

### Faculty/Staff News

- Dr. Kalie Kerth and Dr. Aimee Henderson are the new pharmacy co-directors of the Agape Medical Clinic, Inc. starting in April.
- On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dr. Sarah Yount joined the COP as the Clinical Pharmacist for Rural Health. She will be performing MTMs for rural pharmacies.
- Dr. Tom Davis received the Bernhardt Academic Excellence Award for 2015 at Southwestern Oklahoma State University.
- Dr. Melanie Claborn passed the BPS specialty certification and recertification exam for ambulatory care pharmacy and is now a Board Certified Ambulatory Care Pharmacist (BCACP) as of December 2014.
- Drs. Moser, Edwards (Psychology), Montarella, and Kessler received the “Best Paper Award” in the Strategy/Health care category from the ABR New Orleans 2015 Conference. The paper was based on their research conducted across the Management, Admin, Pharm Care Labs V and VI classes.
- Dr. Nancy Williams was invited to participate in the AACP Academic Leadership Fellow for 2015-2016. This program is designed to develop the nation's most promising individuals at our member institutions to become future leaders in pharmacy and in higher education.

### Student Related News

- Jessica Heiser won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Patient Counseling Competition and will represent the COP at the national APhA meeting in San Diego, CA, in March 2015. Tara Delonais won 2<sup>nd</sup> Place and tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place was Nissy Skariah and Stephy Sunny.
- NCPA hosted Dr. Bindhu Batra from Houston during a lunch meeting. She represented PCCA (Professional Compounding Centers of America) and shared information about the opportunities within compounding.
- PLS Leadership Seminar was held on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. Guest speakers were Richard Wheeler, Yvette Morrison, Lonnie Wilson, and Greg Adams.
- FCP service project... “Little Dresses for Africa”. Dresses were made for young African girls out of pillow cases. “Little Dresses for Africa” is a non-profit, Christian organization, which provides relief to the children of Africa. Simple dresses are made out of pillow cases, and distributed through the orphanages, churches.
- March 23<sup>rd</sup>, OSHP hosted a “foundational interviewing skills for the health professionals” meeting with guest speakers Dr. Hank Ramsey and Ms. Jonna Myers.
- Dr. Khan received a \$10,000 grant from UNIMED AND UNIHEALTH MANUFACTURERS for Mohammad F. Hossain’s (research assistant) PhD funding.
- On Wednesday April 8<sup>th</sup>... APhA-ASP in conjunction with the Rural Health Network provided health screenings (blood pressure, blood glucose, cholesterol, Pulse-Ox) at the Student Union as a part of Operation Heart and Operation Diabetes. The health fair was a great opportunity to learn, educate others, and practice the skills learned in class.
- **OSHP** hosted an antibiotic competition for all pharmacy students on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Students worked in small teams and were assigned a case in which they had to suggest a correct antibiotic regimen for their patient. The winners received a **Sanford Guide to Antimicrobial Therapy**.

- On April 1<sup>st</sup>, NCPA and Cardinal Health hosted an “Ownership Workshop” highlighting many of the important ways to get involved in pharmacy ownership. Also discussed were the benefits of ownership, the purchase process, and the right time to buy.
- Morgan Greutman, COP student, and Laura Randolph, resident, were both selected for the Walmart Scholar Program.
- April 16<sup>th</sup>, OSHP hosted a Mentoring Meeting at SWOSU. At this meeting, students were given the chance to talk one-on-one with two pharmacists in their desired field of health-system practice. The 16 pharmacists and 17 students were matched up in 2 different pairs and given 15 minutes to talk. This gave students the chance to learn more about what health-system pharmacists do, ask any questions they may have about health-system pharmacy, and make lasting connections with health-system pharmacists currently in practice. After that there was a dinner and networking session so that students and pharmacist could continue to make connections and learn more about what health-system pharmacy has to offer.

### **Profile of the Spring 2015 Class**

From the 75 qualified applicants, 35 were selected. The spring 2015 class is 51% (18) male and 49% (17) female. The mean age is 23.20 years old. The spring 2015 class has a mean GPA of 3.42, a mean ACT of 24.97, and an average composite PCAT of 57.26%.

