Commencement 2007
Graduation is no doubt an important day in a student’s life. It not only marks the end of their college education and beginning of their professional career, but it continues the legacy of a rich tradition of alumni. The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences is proud to congratulate our most recent graduates on their many accomplishments and welcome them into the alumni family. Throughout this issue, I hope you enjoy reading about the history of our School and how our current students, recent graduates, and alumni continue to make us proud.

I am pleased to announce some administrative additions in the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Health Sciences. Dr. Steven Abel has been appointed as Assistant Dean for Clinical Programs in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences effective July 2, 2007. I am delighted to have Dr. Abel expand his leadership role in the School and look forward to his continued contributions to our programs. Dr. Val Watts has accepted an appointment as Associate Dean for Research, while Dr. Eric Barker has accepted an appointment as Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs. Both appointments were effective July 15, 2007. These appointments are to coincide with the return of Dr. Marc Loudon to the faculty after nearly two decades of outstanding service to the College as Senior Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs. Dr. Loudon devoted 75 percent of his time to his administrative duties. In considering his replacement, I felt this level of commitment was inconsistent with someone maintaining an active research program. Hence, I decided to split his administrative duties into two positions. I am delighted to have Drs. Watts and Barker join our administrative team in the College and look forward to their contributions. I also wish to express sincere thanks for the many years of dedicated service provided by Dr. Loudon. The extent of his service is revealed by the fact that it will take two individuals to assume his duties! You can read more about these appointments in Faculty News on page 18.

I am also excited to announce that The Chao Center for Industrial Pharmacy & Contract Manufacturing has gained exclusive rights to manufacture, distribute, and sell the Eli Lilly and Company drug Seromycin®. The drug is used to help fight multidrug-resistant tuberculosis, and it will be made available to consumers in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. You can read more about this at http://purdueresearchpark.com/newsreleases/2007/070516ChaoLilly.html.

We are also pleased to inform you that we have re-opened our Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience in Kenya, with 24 students from Purdue planning to complete an eight week rotation there this academic year. You will learn more about this exciting program in an upcoming issue of The Purdue Pharmacist.

This summer has also been a time for transition in leadership for Purdue. As announced at the end of last summer, Dr. Martin Jischke retired as President of Purdue University. On July 16th we welcomed our new president, Dr. France Córdova. Having most recently served as Chancellor of the University of California Riverside, she brings significant administrative experience to her role as President of Purdue University. Trained as an astrophysicist, Dr. Córdova served as a faculty member and administrator at Penn State University, chief scientist for NASA and as Vice Chancellor for Research at University of California Santa Barbara. Our Provost, Dr. Sally Mason, has accepted an appointment as President of the University of Iowa. A national search for a new provost will be initiated in the near future. In the meantime, Dr. Victor Lechtenberg has been selected to serve as interim provost. Former Dean of the College of Agriculture, he most recently served as Vice Provost for Engagement.

In case you’re wondering about the photo in the headliner, Sue and I had the opportunity to join Dick (BS 1973) and Susan Brychell for a Blackhawks hockey game in Chicago. I actually had the opportunity to participate in the Shoot-the-Puck contest between periods and scored more goals than the entire Blackhawks team did over three periods! No need to worry though…I have no thoughts of changing careers.

Craig K. Svensson
Dean
Pharmacy Traditions . . .
The Next Generation

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Commencement Celebrations

On Sunday, May 13, 2007, the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences was proud to award the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences to 16 students and the Doctor of Pharmacy to 151 students. These individuals join the Purdue alumni family and will no doubt continue the traditions of excellence set before them. Congratulations to these fine graduates, as well as to the outstanding faculty and staff who have guided them through their studies and prepared them for future successes.
Traditions... Generation

“This university is designed to be quite difficult—to stretch your abilities and show you how far you can go. One of the great lessons you have learned here is that you can go very far, indeed.”

Purdue President Martin C. Jischke
2007 Commencement Ceremonies
When LaVeda M. Gipson first entered the pre-pharmacy program in August of 1995, she had no idea what journey laid ahead of her. After being accepted into the PharmD program in August, 1998, she was faced with the difficult decision to leave the program the following year. Always determined to return someday to complete her education, the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences is proud to announce that LaVeda graduated in May with her Doctor of Pharmacy degree after re-entering the program in 2003. With degree in hand and a position as Pharmacy Assistant Manager at Wal-Mart in Louisville, Kentucky, LaVeda shares her story and how hard work and determination made her goals reality.

“Dreams and dedication are a powerful combination.”
- William Longgood, Author
offered a tremendous amount of support for which I am so grateful. Knowing my child was in good hands. Several other family and friends in class and treated her like her own, giving me tremendous ease of mind. My best friend Stephanie Gage watched my youngest daughter while I was pursuing my degree. My best friend Melanie Trass offered tons of emotional support. My story enough to allow me to return to pharmacy school and complete my degree. He also was constantly rearranging his work schedule to make the heart-wrenching decision to place my newborn child in daycare.

When Alana was a few weeks old, she developed a rare skin disorder called Acropustulosis which resulted in red, itchy pustules developing on the bottoms of her feet. This condition caused her to cry relentlessly when breakouts would occur and caused me to keep her from daycare on several days, sometimes resulting in me taking her to class. In December, I made the decision to leave school and return home so that I could take care of her with the support of my family.

How difficult was it for you to have to put your education on hold, and had you always been determined to return?
Extremely. It left a void in me which could only be filled by the completion of my degree. I was always determined to return. During my departure, I married Alana’s father and welcomed a second child in 2002. As the years continued to pass and life events continued to occur, I began to worry if my dream was still attainable, but the urge to return to Purdue was so strong that it would not let me rest until I gave every effort to return.

How difficult was it to return and complete your work?
Because I now had a husband, an eight-month-old daughter, and a two-year-old daughter, I knew my goal to complete my degree would not be easy. But I was so grateful for a second chance and determined to complete my degree at any cost. The extra challenge that presented itself seemed obsolete. The extra challenge that having a family posed made me more focused and determined to succeed. I knew my success was not only for me, but also for my family who believed in me.

What has been your most enjoyable time at Purdue?
I have so many. A lot of memories were created here as I watched my two girls grow up in four years. From recitals to school plays, the list is too long. I am also so happy that my kids were able to experience residential housing and truly know the importance of getting an education.

