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## *The* News Capsule

Welcome to *The News Capsule*! We are proud to share news about the UW School of Pharmacy alumni, students, faculty, staff, and our program.

October-December 2015 Edition



### **Dean Linda Gore Martin Retires**



After serving as Dean of the School of Pharmacy for three years, Linda Gore Martin has announced her retirement. Dean Martin has a long and rich history with the School of Pharmacy. She developed the Drug Information Center in 1975 and ran it until 2000, when she accepted a position as Assistant Professor of Social and Administrative Pharmacy.

Throughout her career Dean Martin was active in service to the University and the community, in her research and contributions to the Pharmacy profession, and in teaching and mentoring students. The quality of her work in these areas is reflected in the many awards she received,

including the Daniel Klein Spirit of Volunteerism Award from the Laramie Downtown Clinic, the Wyoming Pharmacist of the Year Award, the University of Wyoming College of Health Sciences Lifetime Achievement Award, the Mortar Board "Top Prof" Award, the University of Wyoming College of Health Sciences Outstanding Researcher Award, and the University of Wyoming Excellence in Advising Award (twice).

During her tenure as dean, Dr. Martin was instrumental in leading the school's re-accreditation efforts, which resulted in the School's continued accreditation through June 2021. Looking back at her years as dean, she says "I am so proud of where the School of Pharmacy is today. I took it over in a good place, but my team (faculty, staff, and students) has moved it to a much higher level. It was all done with a great working relationship—that sense of community that is so important."

Dean Martin will be greatly missed. Her retirement plans include spending the winters in Ft. Mohave, AZ and looking forward to the great summer and fall of Laramie.

## Upcoming Events

### January 18

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day –  
Offices Closed

### January 21

Interprofessional Education Retreat  
Classroom Building room 219  
8:30 am – 3:30 pm

### January 25

Classes begin

### February 8

Reflective Week begins

### March 14-18

Spring Break



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## Hornecker Co-authors Article on Acute Coronary Syndrome



[Jaime Hornecker](#), Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice, recently co-authored an article entitled “Acute Coronary Syndrome” with colleagues Karlynn Sievers and Brian Veauthier. The article was published in *FP Essentials*, a publication of The American Academy of Family Physicians, and addresses the benefits and risks of treatment and intervention for Acute Coronary Syndrome. Read more [here](#).

## IPE News

In October the College of Health Sciences hosted the 2nd Annual Distinguished Alumni Interprofessional Panel Discussion. Alumni from WWAMI, Communication Disorders the Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing, and the School of Pharmacy participated. Each alumnus gave a brief overview of their career and then participated in a panel discussion about their experience with interprofessional practice and on what they would like to see in the future regarding interprofessional practice.



As the 2015 Distinguished Alumnus, Jennifer Nevins (far right) represented the School of Pharmacy. Ms. Nevins earned her BS in Pharmacy from the UW School of Pharmacy in 1976. She has been with Platte County Memorial Hospital for much of her career, serving as Pharmacy Senior Manager. Her career includes working in critical access hospital pharmacy, retail pharmacy and at one of the first Health Maintenance Organizations in Nebraska. Her commitment to the state, to the pharmacy profession and to the University is evidenced by her serving 15 years on the Wyoming State Board of Pharmacy and her recent service as president of the UW Alumni Association.

## Frantz to participate in RxIMPACT Day on Capitol Hill



Justine Frantz, PharmD candidate 2019, has been selected to participate in the 2016 [NACDS RxIMPACT Day](#) on Capitol Hill. Frantz will join other pharmacy professionals, educators, and students to advocate on important issues related to pharmacy policy and healthcare reform with members of Congress. Participants will also receive instruction on how to effectively communicate with legislators on health policy and other pharmacy issues.

