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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues, Students, Alumni, and Friends,

I have been with the University for 44 years: six years as a student, 18 as a faculty member, and another 20 years in academic administration with 16 and a half as president. New leadership has come on to the board of trustees, and I feel the time is right to announce my retirement. This will be effective August 31, 2011.

In my years as president, I am proud of what has been accomplished, from tripling our operating budget to almost quadrupling the endowment. We’ve doubled the size of our student body, doubled our academic offerings, and created five separate colleges under the umbrella of a university. Physically, the University has grown to 22 buildings over 36 acres, creating an urban learning campus with residential living and palpable student life. We have even elevated our athletics to NCAA Division II status. All this, and we have always remained financially sound.

To reach these accomplishments, we needed to create and execute transformative change. This produced three strategic plans and one workout plan. The result was four visible and sustainable periods of transformation:

- Converting from Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science to the full-fledged University of the Sciences in Philadelphia
- Creating a campus environment
- Building out academic programs and new schools
- And in the worst of economic times—through the hardest and most grueling work we have ever done—creating efficiencies; redeploying, realigning, and rebalancing resources; updating our aging facilities; improving technologies; enhancing marketing, development, and enrollment management functions; and putting a plan in place to strengthen our platforms and collaborations that position the University for competitive challenges and clear the path for the next level and era of growth

My retirement comes at a time of transition on our board of trustees as well. Marvin Samson was elected the new board chair along with vice chair Richard Howard. Marvin replaces Delbert S. Payne, who less than a month after announcing his retirement passed away on May 30, 2011. Del’s passing is a great loss to the University and to me personally.

Between now and August 31, I will be working with Marvin and the board executive committee on transition matters. My departure provides that team the opportunity to attract new, inspired leadership to the University and to take the University to the next horizon.

I want to thank my leadership team and cabinet, whom I truly respect, for their relentless and skilled efforts to make the University a premier institution and their patience with my impatience. My sincerest and eternal thanks to the board and the board leadership for allowing me the privilege to serve at the helm of this diamond of an institution—which I dearly love—for these many years. And of course, to the faculty, staff, students, and alumni who are the lifeblood of this venerable institution, you will remain as part of my DNA. I will look forward to making continued contributions to this great University.

After a little time off, I look forward to the next phase of my career that will allow me time to pursue my interest in consulting, writing, and sharing my knowledge and experience on the boards of other organizations. Thank you all so very much.

Sincerely,

PHILIP P. GERBINO
P'69, PharmD'70
President

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There is no argument that for the past 16-plus years, University of the Sciences has become synonymous with its ever present president. Now, the time has come for Dr. **PHILIP P. GERBINO** P’69, PharmD’70, who announced his retirement in May and will step aside at the end of August, to pass the baton to someone else. Student, teacher, administrator, dean, vice president, president, mentor, advisor…after 44 years, the list of titles and roles is endless. Dr. Gerbino’s impact and guiding hand have transformed the University without losing sight of its purpose to train, educate, and challenge future pharmacists, scientists, and healthcare professionals. *The Bulletin* had a chance to sit down with Dr. Gerbino to get his thoughts on the past 44 years.

The following is an excerpt of that conversation. To watch the entire video interview, visit www.youtube.com/usciences.

*Thank you, Dr. Gerbino, for your leadership, dedication, spirit, and energy over all these years. You have been an inspiration to so many of us, and I, for one, am very grateful for the time we’ve spent together. I wish you every happiness in the days ahead!*

**BRIAN SWIFT P’83, PharmD’85**

*You have done a fabulous job over the years. I was always proud to say that the president was in my graduating class. I wish you the best.*

**SHEILA MORGENSTERN P’69**

*DR. PHILIP P. GERBINO: A Pillar of the Community Retires*

by Brian Kirschner

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It goes on and on. I think it really talks about people who are really willing to roll up those sleeves, get in the arena, and battle it out. And you may win and you may lose, but at least you’ll never rest with those poor timid souls who knew not victory nor defeat… I was never afraid to roll up my sleeves.

The Bulletin: What do you feel have been some of your greatest accomplishments as president?

Dr. Gerbino: Well, the greatest accomplishment always, the overriding accomplishment to all accomplishments, is following and watching the careers of our graduates and seeing them with successful lives, successful careers, and [as] really productive members of society in so many ways. That’s the crowning piece.

For me it was the transformations. We were a monolithic institution…but we weren’t moving to all the places that we should be. The marketplace was changing, the healthcare landscape was changing, science was changing. Everything was moving, and we were staying the same. I didn’t think that was the right place for us to be. So the first change was really moving us to be a university.

The second was creating an environment that would support a university. We had to have a campus. We made sure that we acquired the land, did the right kind of building, and really built the infrastructure for a campus.

The third transformation really was building the kind of academic infrastructure to support a university. So whereas we were a couple of programs and really an iconic place in pharmacy, we ultimately were able to create and establish five separate colleges, which really gave us the opportunity to focus and look at the academic programs where we wanted to grow in each area.

And the fourth transformation was a different kind of transformation. It was really leading the institution to developing a platform for future success during the worst of economic times.

The Bulletin: Do you have a favorite place on campus?

Dr. Gerbino: I like all the places that are green. I like the entire campus. I like the quad; I like the way the ARC and the McNeil STC and Goodman and Wilson are structured around that whole area. There are not too many places on campus that I don’t like. It holds together very well. And more importantly, a campus isn’t just its buildings. It’s a campus as a community. And when I see how our community interacts with our faculty now in this environment and how the staff have become part of the entire fiber of the institution, then I know we have a community, and that’s what makes the campus work.
You have created a lasting example of leadership that I call upon as I address my own professional challenges. Thank you for everything you have done for me, the University, and every University student who has walked the campus.

ERIC M. BACHMAN
C’08, MBA’09

A Message from
Marvin Samson, Chairman

To the USciences Community and Friends of the University,

On behalf of the University of the Sciences board of trustees, I want to thank Dr. Philip Gerbino for his incredible devotion and dedicated leadership over his many years as president, administrator, faculty member, student, and alumnus of USciences. The University has grown tremendously during his tenure as president, not only in terms of the student body and academic offerings, but in its physical footprint and its endowment. He has taken this institution from a college of pharmacy and science to a true university of the sciences.

On September 1, I will be stepping in as transition leader when Phil leaves. I am very passionate about this University and totally dedicated to acting in that role. Our capable administrative cabinet will remain intact to assist me and will continue to handle the daily operations.

We have already begun the process of identifying the next president of University of the Sciences through the establishment of a search committee to be chaired by alumna and trustee Dr. Kate Mayes. The goal of the search committee is not just to hire a president but to get the right person to secure the long-term future of this University.

This is a university that has all the pieces—we are in the right place at the right time. We are well equipped and very well positioned for the future. We find ourselves poised for the next phase of our history and committed to continuing as a leading university doing what we do best: training the leaders, pharmacists, scientists, and healthcare professionals of the future.

Again, join me in wishing Phil a fond farewell as president as we look forward to the future of USciences.

The Bulletin: If you could gather everybody in a room, all the alumni, students and faculty, what would you say to them?

Dr. Gerbino: You have a big job to do, to make sure that your alma mater is continually positioned for the challenges of tomorrow. And that’s everybody’s responsibility. And I think one of the messages that I would give to folks is that anytime you have an institution as treasured as this, all the stakeholders should be concerned about its future. And all should participate in its continued growth and development. I think a large part of our success here is that we built a community within our faculty, staff, and students that was one community. But we continue to embrace our alumni, our external stakeholders, a lot of new constituencies, and we continue to make them all work together…And one of the groups that I certainly don’t want to miss in all of that—because they are so integral in everything—is our board. The board is kind of the integrating force between the external community, the internal community, and all the market forces. And although they’re not on campus every day, they’re here four times a year. That integrating force is really crucial to how this organization mobilized itself…It isn’t just the University and its community, and the board—it’s things beyond that. The alumni, all the friends, all the folks that interact, the parents, that really make this work.

