who in the 1990s established the first pharmacist administered flu vaccination programs in the U.S., and more recently, emergency contraception programs. It also is individuals like Hansten and Horn on our faculty who have written one of the major references on clinical drug interactions and how to manage them, and our basic science faculty who were ranked #1 in research productivity this year, in a study highlighted by *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.*

So, with a lovely and loving wife, energizing students, and gifted and hardworking faculty, staff, state pharmacy association, state board of pharmacy, and supportive alumni and other friends of the School, what is there left for me as their leader to do once I am up and out of bed in the morning? After all, they are who make me look good. One of my favorite sayings is that a leader is a dealer in hope, not dope. Therefore, I thoroughly enjoy supporting their ethical projects and activities that bring hope to our society for better health-care. Meanwhile, I must follow them for I am their leader."

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Distinguished Alumnus award winner, Warren Hall (left) talks with Dean's Recognition Reception attendee.



WSPA Scholarship recipients, Class of 2008 Candidate Kati Thornton and Class of 2009 Candidate Roland Lopez (middle right) chat with John Oftebro of Kelley-Ross Pharmacy (middle left) and Jeff Roebon of WSPA.

Dean Sid Nelson and the School of Pharmacy welcomed over 300 donors, PAA members, scholarship recipients and other friends of the School to join he and his wife, Joan, for a beautiful evening at the Edgewater Hotel. This annual event is held in honor of the many individuals and corporations that make student scholarships and other School programs possible. Clinical and associate faculty with milestone years of service are also recognized for the contributions they make to the School through their time and expertise. **Larry Oliver**, a President's Club member (with wife Ellen), was one clinical faculty member in attendance who celebrated his 15th year of service. Sid Nelson was welcomed with a standing ovation for his recent Outstanding Dean award as he took the podium to highlight the many accomplishments of the 2006 and goals of 2007. The evening culminated with the presentation of the 2006 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year, **Warren Hall, '79**, who recognized last year's distinguished alumnus, **Joy Plein, '51, PhD, '57**, as an inspirational force in his career (see article page 5.)



Carolyn Sear, Class of 2008 PharmD Candidate and Bracken Endowed Scholarship recipient and Clinical Faculty, Larry Oliver



(L-R) Nanci Murphy, PhD '97, Bob Tanag, '47, and Joy Plein, '51, PhD '57, enjoy catching up at this year's Dean's Recognition Reception.

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 Jeanette Roffler
 Donald & Mary Roos
 Kevin Ryan '97
 Josephine & Thomas Santisi
 John Schofield '51 &
 Lorna Schofield
 Steven Schold '76 &
 Alison Schold
 Joyce Schroeder '74 &
 George Schroeder
 Richard Seaman
 Anita Shah PharmD '96
 Redmond & Gayle Sharp
 Steven Shaw '75
 Susan Shigaya '78
 Mark Shigihara '82 &
 Gwen Shigihara
 Richard Shine PharmD '98 &
 Christine Shine
 Joan Skidmore '81 &

Scott Skidmore
 Michael Smith &
 Charmel Bowden
 Andrew Smith '94 & Mary Smith
 Daniel Smith '76
 Elizabeth Stillings '84 &
 John Stillings
 Bonnie Stone '51 & Alan Stone
 Kenneth Strachan '56 &
 Corinne Strachan
 Donna Sullivan MS '99 &
 Mark Marshall
 Claudia Swenson '80 &
 John Swenson
 Anthony Taddei PharmD '01
 George Talbot '51 & Joan Talbot
 John Tambellini '69 &
 Sharon Tambellini
 Taiji & Kathryn Tamura
 Lynda Tanagi PharmD '86
 Emiko Taniguchi
 Judi Tawney '62 &

