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WELCOME FROM THE DEAN

Spring has sprung here in the mountains of Southwest Virginia and on the campus of the Appalachian College of Pharmacy (ACP). The new academic building is nearing completion and the campus grounds have come to life with azaleas, redbuds, and dogwoods in bloom.

On May 16th, the Class of 2009 will participate in the College's second annual commencement exercises and hooding ceremony at the ACP campus. Numerous events are scheduled the week preceding graduation to honor our graduates and to highlight their community health-based research projects. Our first-year and second-year pharmacy students are looking forward to advancing to the next professional year with the start of the summer term in May and to having clinical rotations during the upcoming summer months.

The College continues to expand its faculty family and welcomes three new members to the Department of Pharmacy Practice, Dr. Matthew Bledsoe, Dr. Leah Hollon, and Dr. Patti Baxter-Lynch. Also, Dr. Randy Mullins has transitioned from an adjunct professor to full-time status within the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

Susan Mayhew, PharmD

UNIVERSITY OF APPALACHIA CHANGES NAME TO APPALACHIAN COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

The University of Appalachia Board of Trustees at its February 17, 2009 meeting voted unanimously to rename the institution the Appalachian College of Pharmacy. This action was taken upon the recommendation of the College's accreditation consultant to facilitate and streamline the institution's upcoming application for accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools ("SACS"). The College must obtain SACS accreditation to become fully accredited. The institution's president, Michael G. McGlothlin described the change as necessary to "better reflect who we are and what we do as an institution." The University has only one program—the Doctor of Pharmacy program—and

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GARDEN CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION NEARING COMPLETION

The Appalachian College of Pharmacy's new construction on its Garden Campus located at Oakwood, Virginia is slated for completion in early May 2009 and will serve as the site of commencement exercises for the Class of 2009. The facility will include two lecture halls, a model pharmacy, a simulation lab, a faculty research lab and offices. The College's mission is to educate and prepare pharmacists to serve Appalachia and rural areas around the world and this facility is key it assisting the College continue to fulfill its mission. The College is continuing its campaign for funding for completion of the new building. Naming opportunities are available and all contributions are tax-deductible. If you wish to partner with us in our mission by giving, please contact Terry Kilgore, Dean of Institutional Advancement at tkilgore@acpharm.org or 423.335.3160.

ACP NAMES PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT AND NEW DEAN; TWO RECEIVE PROMOTIONS

The Appalachian College of Pharmacy Board of Trustees has named Michael G. McGlothlin the President of the Appalachian College Pharmacy and Whitney J. A. Caudill Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer. Mr. McGlothlin has been associated with the College since its inception and has served the College as a Trustee, Chair of the Board of Trustees and Interim President. Mr. McGlothlin is a Grundy, Virginia based attorney, a lifelong resident of Buchanan County and a graduate of Garden High School. Mr. McGlothlin is also a graduate of the University of Virginia and the Marshall-Wythe College of Law.

Michael McGlothlin
President

Ms. Caudill has been with the College since February 2006 and has served the College as Interim Dean, Assistant Dean of Student and Alumni Affairs and will continue to serve the College as Associate General Counsel. Ms. Caudill is a 1995 graduate of Grundy High School, a 1999 graduate of the University of Virginia. Ms. Caudill received her Doctor of Jurisprudence degree at the University of Tennessee College of Law.

Whitney Caudill
Executive Vice President

On March 17, 2009, the Board of Trustees announced that long-time College employee Dr. Susan L. Mayhew was appointed Dean of the College. Dr. Mayhew has been with the College since its inception and has served as the Interim Dean, Associate Dean for Pharmacy Practice Programs, the Chair of the Pharmacy Practice Department and Professor of Pharmacy Practice. Dr. Mayhew received her Degree in Pharmacy from the University of Tennessee and completed residency training, specializing in nutritional support, at the University of Maryland Medical System, in Baltimore, Maryland.

Susan Mayhew
Dean

The Board of Trustees also approved the promotion of Dr. Charles R. Breese. Dr. Breese has been named Senior Associate Dean of the College. Dr. Breese has been with the College since 2006 and has served as Interim Senior Associate Dean, Associate Dean for Academic and Curricular Affairs, Chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical, Administrative and Social Sciences and Professor of Pharmacology. Dr. Breese received his Degree in Chemistry from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his Ph.D. Degree in Pharmacology and Physiology from Wake Forest University.

