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As we entered this academic year, I continue to marvel at the excitement I felt, even as I start my 22nd year as a faculty member. Just being in the midst of new students reminded me of the exhilaration I felt during my first year in pharmacy school. As part of orientation we spend a great deal of time stressing the importance of studying hard, keeping up with the assignments, and finding others to become part of a “study group.”

In addition to developing good study skills, I strongly encourage every student to join the American Pharmacists Association - Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) which serves in many ways as our student government. The college includes 11 student professional organizations, and I encourage students to consider also joining an organization that matches their personal or professional interests (nuclear pharmacy, Christian pharmacists, health-systems pharmacy, community pharmacy, etc).

We know that being active in student organizations will make a huge difference in the experience they have as students. It builds friendships with classmates, provides community service, prepares political advocates for the profession, and provides personal experience with professional organizations at the state and national levels. A great example of this occurred recently. One of our third-year students, Brandi Hamilton, was voted president-elect of APhA-ASP. She will represent the College at the national level for the next two years and will have the opportunity to spend time in Washington, D.C. as our professional advocate. She also will visit many colleges throughout the country, bringing back new ideas to our student chapter of ASP.

The students’ experiences in professional organizations are greatly enriched by the support of faculty advisors who volunteer numerous hours outside of their responsibilities at the College. I am thankful for their dedication and commitment to developing our students both academically and professionally. I also am thankful for the many alumni and donors who give their time and resources to make our students organizations stronger. It does take a village!

Finally, as I’m sure you noticed, we have re-designed our magazine to make it more interesting and enjoyable for you. I hope that you like it and will let us know if you have ideas for topics you would like to see covered in future magazines. We want you to find within these pages a clear snapshot of the amazing people and commitment that keep our College moving forward in meeting the pharmacy needs of Arkansas. Thank you again for your continued support and encouragement in helping us meet our goals.
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An elderly patient opens up a brown paper sack and dozens of plastic pill bottles spill out onto the table. Some are full and have never been opened, while some rattle with just a few remaining capsules. Others roll onto the floor, and several bottles don’t even tumble out of the sack.

While it is unclear how these medications have piled up or what regimen the patient follows, a highly trained pharmacist sitting across from the patient knows there’s got to be a more efficient way.

“I see scenarios like this all the time,” said Scott Kaufman, Pharm.D., R.N., an assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice at the UAMS Northwest College of Pharmacy and a clinical pharmacy specialist in the critical care unit with the Mercy Health System in northwest Arkansas. “Somehow along the way they’ve accumulated so many different kinds of medications and have seen so many different doctors that they don’t know how to make sense of what they have and what they need.”

The best answer, Kaufman says, is the idea of a patient-centered medical home (PCMH). The PCMH is a set of standards that organizes care around patients, working in teams and coordinating and tracking care over a period of time.

“The whole point is to provide more in-depth care to patients and do it in a more efficient way,” said Jeremy Thomas, Pharm.D., an associate professor in the department of Pharmacy Practice in the UAMS College of Pharmacy. “This is the direction health care is heading, and pharmacy professionals will play a key role within this model.”
Team Players
A growing body of evidence suggests that when physicians and pharmacists work collaboratively on the medication regimen of patients, especially those with chronic conditions, patients are more likely to take their medications and achieve better health.

While there are only five accredited clinics in the state with PCMH models, that number is sure to grow swiftly considering the prominent role the PCMH plays in the Affordable Care Act. What Thomas and others in the UAMS College of Pharmacy would like to ensure is that pharmacists play a vital role on the team.

“The benefit of pharmacists’ clinical services in addressing and improving medication use quality, safety and outcomes is a natural fit into the conversation of patient-centered medical homes,” said Stephanie F. Gardner, Pharm.D., Ed.D., dean of the UAMS College of Pharmacy. “Pharmacists have the knowledge and skills to use the clinical application of medications to better serve patients. They can optimize medication use, reduce and prevent medication-related problems and improve health of their patients through medication therapy management, education, and disease prevention services.”

Making a Difference
Like Thomas and Kaufman, Tiffany Dickey, Pharm.D., an assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice at the UAMS Northwest College of Pharmacy and a pharmacy clinical specialist with Mercy Health System, routinely sees patients in a clinical setting operating within a PCMH.

“Patients with medication-related issues are referred to us,” said Dickey. “That’s when we enter the picture and our training is set into motion.”

Kaufman said the consultation is generally about 45 minutes long and includes a brief physical assessment of a patient’s vital signs, heart and lung sounds. Next they review the patient’s medications and supplements.

“We’ll look at them one by one and make recommendations to the physician on the team and the patient about how to optimize or reduce the patient’s medication burden,” Kaufman said. “Sometimes that’s two or three prescriptions and sometimes that’s 30 with an additional handful of supplements.”

Those visits are followed up with adjustments to the regimen until the right fit has been found. The benefits to the patients, Kaufman said, are numerous.

“Obviously the fewer medications they take, the easier the medications are to manage,” he said. “Sometimes there’s an adverse drug effect the physician can’t put his finger on, so we’re able to identify it and get it corrected. We recently discovered an ulcer on the bottom of a diabetic’s foot and were able to catch that before it caused a major problem. The benefits are endless.”

Patients who more efficiently manage their medication also spark economic benefits, not only in the health care system but within their own budget.

“Sometimes they are referred to us because they can’t afford their medications and we try to help them find a way to alleviate some of that cost,” Dickey said. “We have saved patients several hundred dollars a month after examining their medication list.”

Team to Study Innovative PCMH Model
Thomas is leading an effort among several College of Pharmacy colleagues to develop key relationships between patient-centered medical homes and community pharmacists that will allow the pharmacist to access the patient’s medical records by computer.

“That we want to measure the impact of the pharmacy-related interventions within that patient population,” Thomas said.

There is currently no model that establishes a relationship between community pharmacists and medical homes where medical records can be accessed electronically. The creation of these electronic bridges between pharmacy health records and the PCMH medical record will allow pharmacists to communicate with the medical home care managers and physicians remotely. Medication adherence coaching will also be provided by pharmacists and monitoring of adherence and medication therapy management services will continue throughout the study.

“This virtual care team approach is an innovative alternative for medical homes that lack an on-site pharmacist,” Thomas said. “It’s just another way we can ensure our highly trained pharmacists can operate within a PCMH model and make a difference in their patients’ lives.”
Nationally Known

Faculty, students and alumni leading by example on a national level

By Nate Hinkel
Traveling the country and meeting with colleagues from other colleges of pharmacy comes with the territory for Stephanie F. Gardner, Pharm.D., Ed.D., dean of the UAMS College of Pharmacy.

But her favorite part, intertwined among the many meetings, conferences, speeches and tours, is always getting a chance to just talk to those in the profession. Granted, that’s easy to do when you hear nothing but positive remarks.

“The comments cover certain programs and trends in Arkansas as well as the high quality of our faculty, but one common theme that most piques the interest of colleagues is, ‘How do you get so many students to commit to student organizations?’ And, better yet, ‘How do you get them to commit so much time and effort to those organizations?’” Gardner said. “I’m very proud that those are questions I receive from some of the country’s largest and most respected colleges of pharmacy. To me, that speaks volumes about the quality of educational and professional experience we’re providing at UAMS.”

And it’s not just students representing the College nationally, as faculty members and alumni are also carrying the legacy of leadership instilled at UAMS.

Through the hard work and vigorous dedication of the College’s faculty, Gardner said, a culture of participation has been created among students in the 12 student organizations offered. More than 90 percent of students belong to at least one of those organizations, which provides future pharmacists the opportunity to learn the history of the profession and offers a compass to better navigate the issues and ethics that shape pharmacy as a whole.

“By placing an emphasis on student development outside of the classroom setting, our College will attract students more apt to participate in these valuable experiences, and more well-rounded pharmacists will enter the workforce,” Gardner said. “It has quickly become a culture among faculty and students to go above and beyond, and they all support each other and promote these opportunities among themselves.”

Students Rising

The flagship student organization at the College is the chapter of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) with more than 425 members.

The UAMS chapter has created a legacy among colleges of pharmacy across the country. In 2011, for the third time in five years, the UAMS chapter was named Chapter of the Year at its annual convention. The UAMS students won the award the first time in 2006 and then again in 2009.

Eddie Dunn, B.S., Pharm.D, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, is the current APhA-ASP advisor. Until his recent retirement, Charles Born, B.S., M.S., Ph.D., professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, served as co-advisor.

But students are going beyond making a name as a whole, as several are involved in leadership roles on their own.

Brandi Hamilton, a third-year student from Jonesboro, was voted this year’s APhA-ASP National President-elect and will assume the presidency next March at the APhA Annual Meeting and Exposition in Los Angeles. As a member of the National Executive Committee, she is learning about all aspects of the Academy in preparation for her year as president. As part of her duties, she chairs the Awards Standing Committee and recently prepared and presented a webinar for Patient Care Project Coordinators.

“It has quickly become a culture among faculty and students to go above and beyond ... ”

“Serving as National President-elect is a great honor and privilege. I am working hard this year to represent all student pharmacists, as well as the College. I look forward to making a difference next year as APhA-ASP’s National President,” she said.

