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#### Congratulations to the class of 2017!

## Alumni News

<u>Mary Walker</u> was named a Master Preceptor for 2017 by the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP). She was one of seven to receive the honor. The purpose of the AACP Master Preceptor Recognition Program is to recognize preceptors who are not full-time employees of a school/college of pharmacy for their sustained commitment to excellence in experiential education and professional practice. Walker graduated from UW School of Pharmacy in 1974 and is currently serving as the Executive Director of the Wyoming State Board of Pharmacy.



### **Upcoming Events**

August 23<sup>rd</sup> New Student Orientation

August 24<sup>th</sup> White Coat Ceremony A&S Auditorium, 4:30 pm

August 30<sup>th</sup> Classes begin

September 4<sup>th</sup> Labor Day

September 8<sup>th</sup> Welcome Back BBQ Washington Park, 4:00 pm



Andrew Grothen, PharmD 2014, was selected for a postdoctoral fellowship as a Cancer Research Training Award fellow for Cancer Treatment Data Linkage with the <u>National Cancer Institute</u> in the Surveillance Informatics Branch of the <u>Surveillance Research Program</u>. The Surveillance Research Program provides a quantitative portrait of cancer including the measurement of cancer incidence, morbidity, survival, and mortality for persons with cancer. It also includes the assessment of genetic

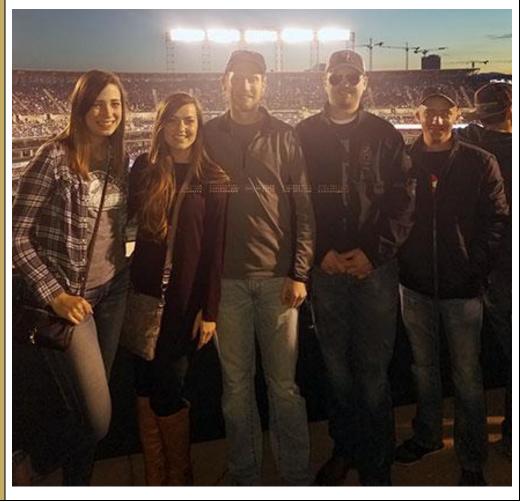
predisposition, environmental and behavioral risk factors, screening practices, and the quality of care from prevention through palliation.



Ashley (Vigil) Pokallus, PharmD 2015, presented on the role of long acting insulin in patient populations at the 2017 American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists Summer Meeting in Minneapolis. Ashley is a PGY-2 pharmacy resident in Ambulatory Care with an emphasis of Academia with the Mountain Area Health Education Center and the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy in Asheville, North Carolina.

#### **Student News**

Members of the student National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) chapter at UW joined NCPA members from Regis University and University of Colorado to attend a Colorado Rockies game in April.



## Faculty News

In April the UW College of Health Sciences honored its annual award winners. School of Pharmacy faculty received the following awards: Outstanding Teacher: Dave Bruch New Investigator: Travis Brown Outstanding Researcher: Baski Thyagarajan Interprofessional/Interdisciplinary: Catherine Carrico Teaching in Geriatrics: Tracy Mahvan





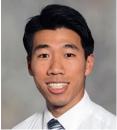




Dave Bruch

Baski Thyagarajan

Tracy Mahvan



<u>Alvin Oung</u> is now Board Certified in Ambulatory Care Pharmacy. In May he gave a presentation entitled "Utilizing a clinical pharmacist to improve delivery of care for patients with uncontrolled diabetes mellitus: A systematic approach" with Dr. Tyler Ladue, MD at the Rocky Mountain Research Forum. He also had two recent publications:

Carrico

**Oung AB**, Kosirog E, Chavez B, Brunner J, Saseen JJ. Evaluation

of medication adherence in a federally qualified health center. *Ther Adv Chronic Dis*. June 21, 2017, doi: 10.1177/2040622317714966

**Oung AB**, Saseen J. Do statins reduce the effectiveness of the influenza vaccine? *Evidence-Based Practice*. 2017; 20 (3): 9



<u>Michelle Hilaire</u> was the program chair and moderator for the Ambulatory Care Pearls Session at the 2017 American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists Summer Meeting in Minneapolis.

Michelle also had an article published in the May edition of *Pharmacotherapy*, "ACCP Template for Evaluating a Clinical Pharmacist." This was a collaboration from her service on the 2016 ACCP Clinical Practice Affairs Committee.



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<u>Reshmi Singh</u>, <u>Lawrence Staubach</u>, <u>Justine Frantz</u>, PharmD candidate 2019, and <u>Baskaran Thyagarajan</u> published an article entitled "Understanding Food Choice, Medication Use and Health from Lean and Non Lean Resident Perspectives in a Rural State" in BAOJ Pharmaceutical Sciences.

### Wyoming Pharmacy Association Awards

The Wyoming Pharmacy Association held their annual meeting in Laramie in June. The following School of Pharmacy personnel and alumni received awards:

Bowl of Hygeia: College of Health Science Dean **Joe Steiner** WPhA Pharmacist of the Year: <u>Janelle Krueger</u> (Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice)

Young Pharmacist of the Year: Melinda Carroll (Preceptor, UWSOP class of 2013) Cardinal Generation Rx: <u>Aimee Lewis</u> (Drug Utilization Review Board Manager) AACP Master Preceptor of the Year: <u>Mary Walker</u> (Preceptor, UWSOP class of 1974) WPhA Past President: <u>Lanae Fox</u> (Clinical Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice) McKesson Leadership Award: Lacey Crumbaugh (UWSOP class of 2013)







Janelle Krueger

Melinda Carroll



**Aimee Lewis** 



Mary Walker



Lacey Crumbaugh



Lanae Fox



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