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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

We are pleased to report that the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) voted in June to advance the college of pharmacy to Candidacy accreditation status. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the students, faculty, staff and members of the board of trustees for all of their hard work and dedicated service, which was essential in obtaining this advancement through the accreditation process.

The college still has much to do to obtain full ACPE accreditation and accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and I look forward to working with each of

you in fulfilling these requirements.

The college is preparing to welcome the Class of 2010 on August 20, 2007 at the Garden Campus for orientation. The college will conduct a two day orientation for incoming P1 students and P2 students. Incoming P1 students will meet with their faculty and student advisors, mingle with current students and learn a great deal about the program they are entering during the two day orientation. The faculty and administration are looking forward to another productive and exciting academic year at UACP.



Eleanor Sue Cantrell, MD

UACP ADVANCES TO CANDIDATE STATUS

The University of Appalachia's College of Pharmacy (UACP) has been granted candidate status by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). The favorable decision was made after a site visit by an ACPE team and a vote of the council in Chicago, Illinois. Attending the ACPE board meeting on behalf of UACP were Dr. Sue Cantrell, president of the University of Appalachia and dean of the pharmacy school, Mickey McGlothlin, chairman of the University's board of trustees, and Whitney Caudill, assistant dean of student and alumni affairs.

Candidate status may be awarded to a new program that has students enrolled but has not had a graduating class.



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THOMPSON & LITTON TO DESIGN NEW BUILDING

UACP has engaged Thompson & Litton, based in Wise, Virginia, to provide architectural services in the design and construction of a new building on the College's Garden Campus at Oakwood, Virginia.

UACP is planning a new facility to house two large classrooms, several smaller classrooms, faculty offices, and laboratory facilities. Currently, UACP's first and second year students attend class at separate campuses at Garden and Slate Creek. The construction of the new building will allow the Garden Campus to accommodate both first and second year students as they progress through the didactic curriculum while third year students are out in the field on clinical rotations.

Thompson & Litton has been in operation since 1956 and serves its five-state Mid-Atlantic client base from offices in Wise, Radford, Clintwood, and Tazewell, Virginia, and in Bristol, Tennessee, with a professional and support staff of architects, engineers, surveyors, land-use planners, construction administrators, grant/financing specialists, and other support personnel. For this project, Thompson & Litton has associated with the Lewis Group Architects, Inc. based in Knoxville, Tennessee. The Lewis Group is the architect for the University of Tennessee's recent pharmacy school expansion in Knoxville, which is just reaching substantial completion and will be ready for occupancy this coming school year.



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EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT OF AACP TO SPEAK AT COMMENCEMENT

Lucinda Maine, executive vice-president of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, based in Arlington, Virginia, has accepted UACP's offer to serve as keynote speaker at the College's first graduation. The College's inaugural graduation is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on May 17, 2008 at Riverview Elementary/Middle School for the charter class of 2008.

Dr. Maine completed her pharmacy degree at Auburn University and received her Ph.D. in the Kellogg Pharmaceutical Clinical Scientist program at the University of Minnesota. She served on the faculty at both the University of Minnesota and Samford University. She also worked in the field of geriatrics while affiliated with the Park Nicollet Medical Center and Foundation in Minneapolis.



Lucinda Maine, executive vice president of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

UACP RECEIVES TECHNOLOGY AWARD

On May 24, 2007, UACP was honored with the Excellence in Technology for Education award by the Southwest Virginia Technology Council (SWVTC). The award was given during the SWVTC 2007 Awards Banquet at the Higher Education Center in Abingdon, VA, which was attended by UACP faculty and staff.

The Excellence in Technology for Education award is given annually to an educational institution in the Southwest Virginia region that has demonstrated technological innovation or advancement to benefit both its students and the community at large. This is closely aligned with the University of Appalachia's mission, which is to improve the quality of life for the residents of Central Appalachia through enhanced opportunities and access to education, health care, and environmentally sound economic development. Thus, the University is honored to be recognized with an achievement that fits closely with its intended mission.

Charles Breese, Associate Dean for Academic and Curricular Affairs, accepted the award on behalf of UACP. "We are honored to receive this award, and we hope to continue to use technology to advance education and improve the quality of life in the region," Dr. Breese said.

The Southwest Virginia Technology Council, which was formed in 1999, exists to lead Southwest Virginians in addressing technology issues for business, education and government with the purpose of enhancing the vitality and social well-being of Southwestern Virginia.



UNIVERSITY OF APPALACHIA ADOPTS LOGO

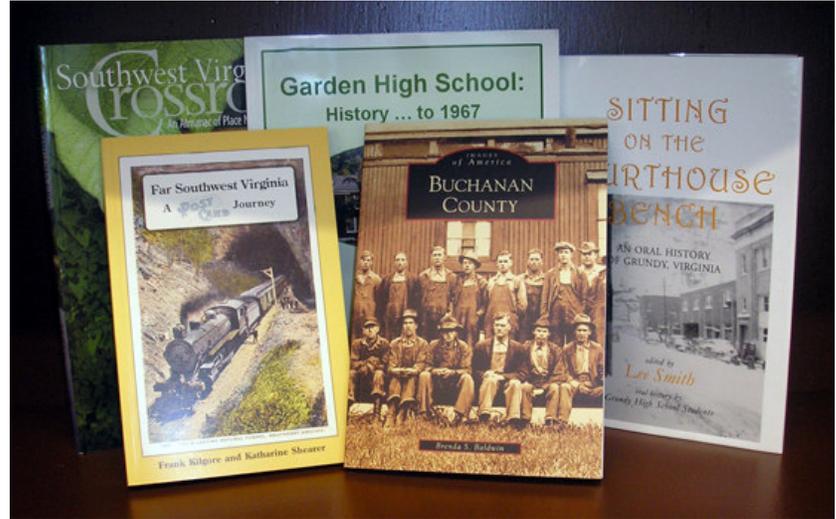


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The University of Appalachia commissioned graphic designer Mily Lusk of Innovations based in Big Stone Gap, Virginia to design the official logo of the University of Appalachia. The University's board of trustees approved the design you see here by a unanimous vote of the board members present to serve as the University's official logo. The University of Appalachia College of Pharmacy will continue to use its logo as shown on the first page of this newsletter.

