**FAMILY TIES**

Few families are as closely tied to the School of Pharmacy as the Heberts. 2003 was a special year, as John Hebert Sr., ’53, and John Hebert Jr., ’78, celebrated major reunion milestones.

John Sr. is the owner and founder of Manhattan Pharmacy, established in 1958. For many years, John was involved in the training of University of Washington pharmacy students, although his relationship with the School was not formal until 1988, when he was appointed as a clinical instructor.

John Jr. currently oversees operations at Manhattan Pharmacy. He was appointed to the clinical faculty in the School of Pharmacy in 1989. Currently he is a clinical associate professor in the School and is involved in teaching in the Pharmacy Practice Lab (Pharm 334) for our first-year students, as well as precepting students at Manhattan Pharmacy. John’s wife Kathy also graduated from the School, in 1977. John Sr.’s daughter, Mary Hebert, did her pharmacy training at the University of California, San Francisco, and joined our faculty at the University of Washington in 1996. She started working in her father’s drugstore at the age of 10 and originally planned to join her father and brother at Manhattan Pharmacy, but during her training discovered an interest in research. Mary is currently an associate professor in the Department of Pharmacy. She teaches in the third-year therapeutics series and precepts the fourth-year students in the liver transplant clinic.

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in addition to his already busy schedule and new baby! So as we start the New Year, I’d like you to remember the phrase “Pride in the profession.” Pride is something that we feel and experience. We experience pride in the everyday things, in simple things. The simple smile someone gives us after we have been able to help him or her. We experience pride when we make a recommendation that helps a patient. When we explain something to a patient or caregiver that enables them to understand and take an active role in their health care. We are proud when students choose to do internships or rotations at our work places. We are proud when people commend our profession. We are proud to be part of a profession that cares for patients and for each other.

We are a strong family of pharmacists, and as a family we support one another. The PAA is our door to this strong family. Part of experiencing pride in our profession is giving back to the profession. On February 3 and 4, the annual Phonathon will be taking place. The Phonathon raises money for student scholarships and activities. When your phone rings on Feb. 3 or 4, we encourage you to take a few minutes to talk to one of your class mates or a current student and make a pledge.

We’re working on putting together an exciting program for Katterman School this year—watch the School website, Facebook page, and look for more details in your mailbox in a month or so.

If you have any questions or input for the PAA, please don’t hesitate to contact me or the office at [email protected] or 206-543-3485.

Don’t forget to think about the membership drive. When you’re talking with friends or colleagues about how much you like the profession and why it’s special to you, think about why they should join the PAA. This is a great way to bring in new members to the organization.

You can also consider volunteering your time to help the PAA. There are many opportunities to contribute, whether it’s by attending meetings, helping with events, or just providing feedback. Your input is valuable and appreciated.

The PAA is a vital part of the pharmacy community, and I encourage you to get involved. Together, we can make a difference and continue to support the profession we love.
Wittkowsky Named 2003 Distinguished Alumnus

Ann K. Wittkowsky, Pharm.D. ’88, is the 2003 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year. Ann received her B.S. in pharmacy from the University of Michigan in 1983 and then completed a pharmacy practice residency at Harborview Medical Center while she worked toward her Pharm.D at the UW.

Dr. Wittkowsky is director of anticoagulation services at the UW Medical Center and clinical professor of pharmacy for the School, teaching in cardiovascular and antithrombotic pharmacotherapy for graduate students. She has been a member of the curriculum planning, Pharm.D transition, and practicum development committees, course coordinator for graduate seminars, and a preceptor to graduate and undergraduate students participating in clinical rotations in inpatient cardiology and ambulatory anticoagulation clinics.

Dr. Wittkowsky is internationally recognized as an expert in antithrombotic pharmacotherapy. She is the author of nearly 100 research publications, review articles, book chapters and abstracts and is co-editor of the primary text used by anticoagulation practitioners. She serves on the board of directors of the National Anticoagulation Forum, on the editorial board of the Journal of Thrombosis and Thrombolysis, on the steering committee of the National Anticoagulation Benchmarking and Outcomes Report, and as preceptor for the American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) Research and Education Foundation’s Anticoagulation Service Traineeship.

Ann is a native of North Tonawanda, NY, between Buffalo and Niagara Falls on the Niagara River. Ann and her partner Leann Nester, a retired software attorney, reside on Queen Anne in Seattle and enjoy skiing, hiking, kayaking, cycling and gardening.

