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**SNPhA Receives Excellence Award**
SNPhA was selected as the recipient of the Outstanding Community Service by a Student Organization Award for 2009-2010. This award is part of the Excellence Awards for Student Organizations, Leadership and Service program sponsored by the AMC Student Assistance Office. The award was presented to a student organization that has demonstrated flexibility, initiative, creativity, and perseverance and made a meaningful contribution to students, the University, and/or the surrounding community. Pictured from left to right are SNPhA members, Vi Dang, Alyse Kliljanczyk, Monica Evans and Vanessa Hennes.

**AFPE Fellowship Awarded**
PhD graduate student, Chad Brocker, received an AFPE (American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education) Pre-doctoral Fellowship. AFPE has been awarding Fellowships in national competition since 1942. Congratulations!

**Teaching and Distinguished Coloradan Awards**
In recognition for their distinguished service to the SOP, Dr. Doug Fish, Dr. Brian Hemstreet and Mr. Charles Sintek were awarded with the 2010 President's Excellence in Teaching Award, the 2010 Chancellor's Teaching Recognition Award, and the 2010 Distinguished Coloradan Award respectively.

**Students Create Second E-Newsletter**
Third-year students, Sara Settje, Angela Stephan and Ella Thompson completed an electronic newsletter to communicate with fellow health care students what they learned when they attended the University of Utah School on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependencies. The three wrote, edited and produced their first newsletter last semester, and distributed it to their fellow pharmacy students at the Anschutz Medical Campus. They recently completed their second edition, whose distribution is being expanded to include students from all health care disciplines across campus.

**Alumni News**
John Shell (BS '53, PhD '54) of Hillsborough, Calif., friend of the SOP, scientist, philanthropist, inventor, entrepreneur, and humanitarian, passed away March 30 at the age of 84. Dr. Shell died peacefully at home with his wife, Barbara, at his side. Born and raised in Waxahachie, Texas, Shell graduated high school and attended The College of the Ozarks for one semester and then enlisted in the Naval Aviation Cadet Program. He received his wings just as war was ending and decided to go back to college rather than make the Navy his career. He attended the University of Colorado where he met his wife to be and was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. After receiving a BS and PhD, Dr. Shell built a long and impressive career working for the Upjohn Company, Allergan Pharmaceuticals, Alza Corporation and Johnson & Johnson. Not content to retire, he founded DepoMed Inc., based upon his own oral drug delivery system invention. Finally retiring in 2000 as founder emeritus, he took up oil painting as a hobby. His many contributions in the research and development of drug products and drug delivery systems earned him many awards, one of which was the University of Colorado's highest honor, the University Medal, in recognition of his contributions to biomedical research. In addition to his wife, Barbara, he is survived by his son, John N. Shell, his daughter Suzanne M. Shell, and a nephew, Richard H. Vaughan (Nelda), and their two children, Greg and Katherine. His sister, Julia Vaughan preceded him in death.

**Student Poster Contest**
With a theme of headache medication overuse, P-1 students showed both their knowledge and creativity during the annual poster contest. The winning entry was submitted by Group 12 - Timmeda Campbell, Rachel Karanja, Shelby Kemper, Hoang Lien, Thuy Thi Nguyen, Jin Park, Mark Siri and Kevin Yamanouye.

**9Health Fair**
Hundreds of hours were donated by students and faculty preceptors for this year's annual 9Health Fair. With over 25 screenings available, the Fair provides participants with information about a range of health concerns. During the 8-day event, pharmacy students helped screen for osteoporosis and consult on bone health. Pharmacy students Lindsey Thompson and Diana Nguyen are pictured here.