LIBRARY UPDATE

UACP's Library and Learning Resource Center has begun building a small but growing "Local Interest" collection at its Garden library. Library staff have begun identifying and collecting books, maps, and other materials pertaining to Buchanan County, southwest Virginia, or Central Appalachia. Books written by local residents or individuals or persons affiliated with UACP are also of interest. If you have any books that you would like to donate to this collection, please contact the library at 276-498-4190 or library@uacp.org.



DIABETES DAY CAMP

Four members of the Class of 2008, Dr. Adkins, and Dr. Hagen manned the medication information table at the Diabetes Day Camp held at the Breaks Interstate Park on June 15, 2007. The Diabetes Day Camp was sponsored by Buchanan General Hospital and organized by Pam Hinkle, RN, CDE, of the hospital. UACP's student body was represented by Kerri Rowlett, Shawna Blankenship, Eural Viers, and Eric Hicks.

Many adults and children came by the table and identified their medications and discussed their proper use. Most of the children were insulin dependent, so one of the most popular demonstrations was the three day adhesive port with a small soft catheter. This can reduce the number of needle sticks for these children by a factor of ten, and it generated much interest and was demonstrated many times in the course of the afternoon.



These health-related community service hours made a valuable contribution to the lives of this growing population in our region. The time spent and the personal interaction were very satisfying to all who participated.

CANDIDATE STATUS

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The granting of candidate status denotes a developmental program, which has taken into account ACPE accreditation standards and is expected to mature in accord with stated plans within a defined time period. Reasonable assurances exist that the program will become accredited as programmatic experience is gained, generally, by the time the first class has been graduated. Graduates of a class designated as having candidate status have the same rights and privileges as graduates of a program that has accreditation status.

Dr. Cantrell stated that "UACP is proud of the recognition given by ACPE in awarding candidate status. We look forward to building a reputation for education excellence, commitment to medically underserved communities in rural Appalachia, and sharing our successes and lessons learned with other rural communities for the benefit of all."

Dean Cantrell added that the benefactors of the school deserve ongoing thanks and credit. "The Buchanan County Board of Supervisors, its industrial development authority, the Coalfield Economic Development Authority, several foundations and individuals, private businesses and the federal government, including the Appalachian Regional Commission, all played key roles."



APPE ROTATIONS BEGIN FOR CLASS OF 2008

Lance Moore (left) and Bryan Fields (right) work with Chuck Price (center) of TigRx Pharmacy in Honaker, Virginia as part of their Advanced Pharmacy Practice Rotations (APPE), which began May 28, 2007. Third-year students will complete eight five-week rotations as part of the APPE requirements. Lance and Bryan are performing a study called *The Use of Pedometers in Monitoring the Blood Pressure and Health Related Quality of Life (HRQOL) of Patients in a Community Setting* as part of the required Health and Wellness APPE Rotation, which focuses on improving health in rural, medically underserved communities in Central Appalachia.





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FACULTY NEWS

Dr. Charles Breese has published the following article: Wijayawardhane N, Shonesy BC, Vaglenova J, Vaithianathan T, Carpenter M, **Breese CR**, Dityatev A, and Suppiramaniam V. 2007. Postnatal aniracetam treatment improves prenatal ethanol induced attenuation of AMPA receptor mediated synaptic transmission. *Neurobiology of Disease* 26(3):696-706.

Dr. Eleanor Sue Cantrell co-authored the following article: Behringer B, Friedell GH, Dorgan KA, Hutson SP, Naney C, Phillips A, Krishnan K, **Cantrell ES**. 2007. Understanding the challenges of reducing cancer in Appalachia: addressing a place-based health disparity population. *Californian Journal of Health Promotion* 5(Spec. Iss.): 40-49.

Dr. Cantrell was one of three women physicians from VCU honored at a reception for the national exhibition *Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians*, in which she is featured. This exhibition is sponsored by National Library of Medicine and the American Medical Women's Association. The reception was held at the Tompkins-McCaw Library at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA on June 29, 2007.

Dr. Cantrell delivered the keynote lecture at the conference *Gestational Diabetes and Beyond: Managing Gestational Diabetes and the Prevention of Type 2 Diabetes* held at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center in Abingdon, VA on May 11, 2007.

Whitney Caudill, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Dean of Student & Alumni Affairs, was appointed by the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors to serve on the Board of Southwest Virginia Community College.

Dr. David Gettman gave the following presentation at the 154th Annual Meeting & Exposition of the American Pharmacists Association, Atlanta, GA, March 17-18, 2007. **Gettman D**. *Stakeholder Analysis on Institutional and Policy Reforms that Address Developments in Pharmacogenomics*.

UACP would like to welcome the following new faculty members: Jennifer Campbell, Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice; Mike Lee, Assistant Professor of Pharmacology; Frederick Tejada, Assistant Professor of Medicinal Chemistry; and D. Raymond Weber, Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice.