Pharmacy Alumni Dinners

The Southwestern College of Pharmacy and the Pharmacy Alumni Association have hosted pharmacy alumni dinners in Tulsa, Lubbock, CRC, Anaisville, Fort Worth, Addison, and Ponca City. In addition to the complimentary dinner, there was an information meeting about the College of Pharmacy, time for Q&A from alumni, discussion of future alumni activities, and most importantly, time to visit with Southwestern Pharmacy alumni and faculty.

After the Fort Worth dinner, Melvin Monevare wrote, “Just wanted to thank you for a very enjoyable evening last night in Fort Worth. It was very interesting listening to the progress of Southwestern and its development since my graduation in 1969. Thanks again for a very enjoyable evening.”

If you missed the event in your area, we hope you will join us the next time. Locations planned for 2005-2006 are:

- McMurry, Big Spring/Odessa, Dallas, Bilburne, Altus, Fort Smith, Lowden, and Oxnard.

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Calendar of Events

September 10
Parent’s Day

September 17-18
CS Senior Night

September 24
SWOSU Homecoming
Pharmacy Open House
50 Year Reunion Ceremony

October 20-22
CE Travel Souvenir
San Francisco

October 20-23
Fall Break

October 29-30
CS Homecoming
Oklahoma City

November 23-27
Thanksgiving Break

Southwestern College of Pharmacy Museum

The College of Pharmacy has relocated the historical artifacts that have been received over numerous years. The newly created museum provides displays for all to view.

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Dorothy Gourley Named Outstanding Alumnus

Dorothy Gourley of Ardmore was recently recognized as the Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy Outstanding Alumnus for 2005. This award is presented to an individual demonstrating exceptional support of the College of Pharmacy and outstanding personal achievements in the profession. She was honored at the Southwestern College of Pharmacy’s annual awards ceremony held on the Weatherford campus on April 23, 2005. The Southwestern College of Pharmacy Alumni Association sponsors the annual award.

Dorothy Gourley is a member of OSPH, ASHP, APHA, and OPHA, and has been very active in professional pharmacy organizations, including the DUR Advisory Board to the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority, the Pharmacy Board for Advanced Practice Nurses, and Continuing Education Committees. She is a past president and executive council member of OPHA and a member of the Southwestern Pharmacy Alumni Foundation Board of Directors. Most recently, Gourley was appointed to the Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy.

A 1967 graduate of the Southwestern School of Pharmacy, Gourley has devoted over 35 years to the practice of pharmacy in a variety of settings. Today, Dorothy Gourley continues to be a leader in rural hospital pharmacy practice in Oklahoma.

Gourley grew up in Denver City, Texas, but has been a long-time resident of Ardmore. She and her husband, Vincent, have one son, Wade, and one daughter, Cheri.

Jones Makes Generous Donation to Southwestern Pharmacy Foundation

Tony Jones of Lubbock, TX, has given $80,000 to the Southwestern Pharmacy Foundation as part of the university’s FOCUS fundraising campaign. Jones is a 1978 graduate of SWOSU and owner of Caprock Discount Drug.

“Jeanie (his wife) and I are pleased to share our success with the Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy,” Jones said. “It is in our desire to continue this strong tradition of education in pharmacy for a better tomorrow. We invite others who have benefited from a Southwestern education to express their gratitude by joining our efforts.”

Jones said he decided to make the donation because he wanted to give something that has given so much to him. The Polox (TX) product was active in Kappa Psi pharmacy fraternity when he was at Southwestern. He and his wife have two sons - Dillon and Tyrell.

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SWPhA Wins National Diabetes Award

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's College of Pharmacy SWPhA recently won the National Operation Diabetes Award for the most outstanding program at the annual meeting of the American Pharmacists Association in Orlando, Florida. The award was presented to the Southwestern chapter of the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists by Gary Hall, Jr., a three-time Olympian and 1984 Olympic medalist in swimming. SWOGUS faculty co-sponsor Dr. Nina Moritz said the presentation was a special one for students. Hall has type one diabetes and has been a hero to patients with diabetes and others worldwide. Former Senator of Delaware, who served as club president during the 2004-2005 school year, was in charge of the project. The other faculty co-sponsor is Shelly Douglas.

Operation Diabetes is designed to increase awareness of diabetes and its complications associated with the disease, provide glucose screening and monitoring, and promote pharmacists in the community. The goal is not to diagnose diabetes but rather to provide information to the public in order for people to become more knowledgeable about the disease and to be able to recognize signs and symptoms of diabetes. Some of the projects that SWPhA did during the year included blood glucose monitoring and finger pressure checks at the America's Walk for Diabetes and Walk This Way events in Oklahoma City and clinics in Guymon, Altus, Clifton, and Weatherford.

Annually Honors Awards

Convocation and White Coat Ceremony

Southwestern Oklahoma State University’s College of Pharmacy held its annual honors and awards convocation on the Weatherford campus on April 25, 2005. Awards and scholarships were presented to outstanding students in the college. This year, 63 students in the College of Pharmacy were awarded a total of $56,000 in scholarships. The Teacher of the Year Award was presented to Dr. John O'Brien, professor of pharmacy practice, and the Student of the Year Award was presented to James Hill, senior in the College of Pharmacy.

The Southwestern College of Pharmacy held its first-ever White Coat Ceremony on April 25, 2005, to symbolize to students their role as health care professionals. "This is a day of recognition, not of what you were, but rather of who you are becoming. This recognition is not of a passage from one student to another. Professor Victor Van Dusen said it has a keynote address prior to the convocation of the white coat ceremony. As students' names were announced, Dr. E. H. Doty Robertson, Dean of the College of Pharmacy, presented the Class of 2006 students with white coats. They are associates from Dr. Nina Moritz, Assistant Professor; Dr. W. Steven Pyg, Professor; and Dr. Mark rua, Walgreens, Mr. Terry Price, Pharmacists Municipal, and Dr. Sherry Prince, Associate Professor, of the gift. Dr. Davis, Assistant Dean, lead the "Oath of the Physicians" before the ceremony.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's College of Pharmacy students were honored at a graduation recognition ceremony held May 6 on the Weatherford campus. Seventy-six students were awarded Doctor of Pharmacy degrees. Awards were also presented to outstanding students. Approximately 900 family and friends attended the ceremony.

Graduate Recognition

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Donor Spotlight

Bob and Tanya Brown

Bob and Tanya Brown of El Dorado, TX, contribute to the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Pharmacy endowment. Bob is a 1962 graduate and a 1966 graduate of SWGU. Tanya is originally from Denison, and Bob is a pharmacist and a physician. They have four children at home and are in their first career in pharmacy. They are very active in their community in institutional pharmacy. The Browns were selected to help the campaign.

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy

The Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy was established in 2000. The College of Pharmacy offers a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree in pharmaceutical sciences, a Master of Science (M.S.) degree in pharmaceutical sciences, and a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in pharmaceutical sciences. The College of Pharmacy is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). The College of Pharmacy is committed to providing a high-quality education that prepares students for careers in the pharmaceutical sciences. The College of Pharmacy is dedicated to promoting excellence in teaching, research, and service. The College of Pharmacy is committed to developing a diverse and inclusive community that values multicultural perspectives and ideas. The College of Pharmacy is committed to providing a welcoming and supportive environment that fosters personal growth and professional success.