A Message from Linda Garrelts MacLean
Associate Dean for Advancement

Dear Alums, Colleagues and Friends of Pharmacy,

The days are getting longer and our pharmacy students are enjoying a well-earned break before classes begin again in August. I hope that you and your family take time to enjoy all that summer has to offer in the Pacific Northwest, or wherever you may live. And regardless of where you may roam this summer, take time to send us a photo and help us bring the pharmacy community together, here’s how:

WAVE THE FLAG FOR PHARMACY
Cougar pride is everywhere, and we want to see what our alums and friends are doing this summer. If you are traveling to an exotic locale or even just a nearby lake, snap a photo with a Cougar flag and email it to gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu. If you need to borrow a Cougar flag let us know and we’ll get one to you!

Our first entry into the “Wave the Flag for Pharmacy” photo contest is one that deserves a careful review by all of our alums—in fact, many of you are pictured here!

This photo was taken during the WSU Reception at the WSPA Northwest Pharmacy Convention in Coeur d’Alene on May 31. Can you spot anyone you know? If so, check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WSUpharmacy and tag them, including yourself! Oh, and by the way, that IS Dean Gary Pollack in the front of the photo. See all the photos here: www.pharmacy.wsu.edu/photogallery

There are also many current pharmacy students pictured because they were able to attend the event at no charge thanks to the Fred Meyer Alumni & Student Mentor Program. By the way, we still need alumni mentors for the incoming class of 2018. For more information or to sign up, click here.
If you haven’t been to one of our alumni receptions please plan on joining us! It’s a great way to get re-engaged with your College, make connections, and share memories. For a calendar with complete details of upcoming events visit our website at www.pharmacy.wsu.edu. And remember, wherever you go this summer, send us a photo! In September’s newsletter, we will feature the winning “Wave the Flag for Pharmacy” photos.

BILL FASSETT RETIREMENT PARTY

Another highlight from the WSPA convention was the retirement party for Dr. Bill Fassett. More than 150 guests attended the event on Friday, May 30, which was a great send-off. Bill spoke about his career at WSU, his time at the University of Washington, and the best choices he ever made, "pharmacy as a career and marrying Sharon Fassett."

We are very pleased to announce that we raised over $22,000 for Bill’s favorite cause, the Marguerite Villars Spokane Pharmacy Association Endowed Scholarship.

Marguerite Villars was in attendance at the event, along with Bert Porter, class of 1950, and many other long-time volunteers for the Spokane Pharmacy Association (SPA). Manpreet Chahal, class of 2008 and current president of the SPA, was a guest speaker along with Dean Gary Pollack. John Oftebro, class of 1965, did a marvelous job as our auctioneer. Thank you to everyone who attended, donated to the scholarship, and contributed auction items to make it a success!

If you would like more information about the scholarship or to make contribution in honor of Dr. Fassett or Marguerite, please visit www.give.wsu.edu.

SAVE THE DATES

To celebrate our Doctor of Pharmacy program in Yakima and our partnership with the Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences (PNWU), we will be co-hosting an open house on the PNWU campus in Yakima, Wash., on Tuesday, July 22.

If you live nearby, or will be in the area, please attend! We will be sending out more details soon, but in the meantime please add this event to your calendar or join the Facebook event.

Also, if you will be at the AACP annual meeting, please plan on joining Dean Gary Pollack, faculty, alumni, and pharmacy leaders at a special VIP reception on Tuesday, July 29. view the invitation

COUGARx NATION... Are You In?

We have officially renamed our pharmacy alumni community the CougaRx
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Pharmacy Alumni are Social!

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PHARMACY ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Nation. The CougaRx Nation regional coordinators met at a planning retreat on May 31 and developed bylaws and elected officers. Manpreet Chahal will serve as chair and Merrie Kay Alzola, class of 1993, will serve as vice-chair. See the list of your regional coordinators here: www.pharmacy.wsu.edu/alumnifriends

If you are interested in serving as a CougaRx Nation regional coordinator for your area, please contact us at gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu. To join the CougaRx Nation, click here!

STUDENT NEWS

We would like to thank the students and alums who participated in our very successful “accepted student” receptions held this spring in Renton and Spokane.

Making the investment to attend pharmacy school is a big decision, and many of our potential students receive offers from more than one pharmacy school. Our purpose is to get them excited about becoming a Cougar pharmacist and get them connected early on with alums, current pharmacy students, and each other. We also shared information on housing and other local resources they will be looking for in Spokane.

This is another example of how we are working to provide a world-class experience for our current and future student pharmacists. With our great alumni support, all things are possible!

If you are interested in attending one of these receptions, or would like to host a reception, please contact Kim Mickey in our student services office at k.mickey@wsu.edu or 509-368-6605.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

I am proud to announce that we were able to award five scholarships to PY4 students interested in community pharmacy ownership thanks to a generous donation from Cardinal Health.

Cassandra Song, Bridget Mummey, Mark Goff, Sekinah Samadi, and May Myngoc Chung Son are pictured here at our WSU reception at WSPA. Read more

RECENT GRADS

To our new 2014 alumni, remember to send us your updated information and activate your free year of alumni community membership if you have not already done so. And please keep us updated on your careers! We love to hear from you and highlight your great achievements in our "Alumni Updates."

With Best Wishes and Cougar Pride,

Garretta McClean

ALUMNI UPDATES

- **Marsh Roberts**, class of 1957, and his wife Joyce checked in from Wenatchee, where they are actively volunteering and recently hosted an exchange student from Denmark. Six of their grandchildren have attended WSU and their grandson Sam, who just graduated from Wenatchee High School, will start at WSU in August. Marsh and Joyce have been generous supporters of student scholarships at the College of Pharmacy and have donated to WSU for 50 years!

- **Clifton J. “CJ” Cahoon**, class of 2002, is currently working as the director of hospital pharmacy at St. Luke’s Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

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? For more information, please contact us or visit the WSU Foundation website.