



CALENDAR

APhA Conference

Alumni & Friends Reception
March 29, 2015
5:30 p.m.
Marina Kitchen Lounge
Marriott Marquis
San Diego, Calif.

[RSVP](#)

CougarX Nation Alumni Event

April 3, 2015
5:00—7:00 p.m.
Bellevue Brewing Co.
Bellevue, Wash.
*Non-members
and guests \$10*

WSPA New Drugs New Laws Seminar

April 12, 2015
WSU Health Sciences
Spokane, Wash.
[Event details »](#)

CougarX Nation

Regional Coordinators Board
Meeting
April 17, 2015

FEBRUARY 14, 2015

Dear Alums, Colleagues and Friends of Pharmacy,

One of the major elements that sets the WSU College of Pharmacy apart is the lasting relationships that our student pharmacists form during their time here. These include professional relationships with faculty through mentoring and instruction, professional relationships gained through interaction with leaders and innovators in pharmacy industry and practice, and also the friendships students form with each other.

To honor these great relationships, and since today happens to be Valentine's Day, we bring you our "Pharmacy Couples" special edition of the CougarX Alumni Newsletter dedicated to the alumni couples who met at WSU and the College of Pharmacy.

We appreciate the alumni and friends who shared their stories with us! It was special to see just how many couples found each other during their time at WSU. If you didn't get a chance to send in your story for today's issue, we'd still like to hear it! Post your story or leave us a note on our [Facebook page](#).

If you are still looking for a perfect Valentine's Day gift, it's not too late to order some College of Pharmacy "swag" for your significant other! Our student organizations have [launched a website](#) where you can view various items for sale. Check out the sweatshirts, umbrellas, license plate frames, wine glasses, and more. All proceeds help support our pharmacy student organizations.

By the way, if you had a great experience at WSU and would like the opportunity help our current student pharmacists have the same, why not volunteer to be a mentor? [Click here](#) for more information.

3:00—5:00 p.m.
WSU Health Sciences
Spokane, Wash.

**WSU Pharmacy
Donor Appreciation and
Awards Night**

April 17, 2015
5:30—8:00 p.m.
WSU Health Sciences
Spokane, Wash.
RSVP

**CougaRx Nation
Alumni Event**

May 2015
Portland Area
Event details coming soon!

**College of Pharmacy
Commencement**

May 7, 2015
2:00—4:30 p.m.
Fox Theater
Spokane, Wash.
RSVP

**Northwest Pharmacy
Convention**

- **Alumni & Friends Reception**
May 30, 2015
Coeur d'Alene Resort
RSVP
- **CougaRx Nation Regional Coord. Board Meeting**
May 30, 2015
Coeur d'Alene Resort

Details on upcoming events will be posted as they become available on our [CougaRx Nation events web page](#) »

**NEWS FROM THE
DEAN**

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Be sure to visit our [alumni community web page](#) for all the latest details on our college and alumni events. If you are attending the APhA convention in San Diego next month, please join us for the WSU College of Pharmacy “Alumni & Friends” Reception on Sunday, March 29, at 5:30 p.m. You can RSVP now at gocougs@pharmacy.wsu.edu.

Happy Valentine’s Day!



With Cougar Pride,

Linda Garrelts MacLean
Associate Dean for Advancement

CLASS OF 1970

It’s amazing to have three couples all from the same class who were not just friends, but all became engaged, got married, and stayed friends for decades after graduation. Pam and Mel Nebelsieck, Suellyn and Lonnie Olson, and Carla and Howard Chamberlin made it through pharmacy school together in Pullman and all had exciting careers in pharmacy—and some still do!



**Pam and Mel
Nebelsieck**



**Suellyn and Lonnie
Olson**



**Carla and Howard
Chamberlin**

The photos of each couple were taken just before graduation in May 1970 (as evidenced by the clothing and hair styles!). It is great to be part of the Cougar “Pharmaly!”

A memorial scholarship has been set up for Suellyn and Lonnie Olson and if you would like more information please [email us](#).

PATRICK TABON AND CASSIE LAW (both class of 2012)

Patrick and Cassie met during their first year of pharmacy school. When they met there was

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instant chemistry but personally and professionally they were on different wavelengths. They were great friends throughout their 4 years at WSU. Their careers took them into two different arenas of pharmacy but in the end they managed to both get jobs they

love. They never expected to meet in Pullman but it makes them even prouder they graduated from WSU. Patrick believes without Cassie he would not have grown as much as a person during those school years. He never thought the decision to go to pharmacy school at WSU would have such a long-term impact on his life.

BARBARA (class of 1982) AND WILLIAM BATES (class of 1963)



It was 1982 and Barbara had just graduated from the WSU College of Pharmacy and was looking for employment. She went to the Bates Model Pharmacy since Keith Campbell told her “Bates is always looking for someone.” Barbara and William met at the soda fountain of the Bates Model Pharmacy in Spokane and the rest, as they say, is history. They

have been together since November 1984. Barbara says that Bill is the finest man she has ever known and he’s a great employer and beloved father of seven.

APRIL (class of 2009) AND ROBBIE COWGILL



A few years ago, April got married to her long time friend and fellow Coug—and WSU basketball star—Robbie Cowgill. After graduating from WSU in 2008 Robbie went on to join the staff of the nonprofit Christian ministry organization Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU) that they were both involved with as college students—April was a

star WSU volleyball player.

As April reflected on how much her life had changed as she grew in her relationship with God, she realized a desire to invest in the spiritual lives

of students at WSU, even if it meant stepping away from her job as the Harborview medical and cardiology ICU clinical pharmacist. That decision led April to join the CRU staff team with Robbie at WSU. The happy couple currently resides in Pullman with their now 10-month-old daughter, Mya.

April is currently working with the College of Pharmacy to develop an elective for WSU student pharmacists interested in critical care.



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