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(L-R) UW SOP pharmacy professor John Horn, PAA president and UW SOP lecturer and preceptor Suzanne Lee, and UW SOP professor emeritus Phil Hansten pose with their good friend, Dr. Motoko Kanke, at the International Conference on Clinical Pharmacy Education held this past June at Kyoritsu University of Pharmacy in Tokyo, Japan.

On June 2-5 Kyoritsu University of Pharmacy in Tokyo, Japan (sister school to UW SOP) hosted the International Conference on Clinical Pharmacy Education. In attendance were UW SOP lecturer, preceptor, and PAA president **Suzanne Lee, '01**, UW SOP professor John Horn and professor emeritus Phil Hansten, and OSU professor (former UW faculty and associate dean) Wayne Kradjan. These four, along with other pharmacy faculty and professionals from the United States, Thailand, Philippines, China, Taiwan, Hong Kong,

Malaysia, and Africa joined their Japanese hosts for an exchange of ideas on clinical pharmacy education, preceptor programs, drug interactions and other issues affecting clinical pharmacy training worldwide.

The goal of the conference was to unite an international community of pharmacy educators, practitioners and preceptors. These individuals were invited to exchange ideas, strategies, and information from their home universities and learn processes being implemented in other schools which may

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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Suzanne Lee

Dear Alumni,

Greetings from the PAA! I hope that you all had a wonderful time enjoying this summer's great weather. For me, it's been busy, and included a wonderful trip to Japan for the International Conference on Clinical Pharmacy Education hosted by our sister school, Kyoritsu University (*see front page article.*) Unfortunately, my travel schedule coincided with this year's Katterman Lecture. Fortunately, our PAA president-elect, **Ben Michaels, '97**, was able to be there in my place and had this to say about it:

"The Katterman Lecture was my first event with the PAA. The topic this year, "Health Care and the Media: Perception, Truth and Possibilities," could not have been more relevant (*see article p. 5*). Our profession has been in the midst of a firestorm of criticism for the "right to refuse" issue. Our profession, which has ranked above doctors and clergy in trust with the public, was getting beaten down in the press. The media panel keynoting the lecture offered timely advice on how to effectively get our message to people whose opinions are shaped by what they watch and read in the media. I was particularly pleased by an alumni's suggestion to KOMO TV evening news editor, Della Kostelnik, to remove the image of pharmacists counting pills (seemingly used for every pharmacy-related news piece)

as it fosters the false idea that we are all just pill counters. I left this year's Katterman Lecture with a feeling of pride for my profession and a new collection of communication tools, which I have used on several occasions since, to explain the role of pharmacists to the public."

I hope you were able to join Ben at the Katterman Lecture and will again meet up with us at events this fall, namely this year's Homecoming Brunch on Saturday Oct. 28 and the football game (UW Huskies vs. Arizona Sun Devils) that follows. There are also a number of class reunions scheduled, some of which will coincide with the brunch. Homecoming is always a great excuse to see and catch up with old School friends. You should have received a flyer in the mail with details about the event. Registration deadline for the Brunch is Oct. 20. If you have any questions please call the PAA office at 206-543-3485 or email [rxalumni@u.washington.edu](mailto:rxalumni@u.washington.edu). Again, it would be wonderful to see you. I hope you are able to join us.

Here's to a great fall ahead! Go Dawgs!

Suzanne Lee, '01  
PAA President

## CORRECTION

While *DawgScripts* strives for accuracy, we regret to have made reporting errors regarding **Vi Dwight, '51**, in last issue's lead article "Women in Pharmacy." Vi Dwight is not a Japanese-American, she is a member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians of Red Lake, Minn. and was at Japanese internment camps only to visit incarcerated friends. Dwight was one of 12 women in the graduating Class of 1951. Lastly, although she did struggle to pay college expenses, she was not raising children at the time. Her children were born later. We apologize for these errors and thank Dwight for the corrections.

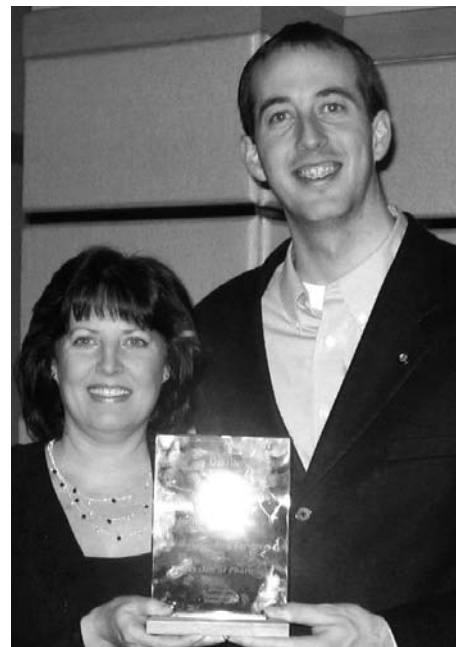
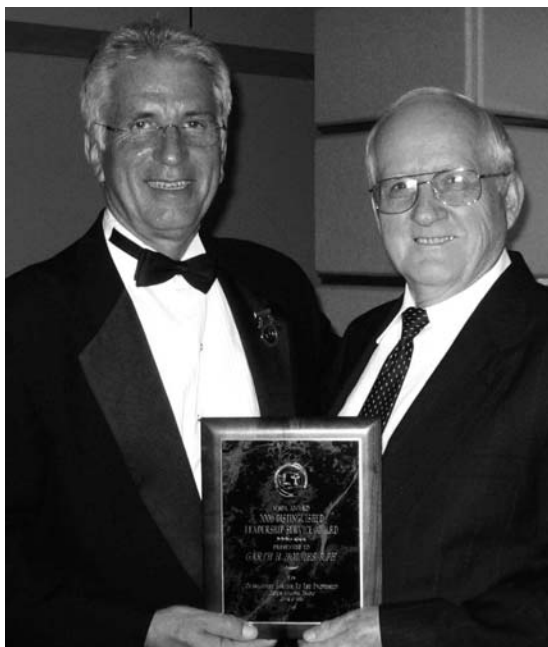
Also, **Gary Yee, '77**, and his wife, Esther, should have been listed as a Dean's Club members in the annual report. Thank you to the Yee's for their support of the School.