The Bulletin: What makes University of the Sciences special?

Dr. Gerbino: This is a special place because it is a deep community. It is a very, very deep community. It is proud of its heritage, it’s proud of its tradition, but it’s not encumbered by either of those. It is an institution that is very forward thinking. It has the blessing of very skilled employees here. It has the blessing of very, very talented students here. It has the gift of a dedicated staff. And they all seem to work together in a unified purpose. And that is to build the platform, provide the opportunities for the generations of tomorrow, and continue to feed the [depth] of this University. And I hope we’ll continue to do so for hundreds of years.

The Bulletin: Lastly, what is next for Dr. Gerbino?

Dr. Gerbino: Well, the world is full of challenges and opportunities….As I look across those many, many opportunities, I assure you, I will look at the most challenging ones.

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Presidential Search Next Steps

USciences is committed to finding the best possible presidential candidate to lead the University into the future. A presidential search committee, led by alumna and board member KATHLEEN MAYES P’76, PharmD’78 is being formed in accordance with the University By-Laws. The committee will consist of four members of the board of trustees, two members of the faculty, and one alumnus/a of the University who is neither a member nor a retired member of the board of trustees nor the faculty and selected by the board of directors of the Alumni Association. There will also be one corporate officer to serve as a nonvoting member of the search committee and one nonvoting student representative.

For more information on the search committee’s progress, visit www.usciences.edu/presidentsearch for regular updates and more information.

Honoring President Gerbino

Dr. Philip P. Gerbino’s 16–plus–year presidency provokes nostalgia, presents challenge, and creates opportunity. Make a gift of any amount to any University initiative in honor of Dr. Gerbino. Please give now and note, “Dr. Gerbino,” in the comments section by visiting http://www.usciences.edu/giveonline. To make a gift by phone or request a list of initiatives, call 215.596.8777.

Send best wishes to Dr. Gerbino at www.usciences.edu/ppgfarewell.

USciences Mourns the Passing of Former Board Chair Delbert S. Payne

University of the Sciences emeritus trustee and former board of trustees chairman Dr. DELBERT S. PAYNE passed away on Monday, May 30, 2011. Dr. Payne, who had served on the USciences board since 1990 and as chair since 2000, had previously announced his retirement on April 29, 2011. He was elected emeritus trustee at the May 12, 2011, board meeting and recently presented the honorary degree recipients at USciences’ Commencement on May 25, 2011, as his last official act as chairman. “We are all so blessed to have had the honor to work with and know him and be the fortunate recipients of his wisdom, guidance, and advice. I will miss him so,” said USciences president, Dr. PHILIP P. GERBINO.

While chair of USciences’ board, he helped steer the University’s dynamic growth from a single college with 1,630 students, to a vibrant university with five colleges and 3,000 students. In addition to his chairmanship at USciences, he was chair of the board of the Education Opportunity Fund of the New Jersey Department of Higher Education as well as the Philadelphia Education Fund and Glassboro State College (now Rowan University).

Dr. Payne received an honorary doctor of humanities from Glassboro State College in May 1990. USciences honored his dedication to the University with the naming of The Delbert S. Payne Lobby in September 2010 in the University’s iconic Griffith Hall and with the establishment of The Delbert S. Payne Endowed Scholarship in April 2010 to benefit one African-American student in financial need at the University each year.


To contribute to the Delbert S. Payne Scholarship, please visit www.usciences.edu/giveonline and note “Payne Scholarship” in the comments section.
The Class of 2011
BY LUCY CRUZ

Meet five impressive graduates from the class of 2011.

Class of 2010 by the Numbers

- Total graduates: 571
- Degrees granted: 615
- Undergraduate degrees: 532
- Graduate degrees: 83
- Undergraduate-level grads: 488
- Graduate-level grads: 83
- Dual-degree graduates: 43
- Men: 214
- Women: 357
- Age of youngest graduate: 21
- Age of oldest graduate: 48
- Number of states represented by graduates: 20
- Number of countries represented by graduates (other than USA): 7
- Number of graduates with a 3.40 GPA or higher: 226
  - Undergraduate: 159
  - Graduate: 67

Breakdown of Degrees

- BS: 164
- BSHS: 76
- MBA: 18
- MOT: 32
- MPH: 13
- MS: 44
- DPT: 36
- PharmD: 224
- PhD: 8

Graduates by College

- College of Graduate Studies: 52
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Riddhi Patel  DPT’11
Philadelphia, PA

After working with the Department of Campus Recreation at the University, RIDDHI PATEL knew exactly what it meant to be a team player. Dr. Patel credits this experience as having the greatest impact on her growth as a person and a young leader and said that it provided her with a family and people to depend on through tough times.

“Nothing in life is handed to you, nor is anything handed to you when you choose to come to this University. You must work for it,” said Dr. Patel, who recently completed the six-year physical therapy doctoral program.

Dr. Patel is also grateful for the University’s small size because she had the opportunity to meet plenty of students and administrators. She knows this is what helped facilitate her learning.

With her degree from the University, Dr. Patel plans to work in a skilled nursing facility in the Philadelphia region and hopes to open her own physical therapy clinic one day.

Check out more from graduation, including photos and video, at http://bit.ly/kUiSWO.
Winning second place in the Delaware Valley Science Fairs greatly impacted the next few years for JOSEPH PLAKSIN, then a junior in high school. His prize? A $7,000 annual scholarship to University of the Sciences. After some research and a visit, he knew the school was ideal for him.

“I really liked the school’s reputation in terms of preparing students for medical school,” said Plaksin, the University’s valedictorian.

Part of this reputation comes from the professors, from whom Plaksin said he learned a great deal—inside and outside of the classroom.

“For me, it’s the relationships I’ve developed over the last four years that have impacted me the most, not just the material learned in class,” said Plaksin.

He will matriculate at NYU School of Medicine in the fall, looking to enter a medical specialty with his MD in which he will incorporate research.

Drawn to the University’s urban location and relationships with many major hospitals and pharmaceutical companies, MELISSA SMITH knew attending would further the opportunities she could have in her future career.

“I attended USciences because I felt it offered an excellent educational opportunity in a science-focused environment,” said Dr. Smith.

Dr. Smith will be completing a post-graduate residency at Geisinger Health System and feels she received a solid foundation at the University. She said her degree adequately prepared her by presenting the curriculum in a patient-focused, clinical format that’s geared toward the future of pharmacy.

“I would describe my experience as educational and rewarding,” she said.

A member of the Rho Chi Society, a pharmacy honor society, Dr. Smith said she will remember most the people and lifelong relationships she’s formed.

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MELISSA SMITH PharmD’11
Douglas M. Frederick  PhD’11  
in pharmacology and toxicology  
Langhorne, PA

Even before graduation, DOUGLAS M. FREDERICK was taking advantage of his education at the University and reaping the benefits. He is currently employed as a toxicologist in the Global Regulatory and Safety Department at the Revlon Research Center in Edison, New Jersey.

Dr. Frederick’s doctoral degree was vital in obtaining the position at Revlon.

“This is a professional relationship I plan to maintain for the rest of my career,” said Dr. Frederick. “[At USciences] you have supportive network of classmates, faculty, and staff that wants you to succeed.”