Dean Nelson presents the Distinguished Alumnus award to Ann Wittkowsky

All In the Family

"As Dean, I have had many opportunities to meet with alumni and I am struck that so many tell me that SOP is like an extended family to them. That is something truly unique to our School."
-Dean Nelson

Mary Hebert started her pharmacy career at the age of ten (see front page article), while working in her father’s drugstore. Mary comes from a family of pharmacists and she is in good company when it comes to the School of Pharmacy. SOP boasts an impressive legacy of families in the pharmacy profession, and the School prides itself on maintaining family traditions. Take a look at just a few of our proud pharmacy families.

Paul Hiranaka ’69
Kimi Hiranaka Class of 2005 - daughter
Bob Garrison Sr. ’29
Bob Garrison Jr. ’67
Bob and Pat Tanac, ’47 and ’45
Joyce Schroeder ’74 - daughter
John Oftebro - CAF
Ryan Oftebro ’03 - son
Jim Ramseth ’63
Geoffrey Ramseth ’88 - son
Keith Vander Houwen ’64
Kari Douglas ’92 - daughter
Jim and Barbara Cammack, ’67 and ’68
Joe Cammack ’94 - son
Walter & Bonnie Davison, ’56 & ’60
Daughters: Terri O’Sullivan, ’86, Ph.D. ’88, Katie Smith, ’94
Staci Dallaire, ’97, Pharm.D. ’98
John Hebert Sr. ’53
John Hebert Jr. ’78
Kathy Hebert ’77 – wife of John Jr.
Mary Hebert - Faculty
Leo Kushner ’40
Steve Kushner ’74 - son
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Message from the Dean

“"The family is one of nature’s masterpieces.""

This quotation, from George Santayana in *The Life of Reason*, seemed appropriate both for this time prior to the holidays when I prepared my message, and for the section of this Daughtry that highlights some of our families of pharmacists. Although there are times in most of our lives when we desire to escape from our families and family obligations, I believe in our innermost hearts we never really want to escape for long. I am envious of those of you who have relatives in the profession of pharmacy who can share with you their experiences, as you can share yours with them. Furthermore, there is advantage in numbers when other family members and friends ask for medical advice.

In some sense, we are a family in pharmacy, as we hold one another accountable for our high ethical standards and rely on one another for support as we plan for the future. I am very proud of you, our family of alumni, who have been so supportive of our School of Pharmacy. You were second only to the School of Dentistry among all units at the University of Washington last year in the percentage of alumni (31 percent) who gave a gift to their college or school. Our children are our students who need nurturing, and like most other college-age children, they will be calling us our parents, for financial support in the upcoming Phanathon (see article on p.12). I hope that you will be home to respond positively to their requests.

FACULTY NEWS

Seeking Mature Pharmacist Volunteers

Are you a pharmacist 40 years of age or older? If so, please consider joining our standardized patient team! Standardized patients are individuals who have been trained to play the role of a patient and use that role to interact with and evaluate our traditional Doctor of Pharmacy students’ clinical skills. Individuals new to being a standardized patient will have the option of attending a skill-building training session in February. The testing dates for our students will be in early March. We are particularly interested in pharmacists over the age of 40 or 50, as they will appear believable playing the role of an individual with one or more chronic disease states.

If you are interested, please contact Terri O’ Sullivan at the School, (206) 543-3324 or terri@u.washington.edu for more details.

Joan Douget Endowment Established

Joan Miller with Tim Douget

Joan Douget, ’94, touched many lives during her time at the School of Pharmacy and she will continue to do so in the years to come. Upon her death in April 2003, Joan requested that a scholarship fund be established in her name to support future students at the School. Honoring Joan’s request, Tim Douget, Joan’s husband, and the Larson family have created an Endowed Scholarship in her name, creating a permanent legacy for Joan and linking future students to the Douget family and Joan’s commitment to the field of pharmacy.

Born in Billings Montana, Joan Denise Douget, nee Larson, is a School of Pharmacy alumna who displayed a lifelong commitment to supporting pharmacy students in need. After a varied career, which led her to a Benton, Wash. veterinary supply company, Joan realized her passion for healing and decided to pursue her love of medicine and attend the School of Pharmacy. Joan completed the Doctor of Pharmacy Program at the UW School of Pharmacy in 1994. Although diagnosed with cancer during her last year of the program, Joan was determined to maintain her academic excellence and complete her degree, even while undergoing chemotherapy treatments.

