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See the  
Graduating  
Class of 2018

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Special  
Thanks to  
Dr. Paul Cady

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Students Receive  
National  
Recognition in  
Nashville

Dr. Rex Force  
Vice President for Health Sciences/Professor

Dr. Christopher Owens  
Interim Dean/Associate Professor

Dr. Jennifer Adams  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs/Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Brooke Buffat  
Associate Dean for Student Affairs/Clinical Associate Professor/Continuing Education Director

Dr. Tom Wadsworth  
Assistant Dean for Alaska Programs/Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Cathy Oliphant  
Interim Department Chair of PPRA/Professor

Dr. Marvin Schulte  
Professor and Chair BPSCI

Dr. Paul Cady  
Professor/PPSA Advisor

Dr. Glenda Carr  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Catherine Cashmore  
Associate Professor Emerita

Dr. Kerry Casperson  
Associate Professor

Dr. Kevin Cleveland  
Assistant Dean for Experiential Education- Meridian/  
Associate Professor

Dr. Vaughn Culbertson  
Director of Non-Traditional Programs/Professor

Dr. Michelle Barcelon  
General Medicine Pharmacy Clinical Specialist

Dr. Mike Biddle  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Julia Boyle  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Anushka Burde  
Assistant Lecturer

Dr. Robin Dodson  
Associate Dean for Program Development/Professor  
(Retired)

Dr. Kathy Eroschenko  
Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. John Erramouspe  
Professor (Retired)

Dr. Bob Furilla  
UAA Adjunct Professor

Dr. Teddie Gould  
Associate Professor Emerita

Dr. Dave Hachey  
Family Medicine Pharmacy Clinical Services Director/  
Professor

Dr. Roger Hefflinger  
Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. John T. Holmes  
Assistant Professor

Dr. Rebecca Hoover  
Assistant Professor/Director Idaho Drug Information

Dr. Michelle Ivie  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Cara Liday  
Associate Professor

Dr. Karl Madaras-Kelly  
Professor

Dr. Robert Mancini  
Adjunct Clinical Instructor

Dr. Barb Mason  
Director of Interprofessional Education/Professor

Dr. Kasidy McKay  
Pharmacotherapy Residency Program Director

Dr. Rob Myers  
Assistant Professor

Dr. Elaine Nguyen  
Assistant Professor

Dr. Shanna O'Connor  
Community-Based Residency Program Director/Assistant  
Professor

Dr. Carol Paredes  
UAA Adjunct

Dr. Amy Paul  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Tracy Pettinger  
Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Brecon Powell  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Angharad Ratliff  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Rick Rhodes  
Professor

Dr. Renee Robinson  
Associate Professor

Dr. Prabha Awale  
Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Jared Barrott  
Assistant Professor

Dr. Dong Xu  
Assistant Professor/Director of Graduate Programs

Dr. Ali Habashi  
Assistant Professor

Dr. James Lai  
Professor

Dr. Srinath Pashikanti  
Assistant Professor

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## VISION

To lead the nation in innovative pharmacy discovery and practice and inspire learners to be catalysts for change.

## MISSION

Develop caring and collaborative pharmacists and scholars who improve health outcomes through transformative research and patient-centered care.

## VALUES

*Integrity:* Doing the right thing.

*Access:* Creating opportunities for outreach and engagement of underserved populations.

*Inclusiveness:* Seeking diversity by valuing everyone.

*Collaboration:* Nurturing a respectful community through mentorship, communication, and transparency.

*Intellectual Curiosity:* Fostering an environment that encourages research, scholarship, and entrepreneurship.

*Accountability:* Promoting a culture of patient and professional advocacy.

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



It was nearly 100 years ago that Idaho State University's College of Pharmacy was founded — almost a century of history, tradition and excellence. Plenty has changed in the past several decades. Starting from its roots in what was then called the Idaho Technical Institute, the College has evolved from a few dozen dedicated students in a two-year training program to a nationally-renowned doctoral program with faculty educating students from Idaho to Alaska. Our students today participate in award-winning outreach opportunities that enhance their education and benefit our communities. They participate in programs like *Operation Immunization*, where students offer education and services for adult

immunization, and *Generation Rx*, a program designed to educate people of all ages on medication safety. They also complete residencies in rural areas, bringing health care to underserved communities.

The College of Pharmacy is an integral and foundational part of Idaho State University's state-designated mission to provide excellent education in the health sciences. Our faculty work hard every day to ensure that students have access to the highest level of training, the latest in research, and opportunities for learning, outreach and laboratory work that makes a difference to those in our communities.

For more than 30 years, Dean Paul

Cady has been a tireless ambassador for the College of Pharmacy, helping to educate hundreds of you who are out in the workforce today. Dr. Cady has stepped down as dean of the College this fall, and will continue in a faculty position. Although I have not known Paul long, I have already seen the tremendous impact he has had at Idaho State University. I want to personally thank him for all of his years of dedicated service.

As you look through the College of Pharmacy's Graduation Edition Bulletin, I would encourage you to stay connected with your alma mater. Thank you for your support of the College of Pharmacy and ISU.

Kevin Satterlee

President, Idaho State University

# MESSAGE FROM THE INTERIM DEAN



Serving as interim dean for the ISU College of Pharmacy is truly an honor.

When I came to ISU 20 years ago, I knew it would be a life-changing experience for me, but had no idea how much. Over the years I have had the privilege of learning from and working with outstanding faculty and preceptors, dedicated staff, and amazing students and residents. It is clear to me that each and every one of us has a contribution to make. All of us working together have made the ISU College of Pharmacy what it is today –and are its future as well.

On the wall of my office is a quote that has always inspired me. It is attributed to the philosopher Aristotle and reads, “*We are what we repeatedly do.*”

*Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.*” The ISU College of Pharmacy has maintained a standard of excellence since opening our doors in 1920. Over the past century, the College has worked to develop caring and highly capable pharmacists who positively impact the health care needs of patients; we have served the communities in which we live – throughout Idaho and now in Alaska as well; and we have been at the forefront of patient care as well as research in pharmacy practice and biomedical and pharmaceutical sciences.

Recently, we announced that the ISU College of Pharmacy is in the public phase of our first ever capital campaign. This \$15 million campaign is

part of our Centennial Celebration which will take place in the fall of 2020. Our focus is to increase scholarships, along with capital and program needs to provide the best possible teaching, learning, and research environments for our faculty and students.

I would ask each one of you to consider anew the impact that the College of Pharmacy has had on your career, your quality of life, and where you are today. I can say without a doubt that ISU has truly changed my life – and I’ll bet it has changed yours, too. Please join me in contributing to the College during our Centennial Campaign. We’ve done some truly great things together in our first 100 years as a College – where we go in our next 100 years is up to us.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Owens, PharmD, MPH  
Interim Dean/Associate Professor

# NEW FACULTY AND STAFF

## Dr. Renee Robinson

Dr. Robinson completed her doctorate in pharmacy at the University of Georgia, a residency at Nationwide Children hospital, a fellowship in clinical research through the National Institutes of Health, a pediatric pharmacotherapy fellowship and MPH in epidemiology at The Ohio State University, and a Masters in Patient Safety and Health Outcome at University of Florida. From 2002-2006 after fellowship she conducted both basic science and clinical research as a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics,

using qualitative and quantitative assessments to study medication adherence and medical decision-making. In 2006, she left academia to focus on building clinical and management skills in industry. In 2008 she joined the United States Public Health Service, and in 2010 returned to research (health outcomes, clinical, and trans-



lational research), assuming a role as a senior researcher II at Southcentral Foundation, a tribal health care facility. In 2018, Robinson joined the ISU team at the Anchorage campus, taking over coordination of the Special Populations Module, and working with ISU faculty and staff to pursue external health outcomes research funding. In her downtime, Dr. Robinson does yoga, pilates, crafts, and aerial silks.

## Dr. Prabha S. Awale

Dr. Awale joined the College of Pharmacy in 2016 as a visiting professor, and became a permanent faculty member this spring. She received her B. Pharm. degree from the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences in Bangalore, India in 2000 and Ph.D. from Kent State University in 2012.

Awale brings more than nine years of research experience (experimental and theoretical) in neuroscience, particularly neuro immunology, and different disease states that affect the brain. These include Parkinson's disease,

autism, major depressive disorder and traumatic brain injury.

She is a member of the College of Pharmacy Faculty Affairs Committee, Assessment and Accreditation Committee and the Radiation Safety Committee here at ISU. She has taught a variety of courses both here and as a teaching assistant at Northeast Ohio Medical University in Rootstown, Ohio



and Kent State University. Some of these courses include Biological Basis of Drug Action, Critical Literature Evaluation; CNS module, Endocrine Module and others.

In addition, her research in the Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences has been focused around understanding the immune cell alterations in valproic acid model of autism, the effect of mild repetitive traumatic brain injury (rmTBI) on mTOR pathway, and the significance of Sirtuins 6 (SIRT6) in major depressive disorder (MDD).

## Dr. Amy Paul

Dr. Paul is a board certified ambulatory care pharmacist and clinical assistant professor at Idaho State University Anchorage campus in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Administrative Sciences. She earned her Pharm.D. from Regis University in Denver, Colorado and went on to complete a PGY1 residency with a focus in Ambulatory Care Pharmacy at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

After completing her post-graduate training, Paul moved to Anchorage

where she established and still maintains a clinical practice with Providence Medical



Group Primary Care Clinic. She has been responsible for the development of pharmacy services within the clinic which has grown to two pharmacists and one pharmacy technician. The clinic includes a

multidisciplinary team operating under a Patient Centered Medical Home Model and serves over 7,000 patients throughout Alaska.

Paul's research interests include transitions of care, diabetes, improving medication use, and development and utilization of interdisciplinary teams.

# Luke E. Rice

Mr. Luke Rice is the new director for the Office of Experiential Education. In this role, he works with faculty, staff, preceptors and students to manage the hands-on practical experiences that are carefully coordinated with didactic coursework and co-curricular activities. These experiences (Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experiences and Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences) are an opportunity for students to actively participate in meaningful learning experiences that integrate and apply knowledge and skill sets gained from the curriculum to real-world, patient-care settings within local, regional, national and international communities.

Rice brings 15 years of direct experience within a higher education environment, previously providing leadership and operations management for the experiential education program at Washington State University's College of Pharmacy on the Spokane and Yakima campuses. Rice has presented at local, regional, and national conferences for experiential education, is a co-author on articles published in the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education (2017, 2011), and



leadership and operations management for the experiential education program at Washington State University's College of Pharmacy on the Spokane

a founding member of The Northwest Pharmacy Experiential Consortium.

A former student-athlete at Washington State University, Rice earned a B.A. in Sociology (2000) from WSU and a Master of Education (2011) from Eastern Washington University. Rice and his wife Jaime have a daughter (Crimson) who is a pitcher and infielder for the premier girls fastpitch softball team Washington Ladyhawks.

Luke works remotely from Spokane, Washington, and can be reached at [riceluke@isu.edu](mailto:riceluke@isu.edu) or (509) 879-7258.