Who has played a supportive role in helping you obtain your goals?
I must say that God has placed so many angels in my path. My husband, Archie, made many sacrifices by leaving his job in Louisville so that I could complete my degree. He also was constantly rearranging his work schedule to correspond to my class/exam schedule. My mother, Lillie Wheeler, and my sister, LaTonya Meadows, were also so supportive of me emotionally and financially, never hesitating to let me know how proud they were.

Jackie Jimerson has played a significant role in providing educational counseling and guidance. Associate Dean Holly Mason believed in me and my story enough to allow me to return to pharmacy school and complete my degree. My best friend Melanie Trass offered tons of emotional support. My best friend Stephanie Gage watched my youngest daughter while I was in class and treated her like her own, giving me tremendous ease of mind knowing my child was in good hands. Several other family and friends offered a tremendous amount of support for which I am so grateful.
Harry S. Truman once said, “I have found the best way to give advice to your children is to find out what they want and then advise them to do it.” Luckily for these parents, they already knew something about what their children wanted. The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences was honored to graduate a few second generation pharmacists this year. We are always pleased to see the pharmacy tradition continue.
Vytautas J. Damasius came to the United States in 1950 with his mother—a single parent—and three older siblings from Lithuania. With the values instilled by his mother and brother, Vyto developed a strong work ethic. He worked through high school and college to pay for his education and graduated from Purdue University in 1969 with a degree in Pharmacy. He began working for Ribordy Drug Store Corporation as a pharmacist, manager, and district manager for 17 years until it was purchased by Walgreens.

From 1985-1987, he then took on the challenge of computerizing the pharmacy at the Lake County Convalescent Home and streamlined the administration records for the delivery of medication to patients. He also organized the Lake County Jail Pharmacy and moved them forward with computers while taking monthly inventories. After working two years for the Lake County Convalescent Home, Vyto was given the opportunity to open his own independent pharmacy in 1987 which is located within St. Margaret Mercy Medical Health Center in Hammond, Indiana.

Vyto employs over 20 team members. The pharmacy specializes in compounding, patient education, home health care equipment, free deliveries, diabetic care, and veterinarian prescriptions for pets. His goal is to provide patients with actual healthcare services rather than lip service. He and his staff have historically been at the cutting edge of pharmaceutical technology by regularly attending innovative pharmacy programs, conferences, seminars, and symposiums as a means of improving their education which is passed on to the client.

Vyto is a risk taker as many people conclude—“a ship in the harbor is safe, but that’s not what ships are made for”—therefore, he expanded his small independent full-service pharmacy into what it is today. A second location in downtown Highland recently opened. Taking care of patients, meeting their special and challenging needs is what Vyto and his pharmacy is all about. He is truly a neighborhood pharmacist for the entire family.

He is a member of the Indiana Pharmacist Alliance, the Community Pharmacists of Indiana which he has served on the board since 2002, Professional Compounding of America, and the National Community Pharmacists Association. Locally, Vyto serves on the board of Directors for the Lake County Mental Health Association [2001-present] and is a life long member of Our Lady of Grace Church and donates monthly family health screenings for Ephesus Home, the elderly community center for the church. He has served as the Pharmacist advisor for TriCity Mental Health since 1988 which works with adults who have special needs that are housed in supervised facilities. He is a member of the John Purdue Club and President’s Council and attends all home football and basketball games since 1969. Lastly, he is a member of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce [1990 to present].

Vyto and his lovely wife, Becky, also a Purdue graduate (BS 1969, Consumer and Family Sciences; MS 1973, Education) have three sons, all of whom have graduated from Purdue University. Darron (BS 1997, School of Management) is a financial analyst for the international division of Abbott Pharmaceuticals. Nathan (PharmD 2002) currently manages the pharmacy, and Vyto Joseph graduated in May with his PharmD degree.

On March 6, 2007, Vyto Damasius was awarded the Sperandio Award in Shereville, Indiana, among family, friends, faculty, and staff. He poses with his wife Becky and their two sons, Nate (L) (PharmD 2002), and Vyto (R), who received his PharmD during the May commencement ceremonies.
The Spring 2007 Dean’s Executive Forum hosted several outstanding alumni and friends of Purdue Pharmacy. The Forum is designed to introduce students to emerging trends and career opportunities in pharmacy and the pharmaceutical sciences thorough exposure to leaders in professional and corporate environments.

The Forum provides an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and promotes greater understanding of leadership in the profession of pharmacy. Students benefit from the varied experiences of the guest lecturers, and the lecturers enjoy the lively exchange of questions and answers by well-informed students.

The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences is pleased to recognize the following guest lecturers who spoke during the past academic year.

Jennifer Asay (BS 1994)
Marketing Product Manager
Aventis Pharmaceuticals
"Diversity within the Pharma Industry...The Sky's the Limit"

Christopher Dimos (BS 1988)
President, Pharmacy Operations
Supervalu Incorporated
"Think Outside the Bottle"

John Grant
Vice President, Store Operations
Walgreen Company
"Business Integrity"

James Haas (BS 1973, MS 1974)
Vice President, Pharmacy Services
WebMD Corporation
"You Can Take the Pharmacist Out of the Pharmacy...Being a Pharmacist in a Techno/Corporate Environment"

J. Frank Nash (BS 1981, MS 1984, PhD 1986)
Principal Scientist
Procter and Gamble Company
"Elements of Career Satisfaction"

Jon Sprague (PhD 1994)
Dean and Professor of Pharmacology
The Raabe College of Pharmacy
Ohio Northern University
"Pharmacy Education: A Small School Perspective"

Dal-Mar Deeni Taylor (BS 1980)
Executive Vice President/Partner
Bremner Healthcare Management LLC
"The Opportunities with a Pharmacy Degree"

S. Duann Vanderslice (BS 1992)
Board Certified Nuclear Pharmacist
IBA Molecular North America, Inc.
"Radiation Safety Perspectives in Nuclear Pharmacy Practice"

Alisa Wright (BS 1987)
Chief Executive Office
BioConvergence LLC
"A Circuitous Journey in Pharmaceuticals"
James P. Kehrer
Washington State University

JAMES P. KEHRER received a BS in Pharmacy from Purdue University in 1974 and a PhD in Pharmacology/Toxicology from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in 1978. He completed postdoctoral work from 1978-1980 in the Biology Division of Oak Ridge National Laboratory. In 1980, he accepted a position as Assistant Professor in the College of Pharmacy at the University of Texas at Austin. He was later promoted to full Professor, served as Head of the Division of Pharmacology and Toxicology, and was Director of the Center for Molecular and Cellular Toxicology. In 2005, he became Dean of the College of Pharmacy at Washington State University.