## UW Alumni and Friends Recognized at WSPA Awards Ceremony



(Photos L-R)

NCPA Leadership Award winner *Tim Lynch*; (L-R) *Rod Shafer* presents the *Distinguished Leadership Award* to *Garth Holmes*; (L-R) *Anne Kelley* from *Pharmacists Mutual* presents award to *Brian Beach*



**Brian Beach, '00, Tim Lynch, '98, and James Ramseth, '63,** were among 250 guests at the WSPA President's Banquet and Awards Ceremony held the evening of June 10 at the Coeur d'Alene Resort in Idaho. The banquet was part of the Northwest Pharmacy Convention, held at the resort June 8-11. Beach was honored with the Pharmacists Mutual Distinguished Young Pharmacist of the Year Award, which recognizes pharmacists with less than 10 years of practice for outstanding contributions in the area of community service. Lynch received the NCPA Leadership Award for Incoming President. Ramseth was awarded the Wyeth Bowl of Hygeia in recognition of his outstanding contributions in the area of community service. Garth Holmes, former Washington Medicaid pharmacy manager (DSHS), who has consulted with UW faculty on a variety of projects in the past, received the Distinguished Leadership Service Award for his career-long commitment to the development and growth of the profession. Robert "Bob" Johnson, former clinical associate professor for the UW School of Pharmacy and influential member of the pharmacy community, who passed away earlier this year, received the Bill Mueller Outstanding Mentor Award posthumously for the mentorship he provided throughout his career to rising young pharmacy stars.

Over 40 School of Pharmacy alumni attended the Northwest Pharmacy Convention UW SOP alumni reception. Attendees were decked out in tuxes and formal wear. After a rousing round of School of Pharmacy trivia, UW SOP alumni joined their WSU counterparts for a friendly vocal sparring. Each group belted out their alma mater fight songs with great pride and vigor.

## Geriatric Certificate Program Renamed in Honor of Joy and Elmer Plein

This June, the UW School of Pharmacy celebrated the 20-year anniversary of the Geriatric Certificate Program by officially renaming it the Plein Certificate in Geriatrics in honor of program founders, Elmer and Joy Plein. Joy and Elmer first established the Certificate Program in Geriatric Practice in 1986 with the goal of training a select group of pharmacy practitioners to become specialists in providing pharmaceutical care to older patients. This program was the result of many years of work done by Joy and others, in an interdisciplinary UW

effort to respond to a need for awareness, funds and education in the area of elderly care. Press coverage in the early 1970's of the poor and sometimes scandalous care of nursing home residents initiated a University-wide response to improve the situation.

Today's program offers a rigorous curriculum which includes 10 credits of didactic coursework, five credits of clinical clerkship and three geriatric pharmacy electives. Graduates of this program go on to practice in a variety of settings from community pharmacies to ambulatory care clinics, from

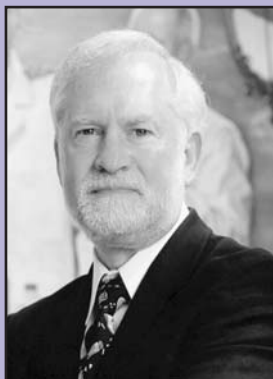
long-term care facilities to hospitals and home health agencies. To date, 42 pharmacists have come back to complete the certificate program and over 150 UW graduates have concurrently earned the certificate while attaining their B.S. in pharmacy or Pharm.D.

The need for comprehensive and competent care of our elderly is growing as our population ages. Thanks to the efforts of Joy, Elmer and others from the UW School of Pharmacy, our students are among the most prepared to meet the ever growing challenges of their profession.



## SCHOOL NEWS

### Message from the Dean



Dean Nelson  
Photo by Dan Lamont

My heartiest congratulations to all who graduated and were recognized at the School's 111th graduation ceremony this past June. Special thanks to **Hawkins DeFrance, '06**, for his commencement address on behalf of his Pharm.D. graduating class.

Of the 98 recipients of the Pharm.D. degree, approximately 21% will be entering residency programs, approximately 56% will begin practice in ambulatory settings, 19% in hospital settings, and the remaining 2% will pursue other careers, some in the pharmaceutical industry. Two graduates of the Plein Certificate Program in Geriatric Pharmacy Practice, now in its 20th year (*see article, p. 3*) will begin practice in long-term care settings (a practice area that becomes more important to me with each passing year.) Of the 14 Ph.D. graduates, half will begin research careers in the pharmaceutical industry, and the other half will enter post-doctoral positions, or begin careers in academia or with research foundations.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate these recent graduates, our current students and you, our alumni, on your career choice. According to the May 2006 issue of *Money Magazine*, pharmacists, research scientists, and academicians are among the top 10 most desirable jobs in the country out of 250 different jobs surveyed. I know, despite some stressful

times, I feel very blessed with my job and I hope you feel the same about yours.

One of the benefits of my position is world travel. If you have been a student in any of my classes, you will have heard about a few of the distant places I have been lucky enough to visit and work. One of Mark Emmert's goals as president of the UW is for our University to play a more significant role in the global arena, particularly working with countries in the Pacific Rim. Our School has had an academic exchange agreement with Kyoritsu University of Pharmacy in Tokyo for over 10 years now. Some of you (alumni, faculty and students) have taken part in the exchange (*see front page article.*) Dr. Motoko Kanke, a clinical pharmacy faculty member at Kyoritsu University of Pharmacy, was instrumental in not only setting up this exchange program, but in implementing a new Pharm.D. program in Japan. **Suzanne Lee, '01**, has been a perennial lecturer at our sister university, and host to their students who visit us.

