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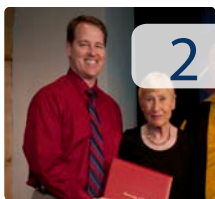
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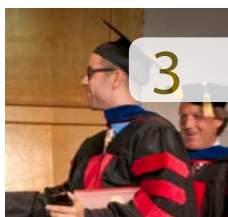
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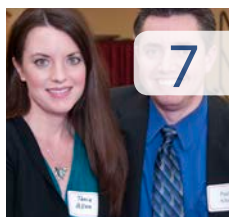
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President's MESSAGE

Fellow Alumni, I am very honored to have been asked to represent you as the Alumni President this past year. I can't believe it has almost been a year already. It has been a lot of fun and a true learning experience for me. I have gained a much greater appreciation for the College of Pharmacy and the support and impact the Alumni Association can have on its members. We truly have a great group of alumni on the board that want to support the college and all of you.

I would like to take a moment and thank Dean Chris Ireland for the outstanding support and strong leadership he has given to the College of Pharmacy these past few years. He has made a tremendous impact on the college and the profession of pharmacy. We are very grateful for his ardent support of the Alumni Association. He was very good at trying to bring everyone back and keeping us involved. He truly has valued the impact the alumni can have on an institution. We will miss his leadership but are very grateful to continue to have him in the college

teaching and supporting our students.

And last, but not at all least, I want to thank Marion Lennberg for her many years of service to the College of Pharmacy. She has been the one who truly helped most of us make it through the program. She has an uncanny ability to remember everyone's name and face and just make you feel at home. We loved seeing her at this year's Golf Tournament and want her to know she is always welcome at any of the Alumni events. Thanks again Marion and enjoy retirement.

This truly has been an eventful year within our small community of the University of Utah Pharmacy. Thank you all for all you have done to contribute. There is much more still to come, so please be involved and join your colleagues at our upcoming events.

Richard Cox



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2014 CONVOCAATION

The University of Utah College of Pharmacy graduation ceremonies for the class of 2014 were held on May 2, 2014. These are the list of degrees awarded at Graduation:

Masters, Pharm.D. and Ph.D. Graduating Students 2014

- Margaret Ahern
- Ndidi Alino, PhD
- Paul Allen
- Jebadiah Blackham
- Laila Brewster
- Emily Buxton
- Christopher Cardoza
- Christopher Carlson
- Yizhe Chen, PhD
- Manuel Cordova
- Tyler Cowart
- Kate Doan
- Dave Dobis
- Adrienne Duarte
- Stelios Florinas, PhD
- Priyanka Garg, PhD
- Erin Gellis
- Shayley Godfrey
- Angela Green
- Joel Grussendorf
- Tracy Gygi
- Richard Haftmann
- Angela Hardcastle
- Erik Harrington
- Robert Hellinga
- Paul Hinckley
- Gary Huynh
- Zachary Judkins
- Thomas Kakule, PhD
- Stephanie Khong
- Joshua Koontz
- Alexis Kuhn
- John Kunzler
- Kaitlin Kuo, PhD
- Sun Hyung Kwon, PhD
- Robert Lane
- Jill LeCheminant
- Brooke LeMaster
- Kelsey Heslington Maxim
- Terrill Melville
- Janice Muehle
- Tufan Nasir
- Brayden Netelbeek
- Jonathan Newbold
- Lacie Newland
- Abood Okal, PhD
- Hali O'Malley
- Cody Olsen
- Meghana Pandit, PhD
- Zheng-Hong Peng, PhD
- Brittani Petersen
- Renee Petty
- Kelsey Richards
- Sierra Schvaneveldt
- Eleni Shenk
- F. Adam Smart
- Michael Smith
- Brian Spence
- Emily Theisen, PhD
- Megan Thorson, PhD
- Ma Diarey Tianero, PhD
- Emmeline Tran
- Joanne Tran
- Kyle Turner
- Scott Turpin
- Nickolas Vamianakis
- Eve Van Wagoner
- Bradley Winter
- Angela Wolsey
- Raymond Wong
- Yan Zhou, PhD



Honorary Alumna Award

The University of Utah College of Pharmacy Alumni Association Proudly presents the 2014 Honorary Alumna Award to ***Eveline Bruenger***. In appreciation for her many contributions to the education of pharmacy students.