Like so many other alumni interviewed, Jim views his role as dean as creating an environment in which others can succeed. He finds that helping faculty and students succeed in various endeavors is both enjoyable and exceptionally gratifying and says when students and faculty win awards it is particularly exciting.

Although he no longer has a research laboratory, he enjoys collaborating with others, helping to formulate research ideas and to write manuscripts and grants. “I am also the editor of two journals, and assisting scientists in clearly presenting their work is rewarding,” he says. “Similarly, serving on grant review panels gives me the opportunity to improve research.” He has served on numerous National Institutes of Health grant review panels, and has been the Editor for the Americas and Japan for Toxicology Letters since 1993, serves as a Deputy Chairman for The Biochemical Journal, and is on the editorial board of Archives of Biochemistry and Biophysics.

Jim says that Washington State University has a broad based program, but with a significant emphasis on entrepreneurial activities. Because pharmacists have numerous opportunities to practice in a variety of settings, the college makes significant efforts to assure that students are aware of and prepared to take advantage of these opportunities. He also emphasizes to students that they will see and learn a lot about pharmacy that they did not know existed, and to be open-minded about where their professional career will take them. He urges them to become involved in at least one professional organization including participating in national meetings, beginning when they are students.

Several of Jim’s pharmacy professors at Purdue strongly influenced his interest in graduate education and research. He credits Professor Ulf Hornemann in Medicinal Chemistry in whose lab he worked, and Professors George Spratto and Craig Schnell, whose enthusiasm about pharmacology caused him to pursue a career in this area. Retelling his days at Purdue also conjure finals day in December of 1972. “We had a pharmacy final scheduled for 7 p.m. It started snowing in the morning, and by 7 p.m. there was more than a foot on the ground. But my roommates and I piled into my car (with them in the back seat to provide traction—rear wheel drive in those days), and we managed to get to campus only to find out that the exam was cancelled. No internet in those days to spread the word about cancellations!”

“I give the education I received at Purdue a lot of credit for shaping my career,” says Jim. “I believe that without that experience, I would not have had the success I have enjoyed. I am very pleased that my youngest son, Marc, is currently attending Purdue majoring in Aviation Technology.”
The Purdue University School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, established in 1884, has a rich tradition of excellence. The concept of such a school began a year earlier when John N. Hurty, a community pharmacist practicing in Indianapolis, often proposed the idea of a school of pharmacy to Purdue President James Smart who was a frequent visitor at the pharmacy. Smart agreed to open a school if Hurty would serve as Head for two years. In December of 1883, the Board of Trustees agreed to design a course of instruction in Pharmaceutical Chemistry. Hurty, serving as Head, devised a plan of study and began teaching pharmacy courses along with four other faculty to seven students the following fall. Twenty weeks of instruction included courses in pharmacy, chemistry, botany and material medica, and students were expected to spend numerous hours in laboratories. It was Purdue’s goal to have students pass state board examinations in order to become licensed pharmacists.

It was in 1897 that three distinct degree plans were instituted: Graduate in Pharmacy (Ph.G.), Pharmaceutical Chemist (Ph.C.), and Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy (B.S. in Pharmacy). By 1930, only the B.S. degree was awarded, making pharmacy students professional equals as engineering and science students. This program allowed students to broaden their education of pharmacy in areas other than those that concentrated on community pharmacy practice.

The original pharmacy school was housed in a 1874 building on campus, simply referred to as Building 2, and was occupied by other departments. Additions to the building had been made over the years, and eventually pharmacy was the only occupant, but it became clear that a new facility was necessary. Since the program’s inception, enrollment grew from 143 in the first decade to 513 by the mid-20s. The initial four professors had grown to five with seven special lecturers, including...
the President of Eli Lilly and Company, J. K. Lilly. Funding for a new building was hard to come by even though the Indiana Pharmaceutical Association (IPhA) had suggested the need. The state legislative committee suggested that the School be moved to Indianapolis, but Purdue disagreed and decided to find a way to fund the building, encouraging alumni to do their part. On May 20, 1930, IPhA held its annual convention on campus to dedicate the new building. An adjacent annex was built in 1946. The construction of the present Robert E. Heine Pharmacy Building was completed in 1970.

The School has a rich history of strong leaders, and that leadership has played a significant part in shaping the character of pharmaceutical education in the United States. After Hurty’s leadership of the School, R. W. Warder, a professor of Chemistry, was named Dean for an interim period in 1886-1888. Arthur L. Green, however, was the first to assume the role of dean for an extended period of time [1888-1912].

Charles B. Jordan served as Director of the School from 1910-1924 and then Dean until 1941. Jordan is best known for raising and maintaining high standards in pharmacy education. He added courses to the curriculum in physiology, pharmaceutical arithmetic, food and drug analysis, and therapeutics, as well as history and languages, and he laid the foundation for graduate work in pharmacy.

Following the Jordan era, Glenn L. Jenkins served as Dean from 1941-1966 and is recognized for his accelerated development of the graduate program. Since 1958, the School has awarded advance degrees in each of the pharmaceutical sciences. In some years, as many as 25-30 percent of all doctoral degrees granted by all pharmacy schools in the United States originated at Purdue.

From 1966-1986, Varro E. Tyler served as Dean. The curricular strategies employed under Tyler’s leadership resulted in the School being among the first to include clinical practice as a component of the professional program in pharmacy. Perhaps his most significant contribution made was to attract faculty in quality and quantity. From Jenkins to the end of the Tyler years, the faculty increased from 24 to 70, and the number of graduate students from 20 to approximately 150.

Others to follow the deanship include Charles O. Rutledge [1987-2003], John M. Pezzuto [2003-2006], and now Craig K. Svensson [2006-present]. It is important to note that in association...
Purdue's pharmacy school set the bar for many firsts in pharmacy education . . .

With over 8,000 living alumni, an outstanding student body, excellent faculty, active partnerships with industrial and professional leaders, and a strong university environment, the Purdue University School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences is positioned to continue to be a leader in the education of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists throughout the 21st century.

Among these firsts include:

Offering courses in isotope tracer techniques, compulsory manufacturing pharmacy, hospital X-ray imaging, and radiographic procedures;

Offering departments in Bionucleonics and Clinical Pharmacy;

Substituting supervised externship in lieu of the traditional state board apprenticeship requirement for licensure;

Establishing the first school-associated externship program in the country in 1971.

The first publication involving the application of radioactive (Na-24) tracer techniques in the area of pharmaceutical research originated at Purdue's School of Pharmacy.