Hamilton follows in the footsteps of John Kirtley, Pharm.D., executive director of the Arkansas Board of Pharmacy, who served as the National APhA-ASP President 12 years ago. “My
time working with APhA as a student continues to pay dividends for me as I consistently work with people that I first met through my work as a student leader,” he says. “I am proud of Brandi for stepping up and taking on this major leadership role in the Academy. It is a challenging position, but she will do a fantastic job as president in leading the Academy and also bringing recognition and prestige to UAMS.”

Bri Morris, a fourth-year student from DeWitt, was chosen as one of four national APhA International Pharmaceutical Society Foundation (IPSF) National Project Coordinators, a role that has the DeWitt native overseeing several projects that go on in chapters across the country, including an HIV and AIDS awareness campaign, a tobacco alert campaign and other humanitarian efforts. IPSF represents more than 350,000 pharmacy students and recent graduates in 70 countries worldwide as the leading international advocacy organization for student pharmacists.

“I got involved on a campus level when I first got to UAMS and have wanted to grow both professionally and as a person by moving forward,” Morris said. “It’s been a natural progression for me and one that I am very proud to be a part of. The support and encouragement I get from faculty and students have been amazing.”

Morris hopes to forge a career working with an association related to the profession, and her experience with APhA-ASP helped her land a month-long internship last August with the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) at its Alexandria, Va., headquarters.

Kevin Barton, a fourth-year student from Greenwood, is one of four students chosen nationally to serve on the APhA-ASP Communications Standing Committee. The Greenwood native said his role is handling the social networking efforts of the organization, promoting the profession on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn, among others.

“I like to be involved and learn as much as I can,” Barton said. “It does take up a lot of additional time, but it’s well worth it. I know the hard work and experience will pay off in the long run.”

Leading by Example

Faculty members and alumni are also representing UAMS on the national level, perhaps most prominently by the selection of Nicki Hilliard, Pharm.D., professor of nuclear pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice at the College.

Hilliard, a 1983/1993 graduate of the College, recently was chosen President-elect of the APhA Academy of Pharmacy Practice and Management (APhA-APPM), becoming the first sitting faculty member at the College and the first nuclear pharmacist nationally to serve on the APhA Board of Trustees.

In her position on the Executive Committee, she joins Natasha Jackson, Pharm.D., a 2007 UAMS College of Pharmacy graduate, who serves as the APhA-APPM New Practitioner Officer (2011-2013).

“It’s quite an honor to not only serve the APhA-APPM as President, but to represent nuclear pharmacy and UAMS on the APhA Board of Trustees as well,” said Hilliard, an established leader within the pharmacy profession having served as APhA section chair and chair of the Board of Pharmacy Specialties Specialty Council on Nuclear Pharmacy.

She has previously served as Member-at-large of the APhA-APPM Executive Committee, where she was chair of the APhA-APPM Awards and APhA-APPM Communications Committees. She is innovative in the use of Internet technology and was awarded the APhA-APPM Merit Award for her efforts to increase communication among practitioners. In 2008, she was awarded the APhA Distinguished Achievement Award for Nuclear Pharmacy Practice and started the nuclear pharmacy program at UAMS in 1991.

“It’s nice to have so many from the College representing us nationally,” Hilliard said. “It really gives us a chance to go out there and bring back different perspectives and ideas to help us move forward here at UAMS.”

With the addition of Tery Baskin, Pharm.D., president and chief executive officer of RxResults, an offshoot business venture of the College, who will be serving as treasurer of the APhA, UAMS will have no shortage in the ranks of the APhA Board of Trustees. With Hilliard, Hamilton, and now Baskin on the board, three of the 16 positions are held by people from UAMS.

Baskin, a UAMS graduate, has been active in pharmacy associations on both a state and national level, serving as president of the Arkansas Pharmacists Association and also on the APhA Board of Trustees. He started his leadership activities as a student APhA-ASP speaker of the house. Later he served on the APhA Foundation Board of directors for six years, including one as president.

These are only a few examples of leadership in the College of Pharmacy, but they represent a great source of pride for Dean Gardner, the college and for UAMS. “We all have reason to be extremely proud of the reputation for leadership our students and faculty have among our colleagues in professional associations throughout the nation,” says Dean Gardner.
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Resident Program Grows

The College welcomed 18 new residents for the 2012-2013 academic year, spanning the programs on campus, at Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System and Arkansas Children’s Hospital. Additional residents accepted positions at Baptist Health North Little Rock and White River Medical Center. The program continues to grow, increasing from 13 residents in 2011-2012. Twenty-two pharmacists also participated in the Teaching Certificate Program on July 30-31.

New PhD Program Approved

The College’s plan for a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences was approved. The proposal had been previously approved by the University of Arkansas Board in September and by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education Coordinating Board in October. Peter Crooks, chair of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Brad Martin, division head of Pharmaceutical Evaluation and Policy, led the effort with the support of the faculty.

Students Have Fun and Learn at Pharmacy Camp

Thirty-seven high school juniors and seniors from Arkansas and 2 other states attended the annual Pharmacy Camp June 10-15. Activities included off-site practice visits, lab experiences, lectures and training, with outings to the Clinton Library and Little Rock Climbing Center. For more information visit www.pharmcollege.uams.edu/pharmacycamp.

UAMS Receives Liver Transplant Award

The Medical Center was named one of nine top awardees in a field of 111 hospitals evaluated to receive a Liver Transplant Excellence Award from HealthGrades, a leading provider of information to help consumers make an informed decision about physicians or hospitals. Seth Heldenbrand, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, is a clinical specialist and solid organ transplant faculty member.

Admissions Report Information as of 8/6/2012

119 new students in class of 2016
Average overall GPA at time of enrollment: 3.50
Average PCAT composite percentile at time of enrollment: 67th percentile
46 Male, 73 Female
Average age at time of enrollment: 23.5 years
Degrees at time of enrollment: BA/BS: 82
Master’s Degree: 2
Doctoral Degree: 1
Number of students paying non-resident tuition at time of enrollment: 12

The College of Pharmacy now utilizes the Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS) online system to accept applications from interested future pharmacy students. Visit their webpage at www.pharmcas.org for more information.
What is the 12th Street Health and Wellness Center?
This is facility that offers interprofessional experiences for UAMS students and provides health and wellness services to people in the 12th Street area. The Center is totally interprofessional, incorporating students from several professions at UAMS.

How did it begin?
Alumni Karrol and Vicki Fowlkes donated a building four blocks south of UAMS that housed the former Finnegan’s and USA Drug pharmacies. Dean Gardner immediately saw the potential for a health and wellness center to provide experiences of all UAMS students.

What is the mission of the Center?
Our mission is to improve access to health care through student-led interprofessional health and wellness services.

What are the goals of the Center?
The Center provides patient- and family-centered services to prevent and improve chronic health conditions; provides health- and disease-related education; promotes health literacy; fosters interprofessional education in a community setting; facilitates collaborative practice skills among future health care practitioners; and promotes respect for cultural differences.

What inspired you to serve as the Center’s first director?
Having been at the Veterans Administration for the past six years, I developed an appreciation for interprofessional health care; it’s a major part of patient care there. This job will give me the opportunity to bring those experiences to UAMS and to our students.

Who will staff the Center?
The Center will be staffed by UAMS students in all years of their individual programs. A licensed health care professional will be at the Center whenever any services are being provided.
What services will be offered?
Initially, we intend to focus on hypertension management to include medication counseling, blood pressure monitoring, and diet and exercise counseling.

What other colleges and units are involved?
The colleges of Health Professions, Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health, as well as the Translational Research Institute and the Center for Diversity Affairs are involved. Students from the Clinton School of Public Service also are working with us to conduct a needs assessment for the area.

What are future plans?
We plan to be able to offer a wide variety of services as we grow and expand this Center. Our goal is to become a five-day-per-week operation with all professions on the premises at all times.

How can alumni and friends be involved?
Alumni and friends can volunteer with projects and community outreach programs, spread the word about the Center, and make monetary donations. Our success will depend on their involvement.

How is the community involved?
The 12th Street community has been involved from the beginning. Community Advisory Board members serve as liaisons and advisors. We continue to involve them to help us determine the direction of the Center. We communicate through businesses, churches and community organizations to help spread the word about the value of services at the Center.

How are students involved?
Students are represented on the Professional Advisory Board and are excited about the experiential opportunities and the possibilities for outreach in the community. They have great ideas and are eager to plan and carry out programs at the center. The UAMS Association of Student Government hosted a block party for the 12th Street Center in May. We can look forward to more events of this type.

How will the Center be funded?
It will be funded through UAMS grants and donations from alumni, friends, corporations and foundations. Chancellor Dan Rahn has provided $100,000 in start-up funds, and the state Department of Health has provided $75,000 for a research project there. Proposals are out to several foundations now, and donations from alumni and friends are welcome.

What will the Arkansas Department of Health Grant fund?
Partnering with the Department’s Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Chronic Disease Branch, students will conduct health screenings in the 12th Street neighborhood to better characterize the cardiovascular health of residents and develop procedures for a telephone-based follow up of patients with uncontrolled risk factors. The data will be benchmarked to national guidelines and state and national health statistics. The College’s Drug Information Center will serve as an outbound call center to reach patients with significant cardiovascular risk factors. Students will provide telephone-based risk-factor education, collect data on medication adherence, and refer patients to the Center when necessary.