Douglas M. Frederick PhD’11

Tahira Boone  MPH’11  
Philadelphia, PA

What TAHIRA BOONE will remember most about her time at USciences is the caring faculty she had the pleasure to work with and learn from.

“Dr. AMY JESSOP was one of the best professors I have had. She taught me a lot, educationally and personally,” stated Boone.

“During my time at USciences, I had my first child and the faculty went out of their way to make sure I was accommodated,” reflected Boone. As a result, she did not drop any classes and was able to finish her program.

Boone plans to explore several areas in public health and knows her degree from the University will help her face the ever-changing aspects of healthcare. She chose to attend USciences because she was impressed with the University’s rich history.

“[My degree] will help me face the ever-changing aspects of healthcare.”  
TAHIRA BOONE MPH’11
On May 25, 2011, over 500 students from University of the Sciences were officially granted their degrees, launching the futures of the next generation of pharmacists, scientists, and healthcare professionals. The near picture perfect day at the Mann Center for the Performing Arts marked the University’s 190th graduating class.

Long-Distance Call
Thanks to the power of the internet, graduate DONNA SHULER PharmD’11 was able to speak with her father, Captain Brian Konowitz, who was unable to attend the ceremony due to his deployment in Afghanistan. Left to right: brother Jayce, sister Jenna, Dr. Shuler, and mother Sharon Konowitz.

New Initiatives Prepare USciences Students for the New World of Elder Care

By Jen A. Miller

USciences is known for its cutting-edge research, but not just in the traditional laboratory setting. A new initiative to advance the treatment of our nation’s aging population has taken residence in Samson College of Health Sciences to continue this tradition.

The initiative will not only offer students and faculty new opportunities in geriatric care and research, but it will foster cross-disciplinary collaboration among the occupational therapy, physical therapy, and exercise science and wellness management majors, who will all benefit from the new Genesis HealthCare Center for Aging Research and Education (Genesis C.A.R.E.s). A partnership between USciences and Genesis HealthCare Corporation, the nation’s largest long-term care and rehabilitation and therapy provider, the center opened as part of Samson College of Health Sciences in January.
“We need to encourage students to understand how exciting it can be to work with the elderly because it is not your grandmother’s nursing home anymore,” said PAULA KRAMER, PhD, chair of USciences’ Department of Occupational Therapy and the center director. “That’s not what geriatric practice is about now. It’s very complex. It’s very involved. It’s a lot about wellness and maintaining abilities and letting people age comfortably and be able to keep the lifestyle that they enjoy,” she added.

Genesis C.A.R.E.s will focus on preparing students to meet those new care demands. It will also offer faculty research opportunities so they are in the forefront of healthcare practitioners creating new therapies and treatments.

The ability to train students and foster new research reached a new level in May with the opening of the BTE Technologies Advanced Evaluation and Rehabilitation Lab, which is housed within Samson College and complements Genesis C.A.R.E.s.

BTE, a provider of advanced physical therapy and occupational therapy equipment, donated three machines to USciences for a research laboratory: a PrimusRS unit, which is a multi-joint testing system that also rehabilitates patients for the workforce; an EvalTech, which is an all-purpose evaluation system of human function and performance; and a Multi-Cervical Unit, which is used to assess and rehabilitate the cervical spine.

BTE is also donating training, service, and maintenance of the equipment.

“BTE was very interested in expanding their equipment to the geriatric population,” said LAURIE SHERWEN, PhD, dean of Samson College of Health Sciences. “Based on the fact that we had recently launched Genesis C.A.R.E.s, BTE thought this would be a good time to collaborate with us.”

“For the students, they will be able to use state-of-the-art equipment, hands-on, that is currently being used in rehabilitation facilities,” said MICHELLE COHEN, PhD, associate dean for research and scholarship in Samson College.

“In some of their clinical rotations, they might have come across the equipment, but we will be able to teach students on this equipment right here at Samson. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to participate in faculty research using this equipment,” added Dr. Sherwen.

“Physical therapy and occupational therapy will use it for functional evaluations and rehabilitation. We’re looking for faculty to develop outside grants for funding their research using the equipment as a focus,” said Dr. Cohen.

That has already started, in fact. USciences faculty and students will be collaborating to create a program for the BTE equipment to assess range of motion in elderly drivers to determine if they are functionally able to keep driving.

Genesis C.A.R.E.s is also hosting seminars for faculty and students about geriatric care. So far, these seminars have addressed ageism, fall prevention, Alzheimer’s, and dementia. Most of them are run by PT and OT faculty members and staff from Genesis, said Dr. Sherwen. They have also formed an advisory board to guide future growth and research.

“This is the beginning of some very good things for Genesis, for BTE, and for us,” said Dr. Sherwen.
Survey Shows Lack of Interest in Science

Solid grounding in science is widely considered to be crucial for the next generation of American leaders. From biochemists and pharmacists to physician assistants and physical therapists, the future of the United States job market lies in the fields of healthcare and science. Yet, for the second consecutive year, an online survey conducted by Harris Interactive for University of the Sciences shows that almost half (49 percent) of all high school-aged students are not interested in pursuing these careers.

The 49 percent of 9th–12th grade students who say they are definitely or probably not considering a career in science or healthcare represents an 8.9 percent increase over last year’s survey. While it’s too soon to know if this is a trend or not, it does concern USciences’ leadership and faculty, especially since the lack of interest among younger teens (aged 13–15) grew and stands near 60 percent.

“It is essential that the sciences remain top of mind for America’s teenagers,” said RUSSELL J. DIGATE, PhD, provost. “As a university dedicated solely to science and healthcare studies, we know the value of pursuing these fields and the imminent need for scientists of all genres. Our graduates leave not only with the skills and experience necessary to excel in today’s marketplace, but the dexterity to create and flourish in the careers of tomorrow.”


USciences Hosts Healthcare Fraud Summit

USciences was the site for the Philadelphia Health Care Fraud Prevention Summit on June 17, 2011. It was the sixth in a series of summits around the country and part of a larger effort on behalf of the Obama Administration to root out waste, fraud, and abuse within the U.S. healthcare system. USciences’ president, Dr. PHILIP P. GERBINO, provided the welcome to those in attendance at the daylong meeting that featured U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius.


Science Festival

University of the Sciences was proud to be a core partner of The Philadelphia Science Festival, a city-wide collaboration showcasing science and technology in April 2011. Part of a national movement to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers, the Science Festival builds on Philadelphia’s history of innovation. USciences hosted a number of events, including Open Lab Day and Astronomy Night. In one of the signature events of the festival, astronaut Dr. Guy Bluford (left) spoke at the University about his time in the space program. He was later joined by chief astronomer and planetarium director for the Franklin Institute, Derrick Pitts (right), to tour the stars for attendees.


Save the date! The Philadelphia Science Festival returns April 20–29, 2012.
Devils Win First Ever CACC Playoff Game; Falter at CACC Tournament Finals

The baseball team won its first CACC baseball playoff game, defeating Caldwell College 8-5. The Devils advanced to the CACC Tournament finals, falling in the double-elimination tourney to top seed Dominican College and Post University.

Angeloni Named CACC Skor Coach of the Year

Baseball Coach FRANK ANGELONI was named the 2011 Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference Skor Coach of the Year as voted on by the CACC coaches. Angeloni led the Devils to a huge turnaround in 2011, improving from four wins, including a 1-19 mark in conference play, to the CACC Tournament for the first time in program history after going 11-9 in conference play and 13-20 overall.