Additionally, many of our faculty have lectured extensively throughout Pacific Rim countries, and some have collaborations with research scientists in Japan, China, Korea and Thailand. Thus, although our School is among the smallest at the UW, we are active at the international level and hope to grow these connections in the future. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you are interested in helping us in this endeavor. I believe that these global interactions benefit all of us.

### Claire Forster Returns as New Development Director



Claire Forster (née Brown) returned to the School of Pharmacy as our new development director on July 17. Claire, formerly our assistant development director, left the School in 2004 to take a position within the UW Graduate School where she furthered her professional skills while managing the relationship between the University and the ARCS Foundation and leading the graduate diversity fundraising committee. Claire, however, left her heart in Pharmacy, as proven by her continued membership in our School of Pharmacy Dean's Club. So it is with no great surprise, but with great pleasure that the School welcomes her back to lead the development team to many more successful years ahead.

*Should you wish to learn more about Claire, her plans for the School, or want to discuss other development related matters, please email her directly at [clbrown@u.washington.edu](mailto:clbrown@u.washington.edu) or phone 206-616-3217.*

## Katterman Lecture Weds Pharmacists and Media to Common Goal

## CPD Model: Way of the Future?



*(L-R) Don Downing, Katterman chair, stands with KUOW news reporter Patricia Murphy, Walgreen's district manager Bruce Philipp and Walgreen's pharmacist and alumnus Sepi Soleimanzpour. Walgreen's continues to be a much appreciated sponsor of this annual event.*

This year's Katterman lecture, *Health Care and the Media: Perception, Truth, and Possibilities*, was "excellent" in the words of many attendees. The event, held Thursday, June 15, shed light into the inner workings of the media world and provided insight as to how pharmacists and other health care workers can collaborate with media to educate the public, not only on the expanding role of pharmacists, but also on the various health care issues facing our community through comprehensive and on-going information sharing.

Attendees discussed issues with a dynamic and engaged panel of local media representatives; Della Kostelnik (*KOMO TV*), Patricia Murphy (*KUOW 94.9 Radio*), Ian Ith (*The Seattle Times*) and Tina Mankowski (*UW Health Science News and Community Relations*), as well as media

consultant and former KING 5 TV investigative reporter, Belle Taylor-McGhee. Both the media and attendees left enriched by the experience and further committed to bringing important and timely health-related news to our community.

"Real issues were addressed," stated one attendee. "I now have a deeper understanding of how (media) stories are put together," said another "and how we can work together (media and health care professionals) to get important messages out." The panelist also appreciated the opportunity to talk directly with pharmacists, make contacts and together discuss how to get primary health care issues into the news and to the people that need to hear them.

A special thanks to Bartell Drug, Medco and Walgreens for their sponsorship of this event.

Faculty members, **Karan Dawson, '70**, and **Terri O'Sullivan, '84**, are co-PI's and working in partnership with **Jeff Rochon, '99**, of WSPA and **Bill Fassett, '69**, and Linda Garrelts McLean of WSU, on a new project titled "Continuing Professional Development: State-Based Certificate Program." The goal of this project is to develop a pilot study in Washington State (similar studies will also be conducted in Indiana, Iowa, North Carolina, and Wisconsin) to determine if our current continuing education accredited hours system could be replaced by a Continuous Professional Development (CPD) model.

The CPD model is thought to provide a more self-directed process by which pharmacists can maintain their skills and competencies. Components of CPD include self-reflection, planning, acting, and evaluating documented by the individual in his/her professional portfolio. Sixty pharmacists will be recruited this fall to participate in the Washington State study. They will be asked to complete an introductory "CPD 101" in lieu of their traditional CE requirements and to then share their opinions of the pilot project. The investigative team hopes to determine from this exercise the feasibility and acceptability of moving to a CPD certification program. Recruiting for this project begins this fall. For more information please contact Teresa O'Sullivan at [terrio@u.washington.edu](mailto:terrio@u.washington.edu) or 206-543-3324.

## Students Raise Over \$9,000 for Cancer Research and Awareness



The 12th annual Larry Gallaher Memorial Border-to-Border Relay for Cancer started on a cold, rainy, coffee-less Friday May morning in Vancouver with keys locked in the transport vehicle and participants locked out. It ended many miles later on the following Sunday, with the sun shining, and 30 tired but happy UW SOP students resting in the shade at the Peace Arch in Blaine, Wash. These students had just completed a three-day cycling and running relay across our state to raise over \$9,000 for the American Cancer Society.

The event was all the more momentous this year as it was held not only in honor of its namesake, but for two cancer survivors close to home, faculty member, **Dr. Karan Dawson, '70**, (who met the group in Blaine) and Pharm.D. candidate, **Dennis Lam, '08**.

The Border-to-Border team would like to thank PAA, Bartell Drugs, Kelley-Ross Pharmacy, Hall's Drug Center, UPPOW, Kappa Psi, and Rho Chi, whose support helped make the relay possible.

## FACULTY NEWS

**Doug Black** was chosen by the 2006 graduating class to receive this year's Gibaldi Excellence in Teaching Award.

**Carlos Catalano** has joined the School as professor of medicinal chemistry. He has come to us from the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center (UCHSC) in Denver. He received both his Pharm.D. '83 and Ph.D. '87 from UCSF.

**Catalin Doneanu** has been appointed research assistant professor of medicinal chemistry.

**Don Downing** and **Jacqueline Gardner** have been inundated over the past few months with questions regarding Plan B going over-the-counter and the pharmacist's role in serving minors who need Emergency Contraception (EC). *ABC News*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Seattle Times* and *FDA-Week* are among those who have contacted them in regards to their EC research and for their thoughts on the role pharmacists will play as the nation's primary source of EC. Additionally, Downing was highlighted in Sen. Linda Evans Parlette's, (R-Wenatchee) op-ed piece "Standing up for Pharmacists" in *The Seattle Times*. Parlette was one of several attendees at this year's media focused Katterman Lecture (see article p. 5). The op-ed link: [http://seattletimes.nwsource.com/html/opinion/2003138450\\_pharmacy20.html](http://seattletimes.nwsource.com/html/opinion/2003138450_pharmacy20.html)

**Shelley Gray** has been promoted to professor of pharmacy.

**Rodney Ho** has been appointed to the Milo Gibaldi Endowed Professorship in Pharmaceutics and to associate dean for Research and New Initiatives. He also has become a board member at United States Pharmacopeia (USP), the official public standards-setting authority for all prescription and over-the-counter health care products manufactured and sold in this country.

