MISSION

To develop competent and caring pharmacists who advance healthcare and positively impact the profession through innovative education, service, patient-centered care, scientific discovery and development.

VISION

To be a preeminent college of pharmacy distinguished by leadership and collaboration in inter-professional education, service, and scholarship.

VALUES

In addition to upholding the values of Idaho State University’s Kasiska Division of Health Sciences, the College of Pharmacy embraces the following core values:

- Foster Professional Growth
- Cultivate Intellectual Curiosity
- Ensure Personal Accountability
- Promote Diversity and Inclusiveness
- Advocate Patient Health
- Instill Trust and Open Communication
- Encourage Community Engagement
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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Sending you all a happy hello, I hope this edition of the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy Bulletin finds you well.

As we look back at the past year, we have many things to be proud of. We began 2017 excited for the news that we have earned full accreditation through June of 2025. The hard work of our faculty and staff have paid off, and that is very exciting.

We also welcomed Dr. Jennifer Adams as our Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Dr. Brooke Garrett as Associate Dean for Student Affairs, and Dr. Marvin Schulte as our Chair of the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences. We are also very pleased that Dr. Catherine Oliphant has agreed to serve as our Interim Chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administrative Sciences. Dr. Christopher Owens, who was serving as chair for the department, accepted the position of Associate Vice President for Health Sciences at ISU in Pocatello. In addition to these announcements we also have new faculty that joined our team at the beginning of the academic year. We have included profiles of the new members of our ISU College of Pharmacy team in this edition.

Also in this edition, you can read about our White Coat Ceremonies, the Annual Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser and news of our faculty and students. You will also find information about other initiatives taking place at our three sites in Pocatello, Meridian and Anchorage, AK. During this past year we welcomed a new telepharmacy in Council, Idaho. We are anticipating the grand opening of another telepharmacy in Kendrick, Idaho in early April. The students and faculty at the college have truly benefited from their experiences in telepharmacy and the citizens of these rural communities have likewise benefited.

As we reported in our last bulletin, we are in the midst of a $15 million Centennial Celebration Campaign, which is the first campaign of this amount in the college’s history. The campaign will culminate with our 100th Anniversary Celebration in the fall of 2020, which will include the unveiling of our Centennial Celebration Patio and the burying of our time capsule. The objective of the campaign is to increase funds for student scholarships and programs, along with capital expenditures to renovate and add laboratory space, in order to provide the best teaching and learning environments for our faculty and students.

As most, if not all of you, will agree that the ISU College of Pharmacy was instrumental in your career development and your quality of life, I ask you to join me in “Paying it Forward” to the next and future generations of pharmacists by supporting our important Centennial Celebration Campaign.

Sprinkled throughout the bulletin are opportunities to support the program and also be a part of the commemorative patio. You will find some testimonials from fellow alumni who have supported the college and this campaign. You can obtain more detailed and updated information on the campaign at https://pharmacy.isu.edu/100th/.

Thank you for your continued support of the ISU College of Pharmacy and our many initiatives. It is very important and very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul Cady, Ph.D.
Several 2017 graduates are continuing their education through residency programs throughout the United States. We are proud of our graduates who are taking this next step to enhance their careers and better serve their patients. Here is a list of those individuals who we are aware are taking this next step.

- **Justin Bell-PGY1 Community Pharmacy Resident (Ambulatory Care Focus) at Terry Reilly (Nampa, ID)**
- **Chelsea Capley-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at the Veterans Affairs Salt Lake City Health Care System (Salt Lake City, UT)**
- **Maygen Cardona-PGY1 Washington State University Geriatric Residency (Spokane, WA)**
- **Jessica Corbridge-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at Phoenix Children’s Hospital (Phoenix, AZ)**
- **Ashley Farley-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center (Boise, ID)**
- **Chelsey Fraser-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at St. Joseph Medical Center – CHI Franciscan Health (Tacoma, WA)**
- **Daniel Hendrickson-PGY1 Managed Care Pharmacy Resident at CareOregon (Portland, OR)**
- **Sarah Iannacone-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at McKay-Dee Hospital – Intermountain Healthcare (Ogden, UT)**
- **Steven Kochman-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at Renown Regional Medical Center (Reno, NV)**
- **Kizito Kyeremateng-Medical Affairs and Clinical Development Fellow at Bayer Consumer Healthcare – Rutgers Pharmaceutical Industry Fellowship (Whippany, NJ)-Two Year Program**
- **Quincy Ostrem-PGY1/PGY2 Health System Pharmacy Administration Resident at Banner Boswell Medical Center (Sun City, AZ)-Two Year Program**
- **Kelsey Rastello-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at PeaceHealth Columbia Network (Vancouver, WA)**
- **Sabrina Sherwood-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at the University of Utah Health (Salt Lake City, UT)**
- **Nathan Spann-PGY1 Community Pharmacy Resident at Sav-On/Idaho State University College of Pharmacy (Boise, ID)**
- **Maisie Trang-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at the Boise Veterans Affairs Medical Center (Boise, ID)**
- **Kori Wittrock-PGY1 Community Pharmacy Resident at Idaho State University College of Pharmacy (Pocatello, ID)**
- **Nicholas Wood-PGY1 Pharmacy Resident at Family Medicine Residency of Idaho (Boise, ID)**

End of Year Awards for Faculty and Students

Each year the College of Pharmacy presents its highest awards to their top achieving students and faculty. Below is the official list of our 2017 Award Recipients.

- **College of Pharmacy Achievement and Leadership Award – Sarah Iannacone**
- **Dean’s Award – Maisie Trang**
- **College of Pharmacy Outstanding Student Achievement – Sabrina Sherwood**
- **Merck Award – Chelsy Okuma, Daniel Hendrickson**
- **Mylan Excellence in Pharmacy Award – Vicky Tang**
- **Natural Medicines Award – Matthew Anderson**
- **Royal Society of Chemistry Award – Taylor Chavez**
- **TEVA Outstanding Student Award – Hamza Ziadeh**
- **Wolters Kluwer Health Award of Excellence in Clinical Communication – Kizito Kyeremateng**
- **Senior Seminar Excellence Awards – Staci Short, Maisie Trang, Abby Wade, Kizito Kyeremateng**
- **Preceptors of the Year – Dr. Paul Otto, Arielle Martin, Dr. Zack Demoe, Nikki Beck, Bret Walters**
- **Teachers of the Year – Dr. Glenda Carr, Dr. Tracy Pettinger, Dr. Chris Downing, Dr. Rob Myers**
Stephen Agyenim-Boateng
Walter Akwagoh
Rachel Algate
Jennifer Amirhamzeh
Matthew Anderson
Brian Justin Bell
Jason Betts
Kirsten Blair
Anna Bodas
Eric Bohm
Roger Call
Chelsea Capley
Justin Carney Sr.
Brandon Clark
Jessica Corbridge
Maygen Cardona
Andrew Cyr
Paul Davidson
Judd Durrant
Ashley Farley

