Good Luck Class of 2017!!

WE WILL MISS YOU ALL!!

We all extend warm well wishes to the class of 2017 as they all move forward with their pharmacy careers! The school will not be the same without their smiling faces walking through the halls. There will be big shoes to fill once they graduate at the end of April. Best of luck class of 2017!

WHAT'S TO COME...

This fall, the College of Pharmacy will be hosting a pharmacy 5K. This will provide an opportunity for individuals to not only partake in an event to improve their health, but also learn about what pharmacy entails. Most our community is not aware of how pharmacists play a significant role in everyone’s health. The goal of our Pharmacy 5K is to bring our community and amazing student pharmacy organizations together to share the importance of pharmacy. The proceeds will be donated to Shelterhouse. In the meantime, our committees are working hard toward creating this event, which could turn into an annual celebration of the pharmacy profession.
Dear PharmD students-

It is hard to believe the 2016-17 academic year is now complete. To our P1, P2 and P3 students, congratulations on the progress you have made to date in the program. To our P4 students, congratulations on finally making it to the end of the program – it is truly a remarkable accomplishment.

I hope you have many warm memories looking back at the 2016-17 academic year. It has certainly been an exciting year in the life of our college. The first two phases of Kowalewski Hall have been completed, with the next phase including the rest of the lobby, Associate Dean Wall’s suite and another set of restrooms to be opened on May 8th. The remainder of the renovations is scheduled to be completed by August. Wherry Hall came down earlier this year and the space where it once stood will eventually be transformed into a new green space, shared with the new Health Sciences Building, which is being built near the stairs to the VA.

Four new faculty members joined the college this year and our new online graduate and MS programs in pharmacy leadership welcomed its first students. Our partnership with the University of Concepcion in Chile was finalized and we will have six PharmD students going to Chile for a study abroad experience later this year. Our agreement with Robert Gordon University in Scotland has also been finalized and we will be offering study abroad experiences there as well.

The 2016-17 academic year has been my 4th year as the dean of the college. I started my time at the college at the same time as our Class of 2017 so it has been rewarding to see this class graduate. I’m very optimistic about the future of our college and the future of our profession. According to Glassdoor.com, “pharmacist” is the 5th highest paying job in America with a median base salary of $125,847 and 5,496 job openings as of March 2017. Beyond the salary, though, is a career where you can impact the lives of patients and make a different to society.

Have a great summer and stay in touch!

Dean Mac
Organizational Updates

Take a look at what other organizations have accomplished this semester!!!

**IPhO**

This semester, IPhO has had multiple pharmacists and other representatives working in various sectors of the pharmaceutical industry come to give us presentations about what they and their organizations do. These include Dr. Mehul Mehta, Director of the FDA’s Division of Clinical Pharmacology, Dr. Ruth Stevens and Cindy Phurrough from Camargo, and Dr. Todd Banks, Associate Director of Regulatory Affairs at Medpace. Also, a group of IPhO members had the opportunity to visit Allergan's facility in Cincinnati. They were given a tour of the facility as well as some presentations about what Allergan does and about the pharmaceutical industry as a whole.

**SSHP**

This semester has been a busy, but successful, one for our chapter. We began two new fundraisers this semester: rain jackets and laptop decals. Our chapter also participated in OSHP’s Division Day in February with members participating on the communications division, legal affairs division, and educational affairs division. In addition, our chapter held our annual Meet the Residency Director Night event with nine participating programs. Many students in the P1, P2, and P3 classes attended and we received great feedback. We also held our annual Practice Advancement Initiative Week with the theme Medication Safety. To kick off the week, we had Dr. Heimann, the Cleveland VA Pharmacy Director come in and talk about his role. We also had Dr. Epplen talk about how she created her own position and how she has continued to be innovative in the profession of pharmacy. Dr. Conard discussed her role as the CCHMC Transgender Clinic pharmacist and Dr. Gordon also highlighted the importance of her role as Mercy’s Pharmacy Director of 340B Programs. We finished off the week by having two of our very own P4 members, Kali Savoca and Karly Low, discuss their experiences throughout school. Lastly, our chapter volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Cincinnati for Easter and had a great time! We would like to thank everyone that attended, volunteered, and supported all of our events. We hope everyone has a fun and safe summer and hope many of you will join us for the OSHP Annual Meeting in May!
ASCP

Spring Semester 2017 was an important one for ASCP. As a club, they pitched their case to Tribunal and were able to become an official organization on the pharmacy campus. They also hosted their bi-annual Health Fair at Twin Towers retirement home in February where they offered blood pressure screenings to the elderly and answer any medication or health related questions they had. ASCP also had a number of speakers come for talks about various areas of the pharmacy practice where geriatrics is of huge importance. They recently welcomed Distinguished Alumni and ASCP National President-Elect Chad Worz to come and speak about many of the opportunities that are available in consulting pharmacy and where he see the field of long-term pharmacy care growing in the future.

