Welcome to the September 2011 issue of the *News Capsule*, an electronic newsletter from the University of Wyoming School of Pharmacy. We hope that the *News Capsule* helps you keep up-to-date with news about the school, alumni, students, faculty and friends. Please share with friends and colleagues and ask them to subscribe! Please submit news ideas and articles to cmjones@uwyo.edu.

**Announcements**

The College of Health Sciences will honor its Outstanding Alumni during a reception on Oct. 14th at the Hilton Garden Inn from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Scot Silber is this year's recipient for the School of Pharmacy. Please contact 307-766-6556 or mercury@uwyo.edu to let us know to expect you.

The College of Health Sciences 5th Annual Health Fair, "Fall into Good Health," will be held Saturday, October 29th from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Wyoming Union (upstairs). An array of free services will be offered including Blood Glucose Testing, A1c Hemoglobin Testing, Lipid Panel Testing, Medication disposal, "Brown Bag" Medication Counseling, Osteoporosis Screening, Asthma Counseling, Acupuncture, and more. This year, Wyoming Health Fairs will be there to draw blood panels for approximately $25.

**Ethics and Medical Mission Work in Honduras**

Pharmacy students Juanita Bonner (class of 2013) and Jessica Hopper, (class of 2012) along with their Research Project Faculty Adviser Penelope Caldwell, assistant lecturer with the Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing, received the Willits Ethics Summer Independent Study Award from the UW Department of Philosophy. In cooperation with Shoulder to Shoulder, the participating organization that oversees the medical brigades, the grant was used to conduct medical mission ethics research with the UW Honduras Brigade in July of 2011. Read More

**NCPA Hosts Medication Disposal Day**

The student chapter of the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) hosted a Medication Disposal Day April 16 at the Eppson Center for Seniors in Laramie, Wyo. The event was a great success, with 10 student members and their faculty mentor Drug Information Center Director Melissa Hunter, Pharm.D., in attendance. Over 54 community members brought in medications for disposal. Over 700 prescriptions, approximately 70 pounds, were turned in. Read More

**Class of 2015 White Coat Ceremony**

Incoming members of the Class of 2015 were welcomed into the School of Pharmacy professional program during the White Coat Ceremony on August 18th. Read More
Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery
Since 2005 the UW School of Pharmacy has been providing an
APhA innovative and interactive training program that teaches the skills
necessary to become a primary source for vaccine information and
administration for registered pharmacists and Pharm.D. students. The
school's team of trained faculty has successfully certified nearly 40
pharmacists and approximately 150 students. Read More

Don Porter Receives the 2011 Bowl of Hygeia Award for
Wyoming
During the 94th Annual Wyoming Pharmacy Association/Wyoming
Society of Health-System Pharmacy Convention in Casper June 24-25,
Don Porter, R.Ph. (B.S.P. '65), received the Bowl of Hygeia Award for
the state of Wyoming. Read More

Scott Soulek Named 2011 Wyoming Pharmacist of the Year
Scott Soulek, R.Ph. (B.S.P. '90), was recognized as the Wyoming
Pharmacist of the Year during the 94th Annual Wyoming Pharmacy
Association/Wyoming Society of Health-System Pharmacy Convention in
Casper June 24-25. Read More

Matthew Stanton Named 2011 Wyoming Health-System
Pharmacist of the Year
Matthew Stanton, R.Ph. (Pharm.D. '01), has received the Wyoming
Health-System Pharmacist of the Year Award. Read More

Mollie Jay Recognized as 2011 Wyoming Distinguished Young
Pharmacist of the Year
During the 94th Annual Wyoming Pharmacy Association/Wyoming
Society of Health-System Pharmacy Convention in Casper June 24-25
Mollie Jay, R.Ph. (Pharm.D. '08), was recognized as the Wyoming
Distinguished Young Pharmacist of the Year. Read More

Heidi Cooper-Justus Receives 2011 Innovative Pharmacy Practice Award
The Upsher-Smith Laboratories and NASPA Excellence in Innovation Award for Wyoming
was presented to Heidi Cooper-Justus, R.Ph., CACP (Pharm.D. '02) during the 94th
Annual Wyoming Pharmacy Association/Wyoming Society of Health-System Pharmacy
Convention in Casper June 24-25. Read More

Richard Wilder Recognized for 60 Years of Practice
During the WPhA 94th Annual Convention in Casper June 24-25,
Richard Wilder, R.Ph. (B.S.P. '50), of Cody, Wyo., was recognized for
practicing pharmacy for 60 years. He is a member of the first
graduating class of the UW School of Pharmacy and is a member of
the school's advisory committee. Read More
**Practice**
Recognized during the WPhA annual convention June 24-25 in Casper, Wyo., for practicing pharmacy for 50 years were UW alumni John Hickman, R.Ph. (B.S.P. '60), Barry Horn, R.Ph. (B.S.P. '60), James Shawver, R.Ph., (B.S.P. '60), Sally Vandenberg, R.Ph. (B.S.P. '60), and Donald Griss, R.Ph., and Iris Harnagel, R.Ph. Read More

**New Academic Year Begins with Associate Dean Changes**
Bruce Culver, Ph.D., professor of pharmacology, recently stepped down as the leader of the Division of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Kem Krueger, Pharm.D., Ph.D., associate professor of pharmacoconomics and health outcomes research, has been appointed Associate Dean of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Tonja Woods, Pharm.D., associate professor of pharmacy practice, has been appointed the Associate Dean of Student Affairs. Read More

**School of Pharmacy Welcomes New Faculty**
The School of Pharmacy welcomed the following new faculty at the beginning of the fall semester: Padmamalini Baskaran, M.Pharm., Ph.D., Temporary Assistant Professor; Clay Hurtubise, B.S.P., Academic Professional Lecturer in Pharmacy Practice; Lanae Salveson, Pharm.D., Clinical Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice; and Baskaran Thyagarajan, M. Pharm., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Pharmaceutics. Read More

**Tonja Woods Receives Board Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy**
Tonja Woods, Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Wyoming Geriatric Education Center (WyGEC) Pharmacy Coordinator, recently attained board certification in geriatric pharmacy. She is one of five certified geriatric pharmacists in the state of Wyoming. Read More

**Research Grant Received to Investigate Extracting Contaminents from Uranium ISR Bleed Water**
UW School of Pharmacy Assistant Professor Suzanne Clark, Ph.D., Professor Katta (KJ) Reddy, Ph.D., with the UW Department of Renewable Resources and School of Energy Resources, Assistant Professor Sreejayan Nair, Ph.D., Jodi Schilz, M.S., both with the UW School of Pharmacy, and Dr. Thomas Johnson and Dr. Ronald Tjalkens, both with Colorado State University, were awarded $100,000 over two years by the Wyoming Legislature's In-Situ Recovery of Uranium Research Program. Read More

**Patient Perspective of Medication Information Research Study Published in MedPulse**
A research study by Janelle Krueger, M.S., B.S.Pharm., and Carol Hermansen-Kobulnicky, Ph.D., B.S.Pharm., titled "Patient Perspective of Medication Information Desired and Barriers to Asking Pharmacists Questions," has been published in the September issue of the Medscape Pharmacists from WebMD - MedPulse newsletter. Read More

**2011 AACP Annual Meeting Presentations**
UW School of Pharmacy faculty presented at the 2011 AACP Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas in July. Read More
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Note: To all School of Pharmacy alumni: If you are interested in being considered for one of our outstanding alumni awards, please submit your CV to the Dean to be placed in the pool of candidates. The School of Pharmacy is looking for successful graduates who would like to be considered for this honor.

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