CALENDAR

WSU Pharmacy
Open House at PNWU
Tuesday, July 22, 2014
3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Butler-Haney Hall
PNWU Campus
Yakima, Wash.
RSVP »
more details »

WSU Dean’s Reception at AACP Annual Meeting
Tuesday, July 29, 2014
5:30-6:45 p.m.
Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center
Grapevine, Texas
more details »

WSPF Golf Tournament
Sunday, Aug. 17, 2014
12:00 p.m.
Willows Run Golf Complex
Redmond, Wash.
Event details coming soon

WSU Alumni & Student Mentoring Reception
Thursday, Aug. 21, 2014
4:00-5:30 p.m.
WSU Spokane campus
more details »

College of Pharmacy White Coat Ceremony
Friday, Aug. 22, 2014
2:00 p.m.
The Lincoln Center
Spokane, Wash.
is the Jessie Senora Sims Walker Scholarship Endowment.

Jessie was the first African-American female graduate of the pharmacy program at Washington State College in 1913. Abdel Monem, former dean of the WSU College of Pharmacy, set up this scholarship endowment in Jessie’s honor to ensure that her legacy lives on. Each year, a student is awarded a scholarship in Jessie’s name and also receives information about Jessie’s life history and her career achievements. You can read about Jessie and other endowment stories on our website: Pharmacy Student Scholarships.

I’d like to mention that Bill Gaskins, class of 1969, and Felicia Gaskins, WSU liberal arts class of 1973, are leading an effort to raise awareness and funds to grow the Sims Walker endowment to generate more scholarships. If you are interested in helping on the Sims Walker fundraising effort, or in establishing your own scholarship endowment, please email Kelly Sylvester or me, or call 509-368-6675.

ALUMNI NEWS

Our mentoring program will be launched in August, but we need your help! We are in need of 20-30 additional alumni mentors to match up with our incoming PY1 students. It will not be an excessive time commitment and you do not need to live near your student. We are expecting that only about 1-2 hours a month are needed.

There will also be a couple of events each year where you can meet your student in person if you can attend.

Being a mentor is a great way to stay connected to the College of Pharmacy and an important resource for our current student pharmacists. We hope you will sign up today: volunteer to be a pharmacy mentor.

If you have already signed up or are planning to be a mentor, remember to join us at the Fred Meyer alumni and student mentoring reception during orientation week. The reception will be on Thursday, August 21, at 4:00 p.m. in the Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences Building on the WSU Health Sciences campus in Spokane. You can RSVP to gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu.

STUDENT NEWS

You may not be aware of this, but the WSU College of Pharmacy website contains data about our recent graduates and their job or residency placement outcomes. I thought you might find it interesting to see these numbers and assess how we are doing: facts and student outcomes.

Our students have performed quite well on the NAPLEX and MPJE tests, and have done very well finding employment. If you are a recent graduate, please remember to stay in contact with us. Send us your updated contact and employment information so we can maintain accurate records for our assessment efforts, and keep you on our mailing list.

And even if you are not a recent graduate but have moved recently or have
Details on upcoming events will be posted as they become available on our Pharmacy Alumni Community web page »

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a new employer, please forward that information to gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu so we can update our records, and feature you in our Alumni Updates!

FACULTY NEWS
I’d like to congratulate Dr. Connie Remsberg on her appointment as the director for advancement of teaching and learning excellence.

Dean Gary Pollack selected her for this newly-created position and one of her first tasks will be addressing curriculum delivery options for our future students. This change in delivery will be for both campuses. Remsberg, who is both a Pharm.D. and Ph.D., was also recently selected as a Teacher of the Year by our PY1 students.

You can read more about this appointment in Dean Pollack’s July newsletter by clicking here: The Dean’s Newsletter. If you are not yet receiving his monthly e-newsletter, be sure to sign up: subscribe.

YAKIMA OPEN HOUSE
If you would like to learn more about the WSU Doctor of Pharmacy program in Yakima, plan to attend our Open House on the PNWU campus on July 22, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. You can view the event invitation and RSVP through this link: RSVP.

AACP DEAN’S RECEPTION
Are you planning to be in Texas for the American Association of College of Pharmacy’s annual meeting? If so, stop by Dean Gary Pollack’s alumni and friends reception on Tuesday, July 29, from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. at the Gaylord Texan Resort. More details are posted here: WSU Dean’s Reception at AACP

WAVE THE FLAG FOR PHARMACY
Don’t forget to send us your “Wave the Flag for Pharmacy” photo for the photo contest. We’ve received a few entries and wanted to share one with you:

Mike Glockling, class of 1981, and Rexanne Glockling, WSU nursing class of 1981, are pictured here with their flags atop the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France.

Now it’s your turn. Send us your photos with your Cougar flag and we’ll feature them on our Facebook page. All entries will be eligible for a drawing to win a Cougar gift basket with Cougar Gold Cheese and other goodies.

Email photos to gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu. If you need to borrow a Cougar flag let us know and we’ll get one to you. In September’s newsletter, we will feature the winning “Wave the Flag for Pharmacy” photos.
Hope you are having a great summer!

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ALUMNI UPDATES

- We recently checked in with Robert Queen, class of 1995, here in Spokane, Wash. Queen is the regional pharmacy manager for Safeway, overseeing a territory that includes 27 locations across Washington, Idaho and Montana. Queen is responsible for making sure his locations have the support they need to be industry leaders in providing pharmacy care activities in their community pharmacies. Queen is also on the advisory board for our Office of Experiential Education, and Safeway pharmacies provide rotation locations for many of our student pharmacists.
  --Thank you Robert for your service and dedication to our students and the College of Pharmacy!
- Dana Bowers, class of 2009, checked in from Kingman, Ariz., where she is a clinical specialist in infectious diseases and antimicrobial stewardship pharmacist at Kingman Regional Medical Center. Her husband, who is a D.O. graduate from PNWU in Yakima, is completing a medical residency in emergency medicine, also in Kingman. Bowers is also a clinical instructor in pharmacy practice and science at the University of Arizona College of Pharmacy and receives third- and fourth-year pharmacy students on rotation.

Want to be listed in our alumni updates? Send us your career information or let us know what you've been up to! gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu

Have you included the College of Pharmacy in your estate plans?
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