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Vi Dang Receives ASHP Leadership Award
Vi Dang was one of three P-2 students in the entire nation to be awarded with the 2009-2010 ASHP Student Leadership Award. Because of her interest in health-system pharmacy and demonstrated leadership ability, Vi was identified as representing the very best attributes and accomplishments of ASHP student members. Ms. Dang will be recognized throughout the year via

So, You Wanna Be in Pictures…
Recently, faculty and students took time during spring break to participate in a photo shoot. Dr. Joe Saseen and P-2 Sara Varnado are pictured here. The photos will be used in a variety of materials, including the SOP’s new website, which will be unveiled in June. Thank you to all who participated. A special thank you to Jennie Brunkan for helping organize the shoot with students.

Students Receive Scholarships
Two third-year pharmacy students, Carol Benzing and Morgan Ehlers received two-year scholarships in the amount of $30,000 each from the Colorado Trust to assist with completing their pharmacy degrees. Open to graduate level students from a variety of health disciplines who plan on practicing in rural communities, the Colorado Trust Health Professions Scholarship Program is making it possible for Benzing and Ehlers to pursue pharmacy careers. Twenty-three students from universities through Colorado received awards during this year’s Health Profession Scholars Banquet.

Community Pharmacy Practice Residency Program
This year, the SOP in cooperation with King Soopers, is offering a Community Pharmacy Practice Residency Program. The program offers PharmD graduates an opportunity for advanced training, emphasizing clinical services in the community setting. Applications are due April 15th. Contact Peter Rice for more information.

Doug Fish Accepts DOCP Chairmanship
Doug Fish, PharmD, professor and interim Chair of the Department of Clinical Pharmacy, has accepted and assumes the role of Department Chair effective April 1, 2010. Congratulations to Dr. Fish.

In the News
The SOP and its experiential program that pairs first year pharmacy students with local elementary schools were highlighted on Rocky Mountain PBS for its work with Montview Elementary School. The program, Super School NewsCast, hosted by 5th graders from Montview, spotlighted activities at the school, including the nutrition course with our P-1s and Jump Rope for Heart.

Matches Made in Heaven
Excitement was in the air March 17 when P-4 students received news that they had been matched with residency programs throughout the country. Congratulations to 22 students who were recently notified. The students and their respective matches are: Jody Adams -- Lutheran Medical Center; John Burgeson -- Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center; Emily Calovich -- St. Luke's Hospital; Kelley Carlstrom -- Beth Israel Deaconess; Rebecca Cochrane -- Asante Health System; Corinne Floyd -- Memorial Regional Hospital; Charles Foster -- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center; Brooke Glasmann -- Denver Health; Steve Johnson -- UCLA Medical Center; Zanette Kanani -- Children's Hospital; Jill Krisel -- Medical University of South Carolina; Jennifer Kryskalla -- VA Medical Center; Adrian Larkin -- University of Michigan; Rachel Lowe -- Michael E. DeBakey VA; Angela Luetters -- St. Joseph's Hospital; Patrick McDaniel -- Methodist Hospital; Emily Oien -- Intermountain Healthcare - Utah Valley Regional Medical Center; Jennifer Schneider -- Multicare; Jamela Urban -- the Nebraska Medical Center; Jeremy Vandiver -- St. Joseph's Hospital; Lisa Yacko -- Denver Health; Kennda Zoffka-Zimmerman -- Swedish Medical Center. Apologies to any student who was matched and not included in this list. Please contact Dana Brandorff for inclusion in a future edition.