Charles Breese
Senior Associate Dean

In addition, Dr. Michael J. Lee was named Assistant Dean of Student & Alumni Affairs. Dr. Lee has been with the College since 2007 and has and will continue to serve the College as Assistant Professor of Pharmacology and Chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences Faculty Search Committee. Dr. Lee is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and received his Ph.D. degree at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center.

Michael Lee
Assistant Dean of
Student and Alumni
Affairs

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the use of the term "university" does not accurately represent the singular stand-alone nature of the College's operations. The new name Appalachian College of Pharmacy more accurately reflects the institution's mission to serve the health needs and to train pharmacists to serve the health needs of rural and underserved communities particularly in Appalachia and around the world.

The College will submit an application for accreditation with SACS in March 2009 and was recently notified that its accreditation status with the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education ("ACPE") was continued until June 30, 2010. This name change will not affect the College's accreditation status with ACPE or the Commonwealth of Virginia.

THIRD ANNUAL HONORS AND AWARDS NIGHT

On March 19, 2009, the Appalachian College of Pharmacy held its third annual Honors & Awards Night, which honors first year, second year and graduating students for their academic and professional achievements during the 2008-2009 academic year. Dr. Amanda Blankenship delivered the invocation before introducing the college's newly appointed Dean, Dr. Susan Mayhew, who delivered opening remarks. The master of ceremonies, Dr. Michael Lee, Assistant Dean of Student & Alumni Affairs, began by recognizing student volunteers, the 2009 graduation committee, student government and organization leaders, and students who participated in local, state and national competitions before honoring the Student Volunteer of the Year Award, Mr. Saumil Vaghela. Dr. Mayhew then recognized members of the Dean's List of the Class of 2009. These students achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or better at the end of the P3 Fall 2008 semester. Dr. Mayhew also presented the Dean's Award to Whitney Johnson (Class of 2011), Adriann Deguzman (Class of 2010) and Jeri Lynn Howard (Class of 2009).

The program then turned to awards for highest GPA and best student performance in the therapeutic, pharmaceutics and basic science portions of the curriculum. Also, ACP's annual awards for community service, outstanding leadership, distinguished service, professionalism and academic excellence were awarded to one student in each class. These awards included a plaque from ACP and $100 generously donated by CVS Pharmacy.

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Dr. Michael Lee presents Saumil Vaghela with the Student Volunteer of the Year Award.

Michael Logsdon presents Dr. Charles Breese with the Outstanding Basic Science Teaching Award.

Best in Integrated Sciences	Julianna Fogleman
Best in Therapeutics	Brett Price
Best in Pharmaceutics	Brett Price
Highest GPA	Adam Stitt (P3) Danh Phan (P2) Stacy Altice (P1) Julianna Fogleman (P1) Kelly Hill (P1)
Community Service Award	Benjamin Gibson (P1) Jessica Lee (P2) David Steinberg (P3)
Outstanding Leadership Award	Gene Anderson (P1) Megan Metivier (P2) Michael Logsdon (P3)
Distinguished Service Award	Levi McAllister (P1) Benjamin Price (P2) Andrea Raines (P3)
Professionalism Award	Thomas Gambrel (P1) Saumil Vaghela (P2) Edgar Talbott (P3)
Academic Excellence Award	Nnamdi Ezenyi (P1) Danh Phan (P2) Jennifer Hasis (P3)

Eli Lilly Achievement Award	Felix Kipchirchir
TEVA Outstanding Student Award	Adam Stitt
VSHP Excellence in Health System Pharmacy Award	Deanna Donaldson
Facts & Comparisons Award of Excellence in Clinical Communication	Tabitha Stanley
Roche Pharmacy Communications Award	Deanna Donaldson
Merck Awards	Kalina Stevens-McGlothlin Thomas Adams
Rite Aid Retail Management Award	Lisa Howard
NCPA Outstanding Student Award	Gene Anderson
C-Health Award	Lisa Howard
History of Pharmacy Award	Edgar Talbott
VPhA Student Award	Jennifer Hasis
ASHP Recognition Awards	Wendy Fleenor Megan Metivier
VSHP Student Leadership Award	Wendy Fleenor
Rx Portfolio National Achievement Award	Emily Tschop

2009 COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE;
WILLIAM LETENDRE TO ADDRESS THE CLASS OF 2009

The Appalachian College of Pharmacy will hold its annual commencement ceremony on May 16, 2009 where it will confer Doctor of Pharmacy degrees to the Class of 2009. The invitation and ticket only ceremony will be held at College's Garden Campus at Oakwood, Virginia. The outdoor ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will be followed by a light reception.