McMahon and Davis Named to CACC Baseball All-Conference Team

Shortstop KYLE DAVIS FHM’13 and starting pitcher DAN MCMAHON PrePro’13 were named to the CACC Baseball All-Conference Team. Both McMahon and Davis were first-team honorees. McMahon pitched in 11 games this season for the Devils, starting 10, and led the CACC with a 1.25 earned run average. He was 6-2 with 66 strikeouts in 79 1/3 innings pitched. Davis led the Devils in batting with a .307 average (11th best in the league). The shortstop led the Devils in hits (39) and runs scored (23) and tied for the team lead with seven stolen bases.

True Student Athletes

BY LUCY CRUZ

Throughout the 2010–11 academic year, University of the Sciences student-athletes excelled not only on the field of play but also in the classroom. The 142 student athletes on USciences’ 12 NCAA Division II teams had a combined grade point average (GPA) of 3.214, with 40 students achieving a 3.5 or higher and 53 making the Dean’s List for the spring semester (3.4 or higher).

Students on the men’s tennis, mixed rifle, and women’s volleyball teams had the highest GPAs of the 12 teams with 3.421, 3.380, and 3.360, respectively. Individually, standouts included BRAD DRISCOLL PharmD’15, representing the mixed rifle team, with a 3.71 GPA, who was named the 2010–11 Philadelphia Inquirer Men’s At-Large Academic All-Area Performer of the Year. Also pursuing a doctor of pharmacy degree and representing women’s basketball, with a 3.97 GPA, MELISSA ROTZ PharmD’12 (shown at right) was the Academic All-Area Women’s Basketball Co-Performer of the Year on the Inquirer list.

- All but one of this year’s 142 student-athletes are academically eligible for fall 2011 intercollegiate athletic participation.
- At the conclusion of the spring semester the overall cumulative grade point average of USciences’ 142 student-athletes is 3.214.
- 11 of the 12 teams had a cumulative team GPA of 3.0 or better.
ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

EVENTS

2011–2012 Alumni Association Board Officers and Directors
Thursday, April 7, 2011
Left to right: Kate Purzycki B’83, MS’09, director; S. Roger Wetherill P’68, president-elect; Robin Keyack P’81, past president; May Lai B’99, treasurer; Neil Pitts P’73, PharmD’04, director; Julie Gerhart P’94, BW’05, director; Stephanie Bean MPT’89, DPT, president; Susan Flannery Wainwright MPT’87, MS’95, PhD, director; Siobhan Duffy P’84, BW’05, vice president; Mary Maguire P’83, PharmD’01, director; and Victoria Elliott P’87, MBA, secretary. Not pictured: Daniel A. Hussar P’62, MS’64, PhD’67 and Melissa Derr MPT’04, DPT, both directors.

Annual Delaware Alumni Regional Reception
March 2, 2011, Wilmington, DE
Alumni and friends catch up and mingle during the Annual Delaware Reception at the Blue Ball Barn.

Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association Reception
March 27, 2011, Seattle, WA
USciences students gather with PCP dean, Dr. Lisa Lawson, for a group shot at the annual PPA alumni reception. The event, hosted by the Alumni Association and the Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association, took place as part of the APhA meeting.

American Pharmacists Association Reception
March 26, 2011, Seattle, WA
1. Left to right: Sheetal Patel PharmD’07, Hiren Patel PharmD’07, and Bhumik Parikh PharmD’05.
2. Left to right: Gabrielle Procopio PharmD’12, Sherry Brown PharmD’98, and Reyna Denker PharmD’11 joined USciences president, Dr. Philip Gerbino, fellow alumni, and faculty at the annual USciences alumni reception during the APhA Annual Meeting and Expo.
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Physical Therapy Panel
April 7, 2011, USciences Campus
Left to right: Nancy Shils, director of Alumni Relations; Lisa Mackell MPT’88; Debra Klokis, Career Services counselor; Rachel Buriani DPT’88; Stephanie Bean MPT’89, DPT; Alumni Association president; and Patricia McNelly, senior Alumni Relations officer.

Over 40 physical therapy students attended a speaker panel hosted by the offices of Career Services and Alumni Relations. Rachel Buriani DPT’88, president of the Student Physical Therapy Association, was instrumental in promoting the event. USciences PT graduates Stephanie Bean MPT’89, DPT; Melissa Derr MPT’04, DPT; Lisa Mackell MPT’88; and Cheryl Talamo MPT’89 spoke about the various career paths in the field of physical therapy.

American Occupational Therapy Association Reception
April 16, 2011, Philadelphia, PA
Nearly 100 students, faculty, and alumni gathered at the Loews Hotel to honor Dr. Roger Ideishi (3rd from right) on his being named a Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association. The dessert/champagne reception, hosted by the OT department and Alumni Relations, took place during the American Occupational Therapy Association Conference.

Student Appreciation Day
April 21, 2011, USciences Campus
USciences alumni were thrilled to take part in Student Appreciation Day activities by hosting the alumni table. Robert Spera P’88 (left) and Art Blatman P’69 (right), joined by Institutional Advancement’s Nichole Wilson (center), handed out giveaways to hundreds of students as part of a student/alumni “meet and greet.”

MISSION OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

To engage the graduates of University of the Sciences in promoting the goals and objectives of the Alumni Association and the institution.
Harrisburg Alumni Regional Reception
Thursday, June 9, 2011, Harrisburg, PA
Alumni and friends enjoyed handcrafted ales and lagers from Appalachian Brewing Company at the Harrisburg Regional Reception.

Young Alumni Happy Hour
Thursday, June 16, 2011
Philadelphia, PA
1. Alumni from the class of 1996 through the class of 2011 gather at Millcreek Tavern (formerly the Track and Turf) to catch up and reminisce with classmates and friends.
2. Alums from class of 2011. Left to right: Gabrielle Gregory PhC’11, Steve Rossi C’11, Chi Ngong Tang C’11, Peter Young PH/TX’11, and Rebecca Newcomer BC’11.
3. Members of the USciences chapter of Phi Kappa Psi at the Young Alumni Happy Hour. Left to right: Lucas R. Baird BS’08, Joseph C. Cook BS’07, Anand A. Patel PharmD’10, William L. Salvatore BS’03, and Paul M. Sanborn BS’01, MS’04.
ALUMNI CONNECTIONS
EVENTS

7th Annual Lake Como 5K in memory of Grania Maggio MPT’94
April 30, 2011, Lake Como, NJ
University of the Sciences students and staff pose with members of the Maggio Family at the Lake Como 5K in memory of Grania Maggio MPT’94. This annual event is hosted by the Jersey Shore Running Club and benefits the Grania Maggio Study Abroad Fund at University of the Sciences. While a student, Grania pioneered her own curriculum to include a semester abroad. The Maggio Fund was established in her memory to assist deserving students with the cost associated with studying abroad.

USciences Legacy Society
The USciences Legacy Society is, simply put, a family tradition. Started in 2006, the Legacy Society honors the many families who have attended the University. A legacy is defined as “any alumnus or student in a family with one or more generations of graduates both living and deceased. This includes alumni and students who are related by marriage.”
In what has become an annual tradition, the Legacy Society event was held in conjunction with the University’s 190th Commencement activities in May.

Visit www.usciences.edu/legacy to learn more.
Are you a legacy? E-mail us at legacy@usciences.edu.