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2017 GRADUATES

Chelsey Okuma
Quincy Ostrem
Kevin Page
Kizito Pa’Ioguca
Amir Piranfar

Kelsey Rastello
Shanna Riomondo
Alexander Roe
Jennifer Ruwo
Sabrina Sherwood

Stacy Short
Steven Snell
Treven Sorensen
Dustin Stacey
Vicky Tang

Spencer Thomas
Maisie Trang
Abby Wade
Alison Webb
Tammy Whatcott

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NON-TRADITIONAL GRADUATES

Emma-Leigh Whitaker
Kevin White
Kori Wittrock
Nicholas Wood
Hamza Ziadeh
Reji Abraham
Dickie Andrew
Tara Bruneski
Denise Holzmann
Gerald Nixon
Amy Lim
Yu-chen Lin
Mirjana Lulic-Botica
Salem Maher
Jenny Ng
Elana Shendarovich
Seoung Sung
Thomas Togno
Matthew Tsang

NOT PICTURED: TAYLOR CHAVEZ; JACQUELINE SPANN; NATHAN SPANN
CLASS OF 2021 BEGINS JOURNEY WITH

WHITE COAT
As has been a tradition for over twenty years, the ISU College of Pharmacy welcomed our incoming P-1 students in August during two separate ceremonies in Pocatello and Anchorage.

On August 17, 92 students from our Pocatello and Meridian sites received their coats with their friends and family in attendance. Dean Paul Cady began the festivities by welcoming the students as they officially begin their Pharm.D. education. The guest speaker for the evening was Nicole Chopski, Pharm.D., chair of the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy. The evening was also honored to have in attendance Christopher Oswald, Pharm.D. and President of Idaho Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ISHP) and Debbie Marchetti, Pharm.D., of Albertsons.

The white coats were presented by Associate Dean for Student Affairs, Brooke Garrett, and Assistant Deans for Experiential Education, Tracy Pettinger and Kevin Cleveland. Incoming students may select a relative, friend or colleague who is a pharmacist to present them with their coat. One wonderful example of this is Arden Drake ('51) presented a white coat to his granddaughter Kelby Drake. Before the ceremony, someone made a comment to Arden that he has probably seen a lot of changes in the profession over these many years. He stated, “It’s like comparing a Model T to a Ferrari.”

On August 18, Dean Cady welcomed 12 incoming P-1 students at our Anchorage ceremony. Assisting with the festivities was Tom Wadsworth, assistant dean for Alaska Programs/PPRA clinical associate professor. The class of 2021 is now the second class in Anchorage. Last year was the inaugural White Coat ceremony where seven students were welcomed to the program.

We are very excited to welcome these students to the College of Pharmacy family. Neither of these ceremonies would have been possible without the generosity of our alumni and friends. Through this generosity, we raised over $11,000 for scholarships to assist these students with their academic expenses.

Thank you again to everyone who supported this year’s White Coat Ceremony.
P1 STUDENTS

ANCHORAGE

Michelle Bai
Collette Bailey
Maggie Baldock
Daniel Enox
Michael Kelty
Lauren Lauruhn
Brittany Romans
Cassandra Sanborn
Kenneth Shin
Joanne Sidney
Leyla Sinyawski
Aminda Skan

MERIDIAN

Jazmin Agee
Omar Aljuboori
Kofi Ansah
Sergey Arsenyuk
Zach Blanchard
Brittany Burch
Svetlana Chorny
Tayler Daniels
Joe Davies
Kate Fox
Matthew Fuit
Dustin Garcia

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P1 STUDENTS

POCATELLO

Navid Amini
Whitney Andersen
Dray Bailey
Brian Byrd
Ann Clappier
Erika De La Cruz

Dallin Farnes
Rayna Flynn
Yaz Frodin
Mandy Fry
Julie Garcia
Lily Genta

Sydney Gomez
Brandon Guthrie
Dustin Hannawalt
James Harrington
Chris Hegman
Aaron Henrie

Rachel Higbee
Kelby Hillam
Kyle Hirschfield
Teresa Hughes
Tyson Huskinson
Kelsey Kobzi

Zayne Lanier
Aaron Lewis
Caleb Lunt
Trevor Meldrum
Adan Ortiz
Neil Parkinson

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Located just outside of Leonard Hall on the Pocatello campus, the College of Pharmacy Centennial Patio will recognize those donors who supported our campaign at a level of $5,000 or higher leading up to our Centennial Celebration in 2020. The patio’s natural stones were chosen to blend in with Idaho’s natural landscape. The name of the donor, donor’s business or a loved one will be prominently engraved in a stone corresponding to the size of the gift.

This patio will be a lasting monument to the noble profession of pharmacy and Idaho State University’s first college. Your generous donations will be recognized as a permanent part of the patio for generations to come. This area will provide a beautiful and relaxing getaway for students, faculty and the community.

The patio will also serve as home for our Time Capsule. We are asking you to provide us with stories, artifacts and memorabilia that will be added to the capsule and unveiled at the 150th anniversary in 2070.

Find Your Place in ISU History in our Centennial Patio and Time Capsule
Dr. Marvin K. Schulte is the new chair of the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences in Idaho State University’s College of Pharmacy.

Before joining ISU in January, Schulte was a tenured professor and chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at University of the Sciences, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, a position he held for five years.

Schulte brings more than two decades of administrative, leadership and teaching experience to ISU with a proven track record in research, curriculum development and enhancing student enrollment. At University of the Sciences, he led research development in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

“I am excited to join the university community and I look forward to contributing to the already outstanding research and teaching environment at ISU,” Schulte said. “I was attracted to this position because of the College of Pharmacy’s excellent reputation and strong focus on biomedical research development.”

Prior to his work at University of the Sciences, Schulte spent nine years as an assistant and associate professor of medicinal chemistry at the University of Louisiana Monroe. Schulte holds doctoral and master’s degrees in biochemistry from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis and completed a three-year postdoctoral fellowship at the Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia in 1996. From 1984 to 1987, he served as a physics and computer science teacher with the U.S. Peace Corps in Belize where he received grants from U.S. Aid for International Development to develop computer science facilities and curricula. In 2013, he was appointed the McNeil Endowed Professor of Pharmacology at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

An accomplished researcher, Schulte has published more than 30 articles and abstracts on a variety of topics dealing with neuroscience and biochemistry, including treatments for Alzheimer’s disease, obsessive-compulsive disorder and rabies. His research has been supported by grants from the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health and the American Heart Association.

A member of the American Pharmacists Association and Society for Neuroscience, Schulte received the Sven Ebbesson Award for Excellence in Neuroscience and an Outstanding Teaching Award two years in a row from University of Alaska, as well as dean’s awards for outstanding service from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

“I am very pleased that Dr. Schulte chose to join our team. Not only is he a gifted researcher, he has a history of serving as a mentor and assisting others in building and expanding their research and teaching careers. That is true leadership,” said Dr. Paul Cady, College of Pharmacy dean.

Dr. Brooke Garrett became Associate Dean for Student Affairs for the ISU College of Pharmacy at the beginning of the 2017-18 Academic year. In addition to these new responsibilities, Brooke maintains her role at a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administrative Sciences. Dr. Garrett is also the Director of Continuing Education for the College of Pharmacy. She earned her Pharm.D. degree from Idaho State University in 2004. After graduation she completed an ambulatory care residency at the Southeast Idaho VA Outpatient Clinic in Pocatello in 2005, followed by a primary care pharmacotherapy residency at the ISU Department of Family Medicine in 2006. She joined the Idaho State University Faculty in 2006. Dr. Garrett is a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist and maintains a clinical practice site at Health West Community Health Center.