William Letendre, Vice President – Pharmacy Management Services for Professional Compounding Centers of America, Ltd, Houston, Texas will serve as commencement speaker. Mr. Letendre received his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Master of Science in Pharmacy degree from the University of Texas at Austin, and Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Phoenix. He holds appointment as Adjunct Professor at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, the University of the Pacific, Mercer University, Western University and the University of Houston. He has been honored as a Fellow in the American College of Apothecaries, the American Pharmacists Association, and the International Academy of Compounding Pharmacists. The graduation event schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, May 5, 2009	4:00 pm	**Rehearsal for faculty, staff, and board members**	Garden Campus
Sunday, May 10- Tuesday, May 12, 2009		**Class of 2009 Board Review**	Garden Campus
Tuesday, May 12, 2009	7:00 p.m.	**Rho Chi Initiation Ceremony**	Garden Campus
Wednesday, May 13, 2009	9:00am	**ACP Board Review**	Garden Campus
	12:00pm	**Student Regalia and Ticket Distribution**	Garden Campus
Thursday, May 14, 2009	8:30am	**Practice NAPLEX**	Garden Campus
	1:00pm	**APPE Poster Session**	Garden Campus
	7:00pm	**P3 SGA Dinner/Dance**	Garden Campus
Friday, May 15, 2009	TBA	**Class of 2009 Picnic**	Garden Campus
Saturday, May 16, 2009	11:00am	**Hooding & Commencement Ceremony**	Garden Campus

STUDENTS ATTEND VPHA PHARMACY DAY AT THE VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

On January 28, 2009, ACP students Aaron Burnette, Will Hardy, Saumil Vaghela, Adriann Deguzman, Tom Gambrel, Jason Burket, Levi McAllister and Nick Anderson participated in the annual Virginia Pharmacists Association ("VPhA") Pharmacy Day at the Virginia General Assembly. ACP students participated in a health fair for members of the General Assembly and their staff members, which included health screening and blood pressure evaluations. ACP students also met with several Southwest Virginia legislators regarding current legislation and the legislative process. The students met with Delegates Terry Kilgore, Dan Bowling, Annie B. Crockett-Stark and Joe Johnson. Assistant Professors Whitney Caudill and Holly Hurley accompanied the ACP student delegation.

CONSOL ENERGY DONATES FORMER WHITEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL STAIR TREADS FOR ACP'S NEW FACILITY

A part of the former Whitewood High School building has been preserved with CONSOL Energy's donation of 28 bluestone stair treads located in the old Whitewood building to the Appalachian College of Pharmacy (ACP).

The stair treads were installed in late March in the new ACP building now under construction at Oakwood.

CONSOL Energy acquired the Whitewood building after executing an option for the property it entered into with Buchanan County late last year. The deed formally conveying the property to CONSOL was recorded in February.

ACP officials contacted CONSOL to ask about the possibility of acquiring the Whitewood stair treads in late February. College of Pharmacy officials had been looking for bluestone stair treads like those found in the old Garden building it previously renovated, attempting to match the stairs in the second campus building under construction with those found in the Garden building. ACP officials were not able to find the stone to match in the same color and knowing that the building at Garden and the building at Whitewood were constructed in the same time period, ACP officials surmised that perhaps the stair treads in the Whitewood building would match those found at Garden. They asked CONSOL if they could check the Whitewood building stairs and it turned out the stone stair treads there were a perfect match.

CONSOL agreed to the donation of the stair treads needed for the new building, which resulted not only in the aesthetic character of both buildings being matched, but also, in a savings to the college of pharmacy in building materials costs of approximately $8,000.

CONSOL Energy and CNX Gas, a CONSOL Energy company, also previously donated a combined $500,000 to ACP for the construction of the new building.

Pictured, from left, front, are Garden Supervisor Berlin Viars; CONSOL Energy District Land Manager Philip Lowe; ACP Dean Susan Mayhew; and back ACP President Mickey McGlothlin; ACP Executive Vice President and Counsel Whitney Caudill; and South Grundy Supervisor and ACP Trustee Roger Rife.