# 2017-2018 NOTABLE NUMBERS

## APhA-ASP AWARDS

### WINNER

2016-2017 Operation Immunization National Award

### WINNER

2016-2017 Operation Diabetes Region 7 Award

### 2ND RUNNER UP

2016-2017 Operation OTC/ Med Safety National Award

### 3RD RUNNER UP

2016-2017 Generation RX National Award

## OUTCOMES

**89%**

First Time Pass Rate for North American Pharmacy Licensing Examination (NAPLEX) \*2017 Graduates

**98%**

On Time Graduation Rate

**20%**

Graduates who Obtained Residencies

**66%**

Graduates who Obtained Employment in Idaho

## OPPORTUNITIES

**275**

Active Rotation Sites in 11 States

**430**

Trained and Qualified Preceptors

**20**

InterProfessional Events with other Health Professions at ISU

## STUDENT OUTREACH

**3500**

Immunizations Provided

**1500**

Patients Screened & Educated for Diabetes

**1300**

Patients Screened & Educated for Heart Disease

**70**

Classroom Presentations to Elementary, Middle School and High School Groups

**42**

Number of Student Pharmacists who Lobbied at Pharmacy Day at the Capitol in Boise, Idaho

**8**

Number of Student Pharmacists who Lobbied at the Legislative Fly-In in Juneau, Alaska

# GRADUATION EVENTS



Meridian Graduation Banquet photos are provided for this publication, courtesy of Arrowrock Photography. Photos may be viewed and downloaded for online digital use only, for no charge, and photo prints are available for purchase at [arrowrockphotography.net/pharm18](http://arrowrockphotography.net/pharm18)

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# CLASS OF 2018 • POCATELLO



Sena Aydogan



Nelson Bishop



Lauren Braden



Kayla Brawley



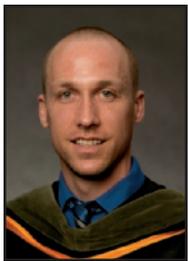
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Katy Burton



Colter Shirley



Tyler Cress



Matt Decker



Marianne DeVore



Cassidy Elgan



Mason Goodman



Serena Hand



Jason Hansen



Kylie Hutchison



Cheyenne Kirby



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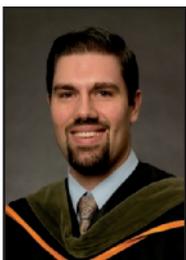
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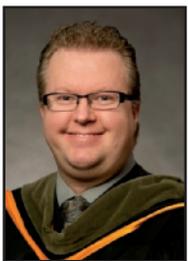
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Staci Thayer



Ernest Upshaw



Nick Wynn

## RESIDENCY GRADUATES



Jordan Ferro



Kori Wittrock

## NON-TRADITIONAL GRADUATES

Sara Beem  
Julie Choi  
Emily Gillespie  
Linda Hodnett  
Sini Jacob

Mirjana Lulic-Botica  
Meghan Mior  
Gary Snider  
Christine Wong

# CLASS OF 2018 • MERIDIAN



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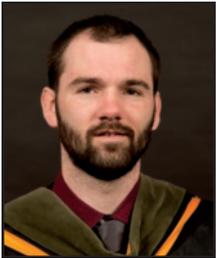
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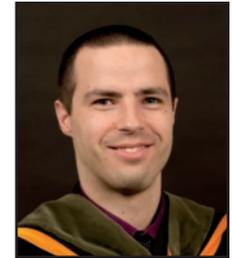
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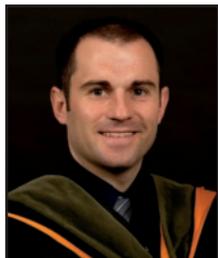
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Jessica  
Marchetti  
Szobonya



Monica  
McLain



Brad  
Moon



Catalina  
Munguia



Leighton  
Murri



Mervan  
Newbold



Eric  
Quiroz



David  
Ross



David  
Tran



John  
Travis



Nour  
Travis



Heather  
Walser



Alison  
Waltman

## College of Pharmacy Graduates Eight Members of Same Family

You might say pharmacy runs in the family at Idaho State University. When ISU commencement concluded in May, a total of eight members from one local family became part of ISU's College of Pharmacy alumni roster.

On May 5, Nickolas Wynn and Kaitlin Wynn Nakken, siblings and twins, but not to each other, were the latest members of their family to graduate from the College of Pharmacy and begin work in the same industry. Their mother, Kim Wynn, also a 1991 ISU pharmacy graduate and pharmacist at Bengal Pharmacy, was with them on stage, to present her children with their ceremonial hoods. Kim said she was honored to be able to place the green and orange hood over the heads of two of her children who have followed in her footsteps to become pharmacists. The orange in the hood is representative of ISU's school colors, and the green is the traditional color representing the College of Pharmacy.

Nickolas and Kaitlin are each just one part of two sets of twins, and two of David and Kim Wynn's five children. Nickolas's twin sister Cassidy also attended ISU, and now works full time as an elementary school teacher. Coincidentally, she also fills in regularly as a pharmacy technician at Wallace Pharmacy in Aberdeen, where her mother Kim previously worked as well. Kaitlin's twin brother Michael is a mechanical engineer who graduated from BYU-Idaho in March. Kim says her youngest child, Carson, 16, is not sure yet if he's interested in a career in pharmacy, and that's ok with Kim. She says she hasn't pushed any of her children to become pharmacists. "Nick, who was 9-months-old when I graduated from pharmacy school at ISU, actually surprised me when he told me he had decided to go to pharmacy school here too," Kim said, "but Kaitlin started talking about it when she was in high school."

The pharmacy lineage runs deep in the family, and Kim says it all start-



ed when her father, William C. Johns graduated from the College in 1957. From there, Johns served in the United States Army as a hospital pharmacist, including three years in Germany as the Chief of Pharmacy for the European region of all U.S. military pharmacies.

Kim sometimes tagged along with her father to work, as he held positions in pharmacies all over the US and the world. She says although it wouldn't be allowed now, she would go with him into the pharmacy on Saturday mornings when she was still in elementary school and help him pre-fill some common medications, such as the antibiotic amoxicillin, recalling, "There was a counting machine that pharmacists or technicians used to pre-pack a set quantity in each prescription vial and I was allowed to load each bottle, one by one. The machine had a spinning tray with the capsules, then when you held the empty bottle up to the mouth of the machine, that would trigger the set quantity (such as 30 capsules) to dispense into the bottle. I would cap it, then fill the next one. I thought it was great fun. When I was older I got paid \$20 to clean the restrooms in a retail pharmacy where my father worked. I also remember using an old fashioned prescription stamper that recorded the prescription number when I was about 12-years-old." Kim says her father didn't push her, or any of her six siblings, to go

into a career in pharmacy. "He told us it was a great career for being able to work in a wide variety of settings and to do other things, to work full time or part time, and have flexibility in life. Just working with my dad when I was young is definitely what inspired me to go into pharmacy," she says.

In the same way, Kim recalled stories of her children helping her at Wallace Pharmacy in Aberdeen where she worked. "Cassidy helped the most, refilling empty vials and putting away the stock of prescription bottles on the shelves," Kim says. "Nick and Kaitlin also helped a little bit when I was working in the pharmacy there but not as much as Cassidy." Wallace Pharmacy is owned by Dwight Wallace, also a 1992 ISU College of Pharmacy graduate, and coincidentally, Nick's father-in-law.

Kim has worked at Bengal Pharmacy since February 2014. She says that just like her father, she has also seen a lot of changes to the pharmacy industry over the years. "My father was among the pioneers in the use of one of these changes in hospitals, called unit dosing, and it is still developing today. It is much more technical now. In an effort to make prescription medication as safe as possible, and eliminate human error, the majority of drugs are now delivered to hospitals individually packed, as opposed to arriving in large bottles. This helps to decrease



the margin for error when delivering prescriptions to patients. Before, nurses and pharmacists would hand pack and hand label these drugs from large stock bottles, or even from stock bottles at the nurse's station," she explains. Now, some local pharmacies have started to package medications in a similar manner for their patients, based on the time of day recommended for each dose. Kim explains, "Bengal Pharmacy does unit-dose packaging for patients that have specifically requested it. Their monthly meds come packaged on a blister pack card and they just pop their meds out of it each day. This helps eliminate patients forgetting if they already took their meds or not."

Kim is the pharmacist-in-charge of Bengal Pharmacy at Lost Rivers in Arco, ISU's first telepharmacy venture, and has been involved since the planning stages. "Our Arco location was the first full "open stock" telepharmacy in Idaho. To date, this is our busiest and most profitable pharmacy," she says. ISU now has four telepharmacy locations across the state, in Challis, Council, Kendrick and Arco, allowing citizens of these small, rural communities to access the personalized care of an in-person pharmacist using video and audio technologies. "I have enjoyed watching the pharmacy program and telepharmacy services grow throughout the state. I came in right when that was taking off and there have been growing pains, but I have

really enjoyed being a part of that growth. Just the fact of going through the College of Pharmacy at ISU, and becoming a pharmacist has opened a lot of doors and it is a great experience," she says.

Kim says there are three other members of her family who caught the pharmacy bug, and graduated from ISU's College of Pharmacy:

- Kim's brother Richard Johns currently lives in Nampa and works for Albertson's SavOn Pharmacy in Caldwell
- Kim's brother-in-law, Grant Briggs works for McKay-Dee Hospital in Ogden, Utah where he completed his residency
- Kim's niece Talise Chapman works at Shaver's Pharmacy in Pocatello

Whether or not they are all related by blood, ISU's pharmacy family maintains a strong bond between students, faculty, those practicing in the industry, and most importantly, their patients. Kim says that she, her father, and her son's father-in-law, have all spent time working with ISU's pharmacy students and residents as preceptors to help prepare them for their career. Dr. Paul Cady, former dean of the College of Pharmacy, worked with Johns at ISU's student health center and spoke fondly of his concern for patients there. "I had the privilege of working with Bill at the student health center. He was a very good, kind man, who took good care of his patients. He

was the type of pharmacist that truly cared for his patients, even if it was the first time he had ever met them. He was a very influential individual in pharmacy in Pocatello and across the state, and I am pleased to have known him," Cady says.

When asked why he thought so many members of the same family chose to attend ISU's College of Pharmacy, Cady said, "I just think it is incredible that a family clearly has such a strong family value of helping others. The fact that so many members of the same family went into a profession that focuses on helping others is very honorable. It really demonstrates the impact that Bill had on his family. We at the College of Pharmacy are proud to be part of that legacy of serving others, and are honored that so many members of the same family placed their confidence in us to help them achieve their goals."

As for her children who graduated this year, Nick worked his rotations in Reno, and is now living in Twin Falls and working for Shopko Pharmacy. Kaitlin worked at Smith's pharmacy in Pocatello through school, and she and her husband moved to St. Louis, Missouri. She is working for Walgreens and he is attending Washington University School of Medicine.



## Snell Named College's 2018 Professional Achievement Award Recipient

The College of Pharmacy chose Ed Snell as the 2018 Professional Achievement Award recipient for the significant contributions he has made in enhancing the profession of pharmacy, and his commitment to training future pharmacists.

Snell moved to Pocatello from Kansas as a teenager and his initial reaction to the city was not a positive one. Now, decades later, he says you couldn't get him to leave. Snell graduated from the College of Pharmacy at Idaho State University in 1976. After a brief stint working in a chain pharmacy and a short foray into real estate, he opened his first store in March 1988, in Pocatello. When the store outgrew that location in 1998, Snell purchased another building across the street to have more room to care for his patients, and is still taking care of them in that location today. He also purchased pharmacies in Blackfoot, Jerome, and Hailey, Idaho.

Snell says he wanted to be able to provide better care for his patients, so he obtained a clinical nutrition certificate

in 1997. He served as the president of the Idaho State Pharmacy Association and worked with representatives from other states to establish the Tri-State Pharmacy Association that is still active today.

He was awarded the Pharmacist of the Year in the late 1990s, and he and other members of his staff have received numerous other pharmacy awards. These include Pharmacy Tech of the Year, Young Pharmacist of the Year twice, Innovative Pharmacist of the Year twice and the Bowl of Hygieia twice.

Snell is excited about the recent changes in pharmacy practice law that have expanded prescribing authority for pharmacists in Idaho. For example, they will now be able to perform strep and influenza testing and prescribing. "If you come in and say you have a nasty sore throat, we can do the test and you don't have to see your doctor. We can get you all set up with the prescription. We have worked since 1990s on prescribing according to physician's protocol. So if someone comes in with

asthma, we can get you set up according to the doctor's protocol, but as of July 1, pharmacists will have their own protocol to prescribe for strep and influenza," Snell said. He says expanding the scope of prescribing authority



for pharmacists "makes it much more accessible and less expensive for the patient's health care, and that is the goal. In the next 5 years, I think there is a good chance for every clinic in town to be looking for a pharmacist to be right there in the clinic. That will be a little bit slower here in Pocatello, but other areas, especially rural areas, they may be grabbing ahold of it more so" he said.

