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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Having graduated its inaugural class, the University of Appalachia College of Pharmacy has begun to fulfill its mission. Seventy-nine percent (79%) of the graduates of the inaugural class are employed in the Central Appalachia and are contributing to improving the health care of citizens of rural Appalachia. In addition, at present, UACP students have devoted over 22,000 hours to community service in Central Appalachia to assist in meeting the needs of this area.

Our students' academic performance is also excelling. The Class of 2008 has a 92.06% pass rate on the pharmacy licensure exam, the NAPLEX. The performance of our students on the Pharmacy Curricular Outcomes Assessment (PCOA), and the licensure exams indicate that UACP students are performing as good as other pharmacy students when compared to programs throughout the United States. Thus the inaugural class has set an **excellent benchmark and now it's up to the** classes of 2009, 2010, & 2011 and future students to meet or exceed the performance of the inaugural class.

I challenge these classes to do even better and ask all students to let me know what we can do to help you meet this challenge.

We were visited recently by the Accreditation Council for Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE) to assess our readiness for the full accreditation status. Overall the site visit went very well and I am very optimistic of the outcome. I want to thank all students who participated in the site visit. The ACPE site visit team members were very impressed with way the students conducted themselves during the site visit and the interactions they had with students. I commend all faculty members, staff and administrative leaders for your participation and performance during the site visit.

We have initiated the process to secure accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Periodically, I will provide updates on the progress we are making towards achieving full accreditation from the ACPE as well as the SACS.

Have a wonderful, productive year.



Arun L. Jadhav, Ph.D.
Dean

MEET THE CLASS OF 2011

The University of Appalachia College of Pharmacy welcomed sixty eight new pharmacy students during new student orientation on Wednesday, August 20, 2008. The Class of 2011, **UACP's fourth class, participated in three days of orientation activities at the College's Garden Campus at Oakwood, Virginia.** Orientation activities included meetings with faculty, staff and administration, and current students. Food City generously sponsored UACP's annual Welcome Picnic at Keen Mountain Park. Also, new students also had the opportunity to meet with 28 local vendors at the UACP annual Vendor Fair.



UACP SUPPORTS RAM HEALTH FAIR IN BUCHANAN COUNTY

On October 4-5, 2008, UACP faculty and students volunteered their time at the 6th annual Remote Area Medical (RAM) health fair held at Riverview Elementary/Middle School in Grundy, Virginia. RAM is a non-profit, volunteer medical relief organization dedicated to providing free health care, dental care, vision care, and other services to people in remote areas of the United States and around the world. In other words, these services are provided to those individuals who cannot afford health care. In accordance with the UACP mission statement, the faculty and students at UACP desire to improve the general health and well-being of the residents of rural or underserved populations, particularly vulnerable populations within Central Appalachia. By volunteering their much needed time at RAM, UACP faculty and students found the opportunity to put their mission into action.

At RAM, 821 patients were cared for over the two day period. A total of 1,656 medical services were provided, and the value of health care provided to the patients was approximately \$437,771. Students and faculty predominately volunteered in the on-site stocked pharmacy along with volunteers from Virginia Commonwealth University. Patient prescriptions were filled by pharmacy, and, if a prescription could not be filled due to a medicine not being in stock, vouchers were given to the patients to use to obtain discount medications. A few of the UACP volunteers also gave assistance in the set-up of RAM and the vision, medicine, dentistry, assessment, and registration divisions of RAM. In the end, our UACP volunteers gave to the individuals of our region, and at the same time, they received a meaningful experience in return. Their eyes were opened to the vast health care needs of the surrounding counties, how wonderful the people are in the Appalachian area, and how important it is to be involved with organizations such as RAM in order to truly meet the needs of our region. For all involved, it was a weekend that will not be forgotten.



UACP Students Participate in the Annual Brown Bag Event at centers operated by the Mountain Empire Older Citizens and the Appalachian Agency for Senior Citizens to Provide Drug Education to Senior Citizens



UACP STUDENT LOUNGE DEDICATED IN HONOR OF BUCHANAN COUNTY IDA DIRECTOR AND UA TRUSTEE CRAIG HORN



On Wednesday, September 24, 2008, the University of Appalachia hosted its inaugural room dedication ceremony. The University dedicated the University of Appalachia College of Pharmacy's Garden Campus student lounge to Craig Horn for his dedicated service in support of the establishment of the college of pharmacy. Mr. Horn is a Buchanan County native and the Director of the Buchanan County Industrial Development Authority and a recently appointed member of the University of Appalachia Board of Trustees. As IDA Director, Mr. Horn played a key role in the establishment of the pharmacy school. At the request of Mr. Horn, the student lounge is named "Rachel's Room" in honor of Mr. Horn's daughter, Rachel Horn. The ceremony included remarks regarding Mr. Horn's service to the University, Buchanan County and Southwest Virginia from Michael G. McGlothlin, Interim President of the University and Terry Kilgore, Delegate and Dean of Institutional Advancement at the University of Appalachia. Miss Rachel Horn unveiled the plaque dedicating the room in her name to her father. The ceremony was held on Miss Horn's birthday and following the unveiling the attendees sang Happy Birthday To You to Rachel in honor of her special day. The ceremony was followed by a reception attended by University of Appalachia trustees, staff, faculty and members of the local government.

