

SWOSU College of Pharmacy Update  
Fall 2015

**Faculty/Staff News**

- Brooke Gildon accepted the pediatric pharmacist position. She is based at the Children's Center Rehabilitation Hospital in Bethany, OK, and started on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Dr. Gildon is a 2007 SWOSU graduate and was an Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacy: Clinical and Administrative Sciences at the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy in Tulsa.
- Jeremy Johnson accepted the medicine/ambulatory care position. He is based at Oklahoma State University Medical Center in Tulsa, OK, and started on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Johnson is a graduate of OUCOP and formerly was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacy: Clinical and Administrative Sciences at the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy in Tulsa.
- Dr. Les Ramos was named Chair of Pharmaceutical Sciences effective August 2015.
- Dr. Faruk Khan resigned effective August 7, 2015.
- Dean Thompson announced his resignation effective December 31, 2015.
- Dr. Saluja was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure in August.
- Jeri Packard joined the College of Pharmacy on September 14<sup>th</sup> as the new administrative assistant to the Dean.
- Gaye Goodin joined the College of Pharmacy on August 6<sup>th</sup> as the new administrative assistant to the Admissions Counselor.
- Dr. David Ralph was awarded the prestigious Dr. H.F. Timmons Award for Extraordinary Dedication and Service to SWOSU, The College of Pharmacy, Alumni Association and the Community. He was also named Interim Dean for the College of Pharmacy.
- Dr. E. Ben Welch, associate professor in the SWOSU College of Pharmacy (Department of Pharmacy Practice) since 1989, passed away November 4.
- Dr. Lisa Appeddu, Associate Professor of Physiology, was appointed Interim Director of Southwestern Oklahoma State University Center for Research in Pharmaceutical Sciences (SCRiPS). Ongoing efforts include organizing the research labs and updating the SCRiPS website. Dr. Lisa Appeddu was appointed Chair of the College of Pharmacy Resources Committee and Chair of SWOSU's Undergraduate Research and Scholarly Activity Committee (URSAC).

**Student Related News**

- On September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Phi Delta Chi - Alpha Omega chapter won & raised \$374 for their national charity St. Jude at the 41st Annual Hygeia Bowl Game- Kappa Psi/Kappa Epsilon vs Phi Delta Chi.
- On November 2nd, OSHP hosted a lunch meeting with guest speaker Dr. Peter Lee. Dr. Lee spoke about what he does in his practice as the Vice President of Clinical Pharmacy Services at Pharmcorr in Oklahoma City. This is a closed door pharmacy that serves the correctional facility population all over the United States. On November 10<sup>th</sup>, Cardinal Health sponsored an MTM seminar.

- On September 10-13, SWOSU P4 students attended the first ever Mid-America Pharmacy Conference and Expo. This year the Oklahoma Pharmacists Association joined together with the Missouri Pharmacy Association and the Kansas Pharmacists Association to hold a "bigger than ever" conference. It was located in Overland Park, Kansas.
- The Alpha Beta chapter of Kappa Epsilon conducted a Breast Cancer Awareness fundraiser this October called "Shave Your Head Dr. VanDusen!" which helped raise \$330.65 that has been donated to the Susan G. Komen foundation.
- On October 29th, 4th year SWOSU College of Pharmacy students, Kaitlin Harrison and Samantha Caudle gave a presentation at Newcastle Elementary School for Red Ribbon Week. This is the second year that the Newcastle school has invited SWOSU COP students to present on the safe use and dangers of prescription drugs and medications. The COP students presented to 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade. The presentations included videos and games. Materials used included those from U.S. Poison Control Centers and the Generation Rx Initiative from The Ohio State University COP.
- On Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015, the College of Pharmacy (COP) hosted the annual local ASHP Clinical Skills Competition on the SWOSU Weatherford campus. Seven pairs of students, eleven of which were P4s and three were P3s participated. The winning team of this year's local competition included Garrett Carter and Katey Sluder. Vonya Streetz and Ben Strickland were the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners, and Amanda Bozell and Tram Nguyen were the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. The competition was under the direction of Dr. Nancy Williams. COP faculty judges included Dr. Williams, Dr. Melanie Claborn, and Dr. Edna Patatanian.
- On October 3rd, high school students from western and central Oklahoma participated in various activities related to pharmacy thanks to Pharmcorp...a Kappa Epsilon sponsored program.
- On December 7<sup>th</sup>, NCPA/APhA/OSHP invited Dr. Burl Beasley to speak to COP students about SoonerCare - Medicaid Pharmacy Program, Intro to Pharmacy Prior Authorization Process, Drug Utilization Review, Prescription Drug Abuse and Diversion, Lock-in Program, Hot Topics.
- On November 30<sup>th</sup>, NCPA's spaghetti supper fundraiser raised \$300. NCPA matched with \$300...making the total \$600.00 donated to the Agape clinic.
- On November 12th, approximately 100 high school students from across Oklahoma attended a Health Careers Fair in the Pioneer Event Center. SWOSU College Pharmacy students who are part of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) hosted a hands-on activity for the high school students where they learned how to make hand sanitizer.
- Kappa Epsilon's Annual Chili Supper and Cook-Off on November 19th at the Church of Christ raised \$375 for ovarian cancer. Winners of the chili cook-off were...1st Place -- Angelica Lajaunie (Phi Delta Chi); 2nd Place -- Tara DeLonais (Kappa Epsilon); 3rd Place -- Janice Gales; People's Choice -- Angelica Lajaunie (Phi Delta Chi). **Profile of the Fall 2015 Class**
- From the 133 qualified applicants, 47 were selected. The fall 2015 class is 43% (20) male and 57% (27) female. The mean age is 22.04. The fall 2015 class has a mean GPA of 3.60, a mean ACT of 25.53, and an average composite PCAT of 59.17%