Receiving scholarship assistance allowed Joan to remain in the program and receive her Doctor of Pharmacy degree. Accordingly, Joan requested that an on-going fund be established to provide support for future students in need of financial assistance to complete their degrees, particularly students with health issues, disabilities and/or children.

This year’s scholarship recipient, Nicole Miller is a first-year student who worked in several pharmacies prior to enrolling in the School. Tim Douget and Dee Larson, Joan’s mother, had the opportunity to meet Nicole at this year’s Dean’s Reception. For more information about the Joan Denise Douget Scholarship or how to make a gift, please contact Claire Brown, Assistant Director of Development at 206-616-8615 or cbrown@u.washington.edu. Or click on "Support Students" on our newly designed online giving page: http://depts.washington.edu/pha/support/index.html.
Dean's Recognition Reception
Burke Museum • University of Washington • November 5, 2003

Alumni, faculty, students and friends of the School gathered at the annual Dean’s Recognition Reception to recognize scholarship recipients and to say thank you for the many donors to the School. Clinical affiliate faculty awards were also presented.

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Don Williams and Geri Brady enjoy each other’s company. Ryan Oftebro presented the Kelley-Ross scholarship to George Benson with Gina Carpinito, recipient of the Benson Scholarship. Lanny Taray, recipient of a 30-year clinical faculty certificate, chats with Grace Thompke and Paul Wilkinson.

Dean Emeritus Jack Orr, Board of Pharmacy Executive Director Don Williams and Gerti Brady enjoy each other’s company.

Doug Black Retires

Douglas Black, ’81, Pharm.D. ’88, was the winner of the 2002 Wayne A. Kradjan Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award. Doug received both his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and his Doctor of Pharmacy from the UW. He worked in the area of oncology for several years before becoming interested in infectious diseases, the area in which he currently teaches and has practiced for more than a decade. Doug teaches an enormous number of clerkship students every year. This year he taught 46 of our traditional PharmD students. In addition, he has had residents and non-traditional Doctor of Pharmacy students on rotation.

Students feel Doug is an outstanding preceptor as evidenced by the following way he is described in rotation evaluations:

• inspirational and motivating
• friendly, approachable and views students as equals and interesting individuals
• captures everyone’s attention
• encourages questions
• makes learning fun, relaxed, and non-stressful
• tries to tailor learning to the students needs and interests
• organized and well-prepared for teaching sessions

A hearty “congratulations” to Doug and a big “thank you” for all of his precepting efforts!

Professor Phil Hansten, of the well-known and respected pair Hansten and Horn, officially retired from the School in September, but continues to indulge his passion for philosophy. He will be teaching an elective on the philosophy of science to pharmacy students during winter quarter.

Hansten and John Horn, professors in the department of pharmacy, have long been known as the ultimate experts on drug interactions. Their books have been translated into six languages. Washington pharmacists have had the distinct privilege of having the opportunity at least once a year to attend their lectures and receive the most up-to-date information on interactions of importance in our practices—with a large dose of humor thrown into the mix!

Hansten received his Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of California at San Francisco. He held positions at Washington State University and the Division of Clinical Pharmacology at Stanford University School of Medicine before joining the faculty at the School. He was acting chair of the Department of Pharmacy from 1998 to 1999.

He has been recognized with the Gibbsal Excellence in Teaching Award at the UW, a Most Valuable Professor award from WSU, the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of California, the Julius W. Sturmer Award from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, and the University of California Bowl of Hygesa Award. He has been a visiting professor at the College of Pharmacy, University of Saskatchewan, and at the School of Pharmacy, University of Iceland.

Dean Nelson commented on Hansten’s retirement. “He will be sorely missed at the School, not only for his knowledge of drug interactions, but as a superb teacher.”

“Professor Hansten is renowned worldwide for his expertise and as a co-author of the bible on drug interactions, Phil was most appreciated by the faculty of the School for his collegiality, humor and mentorship abilities. He played a major role as course master of one of our therapeutics courses, and did whatever he could to help the School, even serving as interim department chair in 1998-1999.”

Hansten has served in numerous editorial and consulting capacities for well-known and widely used publications such as The Medical Letter, Pharmacotherapy, Therapeutics, and AMA Drug Evaluations. He served as an advisor to First Data Bank and is a reviewer for the ASHP American Hospital Formulary Service.

He has written numerous articles on drug interactions and along with Horn has published the foremost publications on the subject. He will continue to work with Horn on drug interaction books for the next year or two. He is also finishing a book on the philosophy of suffering.