1. Left to right: Clement Boncal P’84, father; Ann Nesbella P’84, mother; and Amelia Boncal DPT’11, daughter.
2. Left to right: cousins Akta Patel PharmD’06, Grishma Patel PharmD’09, and Jatin Patel PharmD’11.
3. Left to right: Gary Smedley PharmD’11, son; President Philip P. Gerbino P’69, PharmD’70; Jennifer Smedley P’80, mother; and Jacinta Smedley PharmD’13, daughter.
4. Left to right: Our newest legacies—husband and wife George and Megan Sorial, both PharmD’11.
ALUMNI CONNECTIONS
CLASS NOTES

1953
NEIL M. DAVIS P’53, MS’55, PharmD’70 authored the 15th edition of the book/website Medical Abbreviations: 32,000 Conveniences at the Expense of Communication and Safety (Medabbrev.com). He resides in Delray Beach, FL.

1955
MICHAEL R. RONCO P’55 recently celebrated the 55th anniversary of Ronco’s Pharmacy in Reading, PA. Michael owns the business, where MARIO H. HIPP P’62 is pharmacy manager and Michael’s daughter MICHLE (RONCO) RADOMSKI P’84 is a pharmacist.

ALAN J. VOGENBERG P’55 was reappointed to the Bucks County Commissioners Senior Task Force in April 2011. His third term will run through May 6, 2014. Alan, an original member of the task force, lives in Langhorne, PA.

1959
ROBERT N. CROCKER P’59 has changed his last name from Cracker. He retired from the NJ State Department of Health and Senior Services in 2006 and moved to Long Branch, NJ, in 2007. He lives two blocks from the beach and spends his time walking, cooking, and cartooning.

1962
ANTHONY J. SZUSZCZEWICZ P’62, MS’64 was awarded a doctorate of humane letters honoris causa from Holy Family University. Anthony is president of Polonia Bank.

1969
FRANK M. STEARNS BSc’69 (MS’72, Medical College of Pennsylvania; PhD’78, Hahnemann University; MBA’90, LaSalle University) was a 2010 recipient of the American Red Cross Presidential Award for Excellence. Frank is CEO of the Red Cross’ Philadelphia National Testing Laboratory.

1970
ALBERT A. TALONE BS’70 (DO’75, Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine) was honored on April 2, 2011, with the 2011 Healing Spirit Award at the Lourdes Health Foundation’s third annual fundraising gala and silent auction. This annual award honors a Lourdes physician for his or her compassion, dedication to patients, and years of service. A family medicine practitioner and a renowned patient advocate at Lourdes Medical Center Burlington County, Albert has been noted for providing compassionate and dedicated healthcare to the community for more than 35 years. Albert and his wife Sabina, a registered nurse and graduate of Our Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing, have three children: Maria, a therapeutic counselor; Albert John, a practicing attorney; and Aaron Michael. They also have two granddaughters, Sophia and Giuliana.

1980
While back east for a family vacation, Los Angeles resident TOM MCNULTY, JR., PharmD’80, toured the campus with wife Dr. Ruth Williamson McNulty and children Lisa and Tommy. They were joined by YUQIAN LIU PharmD’14.

1983
STEVEN BURMAN P’83 received the 2011 Excellence in Youth Award, presented by the Delaware County Council, Delaware County Workforce Investment Board, and Delaware County Youth Council. The award recognizes exemplary leadership and outstanding commitment to the community.

1988
MITCH G. SOBEL P’88 received the 2011 Gregory A. Santora Pharmacist of the Year Leadership Award, given by the NJ Society of Health-System Pharmacists (NJSHP) to a pharmacist leader who embodies outstanding leadership skills and has made significant improvements in patient outcomes and pharmacy process management. The award was presented at the NJSHP annual meeting on April 8. Mitch was recently installed as president of NJSHP.

1997
STEVEN BRESLIN P’97 (PharmD’08, University of Florida) and his wife Melissa Gallagher Breslin announced the birth of their son James on October 17, 2010. The family lives in Downingtown, PA.

1998
ERIC R. ESTERBROOK P’98 and his wife Michelle are the parents of Eric Miller, born on September 28, 2010. Eric is the chair of USciences’ XV Circle giving society. He and his family live in Wyomissing, PA.

2002
EDWARD C. LI and BRIAN F. MCBRIDE (both PharmD’02) coauthored “Drug-Induced QT-Interval Prolongation: Considerations for Clinicians,” which appeared in the July 2010 issue of Pharmacotherapy. The article was one of the top 15 most reprinted articles of the year. On June 18, 2010, Brian married Michelle L. Wallace at St. Patrick’s Church in St. Charles, IL. Delany DeRemer, daughter of CHRISTINA (SCHOBER) DEREMER PharmD’02, was the flower girl. Brian is a scientific research liaison at The Medical Affairs Company. Michelle is a realtor with Jameson Sotheby’s International Realty. The couple lives in downtown Chicago with their dogs Rocco, Adrienne, and Paulie.

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CLASS NOTES

IN MEMORIAM

1941
DAVID B. POLLACK P’41, MS’42 died on January 9, 2011. His survivors include his wife Anne, daughter Helen, and nephew NORMAN KAUFMAN P’58.

1946
RUTH (REID) MOSES P’46 passed away on March 18, 2011. Ruth was a past president of the Greater Philadelphia Pharmaceutical Society and for years operated her own pharmacy at 56th and Market Streets in Philadelphia.

1953
MODEST ARTYMIW P’53 died on January 11, 2011, at the age of 93. He is survived by his children Lydia and Orest. Modest, who emigrated from the Ukraine with his wife in 1951, worked as a pharmacist for over 50 years. He was also an amateur violinist and spoke six languages.

1955
CHARLES D. DITCHFIELD P’55 passed away on February 6, 2011. He was director of the Williamsport Hospital pharmacy for 30 years. Charles was a past president of the Pennsylvania State Board of Pharmacy and a lifetime member of the Pennsylvania Pharmacy Association. His survivors include daughter MICHELE (DITCHFIELD) MANGANELLO P’83.

1956
W. RICHARD MARSHMAN P’56 died on August 11, 2010, at Harrisburg Hospital. He is survived by his wife SHIRLEY (STONEIS-FER) MARSHMAN P’57, daughter TERESA (MARSHMAN) DUNN P’81, son-in-law EDWARD M. DUNN P’81, and sister Helen Hollinger. He was predeceased by son WILLIAM H. MARSHMAN P’85 in 2003.

1959
HERB S. CARLIN MS’59, Hon DSc’84 passed away on March 3, 2011. Beloved husband of Mary Joan and the late Ruth Carlin. He was a devoted father of Earl Carlin (Sarah), Catherine Van Orden (Ryan), Judith Marth (William, who is a USciences trustee), Mac Hampson (Jennifer) and Rebecca Parsons (Stewart). He is also survived by 12 grandchildren. Herb earned his masters of pharmacy degree from PCPS in 1959 and received an honorary doctor of science in 1984. He was a past president of both the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists and American Pharmacists Association. He also served on the boards of the National Health Council and American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education, as well as on several committees of the United States Pharmacopeia. A scholarship is being established in Herb’s name. Anyone wishing to contribute should send a donation payable to University of the Sciences (Office of the President, University of the Sciences, 600 South 43rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104) and note in the memo, Herb Carlin Scholarship.

1961
MAVEN J. MYERS P’61 (MS’63, University of Wisconsin; JD’66, University of Pennsylvania; PhD’66, University of Wisconsin) died on May 6, 2011. He was born in Scranton, PA, and later lived in Springfield, PA, and Port St. Lucie, FL. Survivors include his companion of 33 years John Parkinson and his sister Lois Hicks. Maven began teaching at PCPS in 1965 in pharmacy administration and pharmacy law. He was a pioneer in the field. He moved through the ranks of the professorate, holding posts such as professor of pharmacy administration, chair of the department of pharmacy, associate dean for pharmacy, dean of health sciences, and vice president of academic affairs. While Maven was dean of health sciences, he facilitated the curricular issues to implement the general education requirements for all students. He was an advisor to Phi Delta Chi and was very much engaged with students on many levels. Maven was chairman of the American Pharmaceutical Association’s Economics and Administrative Sciences Section, was on numerous national editorial boards, and served as local president of the American College of Apothecaries, in addition to serving as an officer in many other pharmacy associations. Contributions in memory of Maven may be made to Treasure Coast Hospice, 1201 S. E. Indian Street, Stuart, FL 34997.

