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Klaus Receives UCSC Service Excellence Award
Charlotte Klaus, Associate Dean of Finance, Budget and Administration, received the UCSC Service Excellence Award and was one of just four University of Colorado staff members to receive the honor this year. Chancellor Don Elliman, who presented the award, said that as a 26-year-employee of the university, Klaus "exemplifies the spirit that this award recognizes." Among her many achievements, Klaus started the student/faculty food drive 20 years ago and continues to lead this initiative.

Redesigned Website and New Blog
This week the school launched its newly redesigned website and blog, Pharmacy Perspectives, the school's award-winning newsletter, was the inspiration for the new design, which conveys a more vibrant and modern look. The school's new blog will highlight the different voices of our students, faculty and alumni each week. If you are interested in blogging about your experience here at the School of Pharmacy, please contact Dana Brandorff or Kristina Proffitt.

APhA-ASP Operation United 5K Run/Walk
The Operation United 5k Walk/Run will take place Sat., Apr. 18 at Central Park in Stapleton, CO. This event is a fundraiser for the student chapter of APhA-ASP to support the needs of the community in Colorado. The funds will provide opportunities for healthcare education through free health screenings and to help bring the community together in a fun and active way. To register for the 5k or to learn more about Operation United, click here.

Colorado Undergraduate Research in Environmental Health Sciences
The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences received funding for an undergraduate diversity training program in environmental health sciences from NIEHS. The grant will provide money for six undergraduate students from underrepresented minority populations to work in the lab for one year, which will include a full time summer program (40 hours/week) and up to 10 hours/week for the school year. In addition, there is $3000 per year for each student for lab supplies and travel. Click here to learn more about the program.

ASHP Appoints New Fellow from CU Pharmacy
Joel Marrs, PharmD, has been named a Fellow of ASHP for the excellence he has achieved in pharmacy practice. He will be honored on Tues., June 9 during the ASHP Summer Meeting here in Denver. To learn more about Dr. Marrs' appointment and the other 35 Fellows, click here.

Students Take Home Second Place in the Student Pharmacist Compounding Competition
A team of three students – two P-3s Kelsey Schwander and Sierra Hill and P-2 Adam McHenry – represented our school in the Student Pharmacist Compound Competition in Gainsville, FL. This is the second year that our school has participated in the event, which is hosted by Medisca (a leader in pharmacy compounding) and the University of Florida College of Pharmacy. In 2014, our team brought home a first place finish. To discover what the students thought of the competition, check out our blog.

Prescription Drug Disposal Day
Our school, together with the University of Colorado Denver Police Department, will collect unused and expired medications on Saturday, April 18 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Anschutz Medical Campus (in front of Building 500). Once collected, the police will dispose of the drugs.

In the News
Joseph Saseen, PharmD, stopped by 9NEWS to discuss a new drug that targets high cholesterol.

In an interview with FOX31, Peter Rice, PharmD, PhD, discussed the dangers of ordering prescription drugs online.

Sunny Linnebur, PharmD, told the 9NEWS anchors about a recent study that found that Vitamin D is not effective for lowering blood pressure.