This semester has been filled with a multitude of events that were planned and hosted by our student organizations. We recognize your hard work and wish to continue to see more success and excellence in the future. Each year, CNU continues to grow and develop its organizations as well as its curriculum. We are proud of our students and their accomplishments and continue to wish them the best.
Students partnered with BREATHE California and Dr. Gordon Garcia to perform free asthma screening for the Twin Rivers Housing Community.

We had 35 students who volunteered their time and donated a total of 31 pints of blood during SNPhA’s mobile blood drive in the CNU lot.

A variety of talents were showcased during the SSHP Mr./Mrs. Pharmacy Talent show such as singing, dancing, and magic.

Congratulations to Yochabel Loyola for winning first place, Jonathan Gonzalez and Carla Nicdao for second place, and Ella Mokrushin for third place!

Thank you Dr. PerriAnn Allen, Dr. Tahir Ashraf, Dr. Jennifer Courtney, Dr. Kimberly Han, Dr. Andrew Nguyen, Dr. Jessica Sheffler, and Dr. Christina Zhang for sharing their career paths and accomplishments as alumni of CNU.
CPhA WESTERN PHARMACY EXCHANGE

Congratulations to Aiko Flores, Jared Honda, Kiki Lim, Nicole Quang, and Rachel Shay for winning third place in CPhA Quiz Bowl at the recent West Coast Pharmacy Exchange in Palm Springs!

IPHO NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Industry Pharmacist Organization gathered in San Francisco on March 26th to discuss leadership and fellowship opportunities within the field of industry.

SNPHA REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Approximately 300 students gathered in Sacramento as CNU’s SNPhA chapter hosted the regional conference. Students were able to learn more about residency opportunities as well as network with different pharmaceutical companies.

AMCP NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Our students travelled to Colorado to attend the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy National Conference where it brought together all the voices and visions of managed care pharmacy, health care, and breakthrough drug therapies.

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CNUCARES held their annual Cancer Symposium, where they discussed about breast cancer, its impact on patients, and new advances in cancer research. Dr. Perri Ann Allen and Dr. Melanie Decker served as guest speakers, along with Beverly Saldivar, a breast cancer survivor.

Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Chi, and Rho Pi Phi compete against each other in football, kickball, basketball and quiz bowl during Greek Week. Congratulations to Phi Delta Chi for winning first place in Greek Week!
The start of the school year is a great way for organizations to recruit new members and find ways to collaborate with one another. This provides students with an opportunity to get involved and give back to the community. During my first year of pharmacy school, I took the time to learn about the various organizations, including their goals and objectives for the year. However, I was still lost with little direction as to what I was truly passionate about. This changed the moment I attended a Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA) meeting. During the meeting, there was a speaker that immediately caught my attention. Her passion and enthusiasm was apparent across the room and I was enticed by her ability to achieve so much in a matter of two years. This individual was Kimberly Han, a third-year pharmacy student. Although she was just a member of the organization, she was heavily involved in multiple projects spearheaded by the organization. Her dedication and perseverance helped SNPhA achieve Chapter of the Year—the highest recognition awarded to one school per academic year.

Dr. Han concluded the presentation with a video she created, which was awarded first place for the Rite Aid Scholarship at the 2014 SNPhA National Conference in Arlington, VA. I was inspired to follow in her footsteps and ensure my student career was just as impactful.

Dr. Han’s accomplishments did not end there, as it was only the tip of the iceberg in regards to what she has achieved during her student career. During her first year, she was involved with CNU’s Student Body Council and attended multiple conferences, where she served as a delegate. Dr. Han was also one of the few students that received the Executive Intern Pharmacist position at Target, where she completed her internship in her hometown in Southern California. As a second year student, she was President of the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy and successfully competed in the clinical skills competition, where she went on to represent our school at the national conference. She continued the Advanced Executive Internship with Target that following summer.

Through her vast experiences and accomplishments, she went into the American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacy (ASHP) Midyear conference without any fear in site. After countless interviews off-site and on-site, she decided to pursue a Post-Graduate Year One Residency in Managed Care at Envolve Pharmacy Solutions. Although her residency schedule is demanding, she continues to make time to mentor students. In particular, she initiated the Pharmacy Optimization Series, a three-part workshop aimed at helping students pave a desirable career path. Through the series, she has shared her experiences and encouraged students to get involved. In my opinion, her desire to give back to students as well as the pharmacy profession is a personal trait that is an inspiration to all. Dr. Han’s perseverance is one of her strongest attributes. Thus far at CUNCOP, she is one of the few students to complete all eight APPE rotations (only six are required for 4th year students). As I’ve gotten to know Dr. Han, I have experienced firsthand her dedication to mentor students and give back to the community. She has continuously helped students with their professional development and is known as the CV guru. It is without a doubt that she is willing to help any student with a positive and charismatic attitude.

Thank you so much for your consistent support and providing us with a goal to strive towards.
CNUCOP students and faculty join the community effort to promote education and enhance diabetes awareness during a Diabetes Community Outreach Health Fair event held at the Concord Senior Center in Concord, California. The event strived to develop a sense of community and was chaired by our very own CNUCOP Faculty Dr. Welly Mente, PharmD, FCSHP Chair Diablo Chapter of the California Society of Health System Pharmacists (DSHP) Diabetes Community Outreach Health Fair. Colleges of pharmacy, students, academia faculty, pharmacists, dental, optometry, audiology, physical therapy, medical, nursing, pharmaceutical industry companies, and the local community came together during National Diabetes Awareness month in November to volunteer their time and resources for this event.

There was wonderful collaboration with pharmacy students from Touro, CNUCOP, and UOP. It was wonderful to be able to see the pharmacists and pharmacy students at this health fair event display a high level of professionalism and commitment in their volunteer services to the community. The purpose of this event was to increase diabetes awareness and provide education to our community, many of which represent underserved patients in Contra Costa County. Although underserved patients have some access to free healthcare, it is beneficial for them to receive diabetes specific education to realize what diabetes is, to know what the healthcare consequences of this prevalent disease are, and learn what they can do to help prevent or delay this disease.

During the event, there were health screenings for blood glucose, blood pressure, dental, hearing, eye screenings, and more. Additional services included physical therapy, smoking cessation education, dental presentation, presentations provided by an endocrinologist, a celebrity chef cooking demonstration, a Tai Chi instructor, and diabetes education from a certified diabetes educator. Patients were able to learn how to manage or prevent the development of diabetes by eating healthy, exercising, and knowing their numbers. Patients also had the opportunity to have their medications reviewed by a pharmacist upon bringing in their medications or medication list. Raffle prizes were awarded and all of this was done for no charge to the community. This event was open to individuals with diabetes, family members, friends, and who people who simply wanted to know more.

“It’s encouraging to see our pharmacy colleagues in northern California at their very best. It was a wonderful day for our pharmacy profession to volunteer their time and resources to give back to the community”

~ Chair, Welly Mente, DSHP Diabetes Community Outreach Health Fair 2016.
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