For more information about the Center, contact Lanita S. White at (501) 686-5433 or lswite@uams.edu.
Gardner Named ACE Fellow

Dean Stephanie Gardner is an American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow for 2012-2013. The program prepares leaders from across the country by pairing them with presidents of colleges and universities, and under their mentorship the Fellows take on special projects and assignments. The program was established in 1965 with more than 1,500 Fellows to date, and is the most comprehensive leadership development program in American higher education today. More information on the ACE Fellow program can be found at www.acenet.edu.

Researchers Publish Breakthrough Paper in Radiation Protection

College faculty published a paper in the prestigious journal Nature Medicine detailing their breakthrough research on a molecule called thrombomodulin and the ways it can protect the body from radiation poisoning. Martin Hauer-Jensen, associate dean for Research, was lead author on the paper, with co-author Daohong Zhou, professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Snehalata Pawar, assistant professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Junru Wang, research assistant professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, also contributed.

From left, Snehalata Pawar, Junru Wang, lead author Martin Hauer-Jensen, and co-author Daohong Zhou.

Thank you for making a pledge during the Alumni Phonathon in October!

If you would like to make a Phonathon pledge payment online go to www.giving.uams.edu to make your gift. Be sure to list the name of the fund to which you’d like to give. The list is on the back of your pledge form or can be found at www.giving.uams.edu/cop under the Philanthropy section.
Promotions

Three promotions have changed the face of the administration in the College.

Schwanda Flowers ’99, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, has been promoted to associate dean for student affairs and faculty development. She will work closely with student organizations and faculty to help them fulfill their missions and goals.

Amy Franks ’01, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, has been promoted to department chair of Pharmacy Practice. For more information, see Pharmacy Practice News on p.17.

Kat Neill ’00, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, has been promoted to assistant dean for experiential education. She previously focused on health-systems pharmacists, and her work now will involve experiential education in all areas. She will work closely with Anne Pace, Pharm.D., assistant professor of pharmacy practice, to provide Introductory and Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences.

Born Caps 20+ Year Career at College

Faculty and alumni joined Charles Born ’67, professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, to honor him at a campus reception in April, as he prepared to leave the College after 22 years of teaching. Past roommate Jim Morse ’67 shared stories from their years in pharmacy college, and John Kirtley ’02 lauded Born as a teacher and mentor. Also present was his wife, Cheryl Born ’67, and donors to the Charles K. Born Scholarship established before his retirement.

Born with spatula and autographed apron, a nod to his years spent flipping burgers for the College’s annual Academy of Student Pharmacists.

Quotes from alumni:
“Dr. Born’s forthright and engaging lecture style made him one of my absolute favorite professors. His dry, quick wit kept us on our feet while we learned from him.”

Brigette Nelson ’95

“Dr. Born has helped countless student pharmacists realize that, even in the infancy of their careers, they could begin to make a difference.”

Trey Crumby ’05
Marjan Boerma was promoted to associate professor of Pharmaceutical Science, with tenure.

Chenghui Li was promoted to associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, with tenure.

Howard Hendrickson was promoted to associate professor of Pharmaceutical Science, with tenure.

Lindsey Dayer ’09, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, and Victoria Seaton ’10, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, were featured in a January UAMS web article about a summer research fellowship program called the Arkansas IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence, funded by the National Institutes of Health Institutional Development Award (IDeA). They were fellows in the program before attending the College and joining the faculty.

Renee DeHart, former associate dean for Student Affairs and Faculty Development, left the College in May to assume the role of assistant dean for Student Affairs at Samford University’s McWhorter School of Pharmacy. Pictured is DeHart, right, with Kendrea Jones ’05, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice and Ashley Castleberry ’11, pharmacy resident, at a reception held for DeHart.

Eddie Dunn ’79/’94, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, and Stephanie Gardner, dean, co-authored an article titled “A summer pharmacy camp for high school students as a pharmacy student recruitment tool” in the May issue of American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education.

Bill Gurley, professor of Pharmaceutical Science, was awarded the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences Outstanding Faculty Award from the graduating class of 2012 at the Senior Honors Convocation in May. Mallory Linck ’12 presents Gurley with his plaque.

Seth Heldenbrand ’97, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice; third-year student Gavin Jones; and Nalin Payakachat, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, co-authored a poster “Extended Comparison of Therapeutic Treatment Outcomes of De Novo Liver and Kidney Transplant Recipients with Generic Tacrolimus (Sandoz) or Brand Name (Prograf)” at the June 2012 American Transplant Congress in Boston.

Seth Heldenbrand ’97, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, was awarded the Pharmacy Practice Outstanding Faculty Award from the graduating class of 2012 at the Senior Honors Convocation in May. Above, Dan Price ’12 presents Heldenbrand with his plaque.

Heldenbrand also received an Honorable Mention in the 2012 Pharmacy Today One to One Patient Counseling Recognition Program at the American Pharmacists Association’s annual convention in March.
Kendrea Jones '05, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, was appointed to a three-year term on the American Burn Association’s education committee.

Chenghui Li, associate professor of Pharmaceutical Science; Brad Martin, division head of Pharmaceutical Evaluation and Policy; Qayyim Said, assistant professor Pharmacy Practice; and Amy Franks '01, chair of the department of Pharmacy Practice, co-authored an article titled “Effect of the clopidogrel-proton pump inhibitor drug interaction on adverse cardiovascular events in patients with acute coronary syndrome” in the June issue of Pharmacotherapy.

Li also co-authored an article titled “Medicaid coverage and utilization of covered tobacco-cessation treatments: the Arkansas experience” in the June issue of the American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

Holly Maples, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, was named Rho Chi Teacher of the Year in April. Above, fourth-year student Amanda Stolarz presents Maples with the award.

Maples also was appointed to the Arkansas Children’s Hospital Consortium of America’s antimicrobial stewardship committee.

Brad Martin, division head of Pharmaceutical Evaluation and Policy, co-authored an article titled “Mental health disorders and long-term opioid use among adolescents and young adults with chronic pain” in the June issue of Journal of Adolescent Health.

Martin also presented the poster “Factors Associated with Chronic and Non-Chronic Opioid Initiation in Persons with Chronic Non-Cancer Pain” at the 31st Annual Meeting of the American Pain Society in Honolulu in May.

Martin also presented a poster titled “Comparative Effectiveness Research Collaborative Initiative (CER-CI) Part 1: Interpreting outcomes research studies for healthcare decision makers” at the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy meeting in San Francisco in April.

Martin presented a poster titled “A Descriptive Study of Opioid Use in the Management of Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy (DPN) in a Large Commercially Insured Population” to the International Society of Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

It was co-authored by Qayyim Said, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice; Jeremy Thomas ’03, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice; and Jon Wolfe ’76, professor of Pharmacy Practice. Martin also presented two short courses, “Instrumental variables in addressing selection bias in observational studies” and “Introduction to retrospective database analysis.”

Grazyna Nowak, professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, received the 2012 UAMS Educational Technology Excellence Award in July, recognizing her excellent work in creating and leveraging online course materials to further student learning.

Snehalata Pawar, assistant professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, received the 2012 UAMS Medical Research Endowment award of $15,000 for her project titled “Role of C/EBP delta in normal tissue radiation injury.”

Jacob Painter has joined the faculty in the Division of Pharmaceutical Evaluation and Policy as an assistant professor.

Jon Wolfe ’76, professor of Pharmacy Practice, presented a paper entitled “Governor McMath and the Founding of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences,” during a celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of the late former Arkansas Gov. Sid McMath. Student pharmacists offered health screenings in conjunction with the event.
It’s hard to believe our first full year of classes at the UAMS Northwest College of Pharmacy is in the books and the campus is already in our second academic year.

Our first year went smoothly, and we have expanded from 21 to 29 students. This would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the administration, faculty, staff and students in the planning and coordination of the Northwest campus.

There are several exciting developments, beginning with a couple of experiential additions that will be a major benefit to the overall training we have to offer future pharmacists.

**Experience Matters**

Last spring, we announced a $1.5 million grant from the Pat and Willard Walker Foundation to build a student clinical education center on the Northwest campus. The education center will include a clinical skills center and a student clinic. The clinical skills center will allow students to practice with standardized participants taught to simulate professional and lay health care scenarios. It will also allow students to practice clinical skills in an educational atmosphere while getting crucial feedback from instructors monitoring their performance.

Currently, Northwest students are required to travel to the Little Rock clinical skills center for examinations. The addition of the clinical skills center on the northwest campus will reduce the amount of required travel for students.

We are also excited about the interprofessional education opportunities at the student clinic. This student-led clinic will be staffed by pharmacy, medicine and nursing students, as well as preceptors from each respective profession. Students will see patients while learning to work in an interprofessional, patient-centered manner. The first steps in construction have begun.

We have been meeting regularly with architects and builders and expect that the student education center will be completed by March 2013.

We are also excited about the relocation of the Northwest Arkansas Free Clinic from its downtown Fayetteville location to the UAMS Northwest campus. Renovations have begun, and we anticipate the move to be completed this academic year. We hope this move will further increase interprofessional opportunities on the Northwest campus.