Friends of USciences

MARY JOANNA FOSTER THAWLEY died May 7, 2011, in Newtown Square, PA. She was predeceased in 2000 by her husband, former University of the Sciences president WILLIAM A. THAWLEY P’38.

JOHN C. HAAS, 92, philanthropist, champion of community service, and a retired chairman of the Rohm and Haas Company, died April 2, 2011, at his home in Villanova, PA. Mr. Haas spent his professional career with Rohm and Haas, the global specialty chemicals company cofounded by his father. He left an extraordinary philanthropic legacy throughout the Delaware Valley, and that generosity touched USciences. Mr. Haas was instrumental in establishing the Delbert S. Payne Endowed Scholarship in honor of his longtime friend and colleague. Sadly, Dr. Payne delivered one of the eulogies at the May memorial service for Mr. Haas, just five days before his own passing.

Correction

In the last issue, The Bulletin incorrectly associated a photo with one of our alumni obituaries. We sincerely apologize for that error and are rerunning both notices with the correct photos.

1956
ROBERT E. DEMPSKI P’56 died on July 24, 2009. After graduating from PCPS, he earned a doctorate in pharmaceutics from the University of Wisconsin in 1961. He was a retired director of pharmaceutical development for Merck & Co. where he had a 35-year career. Survivors include his wife Margaret; children Anne, Sarah, and Robert, Jr.; and four grandchildren.

1959
PAUL F. GAYNOR P’59 passed away on July 16, 2010, just 43 days short of his 50th wedding anniversary. He was a faculty member at what was then PCPS, teaching various subjects in the biology department. Survivors include his wife Marilyn. Paul was a member of Temple Beth-El in North Port, FL, and a proud member of the Masons. He was an avid poet, and after his passing, his wife compiled his works in a bound book, Steps Through Memory, and submitted it with pride to the USciences Alumni Relations office.
**ALUMNI FOCUS**

**His Mozart Moment**

**Jay Sochoka P’94**

**By April Hall**

JAY SOCHOKA P’94 has overcome challenges that many simply accept. He details some of those challenges in *Fatman in Recovery: Tales from the Brink of Obesity*, a memoir published last year by Avventura Press. Friends encouraged Sochoka to write the book after he began working as a motivational speaker, using his life’s stories, focusing on his more than 100-pound weight loss and his training as a competitive runner.

The book’s pinnacle occurs when Sochoka, who graduated with a bachelor’s degree in pharmacy in 1994, ran the Boston Marathon.

“It was what I called my Mozart moment,” he said. “The book was already written; it was just a matter of getting it on paper.”

The next installment will address Sochoka’s mental illness with a book he plans to title, *I’m Not Crazy...I’m Bipolar*. Sochoka says his struggle with bipolar disorder has been difficult, and he hopes writing about his journey will help others, even if it doesn’t always paint a flattering picture.

“*Fatman in Recovery* was the brighter side of life—even including my dad’s passing,” he said. “I wanted people to like me before I wrote the second book.”

The Old Bridge, New Jersey native now lives in Covington Township, Pennsylvania, with his wife and son Julian. Regardless of his writing career, he continues to works as a pharmacist at the local Rite Aid.

Sochoka said he practices “preventative medicine” at the pharmacy by monitoring vital signs of customers who are interested in avoiding cholesterol, blood pressure, or diabetic medications. “[For] some who want to work on preventative medicine with me, it gets very in-depth.”

**Therapy That’s Not Child’s Play**

**Lisa Mackell MPT’88**

**By April Hall**

While LISA MACKELL MPT’88 was studying at USciences, she was already designing the logo for Theraplay, Inc., her company now celebrating its 20th anniversary.

She’s a rare breed, a pediatric physical therapist who has a private practice, and it’s obviously a passion. Mackell recently shared a story about a special client with a USciences panel:

“I worked with a little boy, who at the time was the same age as my son, 4 years old. I had to send the little boy to get diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy. I remember going home wondering why him and not my son. He still comes to our office, 13 years later, and he comes for free. I made a promise the night I met him that I would also ensure that we provided his care, regardless of his insurance reimbursement. This is the greatest advantage to owning my practice.”

Mackell opened her first office in 1996, and now there are five offices, in West Chester, Quakertown, Springfield, Horsham, and Trapp. Theraplay, Inc., provides children’s physical, occupational, and speech therapy, in addition to special education.

“Opening the first office is scary.”

LISA MACKELL MPT’88

“Opening the first office is scary,” Mackell said. “Opening the second office is scary, too, but after that you have systems and procedures in place that you know work and you trust in that.”

In addition to not seeing the number of clients in a day that brings in the big bucks, the children Mackell does see display varying levels of cooperation throughout day. All this can be daunting, but Mackell says she wouldn’t have it any other way.

“I probably would stink at anything else,” she surmised.
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Leon Leopold Benau Scholarship—Helping Students Finish Strong

DANNY BENAU, PhD, director and associate professor of biomedical writing, was concerned for some of his USciences students and their financial struggles in completing the biomedical writing program.

“Not being able to afford one credit should not stop someone from graduating after doing all that work—and after all the effort that we did to teach that person,” Dr. Benau said. When he mentioned his concern to his mother Margit Benau, she responded by donating $25,000 and naming the award in honor of her late husband.

The Leon Leopold Benau Scholarship provides financial support to students in good academic standing in the biomedical writing program who demonstrate need. It is provided at the discretion of the dean of College of Graduate Studies and the director of the biomedical writing program.

Dr. Benau’s father Leon Benau came to United States in 1948 after fighting with the British Army in WWII. Leon passed in 1990, and as part of Jewish tradition, memorial prayers by the Benau family include pledging to give charity in a person’s name. Margit, an Auschwitz survivor, decided this would be her family’s way of giving in the name of Leon.

“It would please him to be remembered this way,” Dr. Benau reflected. “His actual original goal in life was to be a teacher, something he was never able to do. So being able to support something academic actually fits very well with his memory. It was one of his wishes.”

Inside Job

JOSEPH RUANE, PhD, has kept very busy throughout his life and his time at University of the Sciences. Currently a professor of sociology and health policy, he started and advises the Black Student Union/Black Academic Achievement Society and is the faculty athletic representative to the NCAA. His involvement also includes many years of service in the Philadelphia community, helping with civil rights, community organization, and education.

Having given to USciences through his many years of service, Dr. Ruane has also made financial donations to scholarship funds and even equipment donations.

“I believe since I gained a good life from the University, I ought to give back a little bit and support it,” said Dr. Ruane. “I like the work that the University does with the students. I’ve found there are always good students, good scholars, and they just do well.”

Dr. Ruane was recently honored at the USciences’ annual employee recognition reception for 40 years of service and is the Alumni Association’s 2011 Honorary Alumnus Award recipient.
The Difference Donors Make

What Will Your Legacy Be?