Rho Chi

This spring, Rho Chi inducted 20 bright new members from the class of 2019. Attendees were privileged to hear from Mr. Mike Espel about his career as a pharmacist. Dr. Nick Messinger was awarded with the 2017 Faculty Excellence Award. Faculty, family, and friends all came to celebrate the accomplishments of the new initiates.

Over the past year, the members from the class of 2018 worked to update and develop Brains and Guidelines. These are pocket-sized handbooks with reference information. We hope that they will help our 4th year students as they are almost ready to start rotations. Sales were a success, thank you to those who purchased! If you have suggestions for what you would like to see in the productions next year - please contact Kasey Schiff at schiffbk@mail.uc.edu.

Rho Chi has also continued the Study Lab program this past year. This is directed toward students of any year, who may not need or want a personal tutor but have questions or are looking for study techniques. The members of Rho Chi believe this is a very valuable program and we will be continuing it into the Fall 2017 semester. Spread the word!

This year the class of 2018 took an opportunity to nominate Dr. Christopher Droege, a critical care pharmacist at UCMC, for the Rho Chi Society 2018 Lecture of the Year Award. While the winner of the award has not yet been announced, we are proud to recognize Dr. Droege as a deserving candidate.

We again had a successful 4th annual OTC Challenge! Our winners were: Matthew Gibson, Sam Huheey, Meghan McMahon, and Chris Marsman. We wish them luck as they go on to represent the University of Cincinnati James L. Winkle College of Pharmacy at the statewide competition at OPA. Start studying for the 5th annual OTC Challenge now – coming spring 2018!

Have a fun and safe summer, and we look forward to seeing each of you (and our new P1’s) in the fall!
**Kappa Psi**

The Beta Phi chapter of Kappa Psi started off 2017 strong with many exciting events. Before the spring semester started, we initiated 31 new brothers, which is our second biggest pledge class! The following weekend, we made our annual trip down to Gatlinburg, Tennessee to bond with the newly initiated brothers. The events continued with elections, which occurred at the end of January. The exemplary 2016-2017 executive board passed along their knowledge and experiences and welcomed a new executive board for the 2017-2018 year. The chapter continues to push forward with planning more philanthropy events, such as Health Screenings, Adopt-A-Highway, Pie a Beta Phi, and a collaborative Health Fair with Kappa Epsilon, the other pharmaceutical fraternity at our college. We started Tabs For Tots early this semester for the Ronald McDonald House. Our annual Hoxworth Blood Drive at the pharmacy school was a success with 35 donors! We also recently held our Founder’s Day Dinner, where collegiate and graduate members joined together to celebrate Kappa Psi. At dinner, many of our outstanding members were honored, including Lucas Hendrickson, Joe Phan, Catlin Page, and Hanna Burgin. Joe Phan was also the scholarship award recipient for our chapter. We are very proud of our members and what our chapter has accomplished in the past year and we hope to continue to uphold the traditions and values of Kappa Psi.

**PLS**

Phi Lambda Sigma is the National Pharmacy Leadership Society which serves to recognize and promote the development of leadership qualities among the pharmacy community. Members are selected to be inducted into PLS in the spring of their second-year of pharmacy school, following faculty or peer nominations. We are excited to welcome 19 new members listed here: Alitta Barnett, Amanda Gibson, Anastassia Jenjebir, Andrew Kordahi, Brooke Moorhead, Cara Coleman, Darby Cochran, Justin Payne, Lauren Lowery, Lynette Payne, Marie Yasuda, Micaela Bresler, Nikita Nambar, Rachelle Ancona, Savita Bathija, Shelby Jones, Taylor Harris, Zak Fettman and Dr. Rowena Schwartz. We elected our new executive board with Zak Fettman (President), Emily Willard (VP), Lynette Payne (Secretary), and Lauren Lowery (Treasurer). Finally, Congratulations to the members graduating! Thank you to our faculty advisor, Dr. Kelly Epplen, for all of her support for PLS! Thanks everyone for a great semester and looking forward to another one!
SNPhA

The UC Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA) Chapter has had another productive and rewarding semester. We were able to provide community services, outreach events, and collaboration opportunities with the ongoing support of SNPhA members, JLWCOP, faculty, and our mentors. We helped the underserved community of St. Vincent de Paul by volunteering at the food pantry and as an ongoing partnership with Santa Maria Community Services, we were able to screen patients for high blood glucose at the spring health fair. Also, in collaboration with the UC Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha, we had a Heart Healthy Happy Hour event at the UC main campus to provide blood pressure and blood glucose screenings. SNPhA was also given the opportunity to participate in the college’s recruiting committee which further expanded SNPhA’s involvement with the college. In January, 7 teams consisting of students from the College of Medicine and Pharmacy participated in the second annual “Get Buckets” Basketball tournament fundraising event. In February, We held elections for the SNPhA executive board which resulted in filling 6 elected and 6 appointed positions. In our general body meetings, we had the pleasure of hosting former Dean, Dr. Dan Acosta and Dr. Avant as speakers. In the very last general body meeting of the semester, we invited our PY4 SNPhA students to share their experiences regarding rotations and job/residency interviews. Moreover, we enjoyed the support and mentorship of CinPhA and appreciate them inviting SNPhA to their general body meeting. We look forward to another awesome school year coming up and hope everyone has a fun and enjoyable summer break!