UACP ALUMNUS APPOINTED TO UNIVERSITY OF APPALACHIA BOARD OF TRUSTEES



UACP is proud to announce that a member of its inaugural class, Eural A. Viers, Pharm.D., has been appointed by the Buchanan County Board of Supervisors to serve a three-year term as a member of the University of Appalachia Board of Trustees. Mr. Viers received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from UACP in May 2008. Mr. Viers graduated in the top ten of his class, served as President of the Student Government Association for three years, was honored with the UACP leadership award in 2007 and 2008 and the Dean's Award in 2008. Currently, in addition to his service on the University Board of Trustees Mr. Viers is the founding President of the UACP Alumni Association. Mr. Viers is a native of Buchanan County and is currently employed as a pharmacist with Wal-Mart in Pikeville, Kentucky. He resides in the Russell Prater area with his wife Samantha Taylor Viers.

Orientation 2008 — Welcome Picnic & Vendor Fair



MEET THE CLASS OF 2011 ENROLLMENT & ALUMNI STATISTICS

Total Enrollment (3 classes)	191	UACP Alumni	
Class of 2011 Statistics		Alumni	67
Class of 2011	68	Board Passage	92.06%
Average GPA	3.86	Placement	100%
Average PCAT	61.4	Employed in the	
Female	53%	Appalachia Region	79%
Male	47%	Areas of Employment	
From Appalachia	65%	Community Pharmacy	82%
States Represented	16	Hospital Pharmacy	13%
Average Age	26	Residency Training	3%
		Academic	1%



WALGREENS DONATES \$20,000 TO SUPPORT UACP STUDENT & PROGRAMS

On October 2, 2008, Walgreens representatives Katrina Trelease and Keith Ford presented UACP Dean, Arun Jadhav, with two checks in the amount of \$10,000 for a total of **\$20,000 in support of UACP's scholarships, programs and its capital campaign.** Drs. Trelease and Ford were on campus participating in the UACP Annual Career Fair and Etiquette Dinner where they met with first and second year students and interviewed third year students for employment. Dr. Ford gave a presentation on professionalism and interview skills at the annual Etiquette Dinner for all first, second and third year students and UACP faculty and staff in attendance. Currently, UACP has seven graduates employed at Walgreens pharmacies.



ALPHA NATURAL RESOURCES MAKES \$10,000 DONATION TO UACP



Alpha Natural Resources, an energy company based in Abingdon, Virginia generously donated \$10,000 to support scholarships at UACP. Donnie Ratliff, Vice-President for External Affairs for Alpha Natural Resources (left) presented Terry Kilgore, Dean of Institutional Advancement at the University of Appalachia, a check for \$10,000 in support of the University of Appalachia College of Pharmacy. The funds will be used to continue to build the College's scholarship fund, which supports students in financial need and those with outstanding academic records. On behalf of the University Terry Kilgore stated that "Alpha's commitment to UACP is greatly appreciated and will be used to assist UACP and its students by providing needed financial assistance to the students through the scholarship fund."



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Phi Delta Chi Sponsors Breast Cancer Awareness Week Events at Grundy Food City — Raises Over \$1,100



UACP Phi Delta Chi Gamma Gamma Chapter organized and participated in Breast Cancer Awareness Week by volunteering their time to educate the community about the prevention of breast cancer. As part of the week long event the student chapter raised over \$1,100 for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

UACP Students Volunteer at Buchanan County Fall Festival to Support County Fair Association



UACP STUDENTS ATTEND NATIONAL MEETING — STUDENT HONORED

UACP's chapter of National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) attend the 110th Convention of NCPA in Tampa, Florida. The convention's agenda highlighted information on daily pharmaceutical activities, including compounding and seminars on asthma. The information extended to marketing strategies for community pharmacy and what future pharmacists can do to influence legislation. UACP was represented at the convention by second year student Shana Humes. Shana was awarded the NCPA Student Chapter Outstanding Member of the Year Award. NCPA has many opportunities for students interested in community pharmacy. The most notable of these opportunities is the ability to influence our government to allow community pharmacy to keep growing.



UACP first year students Ngoc Thuy Nguyen (left) and Trina Nguyen talk with a representative at the NCPA meeting.

FACULTY NEWS

Assistant Professor Holly Hurley presented *Immunization Review & Update 2008* to Food City pharmacists, Abingdon, Virginia.

Assistant Professor Holly Hurley and second year students Zankhana Patel, Steven Finkenbinder, Felix Kipchirchir and Jeri Lynn Howard published an article on Breast Cancer Awareness in the Richmond Times Dispatch, October 2008.

Assistant Professor Fred Tejada presented his poster: Tejada, F.R.; Messer, W.S., Jr., et al., *The potential utility of selective piperazine-containing bidentate ligands in elucidating the relative contributions of M₁, M₂ and M₄ muscarinic receptor subtypes in schizophrenia*, 2008 AACP Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, July 2008.