**Odds and Ends**

Another noteworthy development has been the addition of a new mobile IVN (interactive video network) unit. The unit was purchased with funds donated by Collier Drug Stores Inc., owned by Mel Collier. We are grateful to this supportive company that has seven pharmacies in northwest Arkansas. Carl Collier ’64, former owner, serves on the Northwest Arkansas Advisory Board. The mobile unit expands the ability of Northwest students and faculty to meet with instructors, staff and students in Little Rock.

I think it’s also worth noting that third year Northwest pharmacy student Andy Roller will serve as president of the College’s chapter of the American Pharmacists Association – Academy of Student Pharmacists. As in Little Rock, it’s important that Northwest students are active in the leadership of student professional organizations. Andy is the first Northwest student to serve in this role.

As you can tell, we are quickly transitioning from the newness of our first full year into a well-prepared and established center of learning that is in line with the UAMS College of Pharmacy’s overall goal of meeting the state’s pharmacy needs. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at warmackthomass@uams.edu or (479) 713-8401.
It’s been an exciting fall semester within the College of Pharmacy’s Department of Pharmacy Practice. Among the most notable changes are two additions to our faculty that I am thrilled to tell you about:

- Lanita White joined UAMS in July as an assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice. She serves as the inaugural director of the UAMS 12th Street Health and Wellness Center and will lead students in building interprofessional health and wellness services in a community setting. There’s more on the progress of that project below.

- Jacob Painter joined UAMS in August as an assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice in the Division of Pharmaceutical Evaluation and Policy (PEP). He joins the PEP faculty as they continue the development of the doctoral program and will coordinate the Pharmacy Management course beginning in spring 2013.

And while we are delighted about our valuable newcomers and the potential they hold in helping us move forward, we have also promoted three faculty members who are already integral parts in helping us meet our goals. Schwanda Flowers ’99 and Kathryn Neill ’00 were promoted to associate professors, while Chenghui Li was promoted to associate professor with tenure.

Our faculty continues to lead national efforts to advance pharmacy practice and continues to represent the UAMS College of Pharmacy in many influential roles among the nation’s top experts in the profession. Flowers serves as the chair-elect of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Experiential Education Section and as an advisory board member for the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) Step-by-Step Implementation Guide and Resource Manual for Implementing Community Residencies. Nicki Hilliard ’83/’96 recently was installed as president-elect of the APhA Academy of Pharmacy Practice and Management and chair of the Policy Standing Committee. Holly Maples was recently appointed to the Children’s Hospital Consortium of America’s Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee. And Brad Martin was appointed vice-chair of the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research Education Committee.

Community Health and Wellness Center Update

It was just in the last issue I used this space to introduce a new project we have undertaken following the generous donation by the Fowlkes family of a building near 12th and Cedar streets, just five blocks south of campus.

If you’ll remember, we chose to use that space to establish a community, interprofessional health center to carry on the tradition of patient care that was established by Vicki and Karrol Fowlkes, both ’74, when it was Finnegan’s Pharmacy.

We have come a long way since that announcement, and plan to have the UAMS 12th Street Health and Wellness Center up and running early next year. The building is undergoing a rigorous renovation, with six examination and counseling rooms being constructed to allow students to perform individualized services to patients. A conference room will also be finished to house group education sessions as well as meetings for the center’s essential Community Advisory Board.

It’s been our aim to be as all-inclusive as possible on campus with this project, and those efforts are paying off with many key donations from other campus facilities. The most notable are the conference tables, chairs and file cabinets we’ve received as a result of the UAMS Library’s ongoing renovations.

I am extremely excited to be a part of this effort, and equally thrilled to have Lanita White join us to be its inaugural director. As always, we look forward to hearing your ideas. Please feel free to contact me at afranks@uams.edu or (501) 296-1296 or Lanita White at lswhite@uams.edu or (501) 686-5433.
My first year in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences has been quite a monomental year for discovery. The new drug discovery laboratories have been completed and we now have about 4,000 square feet of new research laboratory space and 1,500 square feet of new office space. This facility houses faculty, research staff, postdoctoral fellows and graduate students who are carrying out innovative work on promising new drug developments. The labs are constantly buzzing with activity, so please feel free to stop by for a tour of this new facility.

We also added new faculty, including Guangrong Zheng, an assistant professor with expertise in drug design and synthesis. He is working on drug discovery and development strategies. His ongoing studies include the design and synthesis of treatments for drug abuse, including methamphetamine use, and for the treatment of leukemia, as well as many other research projects. Nukhet Aykin-Burns, an assistant professor in the Division of Radiation Biology, conducts research on the role of reactive oxygen/nitrogen species in aging and aging-related diseases; the differences between normal and tumor cell metabolism; the effects of environmental toxins such as lead and PCBs on oxidative stress and aging-related diseases; and the effects of glucose metabolism, mitochondrial free radicals, and oxidative stress on cancer phenotypes.

Two valued faculty members, Charles Born ’67 and Larry Milne, retired from the department this year. They both served many years on the faculty and played significant roles in the growth and development of the College. Born joined the College in 1990 and served as associate dean of Student Affairs. He is the recipient of numerous teaching awards, including the prestigious Chancellor’s Faculty Teaching Award in 2007. Milne joined UAMS in 1977 as dean of the College of Pharmacy and then went on to become vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and Research Administration in 2003. During his leadership the College saw significant expansion with the introduction of the Pharm.D. and non-traditional Pharm.D. programs. Born and Milne will be missed.

Our faculty has been very productive this year with more than 50 peer-reviewed research papers published in well-respected science journals. This represents the highest number of scholarly articles ever published by our faculty in a 12-month period. Recently, a team of scientists led by Martin Hauer-Jensen (including Daohong Zhou, Snehalata Pawar, Junru Wang, and Qiang Fu from the Division of Radiation Health), published a study in the high-impact Nature Medicine journal describing the discovery of a targeted approach to protect blood-forming cells from radiation injury.

Additionally, major research grants totaling nearly $6.5 million have been awarded.

A significant achievement is the development and submission of a proposal to the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees for the establishment of a Pharmaceutical Sciences Graduate Program at UAMS. If approved, this joint effort by the Departments of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmacy Practice will establish for the first time on the UAMS campus a Ph.D. graduate program that will encompass the current research initiatives in drug discovery and development, radiation health and pharmaceutical evaluation and policy.

In this academic year, we plan to hire new faculty with outstanding credentials in both teaching and research, and to recruit well-qualified applicants for our new graduate program.
Education
Pharm.D., University of North Carolina (UNC), Chapel Hill; Fellowship in Cardiovascular Pharmacology, Case Western Reserve University; Ed.D., University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Professional History
I joined the College as assistant professor in the department of Pharmacy Practice, in 1991 and served in that capacity until 1996 when I was named chair of the department. In 2003, I was named professor and became dean of the college in 2004.

Reason you are an educator
I think I loved school so much, I was never willing to leave!

Course(s) you teach
I am an instructor of Special Problems in Academic Pharmacy, a two-hour elective course for a senior Pharm.D. student interested in a career in academia. Since 2003, I have served as co-coordinator and lecturer in Career Orientation and Communications, a two-hour didactic course for first-year pharmacy students.
Best advice for your students
Find time to participate in student professional organizations, especially in the activities that reinforce what you’re learning in the classroom (e.g. health screenings, working in free clinics), and take care of yourself. Pharmacy school is tough...take a break sometimes!

Mentors or role models
Barbara Wells, Pharm. D. (Former Dean, University of Mississippi), Cliff Butler (the first pharmacist I ever worked for at Eckerd Drugs from 1983-86), Eleanor Workman (my 8th grade teacher and the one who made the biggest difference for me), Dan M. Rahn, M.D., UAMS Chancellor

Family
Husband Alan, son David, P2 in the College of Pharmacy; daughter Erica, sophomore at UNC Chapel Hill

Community activities
Member of St James United Methodist Church, St. James Prayer Shawl Ministry

Major changes you’ve seen in your career and/or time at UAMS
Over the past 21 years at UAMS, I’ve seen tremendous growth on campus: new institutes, new leadership, and a beautiful new hospital. I’m also extremely pleased to have been part of a very committed and talented faculty that has seen major growth of our College. Our students are excelling, our research program is continuing to grow at an incredible pace, and our faculty is developing new clinical programs that serve the state.

Guests at your fantasy dinner party
Matt Lauer (he could talk about anything), Madeleine Albright (one of the female political figures I most admire), Audrey Hepburn (my favorite actress), Maya Angelou (I enjoy hearing her speak whenever she’s interviewed), and Ms. Shealey (She owned the bakery when I was a kid. I don’t know how she made her cinnamon rolls, but I’d love to have a chance to ask her.)

Hobbies
SCUBA, Bicycling
Perry Named CPE Director

Amanda Perry, M.Ed., has been named director of the College’s Continuing Pharmacy Education (CPE) Office. She will expand CPE activities in order to reach participants by increasing the use of technologies available at the college. Contact Amanda at ASPerry2@uams.edu or (501) 686-5396 if you have any questions.

CPE Monitor

Beginning June 1, 2012, the UAMS College of Pharmacy Continuing Pharmacy Education Office now submits participant credit via the online database, CPE Monitor. This is a national, collaborative effort by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to provide an electronic system for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to track their completed continuing pharmacy education (CPE) credits. It also will offer boards of pharmacy the opportunity to electronically authenticate the CPE units completed by their licensees, rather than requiring pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to submit their proof of completion statements (i.e. statements of credit) upon request or for random audits.