CPNP

During the 2016-17 school year, CPNP recognized Suicide Awareness Week by handing out informational handouts to each student and setting up a memory board in the student lounge dedicated to those who have lost their lives to suicide. In September, we held a bake sale and donated the profits to Suicide Prevention for Adolescents. Later in the fall, we had a fundraiser at Chipotle. Throughout the year, we had many interesting guest speakers at our meetings such as Dr. Sanha from UCMC and Dr. Schappacher from CCHMC's Pediatric Clinic in College Hill. In May we will be participating in the NAMI Walk at Sawyer’s Point.
ASCP

This semester, ACCP continued its annual event of an Organ Donation Challenge, a competition between the College of Medicine and the College of Pharmacy to register students or document their status as organ donors to raise awareness for this cause. The College of Pharmacy won this year as well and we will be keeping the purple plush kidney trophy for yet another year. Our chapter also hosted its second-annual Residency Roundtable event on Tuesday, April 4th in Kowalewski Auditorium. Our guests included recently matched PY4’s and current PGY1’s, soon-to-be PGY2’s, to encourage intimate and small-group discussions on various topics relating to pursuing a residency. The event was informative and successful and again we are looking forward to continuing this organization tradition as well. On April 12, the annual and national college-to-college competition of the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge took place as well, and while the results are still being determined, one student group will continue to the next level of online college competition. On a final note, ACCP will be initiating a new philanthropy at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital on Tuesday, May 23 during which we will host the Seacrest Studio Bingo Nights for the Kids. Our chapter has had an eventful and productive Spring semester and we are looking forward to what the next year brings.

KE

Our eventful, fun packed year included several events supporting the Kappa Epsilon philanthropy of Breast and Ovarian Cancer Awareness. Members participated in the American Cancer Society’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk, assembling goodie bags for cancer patients, and sending out handwritten Girls Love Mail letters all as part of our Breast and Ovarian Cancer Awareness “BOCA” week. All proceeds from this project went to the American Cancer Society. Our organization had a lovely initiation in the fall welcoming several new members and began a big/little program where our new initiates were matched with an existing member to create opportunities for bonding and unity. This spring our project was Go Red for Women’s Heart Health with proceeds going to the American Heart Association. We also held our annual Mr. White Coat competition where we crowned Dylan Barth as Mr. White Coat 2017! We greatly appreciate the support, participation, and generosity of our classmates, faculty, and staff. We can’t wait for another great year!
**CPFI**

During this year’s Spring Semester, the University of Cincinnati College of Pharmacy CPFI Chapter engaged with students in a variety of ways. The CPFI general body meetings included exciting guest speakers such as our very own Dean MacKinnon, Dr. Daniel Marsman from Proctor and Gamble, and several P4 students who shared their APPE experiences. CPFI launched the first Random Acts of Kindness week that focused on encouraging pharmacy students to push through to the end of the semester. The CPFI chapter offered the students free goodies like chips, granola bars, and even a visit from a therapy dog to lift their spirits. The semester also included a weekly Monday morning prayer and Bible study open to all students and faculty. As the school was faced with many hard situations this semester, the Monday morning prayer became a great way to start the week. This spring semester was full of new and successful events. Moving forward, CPFI has high expectations for the coming school year!

**APhA**

It has been an exciting 2016-2017 season for APhA-ASP! From professional meetings, to patient care projects, we are continuously proud of all the hard work our members provide for our community. This past October was our Midyear Regional Meeting, which was planned by our very own Becca Lahrman and was hosted right here in Downtown Cincinnati at the Millenium hotel! We attracted over 300 student pharmacists to our city and had a great queen city casino themed social. We also pioneered the first ladies initiative to ensure flu vaccinations for patients in our community who don’t necessarily have proper access to care. Our faculty auction was once again an amazing success with awesome packages such as the thrilling Go-Kart Racing with Dean Mac and Drs. Gudelsky and Phoenix, and the classical Casino Night with Drs. Desai, Doherty, Healy and Hein! Lastly we had a great attendance at our Annual Meeting in San Francisco! We had over 30 UC student pharmacists attend and explore the unbelievable opportunities that APhA and the academy provide. As we wrap up this semester, we look forward to providing even more for the college in the upcoming years. Stay Tuned!
NCPA

NCPA has had a great year! Several speakers came and discussed their impact on independent pharmacy and consulting. We took part in The Linus Project where we made blankets for children in need. We put on two successful Trivia Nights, one per semester. Everyone had a great time and we raised a lot of money! Our badge clip fundraiser was prosperous. We are very excited for next semester. We have a lot planned for the fall, ranging from a variety of social events to healthcare events. Also, be on the lookout for some new products that will be sold by NCPA! We hope everyone has a great summer break and we look forward to making NCPA great again!

See you all in the Fall for more fun!

Until then JLWCop!! Happy Summer!