**John Horn's** article "Drug Interactions: Avoid the Dangers" was published in the August 2006 issue of *NARFE*, the magazine for active and retired federal employees. Full article at <http://www.narfe.org/departments/hq/guest/articles.cfm?ID=924>. He has also

co-authored (with **Philip Hansten**) a newly published bound edition of *Drug Interactions Analysis and Management (DIAM)*, a 1500-page compilation of all the interaction monographs. Drs. Horn and Hansten also continue to write a monthly column, "Drug Interactions: Insights and Observations" for *Pharmacy Times*, where they summarize a particular drug interaction or feature that is applicable to multiple interactions. Visit [www.hanstenandhorn.com](http://www.hanstenandhorn.com) for more information. Lastly, the duo's pocket-sized *The Top 100 Drug Interactions; A Guide to Patient Management (7th edition)* continues to be popular with practitioners looking for an authoritative, portable source for drug interaction information. The guide is available at their Web site mentioned above, the Health Sciences bookstore and Amazon.com.

**Srinkanth Kadiyala** has joined the School as assistant professor of pharmacy. He has relocated from Boston, where he received his Ph.D from Harvard University.

**Michaelene Kedzierski** has been promoted to clinical professor of pharmacy and also was selected from a large pool of applications to be one of the "elite 10" participants in the new Health Sciences Faculty Scholar's Program in Integrative Health.

**Annie Lam** has been promoted to senior lecturer of pharmacy. Lam has also been awarded a UW Provost Diversity Grant to conduct an interdisciplinary research project with faculty from the Schools of Dentistry and Social Work to identify how interdisciplinary team work can affect the identification of health-related problems, polypharmacy and the use of high-risk medications associated with worsening oral/dental health among frail elders in King County. UW SOP students **Jackie Diercks, '07, Jenny Wong, '07, Aaron Chin, '08, Amy Little, '08, and Eun Jeong Choi, '09**, will assist in the research.

**Qingcheng Mao** has received a \$165,000 grant from NIGMS to continue his research "Mechanism of Drug Transport by BCRP/ABCG2."

**Danny Shen** has been appointed to the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NC-CAM) Advisory Council at NIH for a three-year term.

**Sean Sullivan** was quoted in the Sept. 6 *Washington Post* article "Artificial Heart Gets Limited FDA Approval; Device, Which Can Provide Extra Months of Life, Meets Humanitarian Provision," in regards to the cost-effectiveness of the new device vs. biotech drug treatment.

**Allan Rettie** has been elected vice-chair and chair-elect of the International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology (IUPHAR) Section of Drug Metabolism.

**Ken Thummel** has been appointed chair of pharmaceutics (he was previously acting chair). Thummel was also elected chairman of the Drug Metabolism Division of the American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics. He will organize symposia for, and chair divisional events during, the 2008 centennial year meeting of ASPET.

**Rheem Totah** has been promoted to assistant professor of medicinal chemistry

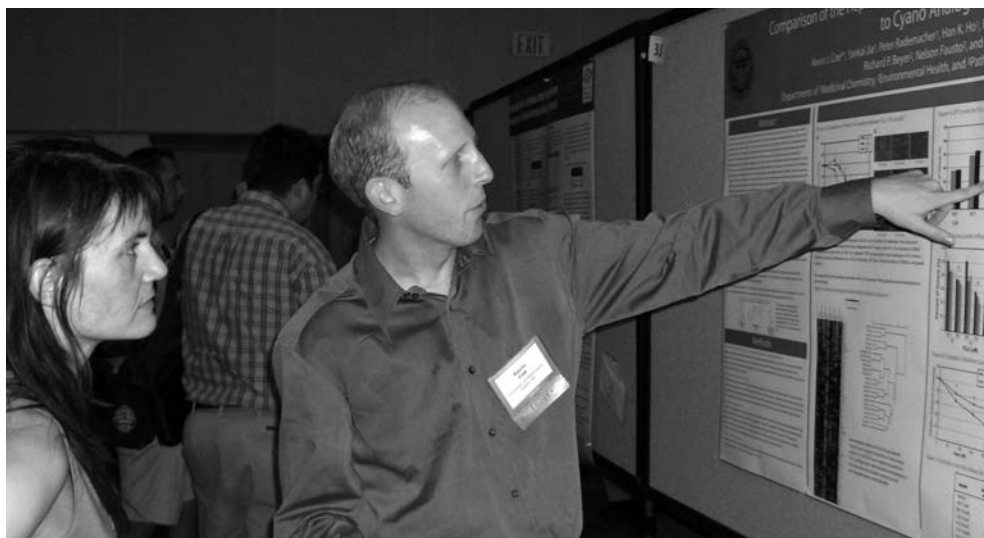
**Dave Veenstra, Lou Garrison, Scott Ramsey** and **Beth Devine** all made the list of authors of the top 100 articles downloaded from *Value in Health* since its inception in 1998 (Veenstra: #3 and #81; Garrison #25 and #72; Ramsey #29; Devine #81.) Veenstra has also been awarded tenure.

**Joanne Wang** has been promoted to associate professor of pharmaceutics with tenure.

**University of Washington** ranked 22 in *Newsweek* magazine's list of Top 100 Global Universities. Schools were rated on several factors including the number of "highly cited" researchers, the number of articles published in certain academic journals, and the percentage of international faculty and students.