**SENIOR SEMINAR  
EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

MERIDIAN: HEATHER WALSER  
 POCATELLO: CAMERIN PASSEY  
 COEUR D'ALENE: KAYLA BRAWLEY  
 RENO: MERVAN NEWBOLD

**TEACHERS OF THE YEAR**

PPRA

P1-P3: DR. TRACY PETTINGER  
 P4: DR. BRECON POWELL

BPSCI

P1-P3: DR. BOB FURILLA  
 P4: DR. ROB MYERS

**PRECEPTORS OF THE YEAR**

POCATELLO: DR. ROGER MURPHY  
 MERIDIAN: DR. TYLER HEMSLEY  
 COEUR D'ALENE: DR. MARY ELHAYEK  
 TWIN FALLS: DR. CHRIS JOHNSON  
 RENO: DR. KATE FORD

**OUTSTANDING  
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

HEATHER WALSER

**DEAN'S AWARD**

CAMERIN PASSEY



PAUL CADY WITH ROGER MURPHY

**LILLY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

ZARA SILVERTSEN

**MERCK AWARD**

JEFFREY BUFFINGTON  
 CHEYENNE WILLIAMS

**MYLAN EXCELLENCE  
IN PHARMACY**

CAMERIN PASSEY

**WOLTERS KLUWER  
HEALTH AWARD**

KAYLA BRAWLEY

**INTERPROFESSIONAL  
EDUCATION AND  
PRACTICE AWARD**

JAMES HUNT

A screenshot of the SHOPI SUBENGLS.COM website. The header features a tiger logo and the text "SHOPI SUBENGLS.COM A Portion of the Proceeds Benefits Idaho State University Scholarships". Below the header is a navigation bar with links like "Home", "Suggestions", "Privacy", etc. The main content area shows a grid of t-shirts under the heading "T-Shirts". There are four t-shirts displayed with prices: a white t-shirt for \$21.48, a black t-shirt for \$21.48, a black t-shirt for \$21.48, and an orange t-shirt for \$21.48. A large orange banner at the bottom of the screenshot reads "You asked for it, here it is! Find your College of Pharmacy gear, including shirts, hats, wine glasses, and more at SHOPI SUBENGLS.COM".

# WHITE COAT CEREMONIES



## White Coat 2018 Ceremonies

This year, the ISU College of Pharmacy held its 18th annual White Coat Ceremony for the Class of 2022. The ceremony for the incoming P1 Pocatello and Meridian students was held on August 16th at Stephens Performing Arts Center, and the ceremony for Alaska was held on August 17th in Anchorage. This year, there are 14 new student pharmacists in Alaska, 35 in Meridian, and 41 in Pocatello.

The White Coat Ceremony has been a favorite and treasured tradition of ISU

for years, initiating the new P1 students and presenting them with their white coats. Each student is presented their coat by a family member, friend, or colleague that is also a pharmacist, with their friends and family there to witness. Dr. Alex Adams of the Idaho Board of Pharmacy described the occasion as a “rite of passage symbolizing pharmacy student to student pharmacist,” as students are transitioning into new roles in the pharmacy profession. The Pocatello ceremony

was led by Interim Dean Chris Owens. Dr. Tom Wadsworth, assistant dean of Alaska programs, led the ceremony in Anchorage.

Our White Coat 2018 sponsors include Walgreen’s, Albertson’s, Idaho State Pharmacy Association, as well as alumni Bill Eames (’57), Joe DellaZoppa (’65), and Mike Prime (’70). Thank you to all of those who donate and make this event possible, we could not do it without your generosity!



# RESIDENCY MATCHES

## FAMILIES IN PHARMACY

This year brought several new student pharmacists who are already members of the College “pharmily” in one way or another. The tradition of pharmacy runs deep in many families, and we are pleased to see these new student pharmacists joining the profession.

Amanda Hart, Administrative Assistant 2, Pocatello, with husband Matt Seaman (P1)



Cathy Cashmore, Associate Professor Emerita, Pocatello, with daughter Sasha Heyneman (P1)



Cynthia Tillotson, Director of Admissions and Student Affairs, Pocatello, with daughter Madeline Foster (P1)



Roger Call  
PGY1

Eastern Idaho Regional  
Medical Center - Idaho Falls, ID



Mason Goodman  
PGY1

St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional  
Medical Center - Twin Falls, ID



Alexandrea Ham  
PGY1

Saint Alphonsus Regional  
Medical Center - Boise, ID



Michael Hembree  
PGY1 - Community

Albertsons Pharmacy/ISU  
College of Pharmacy - Boise, ID



James Hunt  
PGY1 - Community

Terry Reilly - Nampa, ID



Kylie Hutchison  
PGY1

St. Luke's Health System -  
Boise, ID



Jason LaFlamme  
PGY1

Providence Centralia Hospital -  
Centralia, WA



Monica McClain  
PGY1

Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical  
Center - Boise, ID



Leighton Murri  
PGY1

St. Luke's Health System -  
Boise, ID



Mervyn Newbold  
PGY1

VA Sierra Nevada Healthcare  
System - Reno, NV



Tucker Taufou  
PGY1

Providence St. Patrick  
Hospital - Missoula, MT



Heather Walsor  
PGY1

VA Medical Center - Boise, ID



Alex Lystrup  
PGY1 - Pharmacotherapy-24 mo  
Idaho State University -  
Pocatello, ID



Chelsea Capley  
PGY2-Psychiatric  
VA Salt Lake City Healthcare  
System - Salt Lake City, UT



Steven Kochman  
PGY2-Critical Care  
Renown Regional Medical  
Center - Reno, NV



Sabrina Sherwood  
PGY2-Internal Medicine  
University of Utah Hospitals &  
Clinics - Salt Lake City, UT

# CONGRATULATIONS

to our pharmacy students who matched for  
residencies during Phase 1 & Phase 2!

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# P1 STUDENTS • CLASS OF 2022

## POCATELLO

Not pictured:  
Dawn Buhler



Anthony Adese



Hugo Alvarado



Takoda Averett



Charles Barnes



William Cannon



Alan Cazeau



Ryan Chandler



Shaun Christian



Jacee Clark



James Doyle



Cade Farmer



Madeline Foster



Hannah Galbreth



Montana Gessell



Zebulon Graham



Samantha Graves



Carissa Grim



Zachary Gundersen



Megumi Harris



Sasha Heyneman



Eryn Hunt



Lyle Kontes



Khoa Le



Cortney Murray



Christopher Nartker



Rebecca Nguyen



Stephanie Nguyen



Hugo Rayo



Jonathan Reaman



Sallee Rydalch



Matthew Seaman



Eisa Sobbi



Matthew Spencer



John Stegelmeier



Vivaldo Torres



David Truong



Dominic Ubah



Richard Vollmer



Garret Wendt



Kacie Woodward

## ALASKA



Harrison Alford



Talethia Bogart



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Janelle Feller



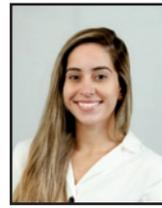
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Joey Lopez



Nana McMillan



Naiomi Morales Cortes



Kellie Rasay



Mikayla Romney



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Carrie Urena



Ronald Wagoner



Sharay Young

## MERIDIAN

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Stephen Chamberlain



Dora Aguayo



Caden Alder



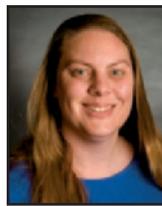
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Jason Byce



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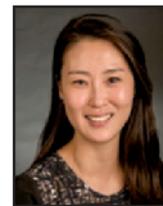
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Jordan Kell



Ryan Kniesner



Anne Lee



Andrew Mathes



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Briana Thompson



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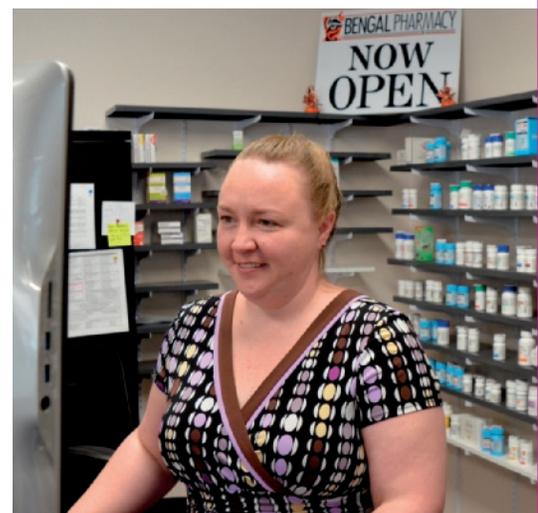
## Working Together to Open Bengal Pharmacy in Kendrick, Idaho

After living without pharmacy services for three years, residents in the rural towns of Kendrick and Juliaetta, Idaho now have reason to celebrate. A local pharmacy has now returned to the area, through a partnership with Idaho State University's Bengal Pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, and Gritman Medical Center in Moscow.

After ISU representatives worked for several years to change the Pharmacy Practice Act in Idaho, allowing a pharmacist to dispense medications remotely via video conferencing and telecommunications, a fourth telepharmacy location operated by Bengal Pharmacy staff opened in Kendrick in January. Representatives from each partner group, along with city officials and residents of the Kendrick/Juliaetta area, came to cut the official ribbon during the grand opening April 5. Several dozen people were in attendance to participate in the opening, and citizens will no longer have to make the 30 mile drive to Lewiston or Moscow to pick up their prescription medication. The rural Idaho towns of Challis, Council and Arco celebrated similar openings of Bengal Telepharmacy locations in the last five years.

Telepharmacy is the delivery of pharmaceutical care using telecommunications and other information technologies to patients in locations who do not have direct, in-person contact with a pharmacist. Misty Lynam, a pharmacy technician there, works in conjunction with a pharmacist or student pharmacy intern at Bengal Pharmacy in Pocatello, using still and video cameras, telephone, and email to verify a patient's medication. The scripts, pill bottles, medication labels, and even the tablets themselves, are placed below a camera by Lynam, and viewed by pharmacists in Pocatello for accuracy before being dispensed to the patient. Each time a new patient, or an existing patient taking a new medication, fills a prescription there, they are offered a consultation with that pharmacist. The consultation takes place in a private room, via video conferencing. Shanna O'Connor, director of clinical services at Bengal Pharmacy in Pocatello says patient counseling is not only a requirement under state law, but it's something she loves to do. O'Connor offers prescription counseling to every patient she sees, just to ensure there aren't going to be any unwanted side effects or complications.

O'Connor said she enjoys providing the counseling because it helps make sure her patients are getting the best regimen of medications for them. "Some of my highly complex patients who are dealing with chronic conditions such as heart disease are taking anywhere between seven and 30 medications at a time. Many people think pharmacists are trying to push drugs to their patients, but that isn't the case. I'm an advocate for controlling chronic disease with as few medications as possible, even zero if possible. Drugs are the answer for some things, but



not everything,” she explained.

When the previous pharmacy in Kendrick closed, Gritman Medical Center purchased the building and called Idaho State University right away. Rex Force, vice president for health sciences at ISU, said “They had heard about our telepharmacy operations in the other rural towns, and asked if we would be willing to help in Kendrick also.” During the grand opening ceremony, both Force and Kara Besst, CEO at Gritman Medical Center, offered their appreciation for the other group’s participation and collaboration in getting the pharmacy open. Force says, “I appreciate the partnership of all the entities involved. This project would simply not have worked without these partnerships. The ISU Foundation has also been there beside us, supporting our students and our mission.”

Dirk Driscoll, a member of the ISU Foundation Board of Directors, made the trek to Kendrick to witness the grand opening first hand and said, “I have been working for several years on the foundation board to see this project to completion. I am honored to a part of what’s happening today in Kendrick. This is about people and you can feel that in the group of people involved.”

Telling a story about one of his many visits to Kendrick from Pocatello, then dean for ISU’s College of Pharmacy, Paul Cady spoke about a woman at a gas station who thanked him for “saving our community.” Cady said, “Nobody wants to purchase health care. Nobody wants to get examined by a physician or have a tooth pulled, they just want improved quality of life, and that is why we are here.”

The Kendrick Bengal Pharmacy is located at 509 E. Main, accepts most insurance plans, including Idaho Medicaid, and is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is closed for lunch between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. Lynam can be reached by calling (208) 289-3075.

## Pharmacists to Start Prescribing Hormonal Contraception at Bengal Pharmacy

Bengal Pharmacy, on the campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello, will soon be offering a new service, the Pharmacist-Prescribed Hormonal Contraception Program. Working under a collaborative practice agreement with University Health Center providers, pharmacists will be able to provide increased access to several birth control options, including the daily pill, progestin-only pills, vaginal rings, transdermal patch, medroxyprogesterone injections, and emergency contraception. Programs like this have been introduced in multiple states throughout the U.S., including California, Colorado, New Mexico, and Oregon.

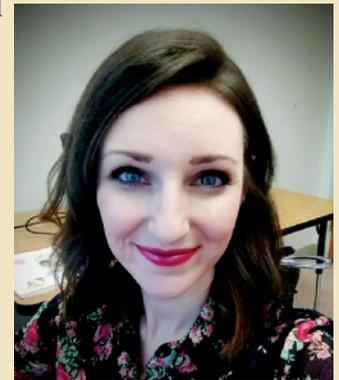
Bengal Pharmacy’s former Community Pharmacy Resident, Dr. Kori Wittrock, spearheaded the program. “Lack of access to birth control has been a barrier in this country for years. I am excited to be able to help decrease those barriers and get women the health care they need,” Wittrock explains. She, along with Dr. Shanna O’Connor, director of clinical services at Bengal Pharmacy, designed the program and piloted it using mock patients.