Sign up today! Register for your eProfile ID @ http://www.nabp.net/programs/cpe-monitor/cpe-monitor-service/

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For more information visit our website www.pharmcollege.uams.edu/cpe
Need for Scholarships is Critical
By Ann Turney

The need for student scholarships remains critical, even though the College’s tuition, at about $15,000 per year, is among the lowest in the country. According to the College’s most recent senior salary survey, approximately 83% have student loans averaging $93,722 upon graduation.

In recent years, the amount awarded and the number of students receiving aid has increased as our endowment has grown from $1.9 million to $4.2 million. This growth is due to new scholarships established by alumni and friends, including the Clark Family, Larkin Family, Charles Born and George Wimberly Scholarships.

Gifts to establish or build on endowed scholarship are invested in the highly successful University of Arkansas Foundation Fund. Then about 4.8% of the income from each fund is given annually in the form of scholarships. The remaining income is re-invested in the funds, so they continue to grow and more provide student aid.

Please consider making a gift today that will either establish a new scholarship or add to a current one. It is a great way to honor or memorialize a family member, classmate, a favorite faculty or friend. Scholarships can be established with cash, securities, or stock. Pledges of three to five years are welcome.

You can endow a new scholarship in honor of your family, friends, or even a favorite professor, with one of these options:

- Endow a scholarship that will pay FULL tuition for a student each year with a gift of $350,000
- Endow a scholarship that will pay $4,500 of a student’s tuition each year with a gift of $100,000
- Endow a scholarship that will pay $2,250 of a student’s tuition each year with a gift of $50,000
- Endow a scholarship that will pay $1,000 of a student’s tuition each year with a gift of $25,000

Steps in scholarship establishment:
- Establish criteria for the award (i.e. characteristics of recipient or geographic area).
- Work with staff on gift agreement, terms of gift, etc.
- Make your gift.
- Receive information about your recipient(s) each spring.
- Receive an invitation to annual Scholarship presentation event/luncheon.
- Receive a letter of thanks from the student(s) who receive your scholarship
- Receive recognition on a permanent plaque.
- Receive recognition in an article in college magazine.
- Receive recognition in the Honor Roll of Donors.
- Enjoy the satisfaction of helping future pharmacists.

Please contact me, if you have questions or need more information: (501) 686.6391 annturney@uams.edu

Carl Collier ’64, right, with Scott Warmack ’98, associate dean at the UAMS Northwest College of Pharmacy, and the mobile IVN unit purchased with funds given by Collier Drug. The mobile IVN is used to conduct meetings between the Northwest and Little Rock campuses.
Students, Donors Celebrated at Luncheon

Students and donors were the focus of the Annual Student Awards Luncheon in April, sponsored by Walgreens. Approximately 100 students and donors enjoyed visiting and sharing pharmacy stories.

Melanie Reinhardt ’81 Pharm.D., chair of the Faculty Awards Committee, presided, and Eric Horras ’03, spoke on behalf of the donors. Fourth-year student Kevin Barton represented the student recipients with remarks of gratitude. A total of $244,500 was presented to 88 students in the form of 123 scholarships and awards.

Practical Pharmacist and friend of the College George Wimberly dies

Practical pharmacist, friend of the College, pharmacy and legend and political leader George Wimberly died in February, just two days after his 92nd birthday. For more than 50 years he worked at Buice Drug in Little Rock, both as an employee and owner. The Honorable George Wimberly Scholarship was established at the College in 2011 in his honor by eight alumni and friends. Memorial gifts may be made to the scholarship by sending donations to the UAMS College of Pharmacy, 4301 W. Markham St., #522, Little Rock, AR 72205, or online at www.uamshealth.com/giving.

Dean’s Donor Recognition Dinner

More than 100 of the College’s leadership donors attended a silent auction and dinner at the Arkansas Governor’s Mansion in February. Guests were greeted by Gov. Mike Beebe, Chancellor Dan Rahn and Lana Rahn, and Dean Stephanie Gardner and Alan Gardner. Attendees were thanked for their generosity and received an update on the College from the Dean.

Faculty and students attend motivational interviewing seminar

Healthcare speaker Bruce Berger delivered a motivational interviewing seminar to faculty and students in August. Berger, who is president of Berger Consulting, LLC and emeritus professor at Auburn University, has developed a program called Comprehensive Motivational Interviewing Training for health care providers and Auburn University Motivational Interviewing Training Institute. He has taught motivational interviewing in health care for more than 15 years.
A new Ambassadors program has been established for College of Pharmacy graduates and friends who want to use their leadership skills to:

- Help with career and recruiting events
- Network with students and faculty
- Provide feedback on programs
- Volunteer at 12th Street Health & Wellness Center
- Speak to classes and organizations
- Help host alumni and friend events
- Support the College with time, talents, gifts

The program provides members with volunteer opportunities, while giving our students valuable interactions with professional mentors beyond the College.

For information on the Ambassadors, contact Jan Hastings, associate dean for Development, hastingsjk@uams.edu, (501) 686-6472 or go online at www.giving.uams.edu/copambassadors.
College of Pharmacy Honor Roll of Donors Fiscal Year Report of Gifts for Fiscal 2011-12
July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

The generosity of these 467 alumni is greatly appreciated by the College. During fiscal 2011-12, they made gifts to the Friends of the College Fund, the Charles Born Scholarship, the Dean’s Society, and numerous other scholarships and endowed funds. Donors are listed alphabetically by class year.

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Graduation Activities

The College conferred 105 graduates with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree during the UAMS Commencement Ceremony at Verizon Arena in North Little Rock on May 19. The Arkansas Pharmacists Association (APA) sponsored a breakfast during which the graduates were inducted into the APA. Parents Club co-chair Lindy Spaulding presented graduates with professional nameplates, and Cheryl Bryant ’04, president of the Alumni Association, inducted them into the association.

At the Honors Convocation ceremony, graduates received academic hoods and awards, with Melanie Reinhardt ’81/’08, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, and Scott Warmack ’98, associate dean of the UAMS Northwest College of Pharmacy, assisting with the hooding. Parents and family members joined their graduate at the Graduation Brunch on Saturday before commencement.

Evan Seacrest ’12 with family at the Graduation Brunch.

Drew Curtis ’12 with family at the Graduation Brunch.

Sarah Norman Ashby ’12 with family at the Graduation Brunch.

Charity Kincannon ’12 receives the Faculty Gold Key Award, signifying the highest scholastic record in the class, from Dean Stephanie Gardner, at the Seniors Honors Convocation.
Congratulations to the Class of 2012! Welcome to the Alumni Association:

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News from the Salary Survey of 2012 graduates is positive. Of the 98 graduates who responded, the percentage of students who accepted positions rose from 82 percent in 2011 to 88 in 2012. More students accepted residency positions, 11 in 2012 compared to 8 in 2011. The average salary increased for our recent graduates (excluding residents) by $1,886 to $115,992. While their salaries did increase, their student debt rose as well to an average of $93,722 per graduate from $82,998 in 2011.

Although the marketplace has changed over the last few years, we believe that our graduates continue to find good opportunities and excellent starting salaries. Changes in the health care environment should lead to even greater opportunities for the profession.

Stephanie F. Gardner, Pharm.D., Ed.D

Summary
- 98 UAMS COP graduating pharmacy students completed the survey.
- 88 percent have accepted a position.
- 30 percent believe the position opportunities available were excellent or good.
- 64 percent of those who have accepted a position did so in a community/retail setting.
- 11 students have accepted a residency/fellowship position.
- 5 percent will receive a sign-on bonus and the average reported sign-on bonus is $10,250.
- 44 percent of the students accepting positions will practice pharmacy in central Arkansas. Excluding residencies, 43 percent of the students accepting positions will practice pharmacy in central Arkansas.
- Overall, 13 percent of the students accepting positions will practice pharmacy or do a residency out of state. Excluding residencies, 15 percent of the students accepting positions will practice pharmacy out-of-state.
- Top benefits include: paid vacation, health insurance, paid holidays and retirement, which are the same as in 2011; 5 percent of graduates will receive APA membership dues paid by their employer.
- Average salary for a pharmacist (excluding residency) position is $115,992; an increase of $1,886 (1.65 percent increase) from 2011.

Average salaries reported by UAMS College of Pharmacy Graduates 2002-2011

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Salary Survey results compiled by Paul O. Gubbins, professor of Pharmacy Practice and director of Clinical Research.
Congratulations to the UAMS APhA-ASP Chapter!

At the annual convention in March, the College’s chapter received awards and members were elected to national positions.

- Division AA APhA-ASP Chapter Achievement Award
- National Winners of Operation Heart
- Second-year student Brandi Hamilton, elected 2012-2013 National APhA-ASP President-Elect.
- Third-year student Rachel Howells, first runner up in the National APhA-ASP Patient Counseling Competition
- Fourth-year student Bri Morris, elected IPSF National Project Coordinator
- Fourth-year student Kevin Barton, elected National APhA-ASP Communications Standing Committee Member.
- Sarah Ashby ’12 of Benton, recipient, Nellie Wakeman Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education Fellowship of $7,500.

Students also presented posters, along with faculty members.