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In addition, the student body honored faculty and preceptors for their outstanding service to ACP students. Charles Breese, Ph.D., Senior Associate Dean, was presented with the Outstanding Basic Science Teaching Award; Sarah Melton, Pharm.D. was honored with both the Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award and ACP Preceptor of the Year Award; Ms. Lisa Hess was honored with the Administrative Staff Member of the Year Award. Leanne VanMeter, R.Ph., owner of Medical Park Pharmacy in Grundy, was awarded the Roche Preceptor of the Year award.

Finally, ACP faculty presented awards to graduating students. Several of these sponsored awards included monetary awards, artwork, reference materials and plaques. Michael Beller, R.Ph., regional Pharmacy Recruiter from Rite Aid Pharmacy, presented the Rite Aid Retail Management Award to Lisa Howard, which included a certificate and $1,000.

ACP congratulates both the students honored at the awards banquet and the entire student body for their hard work and dedication.

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FACULTY NEWS

Drs. **Donna Adkin**s and **Holly Hurley** presented a CE program entitled "Pediatric Asthma" at the Virginia Pharmacists Association Mid-year Meeting in Roanoke, Virginia on February 21, 2009.

Dr. **Sarah T. Melton** was named as a finalist for the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP) 2009 Research Award in Innovative Practice. Dr. Melton will present her research during the 2009 CPNP Annual Meeting on April 19-20, 2009.

Melton S.T., Townsend CA. STEPS: New Drug Reviews. Selegiline transdermal patch (Emsam) for major depressive disorder. *Am Fam Physician* 2008;77(4):505-06.

Dr. **Sarah T. Melton** authored chapters in the following recently-published books:

Kirkwood CK, **Melton ST**. "Insomnia". In *Handbook of Nonprescription Drugs: An Interactive Approach to Self-Care*, 16th ed.

Melton ST., Kirkwood CK. "Generalized Anxiety Disorder". In *Pharmacotherapy Casebook: A Patient-focused Approach,* 7th ed.

Melton ST, Kirkwood CK. "Obsessive Compulsive Disorder". In *Pharmacotherapy Casebook: A Patient-focused Approach*, 7th ed.

Kirkwood CK, **Melton ST**. "Panic, Generalized and Social Anxiety Disorders". In *Pharmacotherapy: A Pathophysiologic Approach*, 7th ed.

Dr. **Melton** presented "Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drug Misuse and Abuse: Risk Factors, Red Flags, and Prevention Strategies" at the following meetings:

Head for the Hills, Southwest Virginia Medical Education Consortium. The Breaks, VA. October 18, 2008.

Psychiatry in the Mountains. East Tennessee State University. Johnson City, TN. October 17, 2008.
2009 Virginia Pharmacists Association Midyear Meeting. Roanoke, VA. February 29, 2009.
2009 Addiction Conference:CADAS and University of Tennessee College of Medicine. Chattanooga, Tenn. Feb 19, 2009.

Melton ST. "Roundtable: Medications in the Pipeline for the Treatment of Addiction." 2009 Addiction Conference: CADAS and University of Tennessee College of Medicine. Chattanooga, Tenn. February 19, 2009.

Melton ST. "Establishing a Successful Preceptor-Student Relationship through Effective Communications and Feedback." Second Annual Pharmacist Development Symposium. University of Charleston. Charleston, WV October 25, 2008.

Dr. **Holly Hurley** authored chapters in the following recently-published books:

Briggs GC, **Hurley H**. "Home Testing and Monitoring Devices". In *Handbook of Nonprescription Drugs*, 16th ed.

Hurley H. "Osteoarthritis Case". In *Community Pharmacy Practice Case Studies.* American Pharmaceutical Association, 2009.

Tejal K. Mehta, John J. Dougherty, Jianlin Wu, Catherine H. Choi, **Ghous M. Khan**, Robert A. Nichols. "Defining presynaptic nicotinic receptors regulated by beta amyloid in mouse cortex and hippocampus with receptor null mutants (p)". *Journal of Neurochemistry*. In press.

Dr. Donna Adkins was named Vice-Chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice.

Dr. Quamrun Masuda was named Vice-Chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical, Administrative and Social Sciences.