Garrett Named Associate Dean for Student Affairs

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Idaho State University’s College of Pharmacy’s Jennifer Adams has accepted a position as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Assessment in Meridian. The position is to provide oversight for the Pharm.D. curriculum, experiential education, interprofessional education and assessment.

“I am really excited about this new position and for the growth in our leadership capacity at the College,” said Adams. “Expanding to two Associate Deans from only one, will allow us to expand our services to students, the ISU community, and to the greater Idaho community. Our mission is to prepare competent, caring pharmacists who provide innovative care and I am very pleased to be a part of that.”

Adams, Pharm.D., Ed.D., a graduate of Boise State University, Idaho State University, and The George Washington University, says she wanted to work at a place where her love for pharmacy started.

“I chose to work at ISU because I wanted to give back to the University where my pharmacy career started,” said Adams. “I have learned so much working at the national level in pharmacy and it is my hope that my national perspective will greatly benefit the ISU College of Pharmacy.”

Her previous experience includes working in hospital and community pharmacy settings and the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) with student pharmacists, helping them to develop as professionals and leaders in the pharmacy profession. Adams’s experience at APhA includes developing and managing several national patient care programs, as well as the National Patient Counseling Competition.

Adams also served for nearly 10 years as the Senior Student Affairs Advisor at the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP). There she provided leadership and oversight for association national student affairs activities including the Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS), the Pharmacy College Admissions Test (PCAT), the Pharmacy Career Information Council, and student recruitment.

She has received national awards in recognition of her leadership skills and is a member of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, the American Pharmacists Association, Phi Lambda Sigma - the pharmacy leadership society, the Idaho Society of Health System Pharmacists, and the Idaho State Pharmacists Association.

Dr. Cathrine Oliphant was recently appointed Interim Chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administration at Idaho State University College of Pharmacy. She is a professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administration. Cathy accepted this position due to the promotion of former Chair Dr. Chris Owens who accepted the position as Associate Vice President of the Kasiska Division of Health Sciences at ISU.

Cathy earned her Pharm.D. degree from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan. She completed a residency and infectious diseases/microbiology fellowship at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. Prior to joining the faculty at ISU College of Pharmacy in 2003, Dr. Oliphant taught for seven years at the University of Wyoming-School of Pharmacy.

Oliphant maintains a practice site at St. Luke’s Boise and Meridian Medical Centers. She works with the St. Luke’s Internal Medicine physicians and hospitalists in addition to the infectious disease physicians. Dr. Oliphant precepts students on medicine, infectious diseases, and academic APPEs.

She teaches in all four years of the program. Dr. Oliphant co-coordinates the Infectious Disease Module in the P3 year, GI module in the P2 year and the Residency Readiness course. She also facilitates P2 and P3 case studies. Dr. Oliphant is the Rho Chi and Generation RX advisor. Her research interests include infectious diseases and prescription drug abuse issues.

Dr. Oliphant has been selected as Teacher of the Year and Most Influential Professor by 4th year Doctor of Pharmacy students. We are very appreciative of Cathy accepting this leadership role as our Interim Chair.
Idaho State University’s College of Pharmacy has welcomed Jared Barrott as a new Assistant Professor in the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences.

“I conduct research in cancer pharmacology,” said Dr. Barrott. “I use genetically engineered mice to form rare soft-tissue sarcomas that I can then treat with anti-cancer drugs to test for safety and efficacy.”

Dr. Barrott, who is from Chattanooga, Tenn., traveled west for his undergraduate education at Idaho’s Brigham Young University. After meeting and marrying his wife, the family traveled east for schooling at Duke University to obtain his Ph.D. in Pharmacology and Cancer Biology. There he graduated first in his class only taking three years and 10 months.

“My entire family became Cameron Crazies while attending Duke University and we enjoy cheering on the Blue Devils during March Madness each year. The deal with my wife was that as soon as schooling was over we would come back west. My wife whom I met at BYU-Idaho is from Star Valley, Wyoming.”

Dr. Barrott completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the Huntsman Cancer Institute in Salt Lake City in July 2017 and started working in the department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences as a tenure-track assistant professor in August.

Dr. Barrott says there are several reasons why he enjoys his job.

“One is the independence that I have to do cutting-edge research for a population of patients that normally do not receive a lot of attention,” said Dr. Barrott. “To think that what I do on a research bench might translate into better health outcomes for patients, specifically in pediatric oncology is very gratifying. The other aspect of my job that I am enjoying is the connection with students through my teaching. I love to see concepts of genetics solidify for students who are trying to understand the implications of certain genetic mutations and their potential for therapeutic intervention.”

New Assistant Professor: Elaine Nguyen

Idaho State University’s College of Pharmacy has welcomed Elaine Nguyen as a new Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administrative Sciences. This position will primarily focus Nguyen’s attention to research and scholarship.

“This allows me to collaborate with both internal and external partners, which is an awesome part of my position,” Nguyen said. “I also get to teach and interact with students, which is one of the most rewarding aspects of working in academia.”

Nguyen, born in Iowa, graduated with her Pharm.D. and Master of Public Health degree from the University of Iowa. She then completed her PGY-1 and PGY-2 ambulatory care residencies at the Boise Veterans Affairs Medical Center. She followed this by completing a fellowship in health economics and outcomes research at the University of Connecticut/Hartford Hospital.

“There were so many exciting reasons for me to choose to join the ISU family,” Nguyen said. “One of the most compelling reasons was the opportunity to start in a new and dynamic position and really make it my own. I also recognized the research potential in Idaho.”

She also said healthcare providers in this state, especially pharmacists, have amazing opportunities to impact patients and the healthcare system.

“Through outcomes research, I hope to help show the difference that these providers are making,” she said.

“Lastly, I also had previous ties to the area as I completed two years of residency in Boise. Choosing ISU and moving back allowed me a new start while also providing some familiarity and I knew I would appreciate this dichotomy.”

Nguyen is currently working on several different projects. Some of these topics areas include population management, coordination of care and telehealth.

“I am excited because I get to use the database analysis, evidence synthesis, and comparative effectiveness skills that I acquired in my training on these projects,” she said.
Dr. Angharad Ratliff joined the College of Pharmacy in 2018 as a Clinical Assistant Professor in Anchorage. She works in a shared role between the College and Alaska Regional Hospital. Dr. Ratliff earned her Pharm.D. at the University of Texas. Upon graduation, she completed a PGY1 and a PGY2 Infectious Disease residency at the VA San Diego Healthcare System. Dr. Ratliff then moved to Oklahoma City and worked as a Critical Care Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at the Oklahoma City VA Healthcare System. Dr. Ratliff works as a clinical pharmacist at Alaska Regional Hospital where she coordinates the antimicrobial stewardship program and works in the critical care and general medicine units. She is the primary preceptor for adult medicine rotations for Alaska students.

In her spare time, Dr. Ratliff enjoys hiking and exploring Alaska with her husband, daughter and two dogs.