- Second-year student Marlene Battle presented a poster with Bhavika Patel, pharmacy resident, Nalin Payakachat, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, and Denise Ragland ’95, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, titled “Patterns of Contraceptive Use in Women Receiving Prenatal Care at an Academic Healthcare Center.”
- Third-year student Sarah Butler presented a poster with Schwanda Flowers ’99, associate dean for Student Affairs and Faculty Development, and Kat Neill ’00, assistant dean for Experiential Education, titled “An Evaluation of Student-Identified P3 Longitudinal Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experiences (IPPEs) in Community Settings.”
- Butler presented a poster with Flowers, Neill, and Anne Pace, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, titled “Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience (IPPE) Preceptors Perception of a Likert-Based Grading Scale in Objectively Evaluating Students.”
- Brittany Goings ’12 presented a poster with Flowers, Pace, and Eddie Dunn ’79/’94, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, titled “Evaluation of Patient Responses to New Pseudoephedrine Regulations.”

Stephanie Gardner with third-year student Brandi Hamilton at the APhA-ASP meeting.

Sarah Ashby with Nancy Stankiewicz of the Kappa Epsilon fraternity at the APhA-ASP meeting.
End of Year Picnic Honors Born

The annual ASP end of the year student picnic in April was a celebration of Charles Born ’67 and his years of service to the College. Born served as an ASP advisor alongside Eddie Dunn ’79/’94, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice. More than 250 students, faculty and alumni, including Born’s sister Cheryl, attended. Dunn, along with Scott Pace ’01, fourth-year students Allison Hollis, Victoria Pruitt and Andy Roller, and Dean Stephanie Gardner, shared stories of Born and how he has impacted their time at the College.

NCPA students encouraged political advocacy with a voter registration drive on campus in March and participated in 20 screening events across the state. Arkansas independent pharmacy owners participated in roundtable sessions at a networking social last May, giving students the opportunity to ask questions about community pharmacy. Also, a short film created by chapter members won the NCPA ReelRx video clip contest and was shown at the annual convention in October.

A team representing the College won the prestigious National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) Business Plan Competition during the NCPA’s annual convention in October in San Diego, Cal. The 9th annual competition brought three teams of students together to present ideas of community pharmacy ownership. Fourth-year students Kevin Barton, Tiffany Bermekmeyer, Brandyn England, Blake Johnson and Tyler Shinabery submitted the plan with the assistance of Schwanda Flowers ’99, associate dean of Student Affairs and Faculty Development, and Anne Pace, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice. In the final live competition, they faced The University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy and the University of the Pacific Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy & Health Sciences. More details are available on the College’s website, www.pharmcollege.uams.edu

Fourth-year student Corey Hayes received the United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Practice Award, established to recognize pharmacy students’ contributions to public health. The award reflects his work in the classroom and his community involvement, promoting better health for Arkansans. As he receives his Pharm.D., Hays will also complete his master’s degree in Public Health. He has received many honors, including being selected as a Paul Ambrose Scholar. He also headed a team that received an American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Community Engaged Service Award for establishing immunization and screening programs at the Mexican Consulate in Little Rock.

U.S. Surgeon General Regina Benjamin, center, is pictured with fourth-year student Corey Hayes, Alissa Ferrari ’12, Sara Benfer ’12 and Christine Browning ’11 at the National Health Promotion Summit, held in Washington, D. C. in April.

Fourth-year student Gavin Jones, along with Seth Heldenbrand ’97, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, presented a poster co-authored with Nalin Payakachat, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice, and Joshua Bornhorst of the Department of Pathology, to the American Transplant Congress. The title of the poster was “Extended Comparison of Therapeutic Treatment Outcomes of de novo Liver and Kidney Transplant Recipients with Generic Tacrolimus (Sandoz™) or Brand Name (Prograf®)”. 
Mark Riley ’76/’97 of the Arkansas Pharmacists Association (APA), third from left, congratulated third-year students at the northwest campus during the Professional Pinning Ceremony in April. With Riley are fourth year students Andy Mikles; Victoria Pruitt; Jessica Cowart; Scott Warmack ’98, associate dean for the College of Pharmacy Northwest Campus; and Brent Still. The ceremony was sponsored by the APA.

Fourth-year student Bri Morris, left, and third-year student Brandi Hamilton, second from right, meet with Arkansas U.S. Rep. Tim Griffin along with Joe Courtright, CEO of USA Drug, during the National Association of Chain Drug Stores RxImpact Day in Washington, D.C. in March. The students visited seven legislators, encouraging them to support legislation beneficial to pharmacists.

Three students and their faculty mentors attended the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy annual meeting, as part of the Walmart Scholars Program. Recipients were chosen for their interest in pursuing careers in academia. Attending were former resident Christy Agee ’11 with mentor Melanie Claborn, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice; fourth-year student Ryan Farris with mentor Amy Franks ’01, department chair of Pharmacy Practice; and Sarah Ashby ’12 with mentor Nalin Payakachat, assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice. All were provided with $1,000 scholarships to attend the meeting and participate in teaching seminars.

Students who made the Dean’s List for their first semester in the fall of 2011 were honored at a luncheon in January. Among those honored were second-year students Brooks Tune, Angela Berlin, Brandon Smith and Angela Howland.

Fourth-year student Amanda Stolarz presented her poster titled “Fenofibrate Modulates Colony Stimulating Factor Production in Cystic Fibrosis Bronchial Epithelial Cells” at the International Lung Conference in Pittsburgh in October 2011. Stolarz was awarded the Voldeng Research Fellowship and completed her research project in the laboratory of Elvin Price, assistant professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
UAMS Pharmacy Students Go International for Clinical Experiences

More student pharmacists are seizing opportunities to travel for clinical experiences. Last year students participated in service and educational experiences in several countries, either to gain experiential credits or with service ministries tied to local organizations.

Second-year students Leah Cyphers and Laura Harvey spent a week in Tegucigalpa, Honduras in July, on a medical mission trip with the World Gospel Outreach.

In honor of his retirement, Charles Born ’67, professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, was presented with a donation for the Charles K. Born Scholarship from the class of 2014. He is pictured with third-year students Gavin Jones and Dustin Ezell.

Fourth-year student Kevin Barton and third-year student Andy Roller attended the American Pharmacists Association - Academy of Student Pharmacists Summer Leadership Institute in July, held in Washington, D.C.

Five students visited Kaohsiung Medical University in Kaohsiung City, Taiwan, in July, touring facilities on the campus, visiting community pharmacies, and collecting medicinal Chinese plants. They were fourth-year students Sarah Butler, Jacob Garrison, Allison Hollis, Callie Layer and Jennifer Moore.

Sara Benfer ’12 and Kacey Bright ’12, second right, with Santiago Ojeda of Universidad Técnica Particular de Loja, touring the garden of a local resident.

Sara Benfer ’12 and Kacey Bright ’12 spent their January fourth-year rotation at the in Loja, Ecuador. They worked in the hospital pharmacy of Universidad Técnica Particular de Loja and toured the area learning about natural healing plants grown by local residents.

From left, Allison Hollis, Callie Layer, students from Kaohsiung Medical University with a professor of natural products, Jacob Garrison, Jennifer Moore and Sarah Butler.
Profile  
Eric Crumbaugh, Pharm.D.  
Arkansas Pharmacists Association

Family  
Wife, Jennifer, who is also a pharmacist.

Education  
I completed my pre-pharmacy education at Arkansas State University and graduated from the UAMS College of Pharmacy in 2008, then completed a community pharmacy residency in 2009.

Years in practice  
Three years, most recently with the Arkansas Pharmacists Association (APA) as the immunization grant coordinator and manager of the Pharmacist Immunization Program.

Reason you are a pharmacist  
During my career, I have seen the positive impact pharmacists have on patients’ lives. My favorite part of working in the pharmacy is addressing the complicated clinical situations that arise: drug-drug interactions, vaccination questions, finding a more cost-efficient medication. The most rewarding part of my new position is observing the effects that different initiatives we have developed are having on a pharmacy’s immunization services.

What benefits do students bring to your practice site  
The projects that our students conduct here at the APA assist other pharmacists or student pharmacists to provide immunizations to their patients. They leave our rotation with a better knowledge of current recommendations and resources available to help in their future immunization initiatives.

What are some services that students provide in your practice?  
They were instrumental in collecting baseline information for our grant and vital in distributing our toolkit materials to every pharmacy across the state. We also have our students present new clinical guidelines and therapies to keep other pharmacists up-to-date on the ever-changing practice of pharmacy.

Your best advice for aspiring pharmacists  
With the job market getting more and more competitive, you must try to participate in events that give you unique experiences. It’s as easy as participating in screening events or being involved in student organizations. I encourage all students to at least consider a community or hospital residency after completing pharmacy school.

Mentors or role models in your life and pharmacy practice  
Scott Pace ’01, Jamie Shoemaker ’83, Paige Carman ’03, Melissa Vail ’96, and Schwanda Flowers ’99 have been wonderful mentors throughout pharmacy school and my career.

Interests  
I attend Salem United Methodist Church. I enjoy hunting, fishing and golfing. Also I like getting together with friends and family to grill outside.
Drillings Named Parents Club Chairs

Cathy and Richard Drilling, of Little Rock, are the chairs of the UAMS College of Pharmacy Parents Club for 2012-2013. They lead a club that comprises more than 110 families who fund student-related projects. The club provides an avenue for parents to be informed about and involved in activities and events at the College.