Clifford Tawney
 Robert Tendler '87
 Thomas Tennant '43
 Einar Tjolsen '82 &
 Martha Tjolsen
 Marilyn & Howard Toda
 Elaine Treadwell '74 &
 Fred Treadwell
 L. Diane Truemper '76 &
 William Truemper
 Peter Tsai MS '77 &
 Joyce Tsai '78
 Gordon Tweit '52
 Anthony Uppenberg-Liedtke '84
 & Ann Uppenberg-Liedtke
 Carolyn Uyeda '90 & Jay Uyeda
 Arie Wingerden '73 &
 Agnes Wingerden
 Elisa Vila '86 & Mark Brady
 Carol Vogan
 Jeffrey Vogan '80 &
 Carol Vogan

Sombo Vorng '91
 Elizabeth Warren '87 &
 Ian Warren
 Kenneth Warter '72 &
 Karen Warter
 Charles Wassberg PhD '59
 & Leslie Houser
 Gregg Watkins '85 &
 Kim Watkins
 Richard Weber '65 &
 Janice Weber
 James Weinert '84 &
 Kara Weinert
 Jacque & Steven Weiss
 David Weller '69 &
 Winifred Weller
 Phyllis Wene '72 &
 Coolidge Wene
 Paul Werner '62 &
 Lenore Werner '60
 Carolyn Wexler '77 &
 Eldon Wexler

Wally Wheatman '69 &
 Leanne Wheatman
 Ann Wilbour '71 &
 Craig Wilbour
 Hollie Williams '93 &
 Sean Williams
 Richard Williamson '60
 Robert Wilson '71 &
 Elizabeth Wilson '73
 Shea Wilson '88 &
 Leslie Wilson
 Stanley Winters '82
 Daniel Witt PharmD '92
 James Woo '72
 Sharon PharmD '00 &
 Daniel Woodward
 Ronald Wright '65 &
 Nancy Byas
 Andrew Yafuso PharmD '04
 Herbert Yellin
 Christopher Zeh '95
 Susan Zwiers

Kappa Psi Holds Annual Food Drive



Kappa Psi members (pictured above) participated in the organization's annual food drive this fall for Northwest Harvest, a hunger relief agency that distributes food to those in need and over 300 food banks and meal programs within the State of Washington. This year, over 600 pounds of food were donated between the classes of 2008, 2009, and 2010. The classes hold a competition for who can donate the most food. The Class of 2008 won again this year, for the third year in a row. In addition to donating food to Northwest Harvest, members of Kappa Psi also helped sort food at the organization's distribution center. Kappa Psi members enjoy participating in this event because it benefits a diverse and local community and fosters the mission of the group which is to "promote the field of pharmacy through brotherhood and community service."

Students Address Global Health Issues

The UW School of Pharmacy and its students recognize the need for global health initiatives and continue to work to bridge the gap of understanding. UW PharmD student, **Michelle Akcar, '09**, was among those instrumental in organizing the session "Opportunities and Challenges for Pharmacy Global Health" at the annual Western Regional Health Conference held earlier this year in Seattle.

This session addressed the fact that medicines and pharmacy services play a vital role in the management and prevention of infectious diseases of global importance, such as HIV/AIDS and malaria. Resource-limited countries face a number of challenges in the access to, and in the appropriate use of, life-saving medications. These challenges include the use of newer drugs with limited global experience, overburdened health care systems, and often times poor drug control and significant resource constraints.

PORPP graduate students, **Catherine Waweru** and **Joseph Babigumira**, key speakers at the pharmacy session, used this opportunity to discuss solutions for the rational use of medications in resource-constrained countries and to share with their peers the pharmaceutical issues they see in Kenya, Ethiopia and Uganda. Andy Stergachis and WSU faculty Colleen Terriff helped facilitate the session.

The Conference drew a crowd of over 1,000 and highlighted an array of global health issues. The pharmacy session was attended by over 40 individuals, including the chair of the new UW Department of Global Health, King Holmes.

STUDENT NEWS

Beta Omicron won both chapter awards for "best presentation" and "most attendees" (16 people) at the Kappa Psi Province X Regional Assembly in Vancouver B.C.