At University of the Sciences, we strive to provide you with giving options that both fulfill your philanthropic goals and support the University in a way that makes sense for you and your family. For some, the best way to do this is to include University of the Sciences in their wills. Large or small, bequests make a tremendous difference to our students and are essential to the success of our efforts. During the 2010–11 academic year, bequests significantly impacted our growth and included unrestricted gifts, which may be used by the University wherever they will have the greatest impact; gifts in support of specific colleges; and gifts in support of endowed scholarships. FRANCIS B. LEIGH, class of 1920, and his wife Anna E. Leigh are one example of a couple who understood the power of philanthropy and chose to perpetuate their legacy by including University of the Sciences in their will. In May 2011, the University received a $100,000 gift from the Leigh estate in support of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy (PCP) Scholarship Fund. The Leighs’ generosity will help countless PCP students follow in Francis Leigh’s footsteps and become the pharmacy leaders of tomorrow. What will your legacy be?

Cardinal Health Pharmacy Scholarship Program

University of the Sciences was one of 13 pharmacy schools from across the nation selected to receive funding from the new $1.1 million Cardinal Health Pharmacy Scholarship Program. Each school received an endowed scholarship ranging from $50,000 to $125,000.

Left to right: provost, Dr. Russell J. DiGate; PCP dean, Dr. Lisa Lawson; Cardinal Health chairman and CEO George S. Barrett; USciences president, Dr. Philip P. Gerbino; USciences VP for corporate relations, Dr. Susan E. Barrett (no relation); and USciences board of trustees chairman Marvin Samson.
Corporations and Foundations Make a Difference at USciences

University of the Sciences is proud to recognize just some of the private and foundation supporters who significantly impacted our success and made a difference in the lives of our students during the 2010-2011 academic year.

AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals
Provided an unrestricted educational grant that was used to support “Making the Connection: A Panel Discussion on Hepatitis C Prevention” presented by Mayes College of Healthcare Business and Policy at University of the Sciences.

The Barra Foundation
Funded a Community Fund Grant to help students participate in community outreach initiatives and support the efforts of valuable organizations.

BTE Technologies
Established the BTE Technologies Advanced Evaluation and Rehabilitation Lab at Samson College of Health Sciences at University of the Sciences. (see article on page 11)

Cardinal Health
Endowed the Cardinal Health Pharmacy Scholarship Program to provide financial support to students enrolled in Philadelphia College of Pharmacy at University of the Sciences. (see article at left)

Christian R. & Mary F. Lindback Foundation
Funded the Lindback Distinguished Teaching Award and funded a grant in support of an innovative health literacy project aiming to develop multimedia resources to help patients learn more about their medications and improve their medication adherence.

Citizens Bank Foundation
Funded a grant in support of the SWEET (Southwest Elders Exercising Together) project—enabling physical therapy students to provide therapy and wellness education to low-income, older, uninsured, or underinsured women in southwest Philadelphia.

Dolfinger-McMahon Foundation
Funded a grant in support of University of the Sciences’ Student Counseling Services—helping students resolve personal, social, and academic problems and obtain appropriate professional care during times of personal stress or crisis.

Eisai USA Foundation
Endowed the Eisai Scholarship Fund to provide financial support to University of the Sciences students.

Genesis HealthCare
Established the Genesis HealthCare Center for Aging Research and Education at Samson College of Health Sciences at University of the Sciences. (see article on page 11)

W. W. Smith Charitable Trust
Provided scholarship support for high-achieving students with demonstrated financial need from the Delaware Valley area.
COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Poster Presentations


Presentations

SHANAZ TEJANI-BUTT • “Animal Models of Psychiatric Disorders” to graduate students and interns of USciences Student Health and Counseling Services, April 22, 2011.


Professional Activity

SHANAZ TEJANI-BUTT • serves as USciences representative on a Clinical and Translational Service Award (CTSA) grant with University of Pennsylvania.

• organized the USciences 9th Annual Research Day, April 14, 2011.

• received an extension of her term of service on the NIH Biobehavioral and Behavioral Processes Mechanisms of Emotion, Stress and Health Study Section.

DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING

Professional Activity

ANGELA BUCHANIC received a certificate in marketing excellence in strategic marketing and planning for the completion of the 2010–2011 St. Joseph’s University/Philadelphia American Marketing Association Professional Development Program, May 2011.

MAYES COLLEGE OF HEALTHCARE BUSINESS AND POLICY

Poster Presentations


Presentations


RICHARD G. STEFANACCI • “Nursing Home Care Beyond Nursing Home Walls: Opportunities for Consultant Pharmacists” at the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists, Orlando, November 10–12, 2010.


Publications


MISNER COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Grants/Service Agreements

Arnold Eiser, Eric Green (co-principal investigators, Mercy Health), E. AMY JANKE (co-investigator) received a one-year $10,000 grant from The Schwartz Center for “Cross-Cultural Communication: When the Doctor Is an IMG Physician,” a pilot of a multi-modal intervention to educate international medical graduates during their medical residency training about U.S. health beliefs and prompt them to utilize appropriate communication techniques when needed.

VOJSLAVA POPHRISTIC • received a one-year $153,000 grant from the National Science Foundation for “A Combined Computational and Experimental Approach for Structure Prediction of Foldamers.”

LIA VAS • received a $2,700 grant in support of Vas’ 2-week visit to Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey, from The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey through the Visiting Scientists Fellowship Programme for “Almost Clean and Quasi-Continuous Rings.”
From uncovering the antimicrobial properties of statins to evaluating protein administration in premature neonates to preventing falls in the elderly, the 9th Annual Research Day at USciences showcased the diversity and growth of research pursuits on campus on Thursday, April 14, 2011.
SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY (CONT.)

Poster Presentations


**Presentations**

**MIRIAM DIAZ-GILBERT***, “How to Successfully Reconstruct and Promote a Spanking New Writing Center and Impact the Campus Community” at the Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association (MAWCA) Conference, West Chester, PA, April 16, 2011.

**ANNE MARIE FLANAGAN***, “What Will Students Think of Next? Shopping in the Marketplace of Ideas” at The Association for Core Texts and Courses 17th Annual Conference sponsored by Yale University, New Haven, CT, April 16, 2011.

**VAGMITA PABUWAL**, ZHIJUN LI*, “Comparison Analysis of Primary Ligand Binding Sites in Seven-Helical Membrane Proteins” at the 55th Biophysical Society Annual Meeting, Baltimore, March 5–9, 2011.


HELENE VO*, KEVIN FARROW*, STEPHANIE BURKE*, "Writing Center Peer Tutors: A Prescription for the Campus Student Newspaper and Campus Leadership" at the Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association (MAWCA) Conference, West Chester, PA, April 16, 2011.

MEI-LING WANG*, "Global Health and Sustainable Development Partnerships: Opportunities for Multi-Sector Stakeholders," as part of the panel “Educating Next Generation Americans on Asia,” at the Symposium on Asia-USA Partnership Opportunities (SAUPO), Atlanta, April 8, 2011. SAUPO was created and sponsored by Kennesaw State University.

Professional Activity

JENNIFER DUKES*, WENDY FOX*, ANDY HOFF*, JENNIFER LEHRER*, ASHLEY SAULNIER*, GLENN SOLOMON*, students in Health Communication and Social Marketing, CO710, taught by CLAUDIA PAVANTA*, in spring 2011, produced six public service announcements on critical health topics. The students learned how to script, shoot and edit video at the WHYY’s Dorrance H. Hamilton Public Media Commons. They created dissemination plans to bring the target audience to view their spots which, together with pictures of the group at the studio, are currently posted on YouTube and the media commons home page: www.whyy.org/hamiltoncommons/community2011_usp.html.