“We look forward to this year of activities,” said Cathy Drilling. “We hope to continue to increase the club’s membership so we can continue the current programs to support the students and maybe introduce some new events. Overall, we want the Parents Club to encourage families to stay involved in their student’s life during pharmacy college.”

Through the Parents Club, family members help coordinate semester exam snacks, faculty appreciation luncheon, family day, and senior gifts. Members receive PHARMACY, the magazine for alumni and friends, as well as updates and event invitations from the College. A website for parents can be found at www.giving.edu/copparentsclub.

Would you like to renew your Parents Club membership online?
You can do it in four easy steps!

2. Select “College of Pharmacy” from the drop down list and enter “Parents Club” for the Fund name.
3. Give a gift of at least $50 to renew your membership.
4. Complete the form and you’re renewed!

“... we want the Parents Club to encourage families to stay involved in their student’s life during pharmacy college.”

He is a fiscal accounting manager for the state Department of Finance and Administration, and she is a CPA for Gatter and Hollenberg, PLLC. They are the parents of third-year student pharmacist, Michelle Drilling, a graduate of Hall High School in Little Rock and of Hendrix College in Conway.
Parents Club Student Furniture Project

Parents Club chairs for 2011-2012 Lindy and Steve Spaulding led a campaign to fund the purchase of additional furniture in the student study areas in the College. Sixteen members donated funds making possible the purchase of two chairs, two ottomans and a bench. Some gave in honor of their students, and some donations were in memory of Josh Neal, a student who passed away in 2010. His parents, Debbie and Jeff Neal, were members of the Parents Club.

More study furniture is needed! Parents and other family members or friends may help by making tax-deductible donations. Donors will be listed on a plaque located in the area. Go to the Parents Club Web page at www.pharmcollege.uams.edu/parentsclub, call (501) 686-6497 or email lbaustin@uams.edu, for more information.

Students Receive Club’s Senior Gift

Members of the Parents Club attended the Senior Meeting where students were presented with professional nameplates, the traditional gift from the Club. Below, Brittany Goings ’12 is pictured with Parents Club member and mother Marsha.

A percentage of every dollar collected for this license plate supports student scholarships in our colleges and graduate school. Simply apply at your local revenue office.
Greetings alumni and friends!

It’s been exciting to begin my year as president of the Alumni Association. I look forward to seeing you at events and sharing how we can stay connected with the College and each other.

One of the most exciting developments at the College is our new ambassadors program. Ambassadors are alumni and friends who want to participate in the life of the College. The program provides you with an opportunity to:

- Volunteer
- Interact with students
- Recruit students
- Speak to students
- Host receptions and networking events
- Help with the 12th Street Health and Wellness Center

If you would like to be an ambassador, contact Jan Hastings '79/'94 at (501) 686-6472 or hastingsjank@uams.edu. We also will have an ambassadors page on our website soon.

The association hosted a Night at the Travs picnic for 60 alumni, faculty, students and friends at Dickey-Stephens Ballpark in April. During the Arkansas Pharmacist Association (APA) convention in June, a reunion was held for the classes of 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1997 and 2002. Members of the Class of 1962 donated $2,000 in memory of their deceased classmates. The 10 members of the Class of 1962 who attended were presented with medallions celebrating their 50th year as graduates.

In September, the Alumni Association hosted receptions before the APA’s district meetings in Little Rock and in Bentonville. I attended the Bentonville reception, and found it to be a great way to reconnect with colleagues and meet new pharmacists. Go to the College’s Alumni and Friends website at www.pharmcollege.uams.edu to view photos. In October, we again joined with the APA to host a dinner for alumni and friends at the National Community Pharmacists Association annual meeting in San Diego.

The Alumni Association also will host an event for Arkansas-related attendees during the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Mid-Year meeting in Las Vegas. These events bring alumni and friends together and give the College presence at national meetings.

To wrap up a year of activities, mark your calendar for a presentation of “White Christmas” for our Night at the Rep at the Arkansas Repertory Theater in Little Rock on Dec. 13. We’ll have a reception with heavy hors d’oeuvres before the show. Tickets are available, on a first-come, first-served basis, by contacting Leigh Austin at (501) 686-6497 or lbaustin@uams.edu.

Details about all of these events are on our Alumni and Friends website at www.pharmcollege.uams.edu. Please join me as a Facebook fan of the Alumni Association and keep up with what’s happening at the College by liking UAMS College of Pharmacy Alumni Association.

As always, I welcome your ideas and thoughts. You can contact me at justin@colemanrx.arcoxmail.com. Thank you!
Dean’s Awards Presented at Senior Honors Convocation

Steve Bryant ’75, of Batesville, received the Dean’s Award for Service to the College of Pharmacy. He is pictured with his daughter, Monica, left, and his wife, Sharon.

J. Aubrey Waddell ’83/’96 of Maryville, Tenn., received the Dean’s Award for Lifetime Achievement in the Profession of Pharmacy. He is pictured with his wife, Deborah.

Eric Crumbaugh ’08, of Benton, receives the Preceptor of the Year award from Amber Bynum ’12.

Tom Warmack ’65, of Sheridan, was appointed by Gov. Mike Beebe in July to the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy.

Walter Hubbard ’66 of Baltimore, Md., retired from his full-time faculty position in June from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Tery Baskin ’77/’00, of Little Rock, was appointed treasurer for the American Pharmacists Association, beginning Jan. 1, 2013.

Bill Altland ’80, of Craig, Alaska, received the Distinguished Alaskan Pharmacist Award in February at the Alaska Pharmacists Association’s annual convention. The award recognizes a pharmacist who has worked in Alaska for more than 10 years, promoting the profession of pharmacy in their community.

Scot Walker ’82/’93, of Wildwood, Mo., was promoted to senior director of Content Development at Wolters Kluwer Health. Walker also recently passed the Ambulatory Care Pharmacist exam and is now dually certified in Pharmacotherapy and Ambulatory Care.

Dana Woods ’82, of Mountain View, was featured in a March Business Week story called “End of Days for Independent Pharmacists?”

Brenda McCrady ’86, of Little Rock, joined the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy as assistant director in December 2011.

Kristen Riddle ’02, of Conway, wrote an article, “Moisturizing Your Winter Skin Sales,” for the January/February/March issue of PM Quarterly.

Bryan Hays ’05, of Morrilton purchased Elmo Haney’s Pharmacy in January.

Natasha Jackson ’07, of Houston, was quoted in a “Pharmacy In Action” section of the June Pharmacy Today magazine.
Peyton Harvey ’08 of Searcy was featured in the February issue of America’s Pharmacist in an article about the pharmacy where he practices, Stotts Drug Company, titled “Local Landmark.”

At the Arkansas Pharmacists Association (APA) annual meeting in June, nine alumni and friends were installed as new officers and members of the Board of Directors.

- **Dennis Moore ’69**, of Batesville – President
- **Dana Woods ’82**, of Mountain View – President-Elect
- **Brandon Cooper ’02**, of Jonesboro – Vice President
- **Brent Panneck ’03**, of Jonesboro – Area II Representative
- **Kristy Reed**, of Jonesboro – District 2 President
- **Chris Allbritton ’00**, of Springdale – District 3 President
- **Stephen Carroll ’05**, of Arkadelphia – District 6 President
- **C.A. Kuykendall ’65**, of Ozark – District 7 President
- **Kristen Riddle ’02**, of Conway – President, Academy of Consultant Pharmacists

Alumni receiving awards were:

- **Charles Born ’67**, of Little Rock – Pharmacist of the Year
- **Clint Recktenwald ’07**, of Gassville – Young Pharmacist of the Year
- **Sparky Hedden ’75**, of Sheridan – Bowl of Hygeia Award
- **Melissa Brown ’97**, of Bentonville – Innovative Pharmacy Practice Award
- **Dennis Moore ’69**, of Batesville – Cardinal Health Generation Rx Champion Award

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**Gary Bass ’82’97 hands the gavel to Dennis Moore ’69, incoming APA President. Photo courtesy of the APA.**

**Melissa Brown ’97 receives the award for Innovative Pharmacy Practice from Gary Bass ’82’97. Photo courtesy of the APA.**

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YOUR Reunion is next year ... Let's start planning it Now!

Class Reunion To be held during the Arkansas Pharmacists Association Annual Convention

Contact Jan Hastings ’79’94 hastingsjank@uams.edu or (501) 686-6472 to be involved!
Profile  Natasha Williams Jackson, Pharm.D.
Kelsey-Seybold Clinic, Houston, Tex.

Family
Nygel, husband, and Mason, son

Education
Pharm.D., UAMS College of Pharmacy, 2007

Professional information
Five years as pharmacy administrator of Clinical Services - Kelsey-Seybold Clinic, Houston; pharmacy practice residency with Kelsey-Seybold Clinic from 2007-2008. Currently serving as the APhA-APPM Executive Committee new practitioner officer (2011-2013).

Reason you are a pharmacist
I always wanted to have a job where I could spend my time taking care of people. Being a pharmacist allows me to care for my patient’s health every day and truly make a difference in their lives.