Jackie Diercks, '07, is the recipient of the APhA Poster Presentation Merit Award.

Andrea Eberly, '08, has been chosen as an APhA-ASP Foundation Scholarship recipient and selected as vice-chair of the APhA-ASP Policy Committee

Elaine Huang, '09, was selected as vice-chair of the national ASHP Student Executive Forum Committee. Huang was also selected for an ASHP Student Leadership Award.

Nicole Miller, '07, received the national Respect, Excellence, and Service in Pharmacy (RESPy) Award for her voluntary public service activities, extensive extracurricular professional/public health-related activities and ongoing efforts to advance the profession of pharmacy.

Luis Ramos, '09, **Michelle Akcar, '09**, and **Jackie Diercks, '07**, have had their abstracts accepted for presentation at the AACP annual meeting to be held in Orlando this July.

Emily Schulze, '09, has been selected to be a member of the NCPA Pharmacy Student Entrepreneur Council for the next two years. She will serve on regional council (SRC) this year and the national leadership council (SLC) next year.

Petey Sonnett, '09, and **Alex McDonald, '09**, have led and encouraged the involvement of many students in numerous educational outreach events.

Diana Spencer, '09, **Rachel Paul, '10**, and **Bao-Linh Nguyen, '10**, have been elected as Kappa Psi Province X Regional Officers (secretary/treasurer, chaplain, and grand council delegate, respectively).

10 Faculty Funded Endowments for Students Have Been Created

The School of Pharmacy is proud to announce the overwhelming support of our faculty for our students and the longevity of our programs. In May 2005, the UW launched, The Faculty-Staff-Retiree Campaign for Students, to better enable faculty, staff and retirees to make a tangible difference for graduate, professional and undergraduate students with sustained and reliable funding via endowments.

These endowments, created with a minimum contribution of \$5000, are matched 1:1 by the University up to \$10,000 per donor and payable over a five-year period. Since this date, ten endowments have been established by School of Pharmacy faculty, half of them over the past six months. As a small school, ten endowments represent an impressive 22% participation from our faculty, possibly one of the highest rates per faculty across the University.

"It says a great deal about our faculty and staff that they are willing to commit so generously to support the

School and its students" said Dean Sid Nelson.

Endowments have been created specifically for student support, as well as for program support from which these students benefit. **Nanci Murphy, PhD '97, Joy Plein, '51, PhD '57, and, Karan Dawson, '70,** each created endowments to support the new Center for Leadership and Professional Excellence. "[The Center and its associated endowed funds] provides a mechanism for students to develop, implement and assess their projects and facilitate their leadership at the local, state, and national level," explained Dr. Murphy. "We are very proud of our students' wonderful achievements and want to continue their professional and community involvement with Center resources and funding"

"Nanci and Karan are innovative teachers and great role models for pharmacy leadership and professional excellence," said Joy Plein. "I

wanted to honor them and to facilitate their support of students through the School's Center for Leadership & Professional Excellence." Dr. Plein intentionally created her fund in order to encourage others, specifically students, to help support the Center.

Dr. Rene Levy, the most recent of our endowment creators, explains his motivation: "The [pharmaceuticals] department is our own. We belong to it and it to us. Strengthening and perpetuating our ability to train graduate students (our primary goal), now and in the future, is an important part of our department role."

Dr. Levy believes the current level of contribution "speaks highly for the School" and he hopes that his endowment, and those of others, will "lead to a positive cascade of support from even more faculty."

To learn more about making an endowed gift to the School please contact Claire Forster, development director, at clbrown@u.washington.edu or 206-616-3217.

The UW School of Pharmacy Thanks the Following Faculty and Staff

Ryan Hansen created the *Adam Christopher Hansen Endowed Scholarship* to provide financial support for entering PharmD students.

Bill Trager and his wife Caryl created the *Bill & Caryl Trager Medicinal Chemistry Endowed Travel Award* to provide financial support to graduate students in the department of medicinal chemistry for travel to career enhancing conferences.