Eveline Bruenger receiving the 2014 Honorary Alumna Award at convocation which was held on May 2, 2014

AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE 62ND ANNUAL GRADUATION BANQUET

College of Pharmacy Honors and Awards

Alumni Association Outstanding Senior Award
Angela Green

APhA-ASP Senior Recognition Award
Paul Hinckley

Dean's Award
Emmeline Tran

Distinguished Leadership Award
Paul Hinckley

Distinguished Professionalism Award
Eve Van Wagoner

Distinguished Service Award
Emmeline Tran

Facts & Comparison Award for Excellence in Clinical
Communication
Gary Huynh

Lilly Achievement Award
Emmeline Tran

Mylan Pharmaceuticals Excellence in Pharmacy Award
Brooke LeMaster

Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database
Recognition Award
Emmeline Tran

Natural Standard Research Collaboration Award
Kyle Turner

Outstanding Senior Seminar Awards
*Stephanie Khong, Erin Gellis, Eve Van Wagoner,
Brad Winter and Kyle Turner*

Service Learning Scholars
Kyle Turner, Lacie Newland and Emmeline Tran

TEVA Pharmaceuticals Outstanding Student Award
Michael David Smith

USPHS Excellence in Public Health Award
Kyle Turner

USHP Student Service Award
Nickolas Vamianakis

Advanced Preceptor of the Year
Gary Oderda

Core Preceptor of the Year
Wesley Crouch

First Professional Year Teacher of the Year
David Young

Second Professional Year Teacher of the Year
Jim Ruble

Third Professional Year Teacher of the Year
Laura Shane-McWhorter

Fourth Professional Year Teacher of the Year
Jim Ruble

College of Pharmacy Teacher of the Year
Jim Ruble

GRADUATION BANQUET PICTURES



University of Utah Graduates who will complete Residency/Fellowship training this Fall:

<i>Graduate</i>	<i>Residency Site</i>
Robert Hellinga	Baptist Health Pediatric Residency- Jacksonville, FL
Manuel Cordova	Walgreens Infusion Specialty- Dallas, TX
Angela Green	University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics
Joel Grussendorf	VA Hospital- Pocatello, ID
Richard Haftmann	University of Arizona Medical Center
Eric Harrington	Providence, OR
Josh Koontz	VA Hospital- Dallas, TX
Alexis Kuhn	Mayo Pediatric- Rochester, MN
Robert Lane	PeaceHealth- Bellingham, WA
Brooke Lemaster	PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center- Vancouver, WA
Lacie Newland	University of Arizona Medical Center
Cody Olsen	Select Health, UT
Eleni Shenk	PGY-1 OHSU
Brian Spence	VA- Dallas, TX
Emmeline Tran	Medical University of South Carolina PGY1 Program
Kyle Turner	University of Minnesota 2 year academic leadership
Eve Van Wagoner	PGY1 Community Residency, UT
Brad Winter	Good Samaritan- Corvallis, OR
Angela Wolsey	Primary Children's Hospital- UT



PHARMD CLASS OF 2014

Front Row (left to right): Richard Haftmann, Emmeline Tran, Scott Turpin, Tracy Gygi, Kate Doan, Erin Gellis, Joanne Tran, Stephanie Khong, John Kunzler, Manuel Cordova, Bradly Winter, Angela Green, Shayley Godfrey, Dean Ireland

Second Row (left to right): Tufan Nasir, Erik Harrington, Gary Huynh, Angela Hardcastle, Christopher Cardoza, Janice Muehle, Robert Lane, Jonathan Newbold, Lacie Newland, Eve Van Wagoner, Sierra Schvaneveldt, Adrienne Duarte, Kelsey Maxim