# UW SOP Hosts National Med Chem Symposium



*UW SOP med chem graduate student Kevin Coe explains his research to a scientist from Icos Corporation at the 30th National Medicinal Chemistry Symposium held on the UW campus.*

The University of Washington School of Pharmacy was honored to host the 30th National Medicinal Chemistry Symposium from June 25-29 on the UW campus. Over 517 individuals attended the event, most from industry (nearly 15% of which came from international organizations.)

The four-day Symposium included two poster sessions, seven speaker sessions, an awards ceremony and many additional opportunities for guests to mingle and meet while enjoying the beauty of a Pacific Northwest summer.

“Our goal [for the Symposium] was to create a meeting that was scientifically interesting, and rich in opportunities to meet new scientists and renew old acquaintances,” explained Wendel Nelson, medicinal chemistry professor

and chair of the event.

The speaker sessions focused on important physiological and therapeutic targets, technological methods and reports on new drug candidates. Topics included Type 2 diabetes treatment, improving failing memory, microfluidics/nano scale drug discovery, stopping virus entry, sodium channel blockers and late breaking results. George Ellestad, Columbia University alumnus and Wyeth retiree, was awarded the ACS Med Chem Division Award for his work on natural products.

Attendees were treated to a welcome reception held at McMahon Hall balcony and an end of program banquet held at Tillicum Village on Blake Island, complete with salmon

bake and a Native American Indian dance performance. The Blake Island trip included a scenic ferry ride, on which speaker Koji Nakanishi, retired from Columbia University, took advantage of a captive audience and surprised his fellow attendees with an entertaining collection of magic tricks.

Both the scientific and social aspects of the Symposium were superb. “A great success,” said med chem chair Allan Rettie, “one that provided our students and faculty access to cutting-edge drug discovery and development practiced in both academic and pharmaceutical industry environments.”

UW med chem attendees included faculty Allan Rettie, Bill Atkins and Kent Kunze; postdocs JP Jones and Babu Kantipudi; poster presenters Larissa Balogh, Kevin Coe, Liming Hou, Clara Hsia, Jace Jones, Jed Lampe, Matt McDonald, Abhi Nath, Art Roberts, Dustin Smith and Laura Shireman; alumnus **Brian Bennion, Ph.D '03** and former research student Mark Baillie; students Nick Au, Jean Dinh, Elva Gao, Matt Honaker, Sumit Mahajan, Carrie Mosher, Mariko Nakano, Pete Rademacher and Guoying Tai; and assistant to the chair Jeanine Kanov. UW pharmacology professor Bill Catterall also presented at the event. Graham Johnson of Rib-X Pharmaceuticals served as program chair.

A special thanks to the students and postdocs who volunteered their time and helped make the Symposium enjoyable and enriching for all.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Larry G. Bettesworth**, former adjunct faculty at the UW School of Pharmacy and influential member of our pharmacy community, died August 13, 2006 in a tragic tractor accident in Spokane, Wash.. He was 58.

Larry received his B.S. and later Pharm.D. degree from WSU. He served as director of pharmacy as well as director of the pharmacy practice residency program at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, where he developed the center's telepharmacy outreach program, serving small communities throughout Washington State, and led a team to plan and implement the

hospital's outpatient pharmacy. Larry had served as president of the Spokane Area Society of Hospital Pharmacists and was a member of the board of directors for the Washington State Society of Hospital Pharmacists, the Washington State Society of Health-System Pharmacy, and Hospice of Spokane. He was the 1979 Washington State Outstanding Hospital Pharmacist and served as a state delegate to the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists in Washington D.C.. Larry developed many pharmacy programs, authored and coauthored a variety of

publications, and spoke at numerous pharmacy conventions and educational seminars.

Larry was a dedicated father, teacher, coach, and mentor to many. He is survived by his wife Nancy; daughters Heather Emch and Shelly Prosser; sons Jacob and Dusty, and three grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Larry Bettesworth Pharmacy Scholarship Fund, c/o Sacred Heart Foundation, 101 W. 8th, Spokane, WA 99204, the Sacred Heart Children's Foundation at the same address, or a charity of your choice.

## CLASS NOTES

**William Bulpin, '61**, sold Island Drug in 2004, yet continued to work full-time for the following two years to help transition the store to the new owners. In July he moved to Las Vegas, where he now works as night manager at Walgreen's. He's looking forward to the new challenge and the seven day on/seven day off schedule.

**Bill Hollingsworth, '61**, retired from his position of pharmacy director at Mason General Hospital ending a 30-year pharmacy career. He does, however, still do some vacation relief work. Bill and his wife have lived in Olympia, Wash. for the past 41 years and have three children and five grandchildren.

**James Ramseth, '63**, weighed in on his desire to keep his right to refuse to fill Plan B prescriptions in the Aug. 30 *Seattle P-I* article "Need Plan B? He's not Selling." Ramseth is also the recipient of the 2006 WSPA Wyeth Bowl of Hygeia Award (see page 3.)

**Mike Jonas, '66**, has retired from the U.S. Navy, American Airlines and his B&B. He lives on Orcas Island where he enjoys his love of wooden boats and passion for sailing. He's a goat farmer by trade now with three pigmy goats and one miniature horse!

**Bill Fisher, '76**, has spent the last 20 years as pharmacy manager of the Bartell pharmacy in Ballard. He and his wife Liz have a 5 year-old daughter named Kaeli. Still a devoted UW fan, Bill enjoys getting together with classmate, **Ron Klein, '76**, for Husky sporting events.

**Nancy Mueller, '76**, is the pharmacy manager at Herrick Memorial Hospital in Tecumseh, Mich. She has been married for 30 years to Robert F. Young. They have 22-year old twins, a son, Keith, and a daughter, Nicole. Keith is completing a culinary arts degree at le Cordon Bleu in Minn. and will soon start an internship at Disney's Epcot Center. Nicole studies finance and economics at Eastern Michigan University. Nancy hopes to relocate back to Seattle and is interested to learn of any hospital pharmacy positions available.