Pharmacy faculty were first to publish undergraduate textbooks in the areas of physical pharmacy and clinical pharmacy.

The School also instituted the Nuclear Pharmacy Division in 1988 and the non-traditional Pharm.D. degree in 1992.

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Charles O. Rutledge

2003-2006
John M. Pezzuto

2006- Present
Craig K. Svensson

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The School instituted the Nuclear Pharmacy Division in 1988.

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In April, 2007, Gregory D. Wasson was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer for Walgreen Co. Greg joined Walgreens as a pharmacy intern in 1980 while a student at Purdue University’s School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, where he graduated in 1981. He managed several Houston drugstores before being promoted to a district manager in 1986. He became a regional vice president of store operations in 1999 and Walgreen Co. Vice President and Executive Vice President of Walgreens Health Initiatives, the company’s pharmacy benefit manager (PBM), in 2001. He was promoted to President of Walgreens Health Services (managed care division) in 2002, named a Walgreen Co. senior vice president in 2004, and promoted to an executive vice president in 2005.

When asked about his recent appointment, Greg comments, “People have asked me if I had aspirations to be here. Not really.” He says he’s always looked to the next level, but never beyond that, mostly because he’s enjoyed all his jobs at Walgreens. “I just loved being a pharmacist and a manager. There hasn’t been one job that I’ve grown tired of—I’ve always been challenged.” He also credits his pharmacy education and previous experience for preparing him for this role. “As a company, we have a strong focus on the opportunities to provide new healthcare services, such as our convenient in-store clinics,” he says. “It would be difficult leading the company down this path without a clinical and pharmaceutical background. My time at Walgreens Health Services allowed me to work with the broader healthcare industry and understand what role community pharmacy can play.”

Greg and his wife, Kimberly (Munt), also pharmacy class of 1981, met at Purdue and were married soon after graduation. Kim worked at Walgreens with Greg for several years as a pharmacist and store manager. Today, they have two teenage daughters, Courtney and Lindsay. “We’re a very close-knit family because we have lived all over the country together as I moved with Walgreens,” says Greg. “If I’m not at work, I’m with them. My oldest, Lindsay, will follow in our footsteps by attending Purdue as a freshman this fall.”
MEET PURDUE’S
New President

On May 7, 2007, the Board of Trustees named France A. Córdova the 11th president of Purdue University. The internationally recognized astrophysicist comes to us from the University of California, Riverside, where she served as Chancellor since 2002. The six years prior, she was Vice Chancellor for Research and a professor of physics at the University of California at Santa Barbara. Before joining academia, she was the youngest person to hold the position of NASA chief scientist. You can read more about Córdova online at http://news.uns.purdue.edu/x/2007a/070507McGinleyCordova.html

Purdue President France A. Córdova talks with Pharmacy students Jade Pettigrew and Tanicius Lapsley on Friday, July 20, during the Indiana Black Expo in Indianapolis. Córdova was the keynote speaker at the Expo’s Youth Summit as part of Purdue Day at the Expo, which Purdue has sponsored for each of the past three years. It was her first major public appearance as Purdue’s 11th president.

Payless Presents Check to Pharmacy

Payless Pharmacy celebrated a grand opening in Lafayette and presented a $10,000 check to the Purdue School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. The money will be used to support the Corporate Partner Program at the School.

(L to R) Christopher Smith, Director of Advancement; Greg Fox, Pharmacy Merchandiser, Kroger Central KMA; Craig Svensson, Dean; and Bob Moeder, Kroger President, Central Division.
The following awards were presented to School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical students at the Graduation Banquet on April 27, 2007. Please help us congratulate our students on their fine accomplishments.

STUDENT Awards

**ASP Senior Recognition Award**
Mark Brown

**H. George DeKay Award**
William Carroll

**Industry Excellence Award**
Christy Javella

**Lilly Achievement Award**
Matthew Bailey
Matthew Dierk
Scott Linger
Deon Neal
Bret Reed

**Merck Awards**
Mark Heinold
Steven Kaverman
Brenden King
Lucas Mansfield

**NCPA Outstanding Student Award**
Vyto Damasius

**Nuclear Pharmacy Achievement Award**
Carrie Georgion

**Perrigo Award for Excellence in Non Prescription Medication Studies**
Kurt Henke

**Pharmaceutical Sciences Recognition Award**
Steven Kaverman

**Phi Beta Kappa**
Mark Brown
Kristen Lee

**Phi Lambda Sigma Excellence in Leadership Award**
Lynn Tenbarge

**Lilly Achievement Award**
Christy Javella

**2007 CLERKSHIP AWARDS**

**Facts & Comparisons Award for Excellence in Clinical Communications**
Mark Brown

**Glaxo Smith Kline Patient Care Award**
Vyto Damasius

**Pharmacists Letter Award**
Patricia Stefanek

**Practice Excellence Award**
Kallopi Fitousis

**Tippecanoe County Pharmaceutical Association Award for Excellence in Community Pharmacy Clerkship**
Matthew Bailey

**Tippecanoe County Pharmaceutical Association Award for Excellence in Hospital Pharmacy Clerkship**
Lisa Kampschmidt

**USPHS Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Practice Award**
Rola Kaakeh

**2007 LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

**APhA-McNeil Award for Professionalism**
Mark Brown

**Clini-doc Awards for Clinical Interventions Award Winners**
1st Place: Colin Fitzgerrel
2nd Place: William Carroll
3rd Place: Erika Wesby

**Mylan Excellence in Pharmacy**
Katherine Behr

**Pharmacy Alumni Leadership Award**
Laura Smith

**Roche Pharmacy Communications Award**
Aaron Craft

**Teva Pharmaceuticals Outstanding Student Award**
Kira Larimore
THE 11TH ANNUAL BoileRx Golf Tournament was held on Thursday, May 17, at the Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex in West Lafayette. Over 120 golfers participated in the day, which dawned cool and damp. However, the spirits of the participants were neither chilled nor dampened by a few brief afternoon showers as golfers made their way around both the Kampen and Ackerman Hills courses. Six teams played the Ackerman course with the team of Eric Barker, Joe Borowitz, David Riese, and Val Watts taking first place with a score of 61. Also scoring a 61 and winning the Kampen course, the team of Jeremy Bloebaum, Timothy Ellerman, Lyman Morris, and Brian Thompson. Several other prizes were awarded at the end of the day including Dave Riese, longest putt on Ackerman; Steve Hultgren, longest putt on Kampen; Dave Butler, longest drive on Ackerman; Rob Seay, longest drive on Kampen; Brett Coryell closest to the pin on Ackerman; and Robert Fuller, closest to the pin on Kampen. Apparently faculty members Joe Borowitz and Bob Bennett are Ace golfers, as only one golfer—Bill Malloy—was able to beat either of them on the Beat the Faculty Challenge Hole. Congratulations to all the winners and all those who played throughout the nippy day. Through the generosity of the golfers, volunteers, and sponsors, over $23,000 was raised for scholarships in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.