While a blood pressure check is required, no additional physical exam or laboratory tests are necessary. In consultation with a trained pharmacist, patients complete a questionnaire and if there are no contraindications, patients are able to receive a prescription for birth control right then and there. However, some patients may need to be referred to a health care provider for further evaluation. It is all about whether the form of contraception requested is safe and appropriate for the patient and pharmacists are in an excellent position to make that determination following a brief consultation.

The pharmacist will work with providers at the ISU Health Center and the patients’ primary care providers to ensure communication across the health care team. “This program is not a replacement for the regular wellness visits that every patient needs to have with her primary care provider,” College of Pharmacy Interim Dean Chris Owens said. “It is simply a way to increase access to a critical women’s health care need for those who desire it and who may use it safely after consulting with a trained health care professional.”

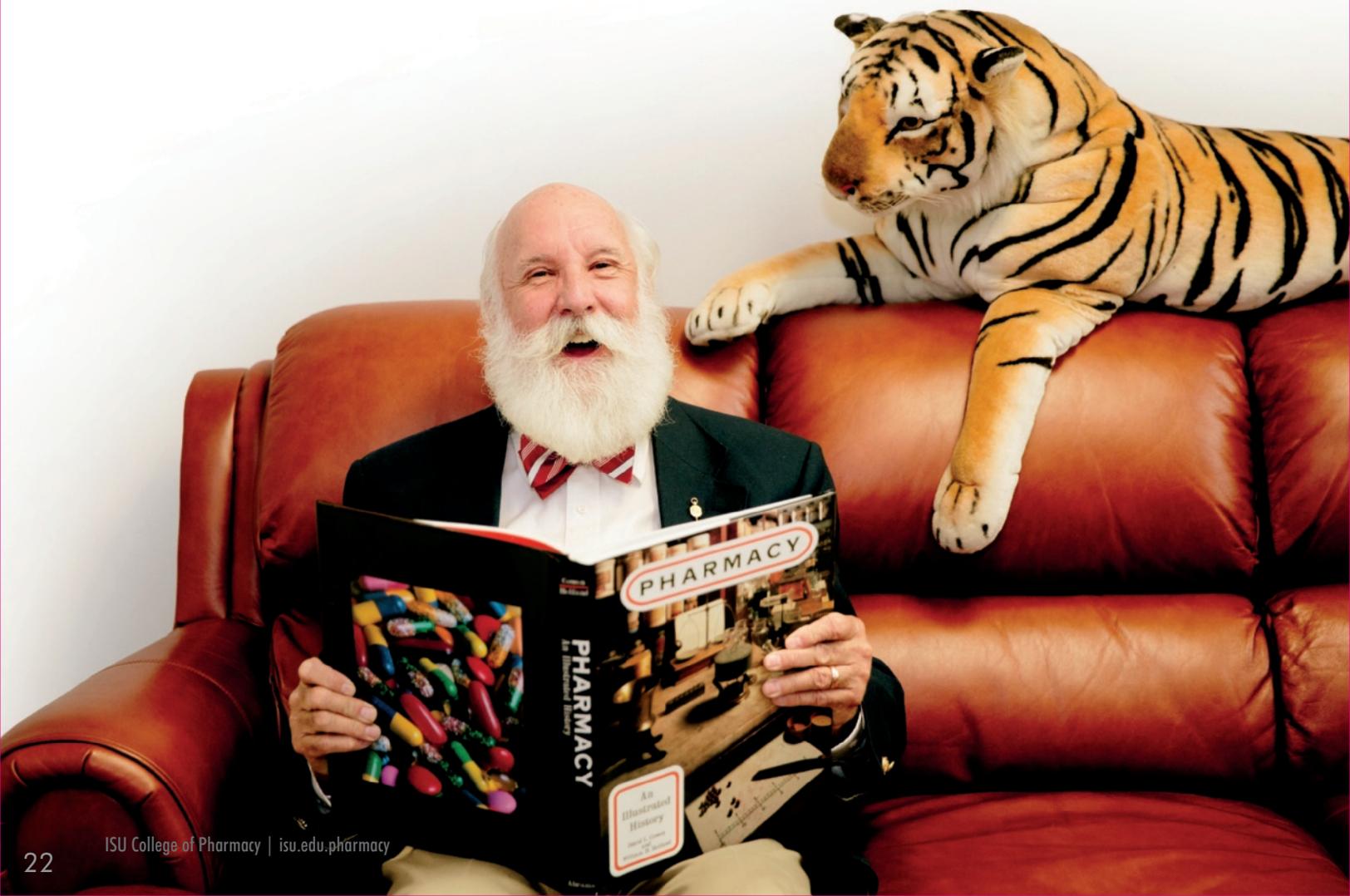
According to Wittrock, the benefits of receiving hormonal contraception at the pharmacy are numerous. She says, “We appreciate how busy our patients are. The goal of this program is to get women the health care they need – that means decreasing the time spent trying to get a prescription and getting people back to their busy lives. Patients don’t have to make an appointment to see their pharmacist – they can walk in and talk to the pharmacist about birth control with virtually no wait time. The whole visit usually takes less than 20 minutes and the prescription can be processed right away because we’re already at the pharmacy.”

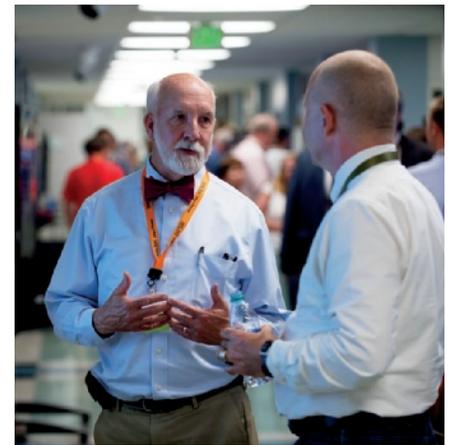
Bengal Pharmacy is located in the ISU Health Center at 990 S. 8th Avenue in Pocatello, and is a full-service pharmacy, open to the public and accepting all major insurances. The pharmacy is open year-round Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



# Thank you, Dr. Cady!

After nine years as the dean and over 25 years of insurmountable passion and dedication in his work at the College of Pharmacy, Paul Cady announced he would be leaving the position of Dean of the College of Pharmacy and returning to a faculty position in August 2018. While he says it was not an easy decision, Cady believes it is the best decision for both the College and for himself. While we are extremely sad to see him step away from the dean's position, we wish him all the very best in his continued role at the College.





Cady grew up in Gilbert, Arizona, where his dad owned a pharmacy. At 5 years old he worked the cash register in his dad's store. In first grade, he declared, in a classroom assignment, "I am Paul Cady. I am 6 years old. When I get big I want to be a druggist." Mission accomplished.

After high school, Cady went on to graduate with a pharmacy degree from the University of Arizona. He moved his family to Pocatello where he became an assistant professor in the College of Pharmacy in 1990. In 2009, he was selected as the 11th dean in the history of the College, where he served until August 2018.

In 2014, Cady and his wife Meriann created The Cady Endowment to provide necessary financial resources to support student pharmacist outreach initiatives, including Operation Heart, Operation Immunization, and Operation Diabetes.

Cady wishes to say thank you to everyone for the support he has received during his time as dean, and asks for your continued support to our College. He had this to say in his transition announcement letter:

"While it has indeed been wonderful to serve you over the years, I no longer feel I have the energy that it takes to be the type of dean that the students, the faculty and staff, and the profession of pharmacy deserve. The time is right for a change in leadership. The College will benefit from a dean who has all the energy, drive, and vision to move the College into the future. With the recent changes in the rules that govern pharmacy's scope of practice, very positive developments in Pharmaceutical Sciences, and increasing collaboration among faculty to build a health outcome research focus, I believe the College of Pharmacy is poised to achieve new and wonderful heights.

With President Satterlee taking the helm of ISU, I feel very confident that the College and the University will be in good hands. President Satterlee recognizes the important role the College plays in the University and beyond. Under his leadership, with the assistance of Vice President Rex Force and Provost Woodworth-Nye, the College, and ISU, will be able to meet its potential. Indeed, these are exciting times.

I thank each of you for your efforts in ensuring the success of the College of Pharmacy. There were some rough times in recent years, but as a team, we were, and will continue to be successful. It has been a pleasure to serve as your dean and work with you. I have been, and always will be, proud to be a member of your team."



## Changes in the Law Relevant to Pharmacy

Recently, major changes have been made to pharmacy practice laws in Idaho. Multiple laws were modified and updated in order to protect and better help patients, as well as simplify the way they obtain certain medications. These bills were passed and signed by Gov. Butch Otter, then went into effect on July 1. In just a couple short months, we have already seen positive results from the changes made. Alex Adams, the executive director of the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy, states that “The Board of Pharmacy has taken an evidence-based approach to updating and modernizing its regulations. The end product is a more permissive regulatory structure that enables enhanced patient care while protecting public health and safety. We have already heard positive anecdotes from patients who have benefited from the new regulations.”

These new regulations include a bill that: “Enables therapeutic substitution within the same therapeutic class (excluding narrow therapeutic drugs and biological products) in any practice

setting,” the bill then goes on to describe three things that must occur in order for the substitution to happen. In addition, a new bill makes changes to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act that are long overdue. Also, a bill was added that “updates and modernizes provisions of the Idaho Pharmacy Practice Act related to licensure and registration”, eliminating registration at non-pharmacy retail outlets as well as certain veterinary drug outlets. Additionally, a bill was passed that states “all controlled substances and opioid antagonists as defined in section 54-1733B of the Idaho Code will be required to be reported to the Idaho PMP. This requirement includes all naloxone dispensed in or into Idaho.”

Possibly the most exciting bill passed now allows pharmacists to prescribe certain medications after an appropriate clinical assessment and questionnaire.

Conditions for which pharmacists can prescribe within certain parameters include:

- Lice
- Cold sores
  - Motion sickness prevention
  - Uncomplicated urinary tract infections
    - Influenza (based on Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)-waived test or for chemoprophylaxis)
    - Group A streptococcal pharyngitis (based on CLIA-waived test)

Devices that pharmacists can prescribe within certain parameters include:

- Inhalation spacers
- Nebulizers
- Diabetes blood sugar testing supplies
- Pen needles
- Syringes for patients with diabetes



Pharmacists may also prescribe the following drug categories within certain parameters:

- Statins for patients who have a previous diagnosis of diabetes
- Short-acting beta agonists (SABAs) to patients who had a previous SABA and who have a current prescription for a long-term asthma control medication
- Travel medications in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Health Information for International Travel, also known as the "Yellow Book"
- Antimicrobials for the prevention of Lyme disease
- Supplements to an infusion order (e.g., adding a heparin flush, a rate control device, or a local anesthetic for intravenous port access to a valid infusion order)
- Drugs for a short-term emergency while emergency medical services are on the way (i.e., diphenhydramine, epinephrine, and SABAs)

The bill does not add any new requirements to the drug categories that pharmacists can already prescribe independently as authorized in statute:

- Immunizations
- Dietary fluoride supplements
- Opioid antagonists
- Epinephrine auto-injectors
- Tobacco cessation products
- Tuberculin-purified protein derivative products

Overall, the changes are designed to improve the care patients can receive from their pharmacists, improve access to health care in general, and over time will allow pharmacists to build better relationships with patients and their providers.



## Dr. Erramouspe Retires

John Erramouspe was a distinguished professor and friend of Idaho State University's College of Pharmacy for over 30 years. His contributions to our College are too numerous to list, but there is no doubt he has made a distinct impact on the health of our program and the lives of our students.

John earned a bachelor's degree in pharmacy from Idaho State University. He completed a residency at the Portland Veterans Administration Center and obtained his M.S. degree from Oregon State University. Erramouspe has served as a staff hospital pharmacist at Pioneer Valley Hospital (four years), the Idaho Drug Information Regional Poison Control Center as Assistant Director (two years), and as director of pediatric outpatient pharmacy (six years) and a preceptor for a community pharmacy residency for three years. Additionally, he acquired a Pharm.D. degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

He is the recipient of a Distinguished Young Pharmacist from the Idaho State Pharmacy Association. Dr. Erramouspe's primary instructional area is pediatric therapeutics. His research includes cost-effectiveness analysis of pediatric drug therapy (e.g. asthma, immunizations, otitis media), in vitro dissolution of methylphenidate extended-release tablets, and misuse of veterinarian medications in humans. He currently serves on the pediatric editorial panel for *The Annals of Pharmacotherapy*.