**Rod Shafer, '77**, executive director of WSPA, has been busy collaborating with colleagues, the press and politi-

cians on the Pharmacy Board ruling regarding the Plan B issue.

**Verne Mounts, '85**, was highlighted in *Retail Pharmacy Management's* July/August issue as a pharmacist advocate for the poor and indigent. The article recognizes his work in setting up Patient Medication Assistance Programs (PMAPs) on the West Coast and in his native Ohio. Verne also writes a weekly column "Your Hometown Pharmacist" for a group of Central Ohio newspapers, serves on the boards of the Ashland County Cancer Society, Symphony Orchestra and a local preschool. He was promoted to director of pharmacy operations of Buehler Pharmacies in Oct. 2003.

**David Rose, '86**, became the pharmacy director of Community Health Centers of King County in Feb. of this year and will become president of the Wash. State Chapter of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP) this November.

**Beth (Stevens) Naylor, '96**, completed her post doc Pharm.D. at OSU in Portland, Ore. and an ASHP specialty in Geriatrics at VA hospital in San Antonio, Texas. In 1999, she took a job as a clinical pharmacist in an ambulatory care clinic in Oklahoma City, Va. In 2003, she married Rev. George Naylor and moved to south central Neb., where she commuted two hours through cornfields and pastures to her new position at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. In 2005, the couple moved to the panhandle of Neb. Beth now works in a small rural retail pharmacy and invites anyone traveling near Chimney Rock, Neb. or on their way to Sturgis, S.D. to stop on by!

**David Stevens, '97**, and his wife, Monique, have four daughters, and own Four Petticoats Farm where they

house their four horses, the newest of which is a Friesian. The family enjoys camping, horse-back riding and running. They have participated in a half marathon and are working up to a full. David works the grave yard shift at the Silverdale Walgreen's.

**Allahna Davis, '01**, recently completed a pediatric specialty residency at the University of California, Davis Medical Center in Sacramento, Calif. and has accepted a position as a pediatric pharmacist at a HIV clinic in Sacramento.

**Susie (Lobitz) Dobb, '01**, met Mr. Right a.k.a Dennis Dube on eHarmony in Feb. 2004. They were married 15 months later at Skamania Lodge in Columbia Gorge. Their first child, Alexander, was born on May 16, 2006. The family currently lives in Beaverton, Ore., where Susie remains on maternity leave from Fred Meyer.

**Richelle (Arneson) Kistler, '01**, has been married for six years. She has two daughters, 3 and 4 1/2 years old. She currently works in a long-term care diabetes Shoppe pharmacy.

**Traci Mitchell, '01**, works in the ICU at Swedish Medical Center where she is the smoking cessation champion, intern coordinator and a member of the AMI/CHF treatment team. Traci has a four-year old daughter named Becca.

**Joshua Welborn, '01**, and his wife **Heidi Welborn, '03**, have three children, Madeline born Feb. 2003, Zoe born Sept. 2004 and their most recent, Jack born Feb. 2006. The family is moving to Mercer Island, where Maddie will start pre-school this fall. Heidi will be working for a community pharmacy and Joshua will be doing relief work.



**Don Downing, '75**, present to share UW SOP work on issues of pharmacy law, ethics and patient access to care and **Donna Dockter, '72**, representing the Board of Pharmacy, met with Governor Christine Gregoire and her health policy staffer, Christina Hulet, for an hour, on July 19, to discuss changes in the Board of Pharmacy's proposed rule regarding pharmacist's professional responsibilities. The meeting was highly constructive. All parties learned a great deal more about politics and professionalism of pharmacy practice and regulation



## Interested in Diabetes? Consider Camp Leo

For two full days and two full nights, pharmacy student **George Guenther, '07**, lived and breathed diabetes care.

"In just 48 hours, I learned a great deal about how to treat and think about patients with diabetes more effectively," explained Guenther, one of six pharmacy students who, via a lottery system, were given the opportunity to spend two days at Camp Leo, a week-long camp for diabetic kids ages 8-13.

Guenther spent his time working with medical staff to ensure the group of 12- to 13-year-old boys he was assigned controlled their blood glucose levels 24 hours a day. This meant testing campers at all hours, day and night, treating hypoglycemia as needed, and getting a glimpse of the challenges diabetes brings for patients and their families.

"I quickly realized," admitted Guenther, "that it was not my role to teach the eighth-graders I was working with about diabetes (many of whom had been living with the

disease for upwards of ten years), but rather to learn from them how to become a better pharmacist, a better health care provider and a better person."

At Camp Leo, living with diabetes is the rule rather than the exception. Many of the junior and senior counselors, camp coordinators and medical staff also have the disease. Therefore, the camp not only provides a fun and interactive environment for kids to learn more about diabetes and different ways of controlling it, but also gives them a place to feel like everyone else; a place to make friends and meet new people who understand what it means to have diabetes.

Mount Vernon pharmacist and certified diabetes educator **Randy Elde, '72**, is one of the medical staff at Camp Leo who invites a few lucky pharmacy students each summer to experience what he describes as a "crash course" in diabetes management. Pharmacists are joined by a diverse group of prac-

tioners who offer their services at the camp, including nutritionists, nurses, physicians, physician assistants, and dietitians. An inter-professional team of volunteers has been spent one week each summer enhancing the lives of diabetic children and their families for 17 years now, and every year the basic mission of caring, compassion, and learning continues without fail.

If you are a pharmacist interested in making a difference in the lives of these youngsters, helping to educate our students, or just wanting to learn more about the Camp Leo program, please contact your fellow alumnus Randy Elde at [rlelde@verizon.net](mailto:rlelde@verizon.net) or Linda Lawless at [llawless@amgen.com](mailto:llawless@amgen.com).

If you are not already sold on the experience consider this: When asked if he would recommend the experience to others Guenther replied "Without a doubt, it was two extremely memorable days I would not trade for all the glucose tablets in the world."