## New M.S. Degree in Health Services Administration

The School of Pharmacy is offering a new master of science online degree in health services administration. The program targets new and mid-career pharmacists and other health care professionals who want to become department directors, patient safety coordinators and/or directors, regulatory compliance officers, clinical research associates, health outcomes researchers or advance practice pharmacists. [Click here](#) for more information.

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## Kobulnicky Presents on Pharmacist-Initiated Patient Engagement



*Guirguis, Chewning, and Kobulnicky*

Associate Professor Carol J. Kobulnicky presented a symposium at the [International Conference on Communication in Healthcare](#) in New Orleans in October. Her co-presenters were Lisa Guirguis, Associate Professor of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at University of Alberta, and Betty Chewning, Professor of Social and Administrative Sciences at University of Wisconsin-Madison. They led a 90-

minute symposium titled "Transforming Customers into Patients: Research on Pharmacist-Initiated Patient Engagement from Canada and USA."

## Bertz to teach Sterile Products

Dr. Bree Bertz, PharmD 2012, will be teaching the Sterile Compounding Laboratory Course for Spring semester. Dr. Bertz is currently employed as a clinical pharmacist at Wyoming Medical Center and as a compounding pharmacist at Compounding Specialists of Wyoming, both in Casper, WY. She engages in sterile and non-sterile compounding in both positions. In addition to her teaching at UW, she also provides sterile compounding and USP 797 lectures for the Casper College Pharmacy Technician program.

## Fall Health Fair

School of Pharmacy students volunteered at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual "Fall into Good Health" Health Fair on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The Health Fair is organized by the University of Wyoming Student Chapter of Phi Lambda Sigma and provides many services including full blood work, flu shots, medication disposal, blood glucose testing, dental screening, Osteoporosis screening, and more.



*Students and faculty pose with UW President Dick McGinity at the Health Fair*

## Alumni News

Do you have any news to share with us? We'd love to feature your news in *The News Capsule*. Send your news to [rstevens@uwyo.edu](mailto:rstevens@uwyo.edu).

### Hilaire named Fellow of the American College of Clinical Pharmacists



Michelle Hilaire, Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice, was inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Clinical Pharmacists at the Global Conference on Clinical Pharmacy in San Francisco in October. [ACCP Fellowship](#) recognizes excellence in clinical pharmacy and is awarded to “individuals who have demonstrated exceptional performance in clinical pharmacy practice and/or research.”

### Gore honored at Women's Leadership Conference



Lyndie Gore, PharmD candidate 2017, received a Women of Distinction Award at the 2015 University of Wyoming Women's Leadership Conference on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Gore was one of two University of Wyoming students honored along with one faculty member, two Laramie community members and one Wyoming citizen.

The theme for the 2015 Women's Leadership Conference was Find Your Voice, Share Your Voice. The conference features a keynote speaker, workshops, entertainment, dinner, and a chance for participants to engage in conversation. The conference is open to students, faculty, staff and community members.

### School of Pharmacy Faculty complete ACCP Certificate Programs

Allison Mann, Leena Myran, and Jeremy Vandiver recently completed the American College of Clinical Pharmacy Teaching and Learning Certificate Program. [The program](#) seeks to prepare clinical faculty to “motivate and prepare students to perform current and emerging roles that pharmacists have assumed within health-care teams.” Participants complete 28 hours of coursework on effective teaching and learning, and develop a portfolio of their work in the program.

Michelle Hilaire completed the Leadership and Management Certificate Program. Participants in [the program](#) complete 26 hours of coursework focusing on leadership skills and characteristics, develop a portfolio of their work, and work with a personal mentor.

### Biehle publishes article in PLOS-One



Lauren Biehle, Clinical Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, published an article titled “Outcomes and Risk Factors for Mortality among Patients Treated with Carbapenems for *Klebsiella* spp. Bacteremia” in [PLOS-One](#). Biehle and her co-authors investigated the risk factors for mortality in patients receiving carbapenem treatment who were hospitalized with blood cultures positive for *Klebsiella* spp.