New Assistant Professor: John Holmes

Idaho State University’s College of Pharmacy has welcomed John Holmes as a new assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administrative Sciences.

“I’m continually drawn to ISU as there is massive potential to develop collaborative research and quality improvement opportunities with many stakeholders across the state including health-systems, quality improvement organizations, clinics and pharmacies, health departments, and other academic units within and external to ISU,” Holmes said. “I’ve further been drawn to ISU as I have a strong research interest in improving rural healthcare delivery and Idaho provides an excellent laboratory to implement and evaluate evidence-based strategies to improve rural healthcare delivery.”

Holmes, who was raised in Pocatello, attended Carroll College in Helena, Montana, and University of Montana for undergraduate studies. He then completed his Pharm.D. at ISU and graduated in 2007. Following graduation, he completed a one-year ambulatory care residency in 2008 at the Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic in Pocatello. He then completed a one-year pharmacotherapy residency at Pocatello Family Medicine and a two-year clinical research fellowship at the ISU’s Department of Family Medicine under the supervision and mentorship of Rex Force, Professor & Vice President for Health Sciences, Director-Clinical Research Center Pocatello Family Medicine. Currently Holmes is working towards a Master of Public Health degree at ISU and expects to graduate this academic year.

“I officially started my position at the College of Pharmacy in July 2017,” he said. “Because this health outcomes position was a co-funded position between the College of Pharmacy and Department of Family Medicine, I’ve continued several scholarly and teaching duties at the Department of Family Medicine while also increasing engagement and collaboration with others at the College of Pharmacy and within the Division of Health Sciences.”

Holmes is working on several research and quality improvement projects. Specifically, he started a project aimed at pilot testing a team-based care delivery model that uses telehealth technology to integrate a pharmacist into the care team at rural and underserved clinics.

“This was one of the most significant projects I’ve lead and was ambitious in its timeline and goals,” he said. “It’s been a massive learning curve to take the step from developing an intervention to actually implementing a highly novel and innovative intervention. I’ve run into several barriers and obstacles but have received excellent input from stakeholders on the project.”

Another project Holmes has been working on with other faculty, students and external organizations is the development and implementation of a quality improvement initiative to screen patients for adverse drug events related to opioids, anticoagulants and hypoglycemic.

“Personally, I’d like to increase collaborations with other disciplines across the university to develop and implement community-based health care initiatives in a systematic and evidence-based process,” Holmes said.
Xu Named 2018 Recipient of AACP New Investigator Award

DRUG DISCOVERY AND REPURPOSING AGAINST A KEY CLOSTRIDIUM SORDELLII EXOTOXIN

Dong (Danny) Xu, Assistant Professor in the College of Pharmacy at Idaho State University is among sixteen recipients to receive the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) 2018 AACP New Investigator Award (NIA).

The New Investigator Award provides start-up funding for the independent research programs of early-career pharmacy faculty. This grant is intended to be the first extramural research funding received by a faculty member as a principal investigator (PI), with the goal that research funded by the NIA will provide a foundation for future scholarly endeavors and continued extramural funding success.

To be eligible for this award, all eligible applicants must have earned a terminal degree (Pharm.D., Ph.D., or equivalent) and have a regular full-time faculty appointment at the assistant professor level at a U.S. college or school of pharmacy that is accredited by ACPE (either candidate or full accreditation status). The applicant’s institution must be a regular institutional member of AACP, and the applicant must also be a current individual member of AACP.

Danny received his Ph.D. at San Diego State University. Currently, he is working as Assistant Professor in College of Pharmacy, Idaho State University in USA. He is serving as an Executive Editor of Interdisciplinary Sciences: Computational Life Sciences. He is serving as EB member of several journals like ISRN Computational Biology, Journal of Proteome Science & Computational Biology, Journal of Molecular Engineering & Systems Biology, etc. He has authored several articles. He is a member of American Chemical Society, American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists, Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society and Biophysical Society.

Annual Chu Lectureship Held in October

The 2017 Chu Lectureship was held at the ISU Meridian campus with Dr. Kim D. Janda as our guest speaker. Dr. Janda is a Professor and Ely R. Callaway Chair in Medicinal Chemistry at the world-renowned Scripps Research Institute in San Diego, California. He is also Director of the Worm Institute for Research and Medicine (WIRM).

Dr. Janda’s presentation titled, “Merging of Chemistry & Biology: In Search of Molecules with Translational Function,” explored the notion that nature contains information to instruct scientists about what is possible. This can serve as an inspiration to probe the frontiers of biology and chemistry. At the same time, chemistry can contribute to our understanding of biology and also to our ability to manipulate complex systems for human health and welfare. The combination of the tools and principles of chemistry, together with the tools of modern biology, allows us to create both synthetic and natural molecules, comprising processes with novel biological, chemical and physical properties. This lecture illustrated the opportunities that lie at the interface of biological chemistry with the notion of translating basic research to clinical trials.

During his presentation, Dr. Janda detailed three examples that he is actively working on in his laboratory. These include developing vaccines for treating opioid abuse, a new line of attack for combating a C. difficile infection and cancer immunosurveillance as it relates to TRAIL’s apoptotic pathway. In the field of cell biology, TNF-related apoptosis-inducing ligand (TRAIL), is a protein functioning as a ligand that induces the process of cell death called apoptosis. TRAIL is a cytokine that is produced and secreted by most normal tissue cells.

Students and faculty of the Kasiska Division of Health Sciences in Meridian and through distance learning at our sites in Anchorage and Pocatello attended the Chu Lectureship.

The Chu Lectureship is supported by a generous gift from Dr. David and Jane Chu through their Chu Family Foundation. Dr. Chu is a 1970 Master’s graduate of the ISU College of Pharmacy. The Chu Lectureship was created, “...to secure an expert in the field of biomedical research and/or drug discovery to deliver lectures, programs and scholarly programs to the students and faculty in the College of Pharmacy at Idaho State University.”
Idaho State University has renamed its Meridian health science complex in honor of Sam and Aline Skaggs, whose decade of financial support has helped grow the Meridian campus and provide advanced health professions education for hundreds of students and working professionals in the Treasure Valley.

The Idaho State University-Meridian Health Science Center, 1311 E. Central Drive, is now the Sam and Aline Skaggs Health Science Center at Idaho State University-Meridian.

“We are honored to have the names of Sam and Aline Skaggs on our building. Because of their generous financial support, we are able to provide the state’s highest level of health professions education while improving access to quality health care for underserved Idahoans,” said ISU President Arthur C. Vailas during a naming celebration Jan. 23.

Since 2007, the late Sam and Aline Skaggs—through their charitable trust The ALSAM Foundation—have donated more than $10 million to ISU. An initial gift of $5.25 million was used to purchase property for the health science center and provide pharmacy scholarships for ISU students. ALSAM also created a $1.5 million scholarship endowment in the College of Pharmacy. A recent gift of $3.85 million will enable ISU to add a second floor to the complex for additional classroom and research space this year.

Vailas thanked The ALSAM Foundation, state lawmakers, ISU administrators and the State Board of Education for sharing a vision that, within 11 years, transformed what was once a shuttered electronics plant owned by the West Ada School District into a state-of-the-art health science education complex graduating several hundred students each year.