## UW SOP Community Residency Program Welcomes New Practitioners



(L-R) Pharmacy Residents Tran Le, Jessica Isono and Tina Le

**Tran Le, '06**, and **Jessica Isono, '06**, have been chosen as 2006-2007 Pharmacy Practice residents by UW SOP Community Residency Programs. Joining them is Tina Le of Oregon State University. Tran and Jessica will work at

the Providence Everett Health System Valley View Clinical Pharmacy and Tina will be a resident at the International Community Health Services. Graduates from accredited colleges or schools of pharmacy, who are licensed

or eligible for immediate licensure at Washington State and desire to seek further in-depth training to improve knowledge and skills, are welcome to apply for residency positions offered by UW SOP Residency Programs. These programs include the Community and Ambulatory Pharmacy Practice Residency Program (CPRP) and the International Community Health Services Pharmacy Practice Residency Program (ICHHS). The training period is 12-months, starting on July 1 of each calendar year. Application deadline is January 15 of each calendar year.

Visit <http://depts.washington.edu/pharmres/ICHHS.htm> for a more detailed description of the program. For further information, please contact co-directors Annie Lam at [aylam@u.washington.edu](mailto:aylam@u.washington.edu) or Don Downing at [dondown@u.washington.edu](mailto:dondown@u.washington.edu).

## International Exchange *Continued from front page...*

help them enhance their own programs.

UW SOP stood out among the crowd as a leader in clinical pharmacy training. Attendees were impressed by our School's progressive program and the solid foundation we have built to train and precept our students. Drs. Horn and Hansten enjoyed additional admiration for their *Top 100 Drug Interactions* handbook, which was translated into Japanese and made quite a splash at the conference. Lee recounts that the two were constantly surrounded by pharmacy student 'fans' and staff requesting signed copies of the handbooks.

"Even Brad Pitt and Tom Cruise (in Tokyo last year to promote their movies) would have been jealous of such attention," she quipped.

Our celebrity faculty, were, however, upstaged by the greater celebration: Kyoritsu University (KU)'s move to include clinical pharmacy training into its degree program. Starting in 2005, KU extended its pharmacy program from four to six years to include two additional years for clinical pharmacy training. The four-year program is still available for candidates who wish to pursue careers in industry, however, those who desire to become practicing pharmacists must now enroll in the six-year program in order to qualify for the national certification exam. This momentous advancement to certification in Japan was led by Dr. Motoko Kanke, a close friend and inspiration to Lee and many others at UW SOP and throughout the international pharmacy community (*more on Motoko in our next issue.*)

The conference also provided an opportunity to reinforce our student exchange program with KU. Every year, for the past ten years, two students from KU have spent a month of their clinical rotation in Seattle (at Northwest Hospital) and a couple lucky students from the UW have gone to KU for their month of clinical rotation. UW SOP promotes international exchange to several countries and has had students not only doing rotations in Japan, but also medical mission trips to African countries and rotations in Europe. Fourth-year

student **Brionne Carroll** just finished a summer rotation at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva. Carroll reported that the experience not only enabled her to meet many new people and learn about unique ways in which pharmacists may use their degrees, but also helped her to "learn new ways to be both a better pharmacist and a better person." **Kenneth Lau**, one of the two fourth-year students to do rotations at KU this year, returned with ideas of new tools to help increase patient adherence, knowledge of a system where pharmacists play a large role in Clinical Research Coordination (CRC), the pros and cons of a national insurance system, and alternative treatments for hypertension and other diseases.

UW President Mark Emmert has identified international exchange as one of his key agenda items for the University as a whole. With our flexible Pharm.D. program and supportive faculty and staff, the UW SOP is one of the leading schools on campus to fulfill this goal. Our faculty members are internationally recognized and regularly invited to lecture at foreign universities, hospitals and conferences, and in some cases sit on international boards. The knowledge they gain from these experiences is then brought back and shared with their students and colleagues.

We also host international faculty. Professor Masayoshi Koinuma from Nihon University College of Pharmacy recently spent time with UW SOP's associate dean of Professional Education

and director of Professional Programs and the External Pharm.D. program, Stanley Weber, and **Jeff Rochon, '99**, of Washington State Pharmacy Association (WSPA). Professor Koinuma researched pharmacy practice, educational standards and the School's curriculum. He will be writing a research paper on his findings to share with his colleagues back in Japan.

The UW SOP is continuing to promote a global community of pharmacists and pharmacy education by expanding our student rotation exchange program to include opportunities in Thailand this coming year. We hope to also continue to send faculty such as Lee and others to important international conferences like this past event in Japan as well as continue to welcome international students and faculty to the Pacific Northwest. By continuing to share and build upon best practices in teaching, practice and research the UW SOP will continue to help grow a worldwide base of active and knowledgeable pharmacy professionals.

"International exchange is not only an enriching experience for all involved on the professional level, but great fun on the personal level as well," explains Lee. "After the conference Kyoritsu students and alumni arranged a trip for attendees to Nikko, a hot spring resort in the mountains where we all enjoyed the camaraderie of nearly 100 conference attendees through Karaoke, dances, dips in the springs and sumptuous dinners."



*Students and others interested in learning more about the Japanese and Thai exchange programs should contact Suzanne Lee at [sblee@u.washington.edu](mailto:sblee@u.washington.edu). For more information on other international rotation opportunities contact Mary Neyhart at [mneyhart@u.washington.edu](mailto:mneyhart@u.washington.edu)*

**PHOTO:** John Horn (left) and Phil Hansten (sporting the local attire) get a cultural lesson in dining etiquette from expert Suzanne Lee (right). Those toes should be tucked under guys!

## SAN DIEGO ALUMNI GET A UW VISIT



*San Diego dinner guests included (L-R) Caroline Lee, Ph.D. '93, Dean Nelson's son and San Diego resident, Jens Nelson, Joan Nelson, Dean Sid Nelson, Sandy Chen and her husband Weichao Chen, Ph.D. '98.*

While down in San Diego, Calif. to attend the July AACP conference, Dean Sid Nelson took the opportunity to invite San Diego area alumni for a Sunday night dinner at the Il Forno restaurant on Coronado Island.