Many thanks to this year’s volunteers: Mary Baker, Bob Bennett, Joe Borowitz, Mark Bunton, Kim Burgner, Chuck Conroy, Janet Gibson, Brian Holstine, Jane Krause, Janet Redmond, Kathy Reynolds, Pam Ringor, Steve Scott, and Dawn Sinclair.

The Ackerman Hills Third Place Team - Steve Nail, Dave Butler, and Morgan Beatty

Kampen statue overlooks Hole #1
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12th Annual BoileRx Golf Classic
May 15, 2008

Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex

(L to R) Jeremy Blochbaum, Timothy Ellerman, Lyman Morris, and Brian Thompson are congratulated by Dean Svensson for winning first place on the Kampen Course
Steven Abel Appointed Assistant Dean for Clinical Programs

Dr. Abel received a BS in Pharmacy and a PharmD degree from Purdue University. A Fellow of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, his work has focused on the development, implementation, and evaluation of progressive pharmaceutical services in organized health care systems. Dr. Abel has published over 110 scientific and professional articles, as well as provided various levels of service to the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, and the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

As Assistant Dean for Clinical Programs, Dr. Abel will provide leadership for the clinical programs within the School. The Experiential Learning Program for the Doctor of Pharmacy Program, the Purdue Pharmacy, and the Continuing Education Program of the School will report to the Assistant Dean for Clinical Programs. In addition, together with the Director of the Healthcare Technical Assistance Program, Dr. Abel will share responsibility for oversight of the newly developed Pharmacy Technical Assistance Program (PharmaTAP). Dr. Abel will continue his appointment as Bucke Professor and Head of the Department of Pharmacy Practice.

Eric Barker Appointed as Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs

Dr. Eric Barker received his BS in Pharmacy from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, after which he earned his PhD in Pharmacology from Vanderbilt University. He joined the Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology following postdoctoral experiences at Emory and Vanderbilt. Dr. Barker’s research interests are focused on the molecular pharmacology of antidepressant- and cocaine-sensitive serotonin transporters. He also has an active program in the area of endogenous cannabinoid transport. Dr. Barker will devote 30% of his time as Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs to provide leadership and coordination for the varied graduate programs of the College.

Dr. Barker was also the recipient of the Dr. Aziz Outstanding Teaching Award at the 2007 University Honors Convocation.

Val Watts Appointed as Associate Dean for Research

Dr. Val Watts received his BS in Pharmacy from Ohio Northern University, followed by his PhD in Pharmacology from the University of North Carolina. Following postdoctoral study in the laboratory of Dr. Kim Neve at the Oregon Health Sciences University, he joined the faculty of the Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology at Purdue. Dr. Watts’ research is focused on the signaling properties of G protein-coupled receptors with an emphasis on dopamine receptor systems. As Associate Dean for Research, he will devote 50% of his effort providing leadership for the research programs of the College.

Marc Loudon Returns to the Faculty

After nearly two decades of outstanding service to the College as Senior Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs, Dr. Marc Loudon plans to return to the faculty following a six month sabbatical. He will return to his duties as a faculty member in the Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology.

Alan Zillich Wins Awards

Congratulations to Alan Zillich, Department of Pharmacy Practice, for receiving the Award for Excellence in Distance Education at the 2007 University Honors Convocation. Alan has also been selected to receive a Health Services Research and Development Service Career Development Award from the Department of Veterans Affairs. This three year Career Development Award will support Alan’s work on Evidence-based Prescribing of Outpatient Pharmaceuticals.
IPPH Equipment Needs

The Department of Industrial and Physical Pharmacy (IPPH) is widely recognized as one of the leading industrial pharmacy programs in the world, but it is falling short in training students on modern equipment. The IPPH manufacturing laboratories are used for a number of courses at the undergraduate and graduate level, as well as for the Regulatory and Quality Compliance Graduate Certificate and MS programs, training for FDA, and in the international cooperative programs associated with its U.S. based initiatives. The Department's most immediate needs include the following:

A small fluid bed dryer/granulator/coater

Any brand will work as long as it is small enough (1-3 liter) and in good condition. The approximate cost ranges from $150,000-$350,000.

A small, modern coating pan

Must be eg 24” accela cota, also in good condition. Average cost is $150,000.

Due to the expensive nature of these machines, the Department is interested in working with prospective donors to facilitate gifts of new or suitably used equipment, to fund the purchase of these new machines, or possibly provide long term loans of new equipment for specific projects of work.

For more information about how you can assist the Department, please contact Chris Smith, Director of Advancement, at jcsmith@purdue.edu, or Professor Ken Morris at morris@pharmacy.purdue.edu.

Not so new…. but definitely improved

The Department is pleased to share that the School’s Stokes tablet press has been refurbished through the generosity of Mylan Laboratories, Inc. The refurbished machine will be used this fall in IPPH 562, a manufacturing course, and will allow faculty to show students the principles of operation which is often difficult to do on newer machine.

SIXTY SECONDS

With a Graduate Student

Patrick Jules Marsac
BS Chemical Engineering 2001,
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
MS Pharmaceutical Engineering 2002,
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Doctoral Student, Industrial and Physical Pharmacy

Anticipated Graduation Date: August 2007
Hometown: Canton, Michigan
Major Professor: Lynne S. Taylor
Thesis Title: “Formation and Stabilization of Amorphous Molecular Level Solid Dispersions”
Research Interests: Physical stabilization of amorphous drugs, pharmaceutical manufacturing, lyophilization, high throughput screening
Honors & Awards: Merck Pharmaceutical Research & Development Graduate Fellowship; Schering-Plough Science and Innovation Award; Pharmaceutical Manufacturers of America Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship in Pharmaceutics; Kienly Award for Excellence in Teaching
Post-graduation plans: Accepted research position at Merck & Co., Inc., West Point, PA, in Materials Characterization and Technology Assessment

“The dynamics of the pharmaceutical industry present new challenges but also offer exciting new areas of research and development. I strongly believe that the foresight of the professors has kept the IPPH program in a leadership position. It has been my pleasure to work closely with several professors and especially with Lynne Taylor who has not only helped me develop as a scientist but also taught me the importance of looking forward.”
APhA Reception - March 17, 2007
On March 17, 2007, the Purdue School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences partnered with IPA and Butler School of Pharmacy to host an alumni and friends reception at the APhA meetings in Atlanta, Georgia. Sixty alumni, friends, and students attended the reception at the Westin Hotel in Downtown Atlanta.