Thank you John for your contributions, passion, and dedication to our College!

# STUDENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE



## Student Pharmacists Receive Multiple National Awards

The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy student organization (APhA-ASP ISU) has received three of the American Pharmacists Association's (APhA) highest annual awards. The Idaho State University chapter consists of student pharmacists from ISU-Pocatello, ISU-Meridian, and Anchorage, Alaska and is part of APhA's Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP). Several of the ISU students and their chapter advisors traveled to Nashville, Tennessee in March to participate in the annual APhA-ASP meeting and exposition. There, they were awarded first place nationally for their efforts in the Operation Immunization program, national second runner up for the Over the Counter Medication Safety program, and national third runner up for the Generation Rx program.

These programs are just a few of the community outreach programs conducted by the vast majority of pharmacy schools across the United States. The Operation Diabetes and Operation Heart programs, for example, focus on providing education targeted to people suffering from, or who may be at risk

for developing, diabetes and cardiovascular disease. The programs also aim to better inform citizens, and the students themselves about the role pharmacists play in prevention and managing the effects of these diseases. Between 2016-2017, ISU student pharmacists provided heart disease screening and

education to over 1,300 people, and provided diabetes screening and education to over 1,500 people. Operation Immunization is another outreach program, designed to increase public knowledge of immunizations while providing adult immunizations in an effort to increase the number of adults



receiving them.

Nate Reed, a third-year pharmacy student, also called a P3, of Pocatello, and Bekah Dunkley, P3, of Meridian, are the Idaho State Pharmacy Association Representatives for the APhA-ASP. Reed says, "For Operation Immunization, the APhA-ASP takes into account how many immunizations were performed in the community, along with student presentations at high schools and other places in their communities. The APhA-ASP wants to know how many people are affected by the school's outreach." With more than 3,500 immunizations provided to people in the Pocatello/Chubbuck, Treasure Valley, and Anchorage, AK areas between 2016 and 2017, the ISU College of Pharmacy student chapter is number one in the nation. Reed says they are administering mostly flu shots, but they do other types of immunizations as well, and most of the medication costs are sponsored by other pharmacies.

ISU student pharmacists also received the national 2nd runner up award in the 2016-17 Over the Counter Medication Safety program. Their efforts here are also community focused, by providing education and awareness surrounding the dangers of over the counter medication misuse.

A similar program, Generation Rx, is two-fold. This program focuses partly on elderly prescription takers and keeping them safe. The second piece is working to help keep children from accidentally ingesting medication they may find in their home or someone else's home. Here, the students received the national 3rd runner up award for their efforts in talking to children and playing games with them in elementary schools, along with visiting high schools and colleges to educate people of all ages that medications are important to take appropriately. Another message the students work hard to pass along to everyone they visit is the key role a pharmacist plays in medication safety.

Anyone who has ever picked up a



prescription from a pharmacy has probably had the opportunity to speak to the pharmacist about how to take the medication, its side effects, and ask any questions they may have about the drug. This patient counseling is something that pharmacists, and ISU's College of Pharmacy students, take very seriously. Another program that most pharmacy schools participate in is a competition to help train students to be successful in providing this patient counseling. As one of the Idaho representatives for the APhA-ASP, Reed says, "Our main job is to put together the Patient Counseling Competition. We had 11 competitors, and three judges, two faculty and one non-faculty. We came up with six different scenarios for the students to counsel the mock-patients, each one had a different disease. They came into the pharmacy and were handed an antibiotic or an inhaler and the students played the role of a pharmacist." Reed says that in order to be successful, the competitors must go over the side effects of the drug, how to take it, what to do if the patient missed a dose, and complications to watch for. The rules of the competition say that the patient counseling can last as long as

five minutes, but most students were finished in about two to three minutes. Reed says some of the students did very well, and some struggled, and it was just a little bit awkward for others. When the day was done, the winner of the competition was officially qualified to go to the national competition, held at the same APhA meeting in Nashville.

One student, Chelsea Bagby, P2, made the trip and competed in another patient counseling competition on the national level. Bagby did very well and made it into the final round, with only nine other student pharmacists from across the US. Reed says, "We've been doing the patient counseling competition for a long time. Here at ISU we try to stay as involved as we can with APhA-ASP and with other APhA-ASP chapters. It's prepared our students to become more rounded pharmacists when they get out into practice. They've had that experience in the community, getting the most experience that they can so when they step into that pharmacist role, they are more prepared. We like to take advantage of those opportunities whenever we can, as it also gives them confidence as well."

# STUDENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## Student Awarded United States Public Health Service Excellence Award

Melvina Lake, a third-year pharmacy student at ISU, has been awarded the Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Award by the United States Public Health Service (USPHS). Lake was nominated by Dr. Brooke Buffat, associate dean for student affairs, Dr. Jennifer Adams, associate dean for academic affairs, the co-advisors of ISU's chapter of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP), Dr. Glenda Carr, clinical assistant professor at ISU-Meridian and Dr. Rebecca Hoover, assistant professor at ISU-Pocatello.

The following excerpt from their nomination letter describes Lake's activities and contributions to the pharmacy industry, which are significant for a student who has completed only two years of pharmacy school.

"Melvina consistently demonstrates a passion to serving the underserved. She exhibits compassion, dedication and professionalism while participating in two different interprofessional community projects within Idaho State University. Last summer she participated in a student extern program on the civilian side of the Indian Health Service (IHS) on the Navajo reservation. The United State Commissioned Corps recently chose Lake as a Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Externship Program participant. She will be working with the IHS in Alaska this summer, which will further increase her exposure to pharmacy practice.

Lake calls the Navajo Reservation her home and aspires to return as an Indian Health System pharmacist. To



achieve this goal, she is actively participating in several community outreach projects during the academic year. The American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists has several outreach projects designed to increase immunization rates, screen those who are at risk of diabetes and cardiovascular disease, and provide education to children about the risks of inappropriate prescription drug use. She is also involved in the Idaho Senior Refugee Project. In this project, students from various health care disciplines make home visits to refugees in the community who are over 55 years of age. The team of students, supervised by clinical faculty,

review home medication use, assess vital signs, screen for depression and make nutritional recommendations to the patient and their families. After the home visit, the team of students makes recommendations based on their observations to their primary care provider.

A third service project Lake is involved with is the Community Health Screening (CHS) event. The CHS has two main objectives; 1) connect individuals identified with minimal or no access to health care who are identified with a potential health care concerns to facilities in the community who provide free or sliding scale services, 2) provide an opportunity for students from different health care disciplines to learn together and then deliver screening services as an efficient team. Services provided during the event include; depression and alcohol screening, vision and hearing screening, cholesterol and glucose level assessment, vital signs, hepatitis C and HIV screening, and a brief dental exam.

# Graduate Student Camerin Passey Excited to Make Mark on World

Idaho State University PharmD graduate student Camerin Passey was excited for many things after graduation, but the first that came to mind is supporting his growing family.

Passey, who has a wife and two kids, has been attending Idaho State University for the last four years. He received his MBA in August 2017, and was excited to receive his PharmD in May.

Passey, who is from Montpelier, Idaho always had an interest in the medical field, but never had the desire to be a physician or a surgeon, which is why he saw pharmacy as a good fit. His past jobs gave him the motivation he needed to stick with pharmacy.

"I've had a lot of tough jobs, such as gold mining and lawn mowing," Passey said. "These jobs served as motivation to choose and stick to pharmacy as my career."

The PharmD program at ISU proved to be another tough job for Passey.

"The program is very demanding," Passey said. "The prerequisites alone were quite difficult just to get into the program. The program itself lives up to its reputation for being difficult and requiring a lot of time and dedication."

The PharmD program requires focus, attention, and drive. Passey had to spend much of his time studying and away from his family doing clinical rotations, which put strain on both he and his wife.

"My wife had to work a couple different jobs to keep us afloat while I studied," Passey said. "As we started having kids, juggling them, her job and studying for both the PharmD and MBA programs became quite overwhelming at times."

Despite growing family responsibilities, Passey, who maintained a 4.0



throughout his time in the PharmD program, said he always made time for his studies.

"Managing my family and my studies has been crazy," Passey said. "But, I've usually been able to give my studies the attention they need, even with everything going on in life."

Though the program was hard for Passey and his family, he said that was worth it. Through his professors,

Passey gained the opportunity to help publish a case report.

"I've really appreciated working with Dr. Erramouspe during pharmacy school," Passey said. "We've worked on publishing a case report concerning one of the patients we encountered during my pediatrics rotation."

During Passey's advanced rotation, he encountered a newborn with unique mutations that are linked to a severe and refractory seizure disorder. His work involved the use of two difficult to manage drug interactions involving two seizure medications. Passey is working to publish the results of his research

"Camerin worked tirelessly to research and publish the results of this case," John Erramouspe, professor of pharmacy practice said. "He currently has a manuscript pending review with him as the first/principal author for the journal 'Neurocase.'"

Passey had several different professors make an impact on his education, but he has also made an impact on them.

"In my 33 years of teaching at ISU, I have rarely seen a student with greater communication and leadership skills," Erramouspe said. "If all my future students could be like Camerin, I probably would seriously consider delaying my decision to retire."

## Anchorage Students Nominated to Rho Chi Society

We are pleased to announce four of our P2 students in Anchorage were nominated to the Rho Chi Society. Corrie Black, Tiffany Ma, Janelle Solbos, and Hannah Fjeld were inducted at a ceremony held on April 12th at the UAA facilities. The Rho Chi Society is a privilege accorded to the very few who distinguish themselves by their academic achievements and who aspire to the mission and vision of the Society. Congratulations to them for the recognition of their hard work.

A huge thanks to all who supported the pharmacy students at the Annual AKPhA meeting. Students raised over \$3,000 to support community outreach events and the Annual AKPhA Legislative Day in Juneau. The generosity and support was overwhelming. We also want to recognize the efforts of the Association Board to involve the students at the convention. Fifteen of the students were actively involved at the meeting, from helping with the registration desk to giving podium presentations for CE, any many items in between. The presence of the students is invigorating for the association and their involvement indicates a bright future ahead.

Eight students traveled to Juneau for the Annual Legislative fly-in March 1



and 2. The students visited with representatives about AKPhA legislative issues, attended a number of hearings, and also met with the UAA lobbyist team. Additionally, we received personalized tours from SEARHC, Bartlett Hospital, and Ron's Apothecary compounding facilities. Thank you to Michele Vaughn, Ursula Iha, and Scott Watts for generously donating their time to mentor these future pharmacists. The Juneau fly-in is a wonderful event, rich in co-curricular activities necessary for student development as advocates for the patients and our profession.

In conjunction with the fly-in, the students held an Operation Diabetes and Operation Heart community outreach event at the Juneau Senior Center. This is the first event held in Juneau and it was well attended. Students provided free point-of-care testing for A1c and lipid panels. While awaiting results the students also provided blood pressure screenings and a review of vaccination records using VacTrack. A special thanks to Scott Watts of Ron's Apothecary and Justin Ruffridge of Soldotna Pharmacy for assisting the students with this event.

Earlier this year, the students each received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Bernie Klouda Memorial Student Scholarship. On February 21st, students met with Teresa Hall-Klouda at Bernie's Pharmacy to honor the memory of Bernie Klouda and give thanks for his contributions to Pharmacy education in Alaska. During the visit, Teresa graciously hosted a tour of the pharmacy's state-of-the-art compounding and dispensing facilities. There were smiles all around and students expressed their appreciation of Teresa's support by presenting her with a jacket from Alaska's Doctor of Pharmacy program.

It's been a busy second year for the program and we wish our students the best as they head into next semester!



# ALUMNI RELATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT

Hi Everyone!

Hope all is well as we bring you the next edition of our bulletin. You have already read some great stories about the college, our latest graduation, our most current white coat ceremony and so much more. I am confident that you enjoyed reading these wonderful stories.



In this section of the bulletin we have a lot of information that will interest you. In April, the university held its annual Gem Legacy Dinner where we honored three donors who attended the event. They include Annick and Ryan Dixon, Susan ('66) and Claude Connelly and Walgreens.