“Educating health care professionals was always a priority for my father,” said Sam Skaggs’ daughter Susie Balukoff, a member of The ALSAM Foundation’s Grants Committee. “I know he would be pleased to see the growth and progress Idaho State University is making in Meridian.”

Idaho Lt. Gov. Brad Little, citing Idaho labor department statistics, said Idaho currently has 20,000 jobs that need to be filled—with a significant number of them in the health professions. “This facility is absolutely the key to filling those jobs,” he told the audience.

Other ALSAM gifts have funded anatomy, physiology, bioskills and pharmacy research labs on the Meridian campus—resources that strengthened Idaho’s bid for the state’s first medical school. The privately owned Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine will open next fall next to the Sam and Aline Skaggs Health Science Center at ISU-Meridian.
On October 19, employers and leaders from across the state joined us for the second annual Pharmacy Career Fair held at the UAA/ISU Doctor of Pharmacy Program. This year the career fair and exhibition were organized by the students and special thanks goes to Janelle Solbos, P2, for exemplary leadership in planning and hosting the event. We had 14 representatives from eight different companies attend the exhibition and meet with students. Students explored job and intern opportunities, learned about residencies, attended rotation roundtables and CV workshops, and socialized with Alaskan leaders in pharmacy. The capstone of the fair was the keynote address from Dr. Robert Sewell, Program Director of Alaska’s SHARP Program, on support-for-service opportunities available to students as they graduate and begin practicing throughout the state. Thank you to all who attended and supported the event and we look forward to expanding next year.

October was a busy month, as students also participated in the long anticipated Prince William Sound Traveling Health Fair (PWS-THF). The annual PWS-THF is a multidisciplinary team with established relations within the Prince William Sound communities of Valdez, Tatitlek, Chenega Bay, Whittier, and Cordova and provides basic services such as nutrition, health, and safety education. Alyeska Pipeline provides the “Endurance”, an oil response vessel, to transport and house the health fair providers during the week as they spend 1.5 days in each community. The pharmacy students delivered APhA-ASP Diabetes and Cardiovascular Community Outreach to these rural communities in Prince William Sound that have limited access to healthcare. These educational operations include point of care testing (POCT) for glucose and cholesterol, educational dialogues to encourage and equip self-management, and patient-specific education on medications and cardiovascular risk.

We are delighted to announce that Corrie Black, P2, received the APhA-ASP Student Recognition Certificate, which is awarded annually at the APhA-ASP Midyear Regional Meeting to students who demonstrate exemplary leadership and service. Corrie was also inducted into the Pharmacy Leadership Fraternity, Phi Lambda Sigma, the first Pharmacy student in Alaska to do so.

We also very proud that two of our second year students, Alex Marinelli and Corrie Black, presented peer-reviewed poster projects at the 2017 Alaska WWAMI Medical Research Forum and ASHP Midyear Meeting in Orlando, Florida.

We closed out 2017 with a very special ceremony on December 27th honoring the dream of a life-long Alaskan pharmacist to support pharmacy education in Alaska. We are pleased to announce the creation of the Bernie Klouda Memorial Student Scholarship, so generously donated by First National Bank of Alaska and the American College of Apothecaries Research and Education Foundation. The scholarship is created to financially support the education of Alaska Doctor of Pharmacy students at Alaska’s Doctor of Pharmacy Program here at UAA. We were honored to host Bernie’s wife, Teresa Hall-Klouda, and representatives from First National Bank Alaska to present the scholarship.

Bernie Klouda was a fifth generation Alaskan as well as a local and national leader in the pharmacy community. He founded Bernie’s Pharmacy and was a dedicated leader in the Anchorage community for over 30 years. Among his many leadership roles, Bernie was also a Past President of the Alaska Pharmacists Association. He was a staunch supporter of pharmacy education and a mentor for many students interested in independent pharmacy. We are deeply grateful for Bernie’s lasting example and for the generosity of Teresa Hall-Klouda, First National Bank Alaska, and American College of Apothecaries Research and Education Foundation. Bernie’s memory and influence will echo in the lives of this new generation of Alaskan pharmacists.

Thomas Wadsworth, Pharm.D., BCPS
Assistant Dean for Alaska Programs
On February 9, students from the ISU College of Pharmacy (COP) held its 25th Annual Spaghetti Feed in Pocatello. On February 23, our Meridian site held its inaugural Spaghetti Feed event. A new tradition has begun with the annual spaghetti feed fundraiser being held in both Pocatello and Meridian.

The event raised funds to assist sixteen-year-old Logan who has been diagnosed with cerebral cavernous malformations after suffering from a stroke. Immediately after his diagnosis, Logan had surgery to remove a golf ball-sized malformation. These malformations are genetic and cause blood vessels to grow in the brain. They require brain surgery to remove, and at this time, there is no cure. Logan is currently undergoing therapy to strengthen his left side and working hard to recover. Up to twenty percent of the Spaghetti Feed proceeds will be donated to Logan’s wish to play golf on a PGA course in Hawaii.

In addition to assisting with Logan’s wish, the Spaghetti Feed also helps fund important initiatives through the ISU College of Pharmacy Professional Pharmacy Student Alliance that organizes student-run, patient care projects that provide complimentary health screenings, immunizations, and health education to the public. These patient care projects include Operation Heart, Operation Immunization, Operation Diabetes, Generation Rx and OTC Medication Safety. In 2016-2017 our student-led projects reached more than 2.1 million people and screened and educated more than 42,000 Idahoans.

The evening festivities at both locations began with opening comments from Dr. Jennifer Adams—Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, welcoming the attendees. Logan and his family were in attendance at both events, along with representatives from Make-A-Wish Idaho, local and state leaders, and many ISU COP alumni supporters. Logan and his family especially enjoyed the trivia game held throughout both events. The evenings were capped off by the live auction and the announcement of the raffle winners. Special thanks to Albertsons, St. Luke’s Health, and Woodward Camp, for their sponsorship of the event!

On February 9, our Anchorage site held an open house at its facility. Invited guests were attendees of the Alaska Pharmacist’s Association convention, students with pre-pharmacy or pre-health interest, and the general public. The open house attendees were given a tour demonstrating the Distant Learning connection to Idaho sites, the compounding lab in action, and a presentation on what our Alaska students have accomplished in our second year of operation. More than 50 guests attended the open house, which culminated with a dinner and a UAA Seawolves hockey game. The game was very exciting and gut wrenching as the Seawolves lost a heartbreaking 3-2 overtime thriller to Lake Superior State.

During the open house, our students also held a fundraiser where they sold raffle tickets, hats, and coats. Our students did an excellent job serving as hosts while touring the facilities and indicating the initiatives that students are undertaking to assist the Alaska community. A common thread from our attendees were comments along the lines of “Wow, we didn’t realize how much you all were doing.” We are very excited with our students and the impact they are having on our Alaska community.
Pharmacy is at a turning point. The vision we held for many years is taking shape. I have had the privilege of being in and around pharmacy my entire life, from taking my first steps in my father’s pharmacy, to the privilege of serving my profession at the ISU College of Pharmacy. From my earliest days, I heard my father and other pharmacists discussing their wishes to advance the profession. Then, as all pharmacists today, they served their patients and did what they could to help their patients. They wanted to do more and they knew, if allowed, they could do more.