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SCHOOL NEWS

PORPP News

New Graduates in Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research –


Fellow - Kavita Patel (Pharm.D., M.B.A. 2001-Drake University). Kavita completed her postdoctoral fellowship in pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research in June 2003. Her fellowship was sponsored by Roche Global Pharmacoconomics, Nutley, N.J. She is a project manager for Roche Global Health Economics and Strategic Pricing in Nutley and is currently working on hepatitis C therapeutics.

Honors and Awards

Jacqueline Gardner received the Gibaldi Excellence in Teaching Award for the UW School of Pharmacy during graduation ceremonies in June 2003.

Will Hollingsworth received the Research Trainee prize awarded by the Radiological Society of North America (2003) for his abstract and oral presentation entitled “Screening for blunt cerebrovascular injury: Evaluating the quality and accuracy of multidetector computed tomographic angiography.”


New Fellowship Opportunity

PORPP is currently inviting applicants for a postdoctoral fellowship in outcomes research focused on the use of healthcare technology assessment to improve decision-making. This is a two-year position supported by Eli Lilly Global Outcomes Research. The successful applicant will have the opportunity to spend several months at Lilly in Indianapolis.

Faculty, Alumni Win Research Award

Several School of Pharmacy faculty and alumni collaborated on a paper that received the 2003 Drug Therapy Research Award from the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP). Dave Veenstra, assistant professor of pharmacy, Mitchell Fish, Ph.D. ’91, and William Witten, Pharm.D. ’88, and Allan Rettie, professor and chair of medicinal chemistry, collaborated on a paper titled “Association Between CYP2C9 Genetic Variants and Anticoagulation-Related Outcomes During Warfarin Therapy,” which was published in the Journal of the American Medical Association in April 2002. The award was presented on Dec. 8 at the ASHP Midyear meeting in New Orleans.

The award recognizes an outstanding contribution to the scientific pharmaceutical literature of research primarily concerning drug efficacy and safety in human subjects. The study built upon original research conducted at the School under the Program Project Grant for Drug Interactions and was funded by the UW National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Center for Ecogenetics and Environmental Health. Veenstra was also supported in part by a PRMA Foundation Career Development Award, and Fish was supported by a pilot grant from the UW Institute for Public Health Genetics.

Pharm.D. Students


Marci Martin, ’04, received a Partners in Pharmacy Scholarship from the National Community Pharmacists Association.

Helen Marshall, ’05, was elected Regional Delegate at the APHA-ASP Mid-Year Regional Meeting in Portland, Ore. on Nov. 9. Her responsibilities include conducting the 7 region casus at the 2004 American Pharmacists Association (APHA) Annual Meeting, appointment to the APHA-ASP Resolutions Committee, and serving as a delegate to the APHA House of Delegates. Helen was also one of five students nationally named to the American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) Student Forum Student Society and Leadership Development Committee.

Collin Conway, ’05, recently completed his term as Region 7 mem- ber at large. Collin served as chair of the 2003 APHA-ASP Reference Committee and has been appointed as the only student member on the APHA Policy Review Committee. There are three regional officers elected each year at the mid-year meeting. UW students have been elected to a regional office for the last six years!

Adam Brothers, ’06, has been selected for the national ASHP Pharmacy Student Forum Meetings and Programming Committee.

Kasia Mazur, ’04, and Nancy Lee, ’04, competed in the Clinical Skills Competition in New Orleans at the ASHP Mid-Year Meeting in December.

Graduate Students

Three School of Pharmacy predoctoral students were honored at the 2003 Honors and Awards

Jennie Best, Debbie Abbey, Scott Strassels, and Matt Kerrigan have continuing predoctoral fellowships for the years 2003-2004 from Roche, Novartis, Purdue and Aventis, respectively. Ron Caldwell has received a predoctoral fellowship from Sanofi-Synthelabo for 2003-2005. Ph.D. student Lisa Meckley is a continuing recipient of the Achievement Reward for College Scientists (ARCS) for 2002-2005. Three students received support for their summer research projects. Lisa Meckley received support from Organon Pharmaceuticals to conduct research at Organon in Oss, The Netherlands, while incoming student Ron Caldwell worked in Paris, France with Sanofi-Synthelabo. As part of her fellowship, Debbie Atherly spent several weeks in Mozambique working on her dissertation research.

Billie Katzev, Robert McNary, and Martha Troller proudly display their UW sweatshirts presented to commemorate their 50th reunion.