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Newsmakers
Sandra Leal, PharmD, (’98) made the November cover of Pharmacy Today. The interview with Dr. Leal focuses on her vision for pharmacists being “accessible primary care providers.” In 2011, Leal started the Change.org petition for provider status. Associate dean for professional education Kari Franson, PharmD, PhD, was interviewed in the Denver Post on the pros and cons of marijuana. The piece ran Nov. 30. Drs. David Ross and Brian Reid were interviewed by the Aurora Sentinel regarding our School’s high-throughput screening core facility and funding it recently received. Faculty member and alum Dr. Robert Valuck was interviewed in The New York Times regarding a new study linking acid-reducing drugs to vitamin B12 deficiency. Dr. Peter Rice was interviewed by CBS4 about the value of multivitamins (in response to recent studies questioning the value in specific populations). Keep your eyes peeled for an article by recent graduate Dr. Kristin Holmes that will appear in an upcoming edition of Student Pharmacist magazine.

Mountain West Society of Toxicology (MWSOT) Meeting. Congratulations!

Our NCPA Student Chapter was recently selected as NCPA Student Chapter of the Year Second Runner up for all the activities the organization participated in during 2012, including community service projects, chapter programming, fundraising, meeting attendance and promotion of pharmacy ownership.

The Colorado Academy of Family Physicians has recognized the AF Williams Family Medicine Clinic with the Patient Centered Medical Home Best Practices of the year award for Colorado. Faculty members Drs. Joseph Saseen and Laura Borgelt are members of the clinic staff.

Faculty members Drs. Joel Marrs and Sarah Anderson were recently recognized on the Colorado Department of Health and Environment’s website for their work in the hypertension clinic at Denver Health’s Eastside Adult Medicine Clinic.

In Memoriam
Alumnus and friend to our School, George M. Anderson, passed away Dec. 4 in Longmont. George served in the USAF from 1948-1949 and from there developed a love for flying. He loved the mountains and outdoors and spent a lot of time fishing and hunting with family and friends. George earned his BS in Pharmacy from CU in 1954; and owned Anderson Drug in Boulder from 1955-1967. He was the President of the State Board of Pharmacy, President of the Colorado Pharmacal Association and the President of the Colorado Society of Hospital Pharmacists. George was also a member of many civic organizations in Boulder. A loving husband, father and grandfather, George is survived by his wife, three sons and their families. A memorial service was held Dec. 9 at Longs Peak United Methodist Church. The Anderson family requests that contributions be made in honor of George to Longs Peak United Methodist Church or the University of Colorado Foundation (School of Pharmacy).

Filling CCN’s Food Pantry
The holiday spirit was in full swing during this year’s Holiday Food Drive when students, staff and faculty donated more than 750 lbs of food to the Colfax Community Network. The P-3’s outdid themselves by collecting more than 500 items! Thanks to all involved, especially Charlotte Klaus, Felix Medina, Sarah Scoular, Cameron LaChappelle, Tara Makker, Nash Robertson, Jade Megyeri, Chelsea Mitchell, Davis Chang, Matthew Nguyen, Tiffany Goldberg and Ralph Ong.

Kudos
Graduate student Surendra Singh recently won first place for his student platform presentation during the