## Research News/Publications

- Dr. Tom Davis presented *Contemporary Management of Cardiovascular Disease: Acute Coronary Syndrome and Congestive Heart Failure* in Weatherford, April 18, 2015; Tulsa, September 27, 2015; and Oklahoma City, November 8, 2015 for Continuing Pharmacy Education.
- Drs. Van Dusen, Pray, and Barnett received \$2,000 from the H.R. Timmons Endowment to support a project titled “Causes and Costs of Sexual Indiscretion by Practicing Pharmacists”.
- Drs. Moser, Montarella, Kessler, and Ramsey received \$2,260 from the H.R. Timmons Endowment to support a proposal titled “Data Analysis Tool for Multiple Research and Academic Projects”.
- Dr. Appeddu and student pharmacist Emma Leffler, received \$3,460 from the H.R. Timmons Endowment to support a project titled “Evaluation of Relaxation Techniques on Stress Reduction and Attitudinal Changes in Pharmacy Students”.
- Dr. Appeddu received funding up to \$5,400 from Organized Research Funds for a project titled “Evaluation of Meditation on Stress Levels and Academic Performance in Pharmacy Students”.
- Dr. Brantley Underwood (Pharmacy Resident) received \$553.72 from the Resources Committee to support a research project entitled “Medication Adherence Rates Utilizing a Community Pharmacy-Based Mobile Application.”
- Dr. Tami Moser received notification that the manuscript entitled “Competency-Based Learning: Proof of Professionalism” has been accepted for publication in the Academy of Business Journal. Other authors include Michael Williams, Thomas Edison State College; Joseph Youngblood, II, Thomas Edison State College; and Marc Singer, Thomas Edison State College.
- Dr. Appeddu and student pharmacist Emma Leffler were notified their abstract entitled “The Acute Impact of Relaxation Techniques on Student Psychological and Physiological Health” has been accepted for presentation as a Contributed Papers Poster at the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) Annual Meeting & Exposition, March 4-7, 2016, in Baltimore, MD.

## Program News

- In September, both SWOSU-affiliated residency programs were granted accreditation by ASHP . The surveyors visited the SWOSU-Walgreen Co. PGY1 Community Pharmacy program in February 2015 and the Integris Southwest Medical Center-SWOSU PGY1 Pharmacy program in May 2015.
- The SWOSU COP Alumni Recognition Ceremony & Brunch and the COP Open House was held on Homecoming day, October 10.
- On September 26, APhA-ASP provided free health screenings at the Weatherford Health and Wellness Expo!
- On August 18, the SWOSU College of Pharmacy provided free health screenings at Fikes Pharmacy in Grandfield. They did 28 screenings and 6 MTM cases.

- Southwestern Oklahoma State University's College of Pharmacy hosted the 2015 SWOSU/OU Preceptor Conferences in Tulsa and Oklahoma City on August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.
- On October 25th, the Agape Health Clinic raised \$10,224.51 at their annual fundraising meal at the Weatherford Pioneer Center. \$5,224.51 was raised from the meal and the Masons matched with \$5,000. Dr. Steve Pray received an award for 17 years of service as a pharmacist with the last 13 of those 17 years as the pharmacy director.
- On December 4<sup>th</sup>, Travis Allan from Husson University School of Pharmacy visited our campus to present a faculty development seminar on use of ExamSoft.
- On November 10<sup>th</sup>, Cardinal Health's Women in Pharmacy Oklahoma Chapter partnered with SWOSU COP's Rural Health Network to present a free Medication Therapy Management (MTM) Seminar and dinner for SWOSU COP students. Guest speaker Jacqueline Gleason, Cardinal Health Director, discussed MTM challenges and how Cardinal Health is providing solutions; the economic and clinical outcomes that are affected when pharmacist-provided patient care services increase; industry updates and how MTM is changing; patient care – new products and services to enhance patient engagement in the pharmacy.
- On October 24th, SWOSU COP's Rural Health Network offered immunization training on the SWOSU Weatherford campus. Pharmacists came from all over the state to get certified to give immunizations.
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- Travis Allen, Director of Assessment at Husson University, presented an ExamSoft seminar on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Calendar of events for fall 2015...**

- August 21<sup>st</sup>...Faculty workshop
- August 24<sup>th</sup>...classes begin
- September 7<sup>th</sup>...campus closed
- September 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>...OPhA's Annual Convention 2015 in Overland Park, Kansas
- September 12<sup>th</sup>...Parent's Day
- September 27<sup>th</sup>...CE Seminar in Tulsa (8-hour CE program)
- October 10<sup>th</sup>...SWOSU Homecoming and COP Alumni Recognition Ceremony & Brunch and Open House.
- October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>...Campus closed for Fall Break
- October 31<sup>st</sup>...SWOSU Saturday
- November 8<sup>th</sup>...CE Seminar in OKC (8-hour CE program)
- November 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>...Campus closed for Thanksgiving Break
- December 22<sup>nd</sup>...semester ends
- December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, & January 1<sup>st</sup>...campus closed for winter break
- January 11<sup>th</sup>...Spring 2016 semester classes begin