Third Row (left to right): Mike Smith, Cody Olsen, Brian Spence, Renee Petty, F. Adam Smart, Brayden Netelbeek, Eleni Shenk, Margaret Ahern, Angela Wolsey, Kelsey Richards, Emily Buxton, Paul Allen, Robert Hellinga, Joshua Koontz

Fourth Row (left to right): Dave Dobis, Brooke LeMaster, Nickolas Vamianakis, Joel Grussendorf, Jebadiah Blackham, Terrill Melville, Paul Hinckley, Hali O'Malley, Brittani Petersen, Alexis Kuhn, Kyle Turner, Christopher Carlson

Not Pictured: Laila Brewster, Tyler Cowart, Zachary Judkins, Raymond Wong

2014 Alumni Golf Tournament



The 2014 Alumni Association Golf Tournament was held on Tuesday, June 10 at The Ridge Golf Course in West Valley. Thirty-six players making up nine groups enjoyed a beautiful day of breakfast, golfing, and an awards lunch where tournament awards and raffle prizes were presented.

The day began at 7:30 am with a continental breakfast as players registered and purchased their mulligans. Tee off was at 8 am. A lunch of BBQ ribs, pulled pork sandwiches, salad, and dessert were waiting for the players after they shot their last holes.

First place trophies were presented

to Kevin Walkenhurst, Dave Torgerson, Chris Torgerson, and Chaz Washington with a score of 54. Second place went to Dave Bardsley, Glenn Prestwich, Mark Munger, and Shawna Webster with a score of 55. The Long Drive competition was won by Greg Muir and the Closest to the Pin was claimed by Nathan Wilson. About 15 raffle prizes were given out ranging from a Top Flight Golf Bag, a pitching wedge, restaurant gift cards, free rounds of golf, and pro shop gift certificates.

All had a great time, but we are always looking for ways to improve for next year. As this is a fundraiser for the Alumni Association, sponsors are also needed to make this event possible.

We would like to thank Kmart, Marion Lennberg, Smiths, Glenn Prestwich, Everest Collision, Harmons, and the Dean's Office for their generous contributions! Thank you to all who came out and played.

We appreciate your support and hope to get even more next year!



Legacy Scholarship Recipients

The Pharmacy Legacy Scholarship began with the entering class of 2012. It is awarded to a student whose parent or grandparent graduated from the College of Pharmacy. This year we have three students who received this award:



Austin Ulrich

Austin's grandfather, Fred Edward Ulrich, graduated with a Bachelor's Degree of Pharmacy in 1952.

Legacy Scholarship



Nicole's father, Greg Jensen, is a 1997 graduate of the College.

Nicole Jensen



Trevor's mother, Becky Hansen Gardner, is a 1976 graduate of the College.

Trevor Gardner



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UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 18, 2014

**ALUMNI, FACULTY/STAFF, STUDENT SOFTBALL GAME
SUNNYSIDE CHAPEL FIELD (1851 SUNNYSIDE AVE)
6:30 PM**

SEPTEMBER 25, 2014

**ALUMNI BANQUET
PHARMACY ATRIUM 6:30 PM
RSVP YOU AND A GUEST TO DANIELLE
DANIELLE.KEDDINGTON@PHARM.UTAH.EDU 801-581-7503**

OCTOBER 3, 2014

**LOS ANGELES ALUMNI SOCIAL
WATSON DRUG AND SODA FOUNTAIN
6:30 PM
RSVP YOU AND A GUEST TO RYAN
RYAN.BOYACK@UTAH.EDU 801-581-8704**

DECEMBER 8, 2014

**UTAH RECEPTION ASHP MIDYEAR MEETING
ANAHEIM CONVENTION CAMPUS**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT DANIELLE KEDDINGTON AT
DANIELLE.KEDDINGTON@PHARM.UTAH.EDU OR 801-581-7503

PLAY BALL

SAVE THE DATE!