We also recently completed our Alumni and Friends weekend which was a lot of fun as we cheered our Bengals to victory. This may change by the time you read this, but through five weeks of the season, the Bengals have the best record at 4-1 of any public university in Idaho. Yes, that includes Boise State and the University of Idaho. The last time this has happened is 1981 when we won the national championship. Oh My!

We also take a look at who I visited with the "On the Road Again" pictures that I take while on the road. With every edition, we also pay tribute to those who we have lost and how we can honor them with support to our College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Scholarship Endowment. Don't miss the alumni stories on Anna Ratka and Matt Williams.

As you know, we have been promoting our Centennial Campaign in past bulletins. The campaign is in conjunction with our 100th Anniversary which we will celebrate in the fall of 2020. There are many ways to support our campaign which will be outlined in a separate story. Please take this opportunity to "Pay it Forward" for our current and future generations of students.

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](mailto:yankphil@isu.edu).

Kindest Regards,

*Phil Yankovich*  
Director of Development  
and Alumni Relations

## *Gifts to the College of Pharmacy*

Your gift to the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy helps to enhance and improve the programs and initiatives that take place here. During the Centennial Celebration Campaign, your gifts will assist us in these areas.

Thank you so much for your consideration. For more information about our campaign please go to [isu.edu/pharmacy/centennial-celebration-campaign](http://isu.edu/pharmacy/centennial-celebration-campaign) or contact Phil Yankovich directly at [yankphil@isu.edu](mailto:yankphil@isu.edu) or (208) 339-4770.

1. Student Outreach Initiatives.....\$5,000-\$10,000
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To see all giving options and for additional information about contributing to the College of Pharmacy, visit [isu.edu/pharmacy/centennial-celebration-campaign](http://isu.edu/pharmacy/centennial-celebration-campaign)



## Alumni and Friends Weekend a Great Success and the Bengals Won

The Alumni and Friends Weekend was a great time. The weekend began with an open house where our current students were on hand to meet our 65 guests and let them know of the exciting outreach they are doing here at the College. Following the open house, our guests were treated to a wonderful dinner along with entertainment from Roy McKee.

During the festivities we honored the Class of 1968 as they celebrated their 50-year reunion. Those in attendance from the Class of 1968 were Jerry Hanson, Gary Meadows, Brent Fricke, Mahi Nath, Gary Thomas and Bill Wolfe. In a casual ceremony they each received their golden Bengal pin to commemorate their reunion. The evening included a range of alumni from 1959 to 2017.

Interim Dean Chris Owens welcomed everyone and talked about the existing initiatives that are taking place at the college. He also paid tribute to our former dean, Paul Cady, who stepped aside as the dean after nine very productive years. Cady thanked everyone for their support while he was dean and also asked our attendees to support our Centennial Celebration Campaign that concludes in 2020, when we will be celebrating our 100 year anniversary. Phil Yankovich discussed the campaign and how our alumni and friends can “pay it forward” to the current and future generations of pharmacy students by supporting the campaign.

On Saturday, more than 60 people attended our tailgate and enjoyed the culinary expertise of our very own staff member Marla Jones. Marla, the food was fantastic! After the tailgate we went on to cheer our Bengals to a 62 to 28 blowout victory over the Idaho Vandals. It was a wonderful way to cap off a great weekend. Be sure to join us next year.





## Alterum Alterius Auxilio Eget - Each Needs the Help of the Other

We all have at one time lived somewhere that will forever hold a special place in our hearts - for me and countless other Phi Delta Chi Fraternity brothers and alumni, that place is our very own chapter house located on 5th Avenue in Pocatello. The house was purchased in the 1960s by an amazing group of members, and it served as their home and gathering place for the fraternity. It remained that way until the mid 90s, at which time repair costs for the house became too great, and it was abandoned for years to come.

In 2001, myself and the brotherhood organized a successful campaign to renovate the house, and just like its past glory days, was again used for housing and social events up until a few years ago. Unfortunately the house is currently suffering plumbing and electrical problems, and the members do not have the necessary funding to make required repairs. In order to

help, the alumni will be launching a Brick-By-Brick campaign with a goal to raise enough funds to renovate the house to meet today's standards - we estimate the cost in excess of \$50,000, and wish to begin renovations in the spring or summer 2019. We realize that is a lot of money - but the idea of the fraternity house is not just a place to call home or a place to gather - its ongoing revenue potential will aid Phi Delta Chi's mission "to provide a life-long home for pharmacy professionals inspiring brotherhood, leadership, service, and scholarship."

"*Alterum Alterius Auxilio Eget*" - that is Latin for "Each Needs the Help of the Other," and while it is the official motto of the Phi Delta Chi Professional Pharmacy Fraternity, it certainly pertains to all of us - pharmacy students, faculty, and alumni alike. I urge any of you reading this whose lives have been touched by the Fraternity house

to help with a tax deductible donation to the ISU Foundation's "Phi Delta Chi Spendable Account," whether it is now or in 2019 when we launch our Brick-by-Brick Campaign; no amount is too small to make a difference. For the PDX alumni out there, I leave you with your brotherhood oath - "Once a Brother, we are Brothers for life."

All gifts to our renovation project will also support the College's Centennial Campaign goals. Depending on the level of your gift you can be part of the Brick-By-Brick campaign and also be recognized on the College of Pharmacy Centennial Patio. For any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at [gehrjosh@pharmacy.isu.edu](mailto:gehrjosh@pharmacy.isu.edu). You can also contact Phil Yankovich at [yankphil@isu.edu](mailto:yankphil@isu.edu) or (208) 339-4770.

*Joshua Gehrke, '09*

## *Honoring Their Memory*

It is never easy saying goodbye to a family member. Every alumni of the ISU College of Pharmacy is a member of our college family. Through notification of family and friends we pay tribute to the memory of those alumni whom we have recently lost. While reading these memorials you will see that many lived long and fulfilling lives, while others lives and future accomplishment and memories were cut way too short.

Please take a moment to read their stories. Also note that we tried to obtain a picture of all of our departed family members. However, there are some, like Laura Linton who, according to her mom, are just camera shy. During these sad times, think of a memory that will bring you a smile.

During times like these, we can also pay tribute to them while also investing in our future pharmacists. I ask you to consider paying tribute to the memory of your friends or family members while supporting the College of Pharmacy Alumni Memorial Endowment Fund. This scholarship is awarded to students based on financial need, academic excellence and service by providing community outreach health service to underserved populations.

You can make a donation in their name to the ISU Foundation. In the memo section you can write the fund number of this endowment which is 900-31. Your gifts can be mailed to:

College of Pharmacy Idaho State University 921 S 8th Ave., Stop 8288 Pocatello, ID 83209-8288. Gifts can also be made at [pledge.isu.edu](http://pledge.isu.edu). Support Other: then type Pharmacy 900-31. If you have any questions, please give me a call at (208) 339-4770 or [yankphil@isu.edu](mailto:yankphil@isu.edu). You can also go to our Centennial Celebration web site at [pharmacy.isu.edu/100th](http://pharmacy.isu.edu/100th). Support to this scholarship, as well as all of our scholarships or programs, also supports our Centennial Celebration Campaign.

### **MATTHEW JOHN MALLARY 1985-2018**

Dr. Matthew John Mallary unexpectedly passed away on Monday, October 1, 2018, at 33 years old. Matthew will be forever remembered by his parents John and Barb Mallary, his younger sister Heather, his grandmother, Peg Cosgrove, and his extended family and friends.

Matthew John Mallary was born on August 6, 1985, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was born premature, only weighing 2 lbs. and 13 oz. Matthew was his parent's first born and truly a miracle from the very beginning.



Matthew graduated from Seneca Valley High School in 2004 with honors. In high school, he was the Captain of his soccer team and also played on two premier soccer leagues, the North Stars, and the Pittsburgh Strikers. In soccer, he was ranked as one of the best defensive players in the State of Pennsylvania. Matthew was also very active in his community as an Eagle Scout. One of the most rewarding experiences he had as an Eagle Scout was to be able to collect school supplies and essential needs for young children in Malawi, Africa and was able to help hundreds of children in need.

After high school, he went on to continue his education at Gannon University in Erie, Pennsylvania, where he studied pre-pharmacy. In college, he was the President of his fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha. He had so many good

memories with his brothers in Pi Kappa Alpha, and the charity work that they were able to perform in their local community.

Matthew then attended Idaho State University and graduated in the top 5 percent of class as a Doctor of Pharmacy. While he was attending Pharmacy School he had an internship in Alaska, where he fell in love with the beautiful outdoors of Alaska. That is when he decided after graduation that he would pursue his career as a Pharmacist in Eagle River, Alaska at Fred Meyer.

Matthew loved traveling, seeing the world, hiking, camping, fishing, reading and visiting family. His favorite teams were the Pittsburgh Steelers and Pittsburgh Penguins.



### **DEAN LORREN THOMPSON 1925 - 2018**

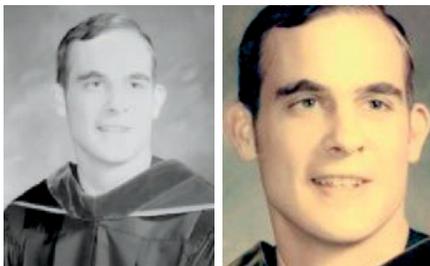
Dean Thompson, 92, of Boise, Idaho passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 23rd at his home. Our beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather was born on February 8, 1925 in Salt Lake City, Utah to William Parley Thompson and Roxie May Owen Thompson. Dean was the youngest of five children.

Dean was raised in Pocatello and graduated from Pocatello High School in 1943. Dean was a track star at Pocatello High and won a State Title in the Medley Relay. He graduated with honors in the top 10 percent of his class. After high school he joined the U.S. Navy and served on the U.S.S. Yakutat from 1943-1946. On March 20, 1944,

Dean married his high School Sweetheart, Julia Maxcine Powell in Seattle, Washington where he was based. They were later sealed in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple on June 5th, 1944, while Dean was on leave.

After the War, Dean attended Pharmacy School at Idaho State College in Pocatello. After graduation from Pharmacy School in 1950, they moved around as Dean began his career. They lived in Jerome, Idaho; Meridian, Idaho; and Salt Lake City, Utah; before they settled down in their home on Acre Lane in Boise in 1958. Dean owned Sav-Mor Drug on Ustick Road and the entire family helped out running the Store. He retired in 1995.

Dean lived a life of service and devotion to his family, friends and Church. He was a life-long member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served faithfully in many capacities in the Church. Dean and Maxcine served in the Boise, Idaho Temple for 13 years. They also enjoyed music and sang in every Ward Choir that they lived in.



**JAMES LEE COMSTOCK  
1944 - 2018**

James Lee Comstock was born on November 15, 1944 in Bakersfield, California and died surrounded by family on March 11, 2018 in Bangor, Maine where he relocated from Bakersfield in 2011 to be with his family. Jim graduated from East Bakersfield High School in 1962 and from the Idaho State University School of Pharmacy in 1970. After graduation, he took a position as a pharmacist at Memorial Hospital where he proudly worked until he retired.

Jim was truly a unique individual who was dearly loved and will be missed by his family; he will be remembered for his generosity, sense of humor, and colorful language. He will be happy to return home to Bakersfield.



**HAROLD D. HILL  
1924-2018**

Harold D. Hill, 93 of Rexburg, died Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at Homestead Assisted Living in Rexburg, causes incident to age.

He was born December 2, 1924 in Ucon, Idaho, the first of six children born to B. James "Jim" Hill and Amelia "Millie" Miskin Hill. He was raised in Ucon and attended grade school there. He graduated from Ucon High School in 1942. During that summer he worked in a defense plant in Ogden, Utah. He attended Ricks College that fall where after two quarters, he entered the U.S. Navy in April of 1943. He served in the South Pacific as a hospital corpsman aboard a troop ship which delivered troops to Australia, New Caledonia, New Guinea and Guadalcanal then hauled casualties back to San Francisco. After nearly two years aboard the ship, he was chosen as one of two crew members to attend officers training school. He was assigned to Idaho State College in Pocatello and then to UCLA in Los Angeles.

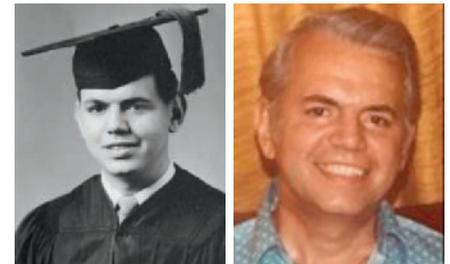
After his discharge in April of 1946 he was married to Reva Ritchie, also of Ucon, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on June 5, 1946. After their marriage, Reva taught school in Pocatello while Harold attended the Pharmacy School there. After graduation in 1948, Harold served his internship in Blackfoot and then bought the Jenkins Drugstore in Sugar city. After thirteen years in Sugar City, he merged with Thriftway

Drugstores of St. Anthony and Rexburg. His last ten years as a pharmacist were spent in the pharmacy at Kmart in Rexburg.