Joy Plein created the *Murphy and Dawson Endowed Fund*. In honor of the work and leadership of Drs. Murphy & Dawson, this endowment will support students in the School of Pharmacy's Center for Pharmacy Leadership & Professional Excellence.

Rodney Ho created the *Rodney J. Y. Ho Endowed Student Fund* to provide financial support for graduate and professional students who are pursuing biomedical and biopharmaceutical research.

Danny Shen created the *Danny Shen Endowed Graduate Award* to help support graduate students in the department of pharmaceuticals, who are in pursuit of their thesis research, and to encourage students to pursue training and research opportunities in the area of pharmacokinetics.

Annie Lam created the *Lam Endowed Fund for Professional Advancement* to support the graduate students who enter the community and ambulatory residency training program.

Nanci Murphy created the *Center for Pharmacy Leadership & Professional Excellence Endowed Fund* as a tribute to the pharmacy students at the University of Washington. Distributions from this endowment are used to benefit students by funding the School of Pharmacy's Center for Leadership and Professional Excellence.

Karan Dawson created the *Dawson Encouragement Endowed Fund* to benefit students in the School of Pharmacy's Center for Leadership and Professional Excellence.

Rene Levy created the *Levy Endowed Graduate Fellowship* to provide general support to graduate students in the department of pharmaceuticals who are in pursuit of their thesis research, and to especially encourage students to pursue training and research opportunities in the area of pharmacokinetics.

Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research and Policy Program (PORPP) Endowed Prize in Health Policy and Economics was created by an anonymous faculty member to provide financial assistance to inspire graduate students in the Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research and Policy Program (PORPP) to study and excel in the field of health policy and economics.

CLASS NOTES

Nancy Horst, '62, is still working part-time at Providence Everett Medical Center. Last August she was awarded the Distinguished Service Citation by Lambda Kappa Sigma Professional Fraternity for over 40 years of service to the organization, including 16 years on the Grand Council (Board of Directors) and was elected vice-president by the Chi Alumni Chapter of LKS in December.

Peter Caldwell, '67, received the California Pharmacy Association 2007 Bowl of Hygeia Award. Peter is owner and operator of LM Caldwell Pharmacist (previously owned by his father) in Santa Barbara, Calif. He is very active in his community, participating in High School career days, serving as a mentor to UCSB pre-pharmacy students, and lecturing at

Santa Barbara City College. He is also involved with local Muscular Dystrophy organization and lecturer for the Better Breather group of the American Lung Association. Peter is often sought after by his local news agencies as an expert for pharmacy matters and is well respected for his interest in the overall health of his community.

Jack Stafford, '67, retired on March 30, 2007.

Robert Kalal, '72, has been pharmacy manager for the Safeway in Longview, Wash. since 1987. He married Linda Gale Gilkerson in 1971. They have two sons, Casey Ryan (31) who received a BS in electrical engineering from UW in 1999, and Nathan Robert, (28) who received his BA from UW in 2002. Nathan will earn his PharmD this year from WSU.

Kelly (Schmitz) McLean, '99, currently resides in Kirkland, Wash. with her husband Glenn and two girls, Madeline (4) and Ella (5 mos.). She enjoys working as a pharmacist investigator for WSPA, which she has been doing for the past three years.

Todd Lee PhD, '01, a former graduate of the PORPP PhD program has been awarded the prestigious Bernie J. O'Brien New Investigator Award from the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research.

Jane Jacobson, '02, and her husband Marcus have a new baby boy, Caleb Michael, born on Oct. 26, 2006.

Students Enjoy Connecting with Alumni During Thank-a-thon 2007



Class of 2010 PharmD Candidate Dan Wendt has success reaching a scholarship supporter.