Louisville Area Alumni Reception - April 4, 2007
The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences visited the Southern Indiana and Louisville area on April 4, 2007. Dean Svensson, along with several faculty and staff, toured Mathes Pharmacy in Southern Indiana and the University of Louisville Hospital. The group enjoyed visiting with the preceptors in both locations and learning about what opportunities the students have while on rotations.

The day ended with an alumni, friends, and preceptor reception at the King Fish in Jeffersonville, Indiana. Dean Svensson updated the audience on the School. Brian Shepler and Christy Nash discussed the importance of preceptors and highlighted some of the opportunities that students have in this area for rotations. Janet Mills and Jesse Morgan were given Preceptor Excellence Awards for their outstanding contributions to the education of Purdue Pharmacy students as preceptors.
### 2007 Pharmacy Events Calendar

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**Pharmacy Class of 1957 Reunion - April 14-16, 2007**

The Pharmacy Class of 1957 celebrated their 50th reunion on April 14, 2007. The group had a wonderful time returning to campus and catching up with friends. The weekend was full of activities that allowed them to reconnect with classmates, faculty, and students of the Pharmacy.
ASHP Recognizes Purdue Students

The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Board of Directors selected School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences student John Hertig (4th professional year) to serve as an Executive Committee Member on the Pharmacy Student Forum. He also served on the Council on Pharmacy Practice last year and was able to attend the ASHP Policy Week in Bethesda, Maryland, in 2006.

Mark Triboletti (4th professional year) was selected to serve on the Council on Therapeutics which develops policies regarding the safe and appropriate use of medicine, assesses the risks and benefits of drug products, and uses evidence-based medicine to support all decision-making. He will attend ASHP’s Policy Week on Capitol Hill at the end of September where he will have the opportunity to lobby Congress about issues facing pharmacy practice. “I am really honored and excited to be serving on the Council on Therapeutics and representing pharmacy students and Purdue on the Council,” says Mark.

Stephanie Carcione (4th professional year) also was recognized by the ASHP this past March. She is the recipient of the 2006-2007 ASHP Student Leadership Award provided by the ASHP Research and Education Foundation. Her award includes a display plaque, $2,500 cash, and a drug information library consisting of several publications. Recipients are chosen based on their interest in health-system pharmacy and demonstrated leadership. “I feel very honored to represent Purdue as a recipient of this award,” says Stephanie. “Not only have I received a great education from Purdue, I have also learned valuable skills to help me grow professionally. The faculty and staff of the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences have served as excellent role models and have provided numerous opportunities and encouragement to further my professional development. For this I will always be grateful!”

Congratulations to these outstanding students for representing Purdue Pharmacy with such pride.

IPPH Graduate Student Wins Schering-Plough Award

The Schering-Plough Research Institute recently honored the Department of Industrial and Physical Pharmacy with the opportunity to select a winner for the 2007 Schering-Plough Science and Innovation Award. Schering-Plough representative Xiaoming "Sean" Chen (PhD 2000) presented Sai P. Chamarthy with a trophy and $5,000 cash prize on April 27, 2007.

The Schering-Plough Research Institute recognizes and promotes academic excellence in the areas of pharmacy, biotechnology, analytical chemistry, synthetic organic chemistry, and chemical engineering. Schering-Plough aims at building relationships with graduate students by honoring those who will become the leaders in pharmaceutical sciences. Awardees perform novel research and contribute to their technical field through insight, experimental design, and productivity and must demonstrate leadership, collaboration, integrity, and innovation.

On June 11-12, Sai Chamarthy and Dr. Rodolfo Pinal, Sai’s major advisor, were hosted at an all-expense paid trip to Basking Ridge, New Jersey, where Sai and twelve other top graduate students from preeminent universities met with Tom Kessler, Executive Vice-President and President of the Schering-Plough Research Institute. The honored students presented their research at the Schering-Plough Science and Innovation Award Symposium. The next day included a behind-the-scenes tour of the Schering-Plough facilities at their new Summit, New Jersey, site.
AS FAR AS FIRST IMPRESSIONS GO, Lisa Caudell helped make a big one at Purdue University. She helped organize the School’s first Arthritis Walk at the Purdue Armory on Saturday, March 24. Caudell is the co-chair of community projects for Purdue’s Academy of Student Pharmacists. The organization is designed to help students explore careers in pharmacy and connect with others in the profession.

Caudell’s advisor, Dr. Kimberly Plake, has a 6-year-old daughter with juvenile rheumatoid arthritis. So the decision to get involved with the Arthritis Foundation was an easy one. “People don’t know that it affects so many people—even children,” Caudell says. “We saw this as a way to educate the community about arthritis as well as raise money for research.”

Judging from the results, the walk seemed to be successful on both counts. More than 150 walkers took part raising nearly $10,000. “It turned out a lot better than we thought it was going to,” Caudell adds. “Everything really came together at the end. Now we’re hoping to make this walk as big as some of the other walks on campus.”

At this pace, the Purdue Arthritis Walk will cross that finish line in no time.

Purdue Arthritis Walk
Starting Off on the Right Foot

Anna Plake and Danae Holladay celebrate the end of the walk with a hug. Anna, who is Professor Kim Plake’s daughter, has arthritis and was the honoree for the walk. Danae is the daughter of Susan Holladay, the director of the labs in the School of Pharmacy.
PharmD Poster Sessions

The PharmD candidates presented their PharmD projects in a poster session held in Stewart Center on April 27, 2007. This annual event allows interactions between students and viewers made up of faculty, staff, professional pharmacy students, and preceptors. Cindi Koh-Knoxx, Clinical Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the projects, comments that this year’s event was a great success with 100% submission from the students. The presentations consisted of 102 posters of projects conducted by 157 candidates and 98 project preceptors. “It’s always exciting to see the smiles on the faces of the candidates as they share their completed projects with peers and pharmacists,” says Koh-Knoxx. “This year we were able to display several posters at the reception prior to the Senior Banquet so friends and families could see some of the accomplishments of the candidates.”