Harold was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and he served in many positions including Elder's Quorum President, Stake Mission President, Counselor in a Branch Presidency at Ricks College and as bishop of a college married ward.

After their retirement in 1990, Harold and Reva served in the Perth Australia Mission. Fives later they served a mission at the Mormon Battalion Visitor's Center in San Diego.

Harold had an acreage in Egin where he raised and trained horses. He like to write novels and had completed 19 which he shared with his family and friends.



**RAYMOND A. MAGAGNA  
1932 - 2018**

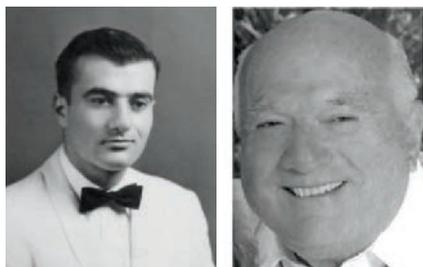
Raymond A. Magagna, 85, of Portland, passed away peacefully March 31, 2018 of natural causes.

Born Sept. 16, 1932, in Ogden, Utah, he was the son of Angelina and Mario Magagna. He graduated from Weber High School in 1950 and attended Weber State College. He married Vivian Dykster, his beautiful wife of 62 years, in 1952 and welcomed their first of three daughters one year later. After graduating from Idaho State University, Ray and Vivian moved to Portland where Ray began his lifelong career as a pharmacist and business partner/owner of Cent Wise Drug and Hallmark at Cedar Hills Shopping Center. Ray was passionate about pharmacy and the relationships he built with his many loyal customers. He was truly a kind, loving husband, father and

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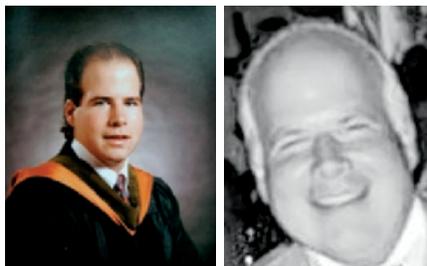
grandfather. Together, they raised their family, while Vivian enjoyed a modeling career and served as a devoted volunteer at St. Vincent Hospital for approximately 40 years. She was also a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. Sadly, she passed away in 2014 after a brief illness.

Ray and Vivian enjoyed time with family and friends, skiing, boating, fishing, clamming and crabbing on the Oregon and Washington Coast. They also traveled to Utah annually to visit family and enjoyed vacations in warm tropical destinations.



## GEORGE ECONOMIE 1934-2018

George William Economie of Folsom, CA fell asleep in the Lord on April 18, 2018 peacefully in his home in Folsom, CA. George was born August 19, 1934 in Santa Rosa, CA to Vasilios and Vasiliki Economie. He graduated in Army ROTC in the College of Pharmacy from the Idaho State University in 1957 and then served as a Medical Officer in Korea. He moved to Folsom in 1961, along with his wife, Marilyn, brother, Nick Economie his wife Ann. George and Nick purchased Model Pharmacy in 1961 and operated the pharmacy in Folsom for 30 years. He was a Licensed Pharmacist for 50 years. His motto was "Give back to the community that has given to you". He served as Folsom Chamber of Commerce President for three terms, was the first President of the Folsom Athletic Association and served for 12 years on the Folsom Architectural Review Committee, as well as serving as Past President of the Rotary Club of Folsom.



## MARIO A. PISANO 1966-2018

Heaven gained an angel on Saturday, May 19, 2018, when Mario A. Pisano age 51, passed away unexpectedly. He was born in Erie on July 7, 1966, the son of Victor A. Pisano of Erie and the late Joan Consider Pisano.

Mario graduated from Cathedral Prep in 1984 and received his Doctorate of Pharmacy Degree from Idaho State University. He was formerly employed at the Erie VA Medical Center, Walmart (Manager of Pharmacy) in Erie, Director of Pharmacy at the Penn Traffic Co. in Syracuse, N.Y., District Manager for Marc's Pharmacies in East Cleveland, Ohio, and was presently the Assistant Director of Outpatient Retail Pharmacy at Metro Health Systems in East Cleveland, Ohio. He was a member of St. Gabriel Roman Catholic Church in Concord, Ohio. Mario embraced his Italian Heritage by making wine with his father and sons. He also enjoyed remodeling his homes and most importantly spending time with his children and family. Mario was always there to lead you down the right path with a loving heart and contagious smile.



## ALAN THOMAS KEELE 1977-2018

It is with love and sadness that the family of Alan Thomas Keele announces his passing on Sunday, June 10,

2018, at the age of 41.

Alan was born on April 19, 1977 in Soda Springs, Idaho to Thayne and Marie Keele. Alan spent most of his childhood in Grace and Malad, Idaho. He graduated from Malad High School in 1995. Alan fostered lifelong friendships in Grace and Malad. During this time he gained a passion for music that brought him happiness throughout his life. Alan went on to serve a mission in the Spain Las Palmas Mission where he loved the people and developed a love for the Spanish language.

Upon returning from his mission, Alan began attending college at Idaho State University and after many years of hard work, Alan graduated from Idaho State University as a Doctor of Pharmacy. During his early years at Idaho State, Alan met his eternal sweetheart, Kimberly Parkinson. It was in Pocatello, Idaho that Alan and Kimberly began to build their lives together.

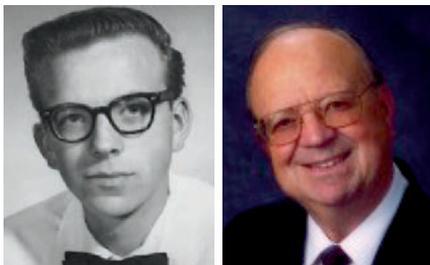
Alan and Kimberly married in Grace, Idaho in 2000. They were later sealed in the Brigham City Temple in 2013. They moved into their forever home in Clinton, Utah in 2007. Alan and Kimberly's family grew to include four beautiful children: Caden (15), Cole (13), Bryce (9), and Hadlee (6). Alan was a devoted father. Nothing brought Alan more happiness than time spent with his children.

Alan excelled at his career as a pharmacist. He had a deep sense of care for his patients and fellow pharmacists. He was loved by all that came to visit his pharmacies.

Alan had a passion for BYU football that brought joy and frustration to his life every fall. Many years he had season tickets and cultivated this passion in his sons. Spending time with his sons watching football was everything to him.

Alan will be remembered for his love, respect, and compassion for others. He was always tenderhearted with a desire to make others happy. He had a contagious laugh and bright smile that we will miss everyday!

Until we meet again, love you more. Te amo mi amor.



### ALTON JAY WALKER 1938-2018

Alton Jay Walker, 79, passed away March 30, 2018. He was born August 30, 1938 to Alva Alonzo and Lela Dortha Hansen Walker. Most of his childhood years were spent on a ranch in Priest River, Idaho. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Pharmacy from Idaho State University.

Alton served a mission to Bavaria, Germany and later Inner-City Ogden with his wife. He also was an ordinance worker in the Ogden Temple. Most of his career he worked as a pharmacist at McKay Dee Hospital.

### MCCLELLAN FRANKLIN "MAX" SAILOR 1924-2018

McClellan "Max" Franklin Sailor, loving husband, beloved father, and dotting grandfather, passed away peacefully at his home on March 9, 2018. After a full and rewarding 93 years, he returned to reunite with his loving wife, Vida. Max was born on Nov. 24, 1924 in Park City, Utah, the only child of Forrest Everest Sailor and Goldie Hazel Yates Sailor. At 4 years of age he lost his mother. He was raised by his father, who was helped by his aunts.



Max had a fun and eventful life growing up in a mining town. His interests were skiing, baseball, basketball, and hunting. Max was one of the greatest generation and joined the Navy (only

natural for a boy named Sailor) after graduation from Park City High. He served in the Pacific Theater on the troop transport USS Goshen (APA 108). He was always proud of his service and had a deep love for his country.

He married the love of his life, Vida Giles, on April 29, 1946. He joined the LDS Church in 1955. Their marriage was later solemnized in 1967 in the Salt Lake Temple. Bruce Max and Deborah were born into this union. Max attended Idaho State University and graduated with a BS in Pharmacy. He worked for 34 years as a pharmacist, mainly for Grand Central and Fred Meyers. He loved the yearly deer hunts with his in-laws. He and Vida loved to travel.

### LAURA ELIZABETH LINTON 1971-2018

Laura Elizabeth Linton, 47, of Naples succumbed to an aggressive cancer on August 4, 2018 at Lee Memorial Hospital in Fort Myers, Florida. Internment will be in the Salem, Utah cemetery. She was born in Salt Lake City on August 3, 1971 to Garth F. and Kaaren L. Rasmussen Linton. She attended Kearns High School in West Valley City, Utah and was a Sterling Scholar in Math and a National Merit Scholar. Laura's education was varied – a Bachelor of Arts degree in Computer Science Education and English from Brigham Young University, a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Washington, and a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Idaho State University. As a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, she served as a missionary in Portugal and the Cape Verde Islands from 1992 to 1994. Laura first worked for COMPAnion Corp., a library automation software firm, in Salt Lake City as a trainer and then as Product Manager until she decided to pursue a degree in pharmacy. After graduation from Idaho State University, she was employed as a pharmacist with Walmart in Naples.

### LINDSAY G. HALE 1925-2018

"Going over the hill" with his faith in hand and family by his side, one of our few remaining Naval sailors of the greatest generation, Pharmacist's Mate Lindsay G. Hale of Blackfoot, Idaho, successfully engaged death and departed from this world into the next on August 5, 2018.



Lindsay, born in Groveland, Idaho on August 13, 1925 to Golden and Elnora Hale was known as fun-loving and hard-working. At the young age of 17, Lindsay (Bud) joined the Navy and immediately fell in love with military life on the ocean. He enjoyed looking over the deck of his warship, U.S.S. Herald of the Morning, to view the seemingly endless waters of the Pacific. As a Pharmacist's Mate, Lindsay learned to patch-up, sew-up, and clean-up a continuous stream of wounded soldiers. This experience taught him patience and perseverance, which he would use throughout his life.

Coming home from the war, Lindsay gravitated toward the medical field and completed his education at Idaho State College School of Pharmacy in 1950. He later owned Hale Pharmacy in Blackfoot for many years until it was destroyed by fire. Lin continued working as a pharmacist until he retired at the age of 80.

While serving his country, Lin met Melba Bills one night at a dance. Melba quickly caught his eye and waltzed into his life forever. In 1946, after his service to his country was complete, Lin and Melba jitterbugged off to the Idaho Falls LDS temple to be married for eternity. Their dance of life together was complex and complicated; filled with struggles, battles, and rose-colored experiences. Joys and blessings came in the form of two sons; Michael and Kim, a loving extended family, and many years of enjoyment on Bills

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Island. Lin and Melba tangoed to the end with some of their best and most loving moments being in the last few years before Melba's passing in 1997.

Some of Lin's favorite memories are spending time with his family, fly fishing on the Warm River, telling stories, stuffed hamburgers, going to the cabin, visiting the DC WWII memorial with the Utah Honor Flight, golfing, and going to get "gas" with Brad.

Lin loves his family, his faith, and his country. He has a testimony of Christ and was grateful for the opportunity to fight for his freedom and the freedom of others.

## KYLE BACON 1987-2018

Kyle Chase Bacon, 31 of Lincoln Creek, Idaho passed away on Monday September 10, 2018 in Globe, Arizona.

He was born on January 11, 1987 in Twin Falls, Idaho to Kermit Bacon and Jessie Annie Marshall. He attended Fort Hall Head Start, Wapello Elementary, Mt. View Middle School and graduated from Blackfoot High School. Following graduation he attended Idaho State University where he received his doctorate of pharmacy. He was a straight A student in college and made the dean's list.



He was a member of the Eastern Shoshone Tribe. He believed in his traditional way and was spiritual and was a

Sun Dancer. He was also a member of the Professional Pow Wow Association.

