

## Kim and Greg Wasson Donate \$1 million to Purdue College of Pharmacy



The Purdue College of Pharmacy is pleased to announce Kim (BS '81) and Greg (BS '81) Wasson have donated \$1 million to establish the Wasson Endowment for the Future. This dual-purpose endowment will be used to support the #Future4Pharmacy initiative to build new and innovative pharmacy facilities.

Kim and Greg Wasson have made several contributions to the College of Pharmacy and Purdue University. They often reflect on their Purdue days and laugh about many of their experiences. "We met in our third year of Pharmacy School so most of our fond memories center around dating and the lifelong friends we met while at Purdue," said Kim and Greg.

Their College of Pharmacy education has allowed them to live successful, fulfilling lives. Kim returned to school in 2003 to earn her PharmD degree from Midwestern University. Upon earning her PharmD degree she joined Advocate Health at Good Shepherd Hospital where she worked as a pharmacist in an outpatient Anticoagulation clinic for 5 years. For Greg, it provided him the stepping stone to live the American Dream. "We got married on commencement day, loaded up all of our possessions in a U-Haul and headed to Houston, Texas for our first jobs," said Kim. Greg worked for Walgreens for 35 years, rising from his initial role as an intern to become the president and CEO of the company. He had oversight of the final details of the merger between Walgreens and Alliance Boots in late 2014. On January 9, 2015 he handed the reins over to the new Walgreens Boots Alliance acting CEO. In 2016 Greg and Kim, founded Wasson Enterprise (WE), an investment firm focusing on entrepreneurship. Their primary areas of interest are the pharmaceutical industry and clean energy initiatives. \_\_\_\_\_

Kim and Greg's gift will go towards building new and innovative facilities for the Purdue College of Pharmacy. "It is imperative that educators invest in moving the practice of Pharmacy into needed services and away from the commoditized business of simply filling prescriptions. This change will require labs and classroom experiences to innovate," said Kim and Greg. "We believe that community Pharmacy needs to continue to advance its role as a healthcare provider and we hope this gift assists with that vision."

Thank you, Kim and Greg, for your continued support!