The Dean thanked the group of nearly 40 for their interest and support of the School and shared with them recent highlights and future goals of the pharmacy program. UW faculty and current Pharm.D. students attending the conference, and UW SOP sister school in Japan, Kyoritsu University, faculty Motoko Kanke and Yuri Yoshiyama were also present at the event.

*If you would like to host or attend an event with the Dean in your neighborhood please contact Claire Forster, director of development, at 206-616-3217 or [clbrown@u.washington.edu](mailto:clbrown@u.washington.edu)*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER 19

#### Seattle Asian Art Museum Presents: American Art Deco

Dean's Club members are invited to this special event at the Asian Art museum in Volunteer Park from 6 pm - 9 pm. Please contact Ariana Ghasedi at 206-616-7613 for more information.

### OCTOBER 20-21

#### WSPA 2006 Fall Clinical Seminar

To be held at The Davenport Hotel in Spokane. Visit [www.wsparx.org](http://www.wsparx.org) or call WSPA at 425-228-7171 to learn more.

### OCTOBER 27

#### Class of 1966 40-year Reunion

Join us Friday evening at the District Lounge on the corner of 45th and Brooklyn at 7 pm for heavy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. Please RSVP to CJ Kahler at 425-657-0260 or [charleskahler@sprintmail.com](mailto:charleskahler@sprintmail.com) by Oct. 20.

#### Class of 1971 35-year Reunion

Join us Friday evening at Ivar's Salmon House on Northlake. Drinks at 5:30 pm; dinner at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP to 206-543-3485 or [rxalumni@u.washington.edu](mailto:rxalumni@u.washington.edu) by Oct. 24.

#### Class of 1976 30-year Reunion

Join us Friday evening for dinner at Buca Di Beppo at 6 pm. Please RSVP to 206-543-3485 or [rxalumni@u.washington.edu](mailto:rxalumni@u.washington.edu) by Oct. 24.

### OCTOBER 28

#### Homecoming Game and PAA Brunch

Join your fellow alumni at 10:30 am for brunch, camaraderie and memories as we celebrate Homecoming 2006. Tickets are also available for those wishing to continue the festivities by cheering on the Huskies as they compete against the Arizona Sun Devils. Kickoff is at 12:30 pm.

#### Class of 1961, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996 Reunions

The above classes will be celebrated along with other reunion classes at this year's Homecoming Brunch. Please join us at the I-Court Rotunda at 10:30 am to reconnect and catch up with Husky friends and colleagues.

### OCTOBER 30

#### The Gibaldi Memorial Assembly

Held in conjunction with the Joint University of Buffalo and the University of Washington Alumni Reception at the Marriott Rivercenter in San Antonio, Texas. Please contact Cathy Johnson at 206-616-4218 for more information.

### NOVEMBER 11

#### Class of 2001 5-year Reunion

Exact time and location TBD. Contact Traci Mitchell for more details at [traci-mitchell@hotmail.com](mailto:traci-mitchell@hotmail.com)

### JANUARY 25

#### New Preceptor Training Series

Terri O'Sullivan has launched a new preceptor training series. The second in a set of three topics "Learning Styles: Teaching on the Run," will be held on Jan. 25. Call Mary Neyhart at 206-685-8738 for more information on this program or to learn more about how to become a preceptor.

### JANUARY 28

#### 2007 New Drugs and New Laws Conference

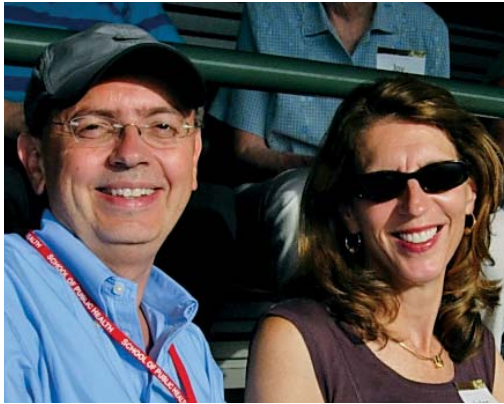
Presented by UW Continuing Pharmacy Education and the WSPA on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2007 in Seattle (to be repeated Sunday, Apr. 15, 2007 in Richland, Wash.) Register at [www.wsparx.org](http://www.wsparx.org). For additional information call 206-685-8091 or visit [www.uwcpe.org](http://www.uwcpe.org).

#### Looking for more information on Homecoming or your Class Reunion?

Please contact Beth Fenkner at [rxalumni@u.washington.edu](mailto:rxalumni@u.washington.edu) or 206-543-3485 or visit our website at <http://depts.washington.edu/rxalumni> to learn more.



## DEAN'S CLUB MEMBERS CHEER ON THE MARINERS



Nearly 50 Dean's Club members braved the hot weather (and traffic!) to attend the annual Dean's Club Night at Safeco field to watch the Mariners play the Boston Red Sox. Despite the dismal outcome of the game, those in attendance had a great time catching up and visiting with fellow Dean's Club members and classmates. Dean Nelson gave a brief School update, which included future plans to expand the successful Institute for Innovations in Pharmacy Practice (I2P2). Pharm.D. candidates **Carolyn Sear, '08**, and **Elyse Tung, '08**, thanked the group and shared the benefits they experienced through wonderful opportunities made possible to students as a result of the Dean's Club member support.

### Photos:

#### TOP

*Andy and Jo-Ann Stergachis enjoy the sunny box seats.*

#### BOTTOM

*Mary Morrissey (left) and Joy Plein watch the game from shaded chairs.*



*To learn more about about the Dean's Club and how to become a member, please contact Claire Forster, director of development, at 206-616-3217 or [clbrown@u.washington.edu](mailto:clbrown@u.washington.edu)*

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