Despite an early morning blizzard on February 7, 2007, eleven students ranging from first year pre-pharmacy to clerkship students from the Purdue APhA-Academy of Student Pharmacists (ASP) Chapter traveled to the Statehouse in Indianapolis to provide free diabetes, cholesterol, and blood pressure screenings to about 50 legislators and their staff. Educational materials were provided to legislators concerning the value pharmacists contribute to the healthcare system. A poster was created and displayed concerning pharmacists and immunizations to support a bill in the House that would allow pharmacists in Indiana to immunize on a standing order (HB 1468). Perhaps the most rewarding part of the day was to watch students perform healthcare screenings for their legislators. Through these screenings, students were able to not only talk about, but actively demonstrate, the expanding role of pharmacists. Several students were also able to discuss the immunization bill one-on-one with members of the House Public Health Committee and explain how advancing the ability of pharmacists in Indiana to immunize would benefit patients and the healthcare system as a whole. “I hope the event had a positive impact on the way our representatives view pharmacists and will cause them to open their minds to legislation that will advance our profession in the future,” comments Kelly Gregory, fourth professional year student and coordinator of the event. Rachael Allwine and Lauren Pyszka, co-chairman of ASP’s professional projects committee, were vital in organizing the Legislative Day and assisted Kelly in carrying out the healthcare screenings.
Pharmacy Spring Fling - April 14, 2007

The 2007 Spring Fling, Pharmacy 500, was held on April 14 and was a huge success despite the terrible weather. Neither rain nor sleet nor snow could keep the Pharmacy students from hosting the annual event. Activities were moved inside because of the weather, and fun was had by all. Thank you to our Corporate Partners: Cardinal Health; CVS Corporation; Kroger Company; Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Pfizer, Inc.; SSCI Incorporated; Supervalu Incorporated; The Chao Center; and Walgreen Company.

National Patient Counseling Competition

Kelly Gregory, currently a fourth professional year student on rotations, was 1st runner-up in the National Patient Counseling Competition sponsored by CVS/pharmacy at the APhA Annual Meeting in March 2007. One hundred five schools participated in the competition this year. She received a plaque as well as $700. “I was honored to participate in the competition and represent Purdue,” says Gregory.

“It is important for student pharmacists to appreciate the difference we can make by ensuring each and every one of our patients is counseled and leaves the pharmacy with a better chance of maximizing benefit from their medications. The more time pharmacists spend in direct contact with patients, the better we can build relationships with them and demonstrate the vital role pharmacists play in advancing patient care.”
John Derr (BS 1958) has accepted the position of Senior Vice President and CIO for Information Technology with Golden Ventures, LLC (previously Beverly Enterprises, Inc.). He is excited to be able to have the opportunity to implement in this job some of the national health information technology programs he worked with while he was in Washington, DC, with the American Health Care Association.

Arnold Zegart (BS 1957) writes that he retired on May 1, 2007, and is enjoying his six grandchildren. From 1959-1992, he was the owner and operator of Zegart Drugs, and from 1992-2005, he was employed with Winn-Dixie Pharmacy. Prior to his retirement, he worked with CVS/pharmacy.

Sue (Killion) Cammarata (BS 1979) has been in clinical development for the last 10 years. She moved to Novartis in 2003 in Project Management and was promoted to Vice President in early 2006. She oversees development programs for new anti-infective products.

Michael Stevens (BS 1980, PharmD 1983) shares that after a 17-year career with Bristol-Myers Squibb, he has assumed the role of Chief Development Officer for Virostatics, an Italian biopharmaceutical company developing novel treatments for HIV/AIDS.

Since 1875, approximately 1,200 people have swam the English Channel. A year ago, on August 4, 2006, Purdue alumnus Bryan Boggs successfully swam from Dover, England, to Cap Gris, France (21 miles), in nine hours and 29 minutes, one of the fastest for the season. About 100 people attempt this feat each year, and only 40 to 50 percent make it.

“I have always wanted to do this,” says Boggs. “I’m used to these long endurance challenges. Part of it is because I can. It’s just the makeup of me, the challenge of it.”

Although the waves, cold temperature, and length of the swim was extremely difficult, Bryan never considered stopping. The training for the Channel is rigorous, and the British sanctioning organizations require a qualifying standard of a continuous six-hour swim in 60-degree water. Bryan began preparing for the swim nearly two years prior at the IUPUI Natatorium and the Morse Reservoir, eventually reaching a workout distance of 30 to 35 miles a week.

“Sufficient training is necessary, of course, but it’s only 20% of the battle,” comments Boggs. “The remaining 80% is a positive mental attitude during the grueling swim itself. If you have any doubts, you will fail.”

Bryan received his BS in Biology from Indiana University in 1984. While there, he participated in the swim team, and for the past 20 years, he has participated in triathlons and Ironman competitions. He later continued his education and received his PharmD from Purdue in 1989, making him a third-generation pharmacist. His mother, Jane Whitaker Boggs, received her BS in Pharmacy from Purdue in 1958. Bryan is currently the Manager of U.S. Regulatory Affairs for Lilly Research Laboratories, a Division of Eli Lilly and Company. He lives in Zionsville, Indiana, with his wife, Sharon, and two sons.

So how did Bryan feel once he finished the swim? “Elated and relieved at the same time.” There was a great sense of relief after finally accomplishing a goal that he scribbled down on a piece of paper nearly 25 years ago. Congratulations, Bryan!
Jason (BS 1999) and Shanna (Chapman) Donica (BS 1997) are excited to announce the birth of their second child, Maren Lillian, on October 9, 2006. She joins big brother, Tate (2).

Heather (Dalleave) McKinley (BS 1992), and her husband, Michael, welcomed a daughter, Alexandra Carli, on September 14, 2006. She joins brother Austin (10), and sisters Addison (7) and Abigail (3).

Walter Setmeyer (BS 1999) shares that he is enjoying his job as the pharmacy supervisor in Tulsa where he works with fellow Boilermaker, Brad Ulrich (BS 1996). He and his wife, Julie (BS 1997, Psychology), have three children: Millie, Sam, and Meg.

2000-Present

Cara (Braun) Acklin (PharmD 2004) and husband Joseph (BS 2001, Computer Science) celebrated the birth of their first child, Lucy Anne, on December 18, 2006. She weighed 7 lbs 15 oz and was 20 1/2" long.

Alison "Katie" Allen (PharmD 2007) will serve a Pharmacy Practice Residency Position at Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY, for 2007-2008.

Jared and Sarah (Zimmawoda) Bachman (both PharmD 2001) are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Mila Grace, on July 15, 2006. She weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces and was 19" long.