He met his love in November 2010 while he was in college and on October 27, 2012 he married her, Lacey Marie Abrahamson, in Pocatello, Idaho. They both loved to rescue animals and bring them back home and traveled the powwow circuit and made friends everywhere they went.

There were a lot of interests that Kyle had through his life. He enjoyed hanging out with friends and family, camping, playing blackjack at the casino, watching and playing basketball, the Knicks were his favorite team and memorized stats of each player, he enjoyed the foods of different cultures but Mexican food was his favorite. Kyle was involved and participated in his Shoshone culture and traditions; beading, feather work, and creating traditional dance regalia.



## Alumni Represent ISU at Next Generation Pharmacist Awards Ceremony

Congratulations to two alumni who represented the College well at this year's Next Generation Pharmacist Awards. Michael Higbee ('10) was one of three Patient Care Providers of the Year and Kushal Shah ('14) was recognized as a Specialty Pharmacist of the Year. Michael says, "Although neither of us won the high honors as the Next Gen Pharmacist, it was definitely neat to meet another alum of our small Idaho University amongst some of the field's leaders." The awards gala was in Boston on the 5th of October.

Michael adds, "Honestly, I was surprised to be honored out of over 600 nominations, but it felt good to be recognized for the hard work and innovations I try to make to keep our profession moving forward and relevant."

## Ratka Makes the College Proud

Dr. Anna Ratka is now serving as associate dean for academic affairs at Wegmans School of Pharmacy at St. John Fisher College, where she received her doctoral degree in pharmaceutical sciences. She earned a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from ISU in 2000, and also served as an ISU faculty member for 11 years. During that time, she was awarded the Most Influential Professor Award in 1995 and 1998, Teacher of the Year in 2000, and the Outstanding Researcher Award in 2003. She received her master's degree in pharmacy from College of Pharmacy at Poznan University of Medical Sciences in Poznan, Poland, where she revisited in 2016 to serve as the University's commencement speaker. Dr. Ratka also went on to take part in a postdoctoral fellowship at the Rudolf Magnus Institute for Pharmacology at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands, as well as at the College of Pharmacy at the University of Florida.

Back in 2003, Dr. Ratka became an associate professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Neuroscience at the University of North Texas, then became the founding director of Clinical Research at the Institute for Aging and Alzheimer's Disease Research at the University's Health Science Center. Later, she taught for seven years as the founding chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at Texas A&M's College of Pharmacy. After that, she became the chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at Chicago State University as in 2013, where she served as the director of the Capstone Research Program and interim associate dean of pharmacy academic affairs. She is a certified pain educator, and researches mainly neuropharmacology, neuroscience, and pain. She has penned over 100 peer-reviewed publications and presentations over the years, and volunteers her time throughout communities including a



medical mission in South America. She is also a graduate of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Academic Leadership Fellows Program.

If you have any news to share regarding your pharmacy career, please let us know so we can include it in a future ISU pharmacy Bulletin.

## Alumnus Earns Recognition as Man of the Year



Alumnus Matt Williams (2004) earned the 2018 title of Man of the Year from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Southern Nevada (LLS) for his efforts in raising over \$170,000 in funds for blood cancer research. Following is an excerpt from LLS regarding his career, achievements and involvement with the organization.

"Matt is a Clinical Pharmacist and Manager of pharmacy operations at Comprehensive Cancer Centers of Nevada, where he is responsible for managing the day to day operations of the pharmacy department at 6 oncology centers with full chemotherapy infusion suites. His other duties include preparation and admixture of chemo-

therapy agents, drug budget, inventory, reviewing all treatments for therapeutic efficacy and toxicity, clinical research, and managing patients with drug toxicity and supportive care such as prevention of nausea and vomiting, pain control, and bone health.

He frequently lectures on these and other oncology topics across the country.

Matt is heavily involved with LLS, as he serves on the Board of Trustees for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Southern Nevada and also the chair of the annual Links Fore Leukemia Executive Committee."

Congratulations Matt!

# GEM LEGACY



## Gem Legacy

The 24th annual Gem Legacy President's Annual Donor Recognition Dinner was held on April 13, 2018. The College of Pharmacy was honored to have Ryan and Annick Dixon, Claude and Susan ('66) Connelly and Kent Parkinson of Walgreens in attendance at the dinner. We are truly grateful for the support that we received from them during the past year and that they could join us for this wonderful event. We are also very appreciative of the support that we received from all of our donors. The information here highlights those friends and alumni of the College who were recognized at the dinner.

### Individual Annual Recognition at level of \$5,000 or more

Paula Blair ('72)  
Catherine "Cat" Fry  
Dr. Josh Gehrke ('09) & Sandee Moore-Gehrke  
Peter ('75) & Mee Woo

### 30 or More Consecutive Years of Giving-Individuals

Don Leonard ('74)

Those individuals who moved to another gem level include:  
**EMERALD – \$500,000-\$999,999**  
Bill ('57) & Karin Eames

### SAPPHIRE-\$100,000-\$249,999

Dr. David ('70) & Jane Chu  
Jack ('55) & Lorraine Walker

### GARNET-\$10,000-\$24,999

Albert ('50) & Lou Bouvier  
Dale ('74) & Linda Derbidge  
Ryan & Annick Dixon  
Dr. Kyle ('03) & Janice Peters  
Dan & Lori Seargeant

### JADE-\$5,000-\$9,999

Claude & Susan ('66) Connelly  
Darrell Fike ('66)  
Aubrey Herrmann ('75) & Laura Lybecker ('75)  
Carol Westby

### GRANITE-PLANNED GIFTS

Dale ('59) & Carol Baker  
Dr. Chuck Berry  
Paula Blair ('72)  
Al ('50) & Lou Bouvier  
Dr. Paul & Merriann Cady  
Doug ('54) & Ginny Nau  
Dave ('64) & Beverly Nelson  
Dr. Bill Keller ('66) & Tram Nguyen-Keller  
Dr. Joy Plein ('47)  
Mike ('70) & Robyn Prime  
Gary ('68) & Jan Thomas  
Carol Westby  
Lorraine Wight  
Gene ('63) & Thelma Scott

"Supporting the ISU College of Pharmacy allows us to memorialize our daughter Angela through the Angela Dixon Osterman Memorial Scholarship Endowment. We are so blessed how the college responded to Angela's passing and the relationship it has built with us since her passing."

RYAN AND ANNICK DIXON  
INDUCTED INTO GARNET SOCIETY 2018

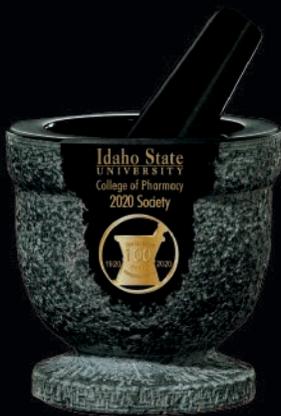




# 100 YEARS OF PHARMACY

## What impact has the ISU College of Pharmacy had on your career and quality of life?

As you know, we are in the midst of our \$15 million Centennial Campaign as we prepare for our 100th Anniversary celebration in the fall of 2020. In our past Bulletin issues we have outlined the needs of the campaign. These needs include student scholarships and programs, faculty support, capital improvements and even naming opportunities.



We want and need your support. For those of you who have supported the College in the past, we thank you, and ask for your support during this very important and transformational campaign. If you have not been engaged in the College in the past we ask that you please take this opportunity to express the impact that the College of Pharmacy has had on your career and quality of life. This is a great opportunity to make a legacy gift to the College by creating an endowment of making a major gift to assist with our capital needs. Endowments can be created by individuals or classes. For example, the Class of 1972 created a scholarship endowment for all members of their class to support.

There are several ways that you can participate in the campaign and also be recognized individually and/or with your class.

### • 2020 CENTENNIAL SOCIETY

Make a donation of \$2,020 in celebration of our Centennial Campaign. The Society gifts support our existing endowments that are currently dormant or under the \$25,000 level. One of our campaign objectives is to get all of our existing endowments to the \$25,000 level in order for them to each provide an annual payout of \$1,000. All society members will receive a commemorative mortar and pestle in recognition of their membership.

### • CENTENNIAL PATIO

Your participation in the campaign can also provide an opportunity for you, your alumni class or other organization to be recognized on our Centennial Patio. Individuals will be recognized beginning at the \$5,000 level. Alumni classes and other organizations will be recognized beginning at the \$25,000 level. These generous gifts will be recognized as a permanent part of the patio for generations to come. The name of the donor, donor's business, loved one or graduating class will be prominently engraved in a stone corresponding to the size of the gift. All planned gift donors will be recognized, by name and class year, together in a designated area of the patio. Gift fulfillment can be made in installments.

The natural stones that make up the patio were chosen to blend in with Idaho's natural landscape. The patio will be a permanent fixture of Idaho State University's historic Quad as well a lasting monument to the College of Pharmacy and its alumni. This area will provide a beautiful and relaxing getaway for students, faculty and the community.

The Centennial Patio will also serve as home to our centennial time capsule. Stories, artifacts and memorabilia are being accepted now as we prepare for our centennial ceremony. The time capsule will be unearthed in 2070 for the College of Pharmacy's 150th anniversary.

Please share your experience with the current and future generations of pharmacists by supporting this important campaign. If you ever received a scholarship or enhanced your skills through our outreach programs this is a perfect opportunity to express your appreciation. If your education prepared you for a successful career this is a perfect opportunity to express your appreciation. If you are not currently engaged or have never been engaged in the College since graduation this is a perfect opportunity to express your appreciation.

Thank you so much for your consideration. For more information about our campaign please go to <https://isu.edu/pharmacy/centennial-celebration-campaign/> or contact Phil Yankovich directly at [yankphil@isu.edu](mailto:yankphil@isu.edu) or (208) 339-4770.

# ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Since the last bulletin I have focused my travels more regionally with a side trip to the upper Midwest. These destinations include trips to Minnesota, Idaho, Nevada and Washington. As I have stated in the past, my objective is to get one picture of everyone I meet during my travels. I have improved in the area of not deleting pictures that I have taken. However, I am continuing to forget to take pictures of every new visit. For those that I have had the privilege of meeting know that this is caused by me being me. I have full intentions of getting a picture then get so focused on the enjoyment of the visit that I simply don't remember until "I'm on the road again."

I always enjoy the visits and look forward to meeting many of you in the months ahead. I have one small request, if I have not taken your picture during a past visit please remind me when we meet again.

Best wishes to you all,  
Phil



Alice & Wendell ('56) Dunn  
Pocatello, ID and Merylin Dunn Ross  
'81) & David Ross  
Scotia, CA



Anna ('03) & Gabe ('03) Bartoo  
Rochester, MN



Annick & Ryan Dixon  
Idaho Falls, ID



Bill ('57) & Karin Eames  
Walnut Grove, CA



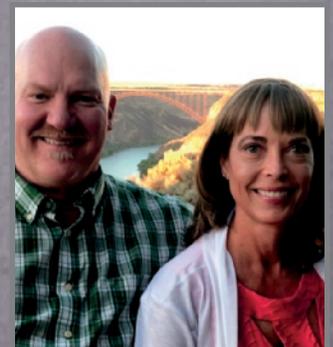
Brooke ('05) & Eli Buffat  
Pocatello, ID



Cathy Cashmore ('93) & Nicole Chopski ('97)  
Pocatello, ID



Claude & Susan ('66) Connolly  
Boise, ID



Dan ('85) & Barb ('84) Fuchs  
Twin Falls, ID



Dave ('69) & Joe ('65) Della Zoppa



Debbie & James ('06) Ireland  
Coon Rapids, MN



Errol Maus ('65), Brent Fricke ('68),  
Al Frisk ('71)  
Boise, ID



Frank Casabonne ('78)  
Meridian, ID



Garry Graham ('68)  
Eagle, ID



Gary Meadows ('68)  
Pullman, WA



George ('60) & Becky Roe  
Redmond, WA



Joanne Westberg ('72)  
Moscow, ID



Kellye Schab ('98)  
Caldwell, ID



Mary Fran & Jim ('65) Brown  
Boise, ID



Matt Williams ('04)  
Las Vegas, NV



Matt Perry ('16)  
Athol, ID



Ron ('77) & Dale ('78) Endo  
Las Vegas, NV



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Duluth, MN



Susan Kemp ('05)  
Boise, ID



Tim ('80) & Suzanne Stratton  
Duluth, MN



Tyler Higgins  
Caldwell, ID

To all of our alumni, supporters, and friends who have given so much of your time, talents, and resources ...

Thank you  
and  
Happy Holidays

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