Over 100 UW School of Pharmacy students volunteered in January to call alumni donors and PAA members, as part of our annual Thank-a-thon. The Thank-a-thon is our way to thank you for the support you provide through your donations, membership and time. In addition to enabling the School to show its appreciation, Thank-a-thon provides an opportunity for current students, many of them scholarship recipients, and alumni to connect and update each other on what is happening at the School, life out in the world of pharmacy and to gain insight from this exchange. We hope you enjoyed your conversation with our students and if we didn't catch you at home this time, we hope to next year.



Class of 2010 PharmD Candidates Elizabeth Hetrick and Mary Henselen join forces at Thank-a-thon 2007.



Class of 2008 PharmD Candidate Brian Seiki, Class of 2010 PharmD Candidates Kate Hammer, Francine Lai, Ellen Smith and Janelle Wilde, Class of 2009 PharmD Candidate Alex McDonald all help thank alumni for their support during the January Thank-a-thon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 24-27

Border-2-Border Relay for Cancer

Get your pharmacy on the map. B2B participants would love to stop in and visit alumni pharmacies en route. Contact Elyse Tung at eltung@u.washington.edu for more information.

June 7-10

Northwest Pharmacy Convention (formerly Tri-State)

Don't miss this year's PAA annual meeting and alumni reception on Saturday June 9. For more information on this Coeur d'Alene Resort event visit www.wsparx.org.

June 8

Pharmacy Graduate Recognition Ceremony

Friday, June 8 at 4:00 pm in Meany Hall. Contact Academic and Student programs at 206-543-6100 for more information.

July 27

Dean's Club Night Out with the Mariners

Dean's Club members are invited to watch the Mariners take on the Oakland A's Friday night. Contact Amy Dickau at 206-221-2465 or adickau@u.washington.edu for more information.

October 27

Homecoming

Join us on Saturday Oct. 27 as we catch up with old friends, meet new colleagues and cheer on the Huskies! Email rxalumni@u.washington.edu if you are interested in volunteering at this years event.

TBD

Reunions

Did you graduate in 2002, 1997, 1992, 1987, 1982, 1977, 1972, 1967, 1962 or 1957? Please contact the PAA office at 206-543-2485 if you are interested in helping to plan your class reunion!

MEMORIAM

Louis Rubin, '36, died peacefully at his Bellevue home at the age of 92 on Jan. 20 of cancer. Lou graduated from Garfield High School before entering the UW SOP. He had many roles in his long career in the pharmacy business. After retirement he continued to be active and taught at North Seattle Community College. He was an avid golfer, tennis player (which he continued into his eighties), boater, painter and wood-carver. Lou was a long-time active member of Temple de Hirsch Sinai and very active with his extended family. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Ruth; sons, Mark and Paul, four grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Warrenetta (Punkie) Frederick, '39, died Sept. 15 at the age of 89. She was born and raised in Seattle where she met and married her husband of 66 years, Vic Frederick. Punkie worked as a pharmacist in the years before and after raising her six children. Her last job was with the V.A. Hospital in Spokane, from which both and her husband retired. She was an avid Lawrence Welk fan and an active swimmer, hiker and golfer. She and Vic were the first and last at Spokane golf courses each year, stopping play when they could no longer find their golf balls in the snow. Punkie is survived by her husband, their five children, ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She is preceded in death by one son and one grandson.

Gerald Poplack, '39, passed way on July 24 in Portland, OR of cancer. He was a member of Sigma Xi and practiced pharmacy for several years. Gerry loved his profession. His is survived by his wife of 65 years, Lois.