Tiger and Amy (Friend) Boldt (PharmD 2003) are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Andrew David, on March 6, 2007. He weighed 8 lbs 13 oz and was 20 1/2" long.

Jake and Heather (Metz) Eherenman (PharmD 2003) are excited to announce the birth of their first child, Bryce Adele, on February 24, 2007. She weighed 7 lbs 5 oz and was 19 1/2" long.
Kristin (Angelos) Henseleit (PharmD 2005) and her husband, Andrew (BS 2004, EET), welcomed the birth of their first child, daughter Addison Marie, on April 18, 2007. She weighed 6 lbs 3 oz and was 19" long.

Scott (BS 2001) and Ellen (Richards) Keyes (PharmD 2003) welcomed the birth of their first child, Lauren Marie, on April 30, 2007.

Kelly McOmber (PharmD 2003) (kellyandrob24@gmail.com) writes that she married the love of her life, Rob Marini, on May 5, 2007, at Independence Grove in Libertyville, IL. The couple vacationed in Punta Cana of the Dominican Republic. Kelly is currently Pharmacy Manager at the Target Pharmacy in West Dundee, IL.

Joseph and Jennifer (Nobles) Myers (both PharmD 2005) welcomed their first child, daughter Kate Addison, into the world on February 12, 2007. She weighed 5 lbs 11 oz and was 18 ½" long.

Kary (Williams) Slone (BS 2003) and her husband, James (BS 2001, Computer Engineering Technology), are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Nicole, born April 11, 2007. She weighed 8 lbs 2 oz and was 20" long.

R’Kes Starling (BS 2002) and his wife, Kym (BS 2002, CFS), welcomed their first child into the world on February 28, 2007. Ryleigh Noelle weighed 6 lbs 13 oz.

In Memoriam

Steven K. Ehalt (BS 1977)
Martin T. Herrell (BS 1978)
Michael A. Hogan (BS 1953)
Warren E. McConnell (BS 1940)
Edward J. Radzinski (BS 1959)
Dr. Egil Ramstad (Former Professor of Pharmacognosy)
John Yakubik (MS 1950, PhD 1952)

John A. Cowan was presented with the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives’ 2007 Governor’s Award for Volunteer Service in March, 2007, at the Governor’s Conference on Service and Volunteerism.

John is currently the Pharmacist/Owner of Cowan Drugs/Parkside Pharmacy in Lebanon, Indiana, along with his sister, LuAnn Cowan Robertson (BS 1979). He helped start the Boone County Community Clinic in which he still serves on the clinic board. The clinic provides health care for the uninsured of Boone County and for those who might not be able to afford health services. He has been involved with the new Medicare Part D program and provides seminars, as well as one-on-one appointments, to help seniors with part D. So far, he has seen over five hundred prospective part D enrollees who have come to him for advice in signing up for the plan, and those Boone County seniors have received more than $1.1 million in drug savings through his assistance.

He believes it is important for seniors never to make the decision between buying prescription medications and food. “People deserve to get their prescriptions,” he says. “They should never have to make that decision on what they need more.” It is because of his dedication to helping those in need that he was honored with the award.

John received his BS in Pharmacy in 1987 from Purdue. While a student, he was President of the Academy of Students of Pharmacy and a member of Kappa Psi. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of CPI (Community Pharmacists of Indiana). In 2005, he was the recipient of the Bowl of Hygeia Award presented by the Indiana Pharmacist Alliance for outstanding community service, as well as Health Care Professional of the Year for Boone County. John also was recently nominated to be Parade Marshall this year at the local 4th of July celebration.
Dean’s Joint Advisory Council Meeting

The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Spring 2007 Dean’s Joint Advisory Council Meeting was held on May 18, 2007, at the Burton D. Morgan Center for Entrepreneurship in Discovery Park. Members received updates about the School, University, Professional and BSPS Programs, and The Chao Center. A significant portion of the meeting was dedicated to working with Bernard Consulting Group, consultants contracted to assist the School in developing its next strategic plan. They also had the opportunity to meet in breakout sessions to discuss the Industrial Track [research priorities in manufacturing sciences and counterfeit medications], the Pharmacy Practice Track [Lilly Endowment initiatives including PharmaTAP, faculty expansion, options for the development of residencies and fellowships, and community pharmacy-based initiatives]. The Dean’s Joint Advisory Council consists of four councils—the Industrial Advisory Council, Professional Advisory Council, Minority Advocacy Council, and the Pharmacy Alumni Association—all of which had the opportunity to meet separately during the day. During the lunch buffet, individual council members were recognized for completion of their term service, and Dr. Tom Turpin, Professor of Etymology, entertained the group with his informative bug show. The next Dean’s Joint Advisory Council Meeting will be held on October 26, 2007, at the Holiday Inn City Centre in Lafayette.

Pharmacy Wind Shirt Sale

These black wind shirts with the Purdue University and School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Logos are the perfect accessory for Boilermaker football games! The jackets cost $35 each and will be on sale through Homecoming (October 27, 2007). Orders will be ready for pick up or shipment the beginning of December—just in time for your holiday gift-giving.

Please contact Dana Neary at (765) 494-2832 or nearyd@purdue.edu if you have questions. Checks should be made payable to the Purdue Research Foundation and mailed to:

Dana Neary
Manager of Alumni Relations and Special Events
The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
Purdue University
Heine Pharmacy Building, Room 104
575 Stadium Mall Drive
West Lafayette, IN 47904-2091

Please indicate in the memo section of your check how many shirts you would like and the sizes for each (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL).

Mark Fitch (BS 1972) was awarded the first ever Dean’s Certificate of Distinction for his service and generosity to the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Dr. Turpin involves the crowd by having student Lauren Bley hold a Madagascar Hissing Cockroach

Christopher Smith, Director of Advancement, models a size large wind shirt
Purdue Homecoming 2007

Free Community Events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Purdue vs. IU Blood Drive,
Purdue Memorial Union

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26
6:00 pm
Pharmacy Alumni & Student Chili Supper,
Pharmacy Building
8:00 pm
Homecoming Parade, on campus
9:30 pm
Pep rally with King and Queen coronation
10:00 pm
Fireworks, Slayter Hill

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27
9:00 am - 11:00 am
Family-friendly Celebration on the Mall
Stage Performances
Armstrong Hall tours

Football Game

NOON, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27
Purdue Boilermakers
vs.
Northwestern Wildcats
Ross-Ade Stadium

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