As I began my education in pharmacy, the discussion in pharmacy was about new opportunities as a consultant in long term care, the development of Drug Information Centers, and the early concepts of clinical pharmacists. I learned of Dr. Donald Brodie, a pharmaceutical chemist, who introduced the concept of “drug use control” and introduced the term “pharmaceutical care.” He encouraged us to move the focus of pharmacy from product to the patient.

During my graduate training I had the privilege of learning from Dr. Brodie. He was a kind man and he knew that patient care was always in the heart of pharmacists. This was nothing new. I grew up with a father and other pharmacists who saw their role as helping their patients have a higher quality of health and life. So, what is this change in focus from product to patient that Dr. Brodie spoke about? To reach this goal of focusing on patient care would require a change in regulation, a change in law, a change in reimbursement, and a change in the environment. We are prepared. We are ready. Pharmacists are focused on the patient. Our ability to fully reach this goal has been held back and limited by regulation, laws, reimbursement, and professional turf battles.

Through the effort, innovation, and drive of many strong-willed pharmacists, the practice has continually moved forward. Perhaps not as fast or efficiently as we initially proposed, but the profession has moved toward that goal. Clearly, many practice sites have made great strides in providing innovative patient care. But many pharmacists remain held back from their true desire and full potential. We are now beginning to see the system change. It must change. Improving patient outcomes cannot and will not occur without our profession – the medication use experts on the healthcare team. Today we are seeing states develop new practice models and witnessing the expansion of the profession of pharmacy.

I have been privileged to see the innovative practice models develop in Idaho. We, in Idaho, owe a great debt of gratitude to the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy, our state professional associations, our legislature, and our governor. The focus of regulation is shifting from regulating procedures to ensuring standard of care. Now pharmacists must meet the practice standards set by their peers, not merely meet the procedures as outlined in law and regulation. More than before, pharmacists are providing care to their patients independently. Pharmacists are using their independent prescribing authority. These steps will continue to propel the profession into the future.

I am well aware of the financial difficulties that we face in pharmacy. There are those, outside our profession, who do not value our contribution to patient care. They are actively opposing our progress. I do not believe the road will be easy. Perhaps I am a dreamer, but I believe doing the right thing will win out and helping our patients improve their quality of life is the right thing. Our great profession of pharmacy will prevail and improve patient care.

The faculty and staff at the College of Pharmacy are committed to helping the profession move forward. We are committed to helping practicing pharmacists use these new opportunities to improve the quality of life for those they serve. We are committed to preparing our students to embrace these changes and prepare them for much, much more. Our visions are coming true. The future will be bright.

Paul Cady
We are happy to bring you our latest edition of our Alumni Relations and Development section of our College of Pharmacy Bulletin. There have been many exciting alumni related activities that have taken place since our last bulletin. In this edition you will learn of the recent guest lecturer of the Chu Lectureship, as well as the events that were held, including our alumni weekend and the Sacramento State Tailgate and Football game. We also recognize 1970 graduate Mike Prime as the current recipient of the William J. Bartz Award. In this Annual Edition we also recognize our donors through the 2017 Donor Honor Roll. We truly appreciate your current and future support as we are in the midst of our $15 million Centennial Celebration Campaign. In this edition, we take a moment to honor and pay tribute to those alumni whom we have lost in our In Memoriam section. Don’t forget about our “On the Road Again” section, which highlights the new alumni I have met with, and took pictures of, since our last edition.

In our last bulletin we highlighted our Centennial Celebration Campaign and how each of you can assist us in achieving our goal of $15 million. For more detailed information on the campaign please go to pharmacy.isu.edu/100th. This site will provide detailed information about the campaign, current funds and other specific needs of the campaign. I look forward to visiting with you in the coming months to discuss your interest in supporting this initiative. As has been my mantra of this campaign, we ask that you consider the impact that the ISU College of Pharmacy has had on your career and quality of life. Based upon this consideration, we ask that you “Pay it Forward” as we position the College of Pharmacy to be at the forefront of the continuous changes taking place in pharmacy, as we educate the next and future generations of this noble profession.

I hope you enjoy this edition of our bulletin and that we can also count on you for your campaign support. Please feel free to contact me any time for anything at (208) 339-4770 or at yankphil@isu.edu.

Kindest Regards,

Phil Yankovich
Director of Development & Alumni Relations

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During the ISU President’s Homecoming Awards Dinner on September 29 several friends and alumni were honored with several different awards. Our own Mike Prime (’70) was awarded the William J. Bartz Award. This award recognizes continued support and development of ISU through personal actions, participation in University affairs and financial support.

Mike Prime is a retired co-founder of Option Care, a nationally-franchised pharmacy provider of intravenous home therapy started in 1980. Option Care was the first to provide this cost-effective business model and its network of franchised community based pharmacies became one of the leading providers of home infusion therapy in the United States. Besides the administration of nutrients, antibiotics, chemotherapy, morphine drips and other medications, the company also provided the nursing, equipment and supplies for each therapy. By 1991 Option Care had 180 pharmacies in 41 states.

Mike and his wife Robyn (Education, ’70) established the Michael T. and Robyn K. Prime Pharmacy Scholarship Endowment in 2000, and the Mike and Robyn Prime Endowment fund in 2009 to provide support for the College of Pharmacy at the Sam and Aline Skaggs Health Science Center at ISU-Meridian. They are also inaugural supporters of the construction of the Stephens Performing Arts Center. They support I Love ISU and many other pharmacy and university events. Mike also received the ISU College of Pharmacy Professional Achievement Award in 1993 and is currently a member of the Idaho State University Foundation Board.

Prior to the presentation of Mike’s award there was a brief video which included recorded statements from Phil Yankovich and Scott Turner-ISU Alumni Board member. As you can imagine both had very nice things to say about Mike and how deserving he is to receive this prestigious award.

For the purpose of this story, Dean Paul Cady took a moment to express his congratulations to Mike for everything that he has done for the College of Pharmacy and ISU.

Mike and Robyn reside in Chico, CA with their one son, David. Congratulations Mike, very well deserved.

Other College of Pharmacy alumni who are past recipients of the ISU President’s Homecoming Awards include, William J. Bartz Award: 2014-William M. Eames (’57); Young Alumni Award which recognizes alumni who have graduated in the past 10 years for the exceptional achievement in their career, public service and/or volunteerism that brings honor to the University: 2015-Dr. Kim VanWyk (’09 ); President’s Medallion honoring friends and alumni whose outstanding accomplishments and exemplary service and support bring distinction to the University and advance higher educations: 2004-Dr. Joy Plein (’47), 2007-William M. Eames (’57), 2008-Colonel Garth Holmes (’60), 2016-Arlo Luke (’64); ISU Distinguished Alumnus Award recognizes exemplary professional and personal contributions resulting in national or international recognition: 2010-Dr. Joy Plein (’47).
Another Exciting Reunion Weekend in the Books

The weekend of October 6 & 7 brought us another successful friends and alumni reunion. We had several classes represented including the class of 1967 with Verlin Gingerich of Mountain Home, ID and Dallas Dalton of Tremonton, UT celebrating their 50 year reunion. During Dean Cady’s presentation he also awarded Verlin and Dallas with their 50 year pins.