Publications


GINA KAISER*


- book review of A Widow’s Story: A Memoir by Joyce Carol Oates to Kerouac, Welty to Wharton..." by Ethanol Precipitation" at the USciences 9th Annual Symposium on Asia-USA Partnership Opportunities (SAUPO), Atlanta, April 8, 2011. SAUPO was created and sponsored by Kenn

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SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY (CONT.)

DARREN C. WU†, CLYDE M. OFNER†, “Building a Gelatin-Doxorubicin Conjugate: Addition of a Dipeptide Spacer to the Gelatin Carrier” at the USciences 9th Annual Research Day, April 14, 2011.

Presentations

MICHAEL J. CAWLEY†
- “Perspective on the In-Home Treatment of Patients with MRSA Bacteremia and Complicated Skin Infections” for regional home infusion clinical staff in Phoenixinville, PA; Radnor, PA; and Philadelphia, March 2011.
- “Spirometry” at the 9th Annual Challenges to Primary Care Conference: Primary Care Film Festival — “A Day at the Movies,” Crozer-Chester Medical Center, Upland, PA, April 2011.
- “Cubicin as Initial Therapy for Staphylococcus aureus Bacteremia and Complicated Skin Infections” for regional pharmacists and caseworkers, Wilkes-Barre, PA, May 2011.

LINDSAY B. PALKOVIC CURTIN†, “Simulations for Education & Training” at the Pennsylvania Society of Health-System Pharmacists 42nd Annual Assembly, Mars, PA, November 11–13, 2010.

CLYDE M. OFNER†, “Research Update on a Gelatin-Doxorubicin Conjugate Designed for Anti-Tumor Treatment” at the USciences 9th Annual Research Day, April 14, 2011.

SARAH A. SPINLER†
- “Discharge Medication Counseling Pearls” at the American College of Cardiology ACC.12 and i2 Summit 2012, New Orleans, April 3, 2011.
- “Primary and Secondary Prevention of Coronary Heart Disease” at the American College of Clinical Pharmacy’s Updates in Therapeutics 2011: Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Preparatory Review Course, Columbus, April 12, 2011.

Publications

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MICHAEL J. CAWLEY†, QUINN CZOSNOWSKI†, LINDSAY B. PALKOVIC CURTIN†, “Comparison of Sedatives, Analgesics and Neuromuscular Blocker Requirements During Pressure Control and Airway Pressure Release Ventilation,” abstract in Critical Care Medicine, 38SA893, December 2010.


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Awards

ROGER I. IDEISH† was named a Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association, April 16, 2011.

PAULA KRAMER† received a service award from the American Occupational Therapy Association for completing a 3-year term on their board of directors.

Grants/Service Agreements

CAROL A. MARITZ† received a one-year $5,000 grant from Citizens Bank Foundation for “The SWEET Project for Increasing the Health Status of Older, Low-Income Women in Philadelphia.”

Poster Presentations


THERESE E. JOHNSTON†, “Journaling for Reflecting on Teaching” at a poster session on education innovation at University of the Sciences, May 13, 2011.
JILLIAN M. KERR*, ROGER I. IDEISHI†, SIOBHAN K. IDEISHI†, “Metaphoric Movement and Dance for Preschool Children” at the American Occupational Therapy Association 91st Annual Conference and Expo, Philadelphia, April 14, 2011.

PAULA KRAMER†, D. Castillo†, C. Doehler+, J. Jacobs+, “Therapy Missions: Rediscovering the Roots of Occupational Therapy” at the American Occupational Therapy Association 91st Annual Conference and Expo, Philadelphia, April 14, 2011.

PAULA KRAMER†, C. B. Royeen†, “Viral Marketing: An Avenue to Promote Occupational Therapy” at the American Occupational Therapy Association 91st Annual Conference and Expo, Philadelphia, April 14, 2011.

G. P. Bostick†, CAROL A. MARITZ†, B. Martin+, MARC CAMPOLO†*, “Outcomes Associated with American and Canadian Student-Directed Physical Therapy Clinics: Student and Patient Perspectives” at the World Congress of Physical Therapy, Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 20–23, 2011.

PATRICIA Q. MCGINNIS*, L. A. Guenther+, M. Romen+, SUSAN F. WAINWRIGHT†, “Factors That Influence Development and Integration of Professional Core Values into Physical Therapy Practice” at the World Congress of Physical Therapy, Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 20–23, 2011.


CASEY OPDYKE*, MAREN HAAS-MAHONEY†, ROGER I. IDEISHI†, SIOBHAN K. IDEISHI†, “Innovative Photography Practice to Promote Inclusive Social Participation of Preschool Children” at the American Occupational Therapy Association 91st Annual Conference and Expo, Philadelphia, April 15, 2011.

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M. Rice†, E. Francis-Connolly†, J. Case-Smith†, ROGER I. IDEISHI†, P. Price†, “Swimming with Sharks—Success in Getting Promoted and Tenured” at the American Occupational Therapy Association 91st Annual Conference and Expo, Philadelphia, April 14, 2011.


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PAMALYN J. KEARNEY*, JENNIFER PITONYAK†, PHYLLIS BLUMBERG†, S. Schroeder†, “Effective Teaching for Student Learning in Classroom Environments: Strategies for Clinicians in Guest Lecturer, Adjunct, or New Faculty Roles” at the American Occupational Therapy Association 91st Annual Conference and Expo, Philadelphia, April 14, 2011.

PATRICIA Q. MCGINNIS*, KIM NIXON-CAVE†, A. M. Santasier†, SUSAN F. WAINWRIGHT†, • “Developing and/or Refining Your Interviewing Skills as a Qualitative Researcher” at the Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association, New Orleans, February 9–12, 2011.


AMY VAN KLEUNEN*, CAROL A. MARITZ†, “Using Online Discussion Boards to Foster Social Interdependence Among Learners” at the Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching and Learning, Bethesda, MD, June 2–5, 2011.

Professional Activity

ROGER I. IDEISHI† was named a member of the Autism Advisory Committee, Smithsonian Institution, Accessibility Program, Washington, DC.

THERERE E. JOHNSTON† served as a grant reviewer for the Veterans Health Administration Rehabilitation Research Merit Award Reviews, February 23–24, 2011.
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BC  BS  B.S.  Bachelors of Science
BI  BI  Biology
BInf  BI  Bioinformatics
BW  BMD  Biomedical Writing
C  CHEM  Chemistry
CB  CB  Cell Biology
CS  CS  Computer Science
DPT  DPT  Doctor of Physical Therapy
ES  ES  Environmental Science
HonAlm  HON  Honorary Alumnus/a
HonDSc  HON  Honorary Degree (Science)
HPsy  HPSY  Health Psychology
HS  HS  Health Science
HumSci  HUM  Humanities and Science
IndP  IND  Industrial Pharmacy
MB  MB  Microbiology
MBA  MBA  Master of Business Administration
MedC  MCD  Medicinal Chemistry
MOT  MOT  Master of Occupational Therapy
MPT  MPT  Master of Physical Therapy
MS  MS  Master of Science
MT  MT  Medical Technology
OrgC  ORG  Organic Chemistry

P  B.S.  Bachelor of Science
PA  PA  Physician Assistant
PhA  PhA  Pharmacy Administration
PharmD  PHARM  Doctor of Pharmacy
PhB  PHARM  Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Business
PhC  PHARM  Pharmaceutical Chemistry
PhCog  PHARM  Pharmacogony
PhD  PHARM  Doctor of Philosophy
PhG  PHARM  Graduate in Pharmacy (equivalent to P that is used today)
PhSci  PHARM  Pharmaceutical Sciences
PhTech  PHARM  Pharmaceutical Technology
PH/TX  PHARM  Pharmacology and Toxicology
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