Charles S. Petty, '41, passed away on Jan. 9 in Texas at the age of 86. Charles was born in Montana, but graduated from high school in Bellingham, Wash. He graduated magna cum laude in 1941 from UW

SOP and then served in WW II as a Navy gunnery officer. He returned to the UW to get a master's in physiology in 1946. He received his MD from Harvard in 1950. For the next 19 years he worked as a pathologist in Maryland and served as a consultant, professor and director of the Red Cross Blood Program. Dr. Petty became Dallas County's first medical examiner in 1969 and was a pioneer in uniting the medical and criminal investigative functions of the examiner's office. He responsibilities included serving on the forensic pathology panel that reviewed the autopsy results of President John F. Kennedy in 1978. After retiring in 1991, Dr. Petty served as medical director of UT Southwestern's Transplant Services Center. He was also a professor of forensic science and pathology at UT Southwestern from 1969 until 2005. Dr. Petty is survived by his wife Lois, two sons, Daniel (Vancouver, Wash.) and Charles S. Petty II (Texas); two daughters, Carol Catlin (Texas) and Heather Lehman (Texas) and five grandchildren.

Beverly S. Preston, '47, died on Nov. 20, at the age of 81 in Baltimore, MD following a long illness. She was a collegiate and charter member of the alumni chapter of Lambda Kappa Sigma. After graduation she became a first lieutenant in the Air Force and served in Texas where she met her husband of 54 years, John T. Preston III. The couple moved to Maryland where Beverly worked as a pharmacist and volunteered with the Maryland statewide Drug and Alcohol Prevention programs She served as director of the Maryland Alliance for Drug Free Youth, was a founding member of the Maryland Association of Prevention Professionals and Associates, and editor of a prevention newsletter that is distributed throughout the Maryland. Beverly received several awards for her work including the Anne Arundel County Executive's Drug Fighter Award, the Anne Arundel County Police Com-

munity Relations Council Exceptional Service Award, the Maryland State Drug Abuse Administration's Distinguished Service Award, A.A. Co. Executive's Most Outstanding Volunteer Award, and the Governor's Citation of Maryland's Most Beautiful People Volunteer Efforts on Behalf of Children. She is survived by her husband, sons John T. Preston IV (Iowa), Colin (Maryland) and daughter Karen Chess (Maryland).

Paul Brittain, '58, died Jan. 15 in Cashmere, Wash. at the age of 67 from chronic myelomonocytic leukemia. Paul was born in Port Townsend, attended Everett High School and served in the Air National Guard while at UW SOP. He served in the Air Force from 1961-63. He and his wife of 35 years, Marion Snell, made their home in the Central Kitsap where Paul owned Silverdale's Brittain's Village Pharmacy (1979-89) and later worked for Group Health pharmacy. The couple moved to Leavenworth in 2000 where Paul worked as a pharmacist until retiring in 2006. Paul was active in the Silverdale's Chamber of Commerce and was the recipient of numerous Chamber awards including the Paul Linder award (1995), President's award (1993), and served on the chamber's board of directors for four years and as its president in 1979. Paul was instrumental in establishing the Clear Creek Task Force in Kitsap County, a restoration project that built five miles of trails through Kitsap's most active commercial district. An award was established in his name to recognize individual and company volunteers involved with the project. He is survived by his wife, children Paul (Spanaway), LeAnn Boardman (Port Orchard), Dean (Tacoma) and Steven (Virginia) and four grandchildren.

Shannon Stewart Retires



Shannon Stewart wearing her "retirement hat" and posing with Dora the chicken.

Shannon Stewart has been a much loved figure in the UW School of Pharmacy for over 20 years. As alumni of the School of Pharmacy, many of you have met her in her most recent role as assistant to the dean. Shannon, however, spent most of her years at the School in the Department of Medicinal Chemistry where she worked closely with Wendell Nelson on the *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* before moving to the Dean's office in 2002. Shannon, who was married to medicinal chemistry chair and professor Allen Rettie last summer, retired this April to live out her dream of creating a friendly farm on the couple's Whidbey Island homestead. Starting first with six chickens (provided by the School as a parting gift), Shannon plans to work her way up to a whole barnyard of furry, feathered and/or hooved friends. The School would like to extend its gratitude to Shannon for her many years of service, her sweet nature and friendly manner, and wish her all the best in her new retirement adventure. She will be greatly missed.

Note: Sid's new assistant, Flip Wood, can be reached at 206-543-5050 or by email at flipwood@u.washington.edu

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