The weekend kicked off with an open house where several of our students presented their posters and other initiatives that they are participating in.

On Saturday we had a very delicious tailgate party followed by our Bengals giving their all against the Montana Griz, but coming up short by a score of 39-31.

Be sure to join us for our next reunion weekend which will be October 5 & 6, 2018. The football game will be Saturday against the University of Idaho as they return to the Big Sky Conference.

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Saturday, October 14 had plenty of delicious ribs for everyone in attendance. Thanks to the culinary skills and hospitality of Kay (‘66) and Jerry Walters of Durham, CA, it was a great time had by all. We were also joined by family and friends of our Bengals football team. Unfortunately, the outcome of the game was not nearly as great as the ribs and friendship, as we lost to the Sacramento State Hornets 41-24.
IN MEMORIAM

Honoring Their Memory

JAMES ARCHIBALD “JIM” DAVISON
CLASS OF 1958
COLUSA, CA
DECEMBER 30, 2017, AGE 83

James Archibald “Jim” Davison passed away peacefully with family members by his side on Saturday, December 30, 2017, at the age of 83. Jim was born October 6, 1934 to Arch and Helen Davison. He was the baby brother to Betsy (Darrow) and Phoebe (Verutti).

Jim grew up in Colusa and graduated from Colusa High School in 1952. He attended Yuba College and University of California at Berkeley before attending Idaho State University where he graduated with a degree in pharmacology. After serving two years in Korea for the Army, he returned to work as a Pharmacist with his father at Davison Drug & Stationery in 1958. He tried to retire for a couple days but ended up practicing as a pharmacist to the very end. He was a mentor to many future pharmacists from Colusa County including Mike Prime (’70).

Jim met the love of his life, Marilyn, in 1963 and they married in 1964 in Great Falls, MT. They were married for 53 years and raised three children in Colusa. Jim was a member of Rotary, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church and served on the Colusa Parks/Recreation as well as the Colusa Tree Commission. He also served as a board member on both the Colusa Unified and Colusa County School Boards.

Jim was an accomplished piano player. He liked to play in his home and reluctantly at the store when others insisted. His love of music and theatre inspired countless trips to plays, symphonies, and musicals with Marilyn. He was a pilot, loved to snow ski, was an avid fisherman and duck hunter and enjoyed talking about all of these things with customers.

He was a sports fan, announcing local football games for years, and remained a hardcore Kings Basketball fan. He and Marilyn loved to travel and chronicled their visits to all 50 State Capitols in the United States. Jim was a devoted husband, father and grandfather, and was a fixture at his grandchildren’s school events.

Most important was Jim’s unassuming nature and ability to make people feel ‘at ease’ by listening. He was the king of kindness. “Jim was a very kind sole who will be greatly missed”, stated Dean Paul Cady. “He was always very welcoming. Marilyn and Jim also made delicious Pomegranate jelly.

ALFRED I. BURDEN
CLASS OF 1953
IDAHO FALLS, ID
SEPTEMBER 17, 2017, AGE 86

Alfred Ivan Burden, 86, of Idaho Falls, passed away Sept. 17, 2017, at his home. He was under the care of his loving family and Avalon Home Health and Hospice.

Ivan was born Oct. 1, 1930, in Bertrand, Nebraska, to Ray Alfred Burden and Grace Patton Burden. He grew up and attended schools in Idaho and graduated from Shelley High School. Ivan also attended Idaho State University, where he earned his bachelor’s degree in pharmacy in 1953.

On Jan. 30, 1952, he married Kathryn Mattson in Pocatello, Idaho. To this union were born five children, Debbie, Nancy, Mike, John and Tina. Ivan and Kathryn made their home in Idaho Falls, Idaho, where he owned and operated B & B Drug and Kathy’s Hallmark in Idaho Falls.

He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Ivan served as the president of Idaho State University Alumni Association and was a charter member of the Idaho Falls Civitan Club.

FRANKLYN R. HYATT
CLASS OF 1944
ROSEBURG, OR
NOVEMBER 16, 2017, AGE 96

Frank was born in Shelley, Idaho, on a wheat farm, the son of Robert and Hazel (Nielsen) Hyatt. While serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II, Frank met Nadine Crowder. They were married Dec. 31, 1943, in Pocatello.

Frank graduated as a registered pharmacist in 1944 from Idaho State University in Pocatello and moved to Utah in 1945 to begin his pharmacy career.

In 1947, Frank and Nadine relocated to Salem and started their family in 1948. Shortly after their fourth child was born, they moved to Brookings to open Frank’s Pharmacy on April 1, 1955.

In Brookings, Frank was very active in the Elks Lodge 1934. He worked
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STERLING A. JENSEN
IDAHO FALLS, ID
NOVEMBER 27, 2017, AGE 97
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You can also go to our Centennial Celebration web site at pharmacy.isu.edu/100th.

Support to this scholarship, as well as all of our scholarships or programs, also supports our Centennial Celebration Campaign. Your support is paramount to the campaign’s success as we prepare our future pharmacists for the many changing aspects of this noble profession. Your continued support in our campaign can culminate to inclusion in our commemorative patio, which will be unveiled during our centennial celebration in 2020.

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IN MEMORIAM

Sterling W. Jensen. His family moved to southern Idaho for a few years until settling in Idaho Falls. Sterling attended the University of Idaho, Southern Branch, in a pharmacy program until the war broke out in 1941.

Sterling enlisted in the Army Air Corps (now the U.S. Air Force) in 1942. He wanted to be a navigator, but when he arrived at training camp, he was informed the Corps needed pilots, not navigators. He began his pilot training on B-24s, which took him to several training camps around the United States. In 1944, he completed his training and received his pilot wings and commission as a second lieutenant. He was ordered to the European front, landing in November 1944, as part of the now famous Mighty 8th Air Force. When Sterling arrived at the air station in Kimbolton, England, there were no B-24s, just hundreds of B-17s sitting on the runway. He quickly retrained on the B-17, which he found to be a superior plane, much easier to fly than the B-24. After 35 missions bombing targets mostly in Germany and for his outstanding service, Sterling received six air medals, the European Theater Medal with three stars and the Distinguished Service Medal. For his bravery in landing his plane with only one engine functioning after a raid on the Berlin Marshalling Yards. According to his nose gunner, George Linick, “Sterling’s skills saved nine very young lives.” Sterling’s name is engraved on the Smithsonian National Aviation and Space Exploration Wall in Washington, D.C.

After the war, Sterling returned to Idaho Falls, where he met Dorothy “Jean” Gerrard. They were married May 8, 1946, and had two daughters, Kathryn Jean and Susan Lane. The couple was later sealed in the Idaho Falls Temple. Sterling had several businesses in town, including the Idaho Falls Credit Bureau and the Idaho Falls Monument Company. In 1976, he joined the LDS Foundation as a fundraiser for Brigham Young University and Ricks College, working throughout Idaho, Wyoming and Montana. Sterling retired in 1989 but stayed active working for the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Married for 71 years, Sterling and Jean’s marriage was a genuine romance that exemplified true love and absolute devotion to each other. Jean passed away this past September, and without her, Sterling became a bit lost. He died Monday after a brief illness. As a family, we mourn his passing but know he is now with his beloved Jean.