What do you like most about being a pharmacist
I love talking to my patients and hearing their stories about how our care helped them overcome a problem or have better health overall. It’s a great feeling to know you are providing such an important service to someone.

What do you like least about being a pharmacist
Nothing. I truly believe we have an amazing profession and I’m proud to be a pharmacist!

Your best advice for aspiring pharmacists
I encourage any aspiring pharmacist to really explore the profession and learn about the potential opportunities available to you after completing pharmacy school. While in school, look for a job as a technician or intern in a pharmacy. It will give you real life experiences to tie in with the information you learn throughout pharmacy school, especially when you get to your fourth-year rotations.
Mentors or role models in your life and pharmacy practice

My life role model is my mom, Sandra. She taught me to love my family unconditionally and to have a giving heart. My pharmacy practice role model is my former residency director, and now friend, Denise Martinez Jonathan. She helped me make my way as a new pharmacist and practitioner and she taught me to always continue to grow in the profession.

Your best memories of UAMS

Making lifelong friends (love them!), eating lunch at Boulevard Bread, APhA Annual Meetings, the school picnic every year, participating in community health fairs/clinics, lots of late nights and early mornings studying with my friends Crystal and Emily, and of course all the cool pharmacy t-shirts. Great times!

Your favorite faculty member at UAMS

Dr. Dunn was always great to talk to and great at pushing you to be better. I'll never forget hearing him say, “Well hello there Ms. Williams!”

Interests

I love to read and cook; I'm always looking for and experimenting with new recipes! I enjoy chasing my 8-month-old son, which is a great way to spend my time! Photography is another interest of mine; I spend a lot of time taking and editing pictures.

Funniest memory from Pharmacy College

My friend, Jesse, always dropping his Coke bottle from his desk down onto my row in class. Thank goodness it was always closed!!!

Five guests at your fantasy dinner party

My husband, President Obama and Mrs. Obama, Oprah Winfrey, and Julia Roberts.

Did you know you can give to the College of Pharmacy online?

It’s easy, quick, paperless!

Go to www.uamshealth.com/giving, to make an online gift (including honor or memorial) to UAMS.

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Alumni Reminisce at Class Reunion

Members of eight classes celebrated reunions during the Arkansas Pharmacist Association’s annual convention in June. The reunion was during the “Fresh Picked Pharmacy” party, held outside Bentonville at Colonial Court Celebrations. Ten members of the class of 1962 were presented with Half Century Club medallions to honor their 50 years in the profession. The group made a donation to the College in memory of their deceased classmates.

Back row: Gary Grammer, Larry Dunn, Gerrald Lynch, Jack Burson and Robert Beard  Front row: Billy Groves, Jim Rankin, Norman Canterbury, Jim Mulkey and Don Hall
Night at the Travs

Pam Peachey Rossi ’95 with her daughter, Rachel, at the Alumni Association’s Night at the Travs event in April.

Cindy Hedden, Penny Hedden, both ’76, at the Alumni Association’s Night at the Travs event in April.

Graves Event

Kim and Gene Graves ’69 hosted a party in July for alumni at their Little Rock home, where Dean Gardner announced the new Ambassadors program (see p. 24) and updated guests on the good news from the College.

From left, Jacob Coleman with wife Lindsey Coleman ’12, Gene Graves ’69 and Brittany Goings ’12.

Jim and Jane Clark ’71/’94 with Peter Crooks, department chair of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

CPE at the Races

The Alumni Association partnered with the Arkansas Pharmacists Association for the annual Continuing Pharmacy Education event at Oaklawn Park racetrack in Hot Springs. Pictured are, from left, John Vinson ’04, Dean Stephanie Gardner, Scott Pace ’01 and Brandon Cooper ’02.
The UAMS College of Pharmacy marked its 60th anniversary during this past academic year. The College’s predecessor was the School of Pharmacy located at the College of the Ozarks in Clarksville (now University of the Ozarks).

This is a photo of the former University of Arkansas Graduate Center in Little Rock, which was the first building occupied by the School of Pharmacy in 1951. The building, located at 17th and Lewis Streets, was razed in 2004. The College was moved to the current UAMS campus in 1956. A plaque today marks the location of the first Pharmacy School building.

**CALLING FOR OLD PHARMACY PHOTOS!** The college is collecting photos of old drug stores for our archives. Please send digital photos or copies (no originals please) to Jon Wolle ’76 at jjwolfe@uams.edu or mail to:

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**Weddings**

Laura Rogers ’06 to Jason Blake ’11, April 14, 2012  
Jennifer Thompson to Eric Crumbaugh ’08, Oct. 22, 2011  
Julia Schmidt ’08 to Paul Malbrough ’14, June 16, 2012  
Lisa Hatfield ’11 to Joseph Baran, July 17, 2011  
Lauren Bell ’11 to Tyler King COM ’11, March 31, 2012  
Haley Ray ’11 to Brad Williamson ’10, Oct. 15, 2011  
Heather Ainsley ’12 to Seth Carter, June 2, 2012  
Amanda Greuter COM Resident ’10 to Lee Hollingsworth ’12, April 28, 2012  
Sarah Norman ’12 to Art Ashby, May 26, 2012
New Arrivals

1. Oden James, Grandson of Margie and Mike Smith '77, May 25, 2012
   Prestyn Jade, Sheri (Glover) '95 and Lee Woodard, January 19, 2012
2. Creed Rogers, Chelsea (Rogers) '00 and Kevin Miguez, January 16, 2012
   Max Riley, Jennifer (Forse) '00 and Bert Mayo, July 27, 2011
   Brinlee Elizabeth, Jennifer and Wade Williams '00
   Carter Wendell, Kris (Wendell) '01 and Jason '00 Eakin, September 6, 2011
   Williams Thomas, Katy (McMullan) '02 and Cory Bostic, January 26, 2012
   Ransom Jennings, Jennifer (Johnson) '03 and Blake Day, April 5, 2012
   Ella Kate, Kristel (Hornsby) '04 and John Petrus, March 16, 2012
   Julianna, Natalie and Craig Mills '04, July 29, 2012
   Connor Avery, Kat and Randy Shipp '05, May 25, 2011
   Hadley Jo, Jenny (Boone) '05, April 26, 2012
   Tanner Clayton, Nicole (Fencer) '06, July 25, 2012
   Cruz Alan, November 20, 2008, Cali Anne, April 20, 2011, Amie (Parker) '07, and Brooks Coatney
5. Emily Grace, June 6, 2012, Evan James, March 2, 2010, Mandy and Josh Langston, both '08
6. Mason Stewart, Becca (Burks) '08 and Brian Mitchell, July 18, 2011
   Jacob Lee, Melissa (Mannett) '09, and Steve Cossey, May 14, 2012
7. Prestyn Lovey, Cristina (Broomas) '10, and Jeff Easterling, April 1, 2012
8. Phoebe Rose, Misti '11, and Jimie Evans, September 2, 2011
9. Avery Beth, Ben and Austyn Willis, both '10, Dec. 30, 2011
11. Judge David, Lacey (Hewitt) '11, and Phillip Parker, May 12, 2012
12. Benjamin Matthew, Mallory '12, and Caleb Williams, October 5, 2011
13. Bennett Daniels, Amber (Bennett) '12, and Martin Bynum, March 5, 2012
    Norah Gray, Rosemary and Dustin Ezell '14, April 7, 2012
    Ada Grace, Melanie (assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice) and Joe Claborn, April 27, 2012
    Luke Thomas, Marsha (assistant professor of Pharmacy Practice) and Travis Crader, June 19, 2012

Alumni Baby T’s
To get a Future Pharmacist T-shirt or onesie for your baby, call the Alumni Office at (501) 686-6497 or send your information online www.pharmcollege.uams.edu/infoupdate.
Join the Clark Family and Establish a Scholarship Today

The Clark Family has a tradition of pharmacy service. Started by Gary Clark, a member of the class of ’63, it extends to his brother Bob Clark ’69 and sister-in-law June Clark ’74 and their daughter Julienne Clark Stephan ’06.

To honor this family’s legacy and provide student financial assistance, the Gary Clark Family Scholarship was established in 2010 with an initial gift of $25,000 in stock. The gift is managed by the University of Arkansas Foundation, where it grows annually and allows 4.5 percent of the fund to be awarded annually.

Third-year student Sara Danchenko (pictured) and fourth-year student Jason Lineberry have benefited from the scholarship so far. Because donors are involved in the process, Gary was able to set the criteria for recipients to assure that the scholarship provided financial aid and encouragement to students who have overcome adversity. When he met Sara at the awards event he said, “I could not have selected anyone who better met my criteria.”

Creating a scholarship is a meaningful way to honor or memorialize family members, classmates, a favorite faculty member or friend. Scholarships can be established with cash, securities or stock.

You, your family, or your class can make a difference by establishing a new scholarship that will benefit students immediately. To find out how, please contact the College:

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Alumni Association Night at the Rep

Join us for the holiday classic, “White Christmas”

Thursday, Dec. 13, 2012
Heavy Hors d’oeuvres Reception – 6:15 pm
Show – 7:00 pm
Tickets $30 (covers reception and show)

For more information and to register, contact Leigh Austin at 501-686-6497 or lbaustin@uams.edu

Thanks to Walgreens for support of this event!