**ANNUAL ALUMNI, FACULTY/STAFF & STUDENT
SOFTBALL GAME**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH – 6:30 pm

1851 Sunnyside Ave (LDS Chapel Field)

Parking at the Chapel

BRING YOUR GLOVE & YOUR FAMILY

Hot dogs/chips/drinks provided for all



Questions: Contact Danielle – danielle.keddington@pharm.utah.edu or 801-581-7503

IN MEMORIAM

Gary Yost

Gary S. Yost passed away on June 23, 2014. Professor Gary Yost joined the faculty of the College in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology in 1987. Throughout his career Gary maintained an active research group and was a mentor to many generations of students, postdocs and visiting scholars. Gary was always an avid support of the College and ardent Ute fan. He will truly be missed.

Don Franz

Don Franz passed away unexpectedly on July 3rd at the age of 81. Don was a faculty member in the Dept. of Pharmacology and Toxicology at the U for more than 35 years, retiring in 2003. He was a thoughtful mentor to young faculty, as well to the PharmD and graduate students in the program. It was clear, even after his retirement, that his heart was with the Department and the discipline in general. Of course, we all knew Don as the avid skier he was, and he combined his love for both science and skiing by being a regular at numerous Winter Conference on Brain Research Meetings, even after his retirement. His passion for neuropharmacology and the Department will be fondly remembered.

Richard Stimson

Richard Stimson passed away on July 15, 2014, a dear friend of John and Karen Mauger. Mr. Stimson was a local business man and WWII vet who volunteered his time at the U of U hospitals and Health Science Center, where he served weekly for more than 20 years. As a result of his selfless service, Mr. Stimson received the U.S. President's Volunteer Service Award in 2002, and his portrait hangs in University Hospital in recognition of his service and generosity. Helping others was what was foremost for Mr. Stimson in his life. While many of us did not personally know Mr. Stimson, his commitment to the Health Sciences Center was deep, and he served on the Health Sciences Council. We are appreciative to Mr. Stimson for his gift of a Stimson Presidential Endowed Chair for the College of Pharmacy.

Message from the Interim Dean

Dear Alumni,

I'd like to take this moment to say "Hello" and introduce myself to you this fall. As some of you no doubt know, I have been in the College of Pharmacy for a long time, having moved here from Washington, D.C. to start my first faculty position in the Dept. of Pharmacology and Toxicology 19 years ago. Time flies when you're having fun, and I cannot believe it has been that long! The College has been extremely good to me, nurturing me through my career and its development and providing me with the resources I needed to foster my research programs and engage in the science I love to do. As a neuroscientist by training, the College and its faculty and students also wonderfully carried out the unenviable task of educating me about the profession of Pharmacy. One can't divide by zero, so the growth in my knowledge over those years has been beyond measure, and I am excited to watch and be a part of the evolution of the profession of Pharmacy in the next 19 years.

I am lucky to be able to call the University of Utah College of Pharmacy my only academic home as a faculty member, and it is therefore my privilege to return something to the College by serving as Interim Dean for the coming year until a new permanent dean is in place. My goal in this year is to continue moving the College forward in its strategic planning, particularly as related to identifying additional sources of sustained funding for its research, clinical, and education missions. Academic medical centers and higher education in general are changing, as is the climate for funding in the biomedical sciences. These changes and stressors provide us with the opportunity to think creatively and develop new approaches to support the missions of the College and, in so doing, to

minimize financial stress on our students, allow for continued generation of new knowledge in basic and clinical pharmaceutical sciences, and improve the quality of care for patients. Additional goals for this year include completing implementation of our new curriculum, with the first class to start in Fall, 2015. We also are launching a new Office of Research to facilitate submission of new research funding applications, particularly those involving multiple investigators and that bridge basic and clinical/translational research. With these goals in mind, it is my belief that we will continue this year to be ranked in the top 10 of Pharmacy programs nationally and to celebrate our 40th consecutive year of being ranked in the top four Colleges of Pharmacy in the country in terms of NIH funding.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support of and engagement with the College of Pharmacy at the University of Utah. I look forward to meeting you all in the coming year and to working with you to move the College of Pharmacy and its excellence forward into its next era.



Kristen A. Keefe, Ph.D.
Professor
Interim Dean