MARK S. CARSON
CLASS OF 2009
POCATELLO, ID

NOVEMBER 30, 2017, AGE 55

Mark Shayne Carson, age 55, died November 30, 2017 of an apparent heart attack. He was born on September 16, 1962 in Pocatello to Lyle and Glenda Carson.

He lived in Pocatello most of his growing up years and graduated from Highland High School in 1980 where he was active in band. He played the saxophone and bagpipes and was drum major his junior and senior years and also earned the John Phillip Sousa Music Award. He enrolled at U of I for a semester and eventually returned to Pocatello. He worked as an electrical apprentice for a year and finally gave in to the call of the sea and joined the Navy where he served for 12 years. He served on the USS Ranger during Desert Storm. He went to naval school to be an oculor tech and received a letter of commendation for being the top of his class. He was honorably discharged in 2000.

In June of 1991 he married Jennifer Burlage. This union ended in divorce, but Jennifer has remained a good friend of the family. He married Heather DeBusk in August 1999. They had two sons: Tyler and Alex. This union also ended in divorce. At Heather’s urging Mark went back to school and earned his BS in economics. He then applied to and was accepted to pharmacy school. He graduated in 2009 with his Doctor of Pharmacy. He went on to certify as a nuclear pharmacist.

ALAN M. NEWTON
CLASS OF 1994
BOISE, ID

DECEMBER 2, 2017, AGE 55

Alan Mitchell Newton, beloved brother, son, and friend, ran his final race on Saturday, December 2, 2017.

Born on December 22, 1962, in Fresno, California, Alan was the seventh of eight children of Gerald and Mary Newton.

Alan was raised in Pocatello, Idaho, where he found his lifelong passion for running during his high school years. He attended Idaho State University, obtaining his Doctor of Pharmacy degree. Alan ran with ISU’s Big Sky cross country championship team in 1981-1982.

Soon after graduation, Alan moved to Boise, Idaho, where he met and married Ginger Jansik. Boise became Alan’s home, and he treasured the many friends he made there.

While Alan’s running took him coast to coast, his greatest pleasure was found at home with his dogs McCall, Pans, and Anne, as well as his cat Buddy.
He sought to live simply throughout his life, Alan’s favorite place was outdoors running, biking, camping and hiking.

Alan was an accomplished guitarist. His playing and singing brought enjoyment to family, friends, and neighbors.

The family is grateful for Alan’s faithful friends who lifted him up toward the end of his life’s journey.

“I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize...”

Philippians 3:13

RICHARD E. OSTLER
CLASS OF 1950
POCATELLO, ID
DECEMBER 13, 2017, AGE 90

Richard Evelyn Ostler, M.D. 90 years of age, passed away December 13, 2017, at a care center in Pocatello, Idaho. He was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on July 27, 1927, and was the third son of Willard Howarth Ostler and Ethel Marguerite Byrd. The family returned later to Wyoming, living in various places such as Thermopolis and Greybull, also spending time at their Byrd grandparent’s ranch outside Lovell, Wyoming.

Richard started school at a one room schoolhouse in an area known as Crooked Creek before moving to Salt Lake City where he attended Ensign School. They had moved in with the Ostler grandparents before several moves in Salt Lake City. The family moved to Pocatello, Idaho, in 1937 with few material belongings. He rode in the back of a pickup truck driven by their uncle, with his two older brothers while his mother rode in the cab with their little sister. The family went through some very tough times with their father moving around a number of times trying to earn a living for his family selling insurance.

Life took a turn for the better eventually, when their father became associated with his brother Earcel in the decorating business but still needed help from the Byrd grandparents. There were several moves around Pocatello before finally settling in a house on North Arthur. By this time there were six children, and the three oldest were attending Pocatello High School at the same time. The WWII years brought financial opportunities with their father taking contracts for glass work and painting on defense projects, the beginning of Ostler Glass and Paint.

Richard did fairly well in school, loved reading history books. When he graduated from Pocatello High he joined the Navy and was scheduled for electronics training. He was in boot camp when WWII ended so didn’t have the additional training and was discharged one year later. After returning to Pocatello he began school at Idaho State in engineering courses (which he really didn’t like) and switched his major to Pharmacy, graduating in 1950.

He began dating Elaine Poole while he was at Idaho State and she was still at Pocatello High. They married on June 9, 1949, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They were a hardworking, determined couple, working at new jobs in Richfield, Utah, and then serving two years in the British Mission of the LDS Church. With his Pharmacy license they returned to Pocatello where he worked nearly five years at the Gate City Pharmacy, while also serving in the Bannock Creek Branch of the Church. But, there were still the nagging thoughts that he wanted something else - medical school. It was back to school again, this time at The George Washington University School of Medicine where he graduated in 1962, and after interning at the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake, he returned to Pocatello once more to begin his practice of Family Medicine.

From 1963 until retiring from his medical practice at age 65, he rendered dedicated and loving care to a very large number of patients in his private practice. He also served as the District Surgeon for the Union Pacific Railroad Employees Health System in the Idaho Division of the UPRR. When health problems brought on his retirement from private practice for a time he gladly accepted an offer from the ISU Family Practice Program to help prepare new physicians to properly care for patients. He began with the very first group of residents serving there until his 82nd birthday.

He has lived a long, productive life along with Elaine and his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, but recently has been hampered by health issues. He has been an example worthy of imitation, served patients well, and been a great influence with his family and many others. He will be greatly missed.

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In the past several months my travels have taken me to the Carolinas, Georgia, Illinois, New Mexico, Colorado, Nevada, Utah, California and of course Idaho. My objective is to get one picture of everyone I meet during my travels. I have determined that there have been two primary problems in getting all of the pictures. One is that I enjoy the visits so much that I forget to take the picture. Or, even more embarrassing is that I take the picture then inadvertently delete it. With that said, here are pictures of many of those I met with since our last bulletin.

I always enjoy the visits and look forward to meeting many of you in the months ahead.

Regards,
Phil
Brian McKillip ('79), San Diego

Les ('70) & Dorren Jang ('70), Sacramento

Deb ('99) & Jim Marchetti, Pocatello

Travis Jackman ('01), Santa Clara, UT

Rob ('82) & Debra Rist, Chico, CA

Mike ('70) & Robin Prime, Chico, CA

Gary Thomas ('68), Sacramento, CA

Gene & Dorothy ('74) Galloway, Pocatello

Dale ('74) & Linda Derbidge, Ely, NV

Dan ('95) & Adella Sandy

Carol Westby, Albuquerque, NM

Les ('70) & Dorren Jang ('70), Sacramento

David ('59) & Wesston ('13) Faux, Pocatello
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OCTOBER 5 AND 6, 2018
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       LEONARD HALL
6 PM  DINNER/ENTERTAINMENT
       LEONARD HALL

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          ALL ATTENDEES WELCOME
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          HOLT ARENA PARKING LOT
2:30 PM  KICK-OFF: ISU VS. UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

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