### **Research News/Publications**

- Jennifer Le, Mark A. Gales and Barry J. Gales. Acetaminophen for Patent Ductus Arteriosus. *Annals of Pharmacotherapy* 2015;49(2):241-6.
- Morgan D. Greutman, Mark A. Gales and Barry J Gales. Gabapentin in Alcohol Dependence. *Journal of Pharmacy Technology. In Press.*
- Mohammad Faisal Hossain, Cassandra Obi, Anjuli Shrestha and MO Faruk Khan. UV-Metric, pH-Metric and RP-HPLC Methods to Evaluate the Multiple pKa Values of a Polyprotic Basic Novel Antimalarial Drug Lead, Cyclen Bisquinoline. *Mod Chem Appl* 2014, 2:4.
- Dr. Khan presented 3 posters at Oklahoma Research day at UCO on March 13<sup>th</sup> and presented 4 posters at SWOSU research day on April 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Meri Hix. Pain and sensory disorders. In: Hutchison L and Sleeper R, eds. *Fundamentals of Geriatric Pharmacotherapy*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Bethesda, MD: American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, Inc; 2015:417-438.

### **Program News**

- The SWOSU COP Professionalism Committee, Pharmacy Alumni Association, and Walgreens Pharmacy hosted the Professionalism Networking Reception and Program on January 29<sup>th</sup> for students, faculty, and staff of the COP as well as sponsors.
- Accreditation for the SWOSU-Walgreens Co. PGY1 Community Pharmacy Residency was Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. The site surveyors were very complimentary of the program and preceptors. Accreditation for the INTEGRIS Southwest Medical Center-SWOSU PGY1 Pharmacy Residency will be on May 6-7.

- Kirby Lester donated a KL1 to the COP in February. Hopkins Medical Products donated Oximeters. Western Drug Medical donated bar code scanners. Thomas Drug (Mark Kourt a SWOSU COP graduate) also donated bar code scanners.
- The Dean's Advisory Council met on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Council members include...Mary Porter, Yvette Morrison, John Foust, Kirk Irby, Roger Enix, Carl Birdsong, Janet Beard, Derek Dennis, Doyle High, and James Kirk. On the agenda was Student Leadership & Entrepreneur program; Rural Health update; and Continuing Education.
- Both of the SWOSU-affiliated residency programs matched with candidates.
  1. SWOSU-Walgreen Co. PGY1 Community Pharmacy Residency – Brantley Underwood from Harding University College of Pharmacy in Searcy, AR.
  2. Integris Southwest Medical Center-SWOSU PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency – Andrea Rai from the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy.
- Tech Trek at SWOSU received a \$10,500 grant from Oklahoma EPSCoR. Dr. Lisa Appeddu, Associate Professor of Physiology, is the camp director.
- The White Coat Ceremony was held on April 24<sup>th</sup>. 92 students (Includes P1, P2, and P3 students) were awarded scholarships totaling \$128,000.

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

- December 19<sup>th</sup>- January 11<sup>th</sup> ... Winter Break (Campus opens on January 5<sup>th</sup>)
- January 12<sup>th</sup> ... Spring 2015 Semester Begins
- January 19<sup>th</sup> ... Campus Closed (MLK Jr. Day)
- January 29<sup>th</sup> ... Pharmacy Professionalism Reception
- February 24<sup>th</sup> ... Pharmacy Job Interview Day
- February 24<sup>th</sup> ... Pharmacy Legislative Day
- March 13<sup>th</sup> ... OK Research Day at UCO
- March 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> ... Spring Break (Campus Closed March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>)
- April 14<sup>th</sup> ... SWOSU Research Day
- April 19 – CE Seminar, Conference Center, SWOSU campus
- April 24<sup>th</sup> ... White Coat Ceremony
- May 8<sup>th</sup> ... Graduate Recognition and Hooding Ceremony
- May 9<sup>th</sup> ... SWOSU Convocation
- May 12<sup>th</sup> ... Semester Ends
- May 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> ... SWOSU Panama Mission Trip
- May 25<sup>th</sup> ... Campus Closed

### **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