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From the Dean

Dear Friends:

Many of you may have wondered about the origin of the large [gothic-styled prescription cabinet](#) that is prominently featured in the Lemuel Dorrance Pharmacy Museum and frequently in the background of photographs used by the college in promotional articles and brochures. Well, we recently had the good fortune to be visited by descendants of the original owner, Dr. Albert Conable Bartow, of this remarkable historical artifact and they told a fascinating tale about the piece.

We were very much surprised when Mary Carpenter and Laura Tompkins, granddaughters of Dr. Bartow, brought their daughters, Sherrie Horacek and Laura Buck, and other family members and friends to the college to see the prescription cabinet. They had collected information about the cabinet from newspaper clippings and other documents in possession of the family and were very generous in sharing that information.

Dr. Bartow was a pioneer Oklahoma physician who established a family practice in Okfuskee County after obtaining his M.D. degree from the University of Cincinnati Medical School. Granddaughters Mary and Laura remember seeing the cabinet in his office when they were of a young age. As the story goes, Dr. Bartow commissioned the cabinet to be made by a carpenter, probably locally based, for \$1.00/day, paid daily over a period of 100 days. It appears that Dr. Bartow was famous for his compounded burn medicine and it is suggested that the prescription cabinet was used for product preparation as well as for storing pre-packaged drug products of the day.

Dr. Bartow died in 1940 and the desk was donated to the Creek Nation in Okmulgee. In 1954, the cabinet was donated by the Creek Memorial Association Board to the Dorrance Room at the OU College of Pharmacy, located in Norman at the time. Dr. Ralph D. Bienfang, professor of pharmacy, along with Dr. E. E. Dale, research emeritus professor of history, accepted the donation on behalf of the college and the university.

We are very grateful to Mary and Laura as well as to their daughters, family, and friends for visiting the college and sharing their memories and records. This story will likely be the subject of historical research for many years to come.

This will be the last e-News from the College of Pharmacy for the calendar year 2001. We very much appreciate your participation with us as we have endeavored to keep you abreast of college activities and other important events as they develop in the pharmacy profession. The College of Pharmacy e-News will continue in January of 2002. It is our hope that you and your family will have a happy and safe holiday and new year. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

College News

▪ College of Pharmacy Adjunct Faculty Officers of ACA

Don Coody and William (Willie) E. Osborn, Adjunct Instructors, were recently installed by the [American College of Apothecaries](#) (ACA) as President-Elect and Treasurer, respectively. Both have long term association with ACA and have served the organization in a variety of capacities. Congratulations and best wishes to both.



The ACA is an international professional association of pharmacists and pharmacy students whose primary mission is to establish and provide programs which assure the delivery of pharmacy and related health care services of the highest quality and to promote private pharmacy practice.

Important Healthcare Information

▪ Inhalational Anthrax Update From CDC

An article entitled "Update: Investigation of Bioterrorism-Related Inhalational Anthrax ---Connecticut, 2001" is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5047a1.htm>.

▪ CDC Releases Interim Smallpox Response Plan

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently released its "Interim Smallpox Response Plan and Guidelines." The agency described the plan as a "working document" that will be revised to reflect evolving public health resources for dealing with the disease, which was eradicated in 1980 but poses a potential bioterrorism threat. A seven-page executive summary of the 300-page plan is available from CDC at <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/diseases/smallpox/spox-guide-exec-sum.pdf>

Alumni News

▪ Cynthia Boyle ('71) Travels to Thailand

Cynthia was part of a delegation of faculty and students from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy traveling to Thailand this past summer as participants in a Thai/U.S. Pharmacy Education Consortium Exchange Program. The team provided lectures and demonstrations in one-week workshops in pharmaceuticals/pharmacokinetics, pharmaceutical regulatory issues, and communication skills at Silpakorn University near Bangkok.

Cynthia received the B.S. degree in Pharmacy from OU and subsequently obtained the Pharm.D. degree from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. She is currently serving as Director of the newly-formed Office of Continuation Studies and continuing as Assistant Director of Experiential Learning at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. Classmates and friends may communicate with Cynthia at cboyle@rx.umaryland.edu.

Pharmacy News

▪ Medicare Discount Card Proposal Expected Soon

Tom Scully, administrator of the [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services](#) (CMS), says that the agency will publish a proposal for a Medicare discount card program in the Federal Register. Scully said PBMs that participate in the program will have to publish their prices on the program's website. Seniors will be able to choose a plan based on price. However, seniors will be locked into a program for six months. A federal judge enjoined CMS from implementing its previous plan at the behest of the [National Community Pharmacists Association](#) (NCPA) and the [National Association of Chain Drug Stores](#) (NACDS).

▪ Panel Discussion on Medicare Drug Discount Card

A panel discussion regarding the Medicare Drug Discount Card, organized by the Alliance for Health Reform, is available on-line at http://www.kaisernet.org/health_cast/hcast_index.cfm?display=detail&hc=347. The Alliance for Health Reform, a nonprofit, nonpartisan group of health care policy experts, is led by distinguished Senators Bill Frist (R-TN) and Jay Rockefeller (D-WV). Panelists for this discussion include: Tom Scully, administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS); Judy Feder, dean of policy studies at Georgetown University; Jeff Sanders, a senior vice

president of Advance PCS---a pharmacy benefit manager; and Craig Fuller, president of the National Association of Chain Drugstores (NACDS).

Lemuel Dorrance Pharmacy Museum News

▪ Dorrance Museum Prescription Cabinet Information



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Thanks to our guests for sharing their memories and records.

(From left to right) Dean Buckner, Sherrie Horacek, Mary Carpenter, Laura Tompkins, and Laura Buck

Job Openings

The University of Oklahoma Medical Center, Family Medicine Clinic

- Assistant Professor
- Assistant Professor

The University of Oklahoma Medical Center, Everett Tower

- Assistant or Associate Professor
- Assistant Professor

The University of Oklahoma Medical Center, Children's Hospital

- Clinical Assistant Professor

The University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, Schusterman Center, Tulsa

- Clinical Assistant Professor
- Clinical Assistant Professor
- Clinical Assistant Professor
- Assistant Director of Experiential Education
- Assistant Director of Student Services

The University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, Oklahoma City

- Assistant or Associate Professor
- Research Technician
- Research Assistant II
- Senior Pharmacy Technician
- Clinical Pharmacist
- Assistant/Associate Professor

Eckerd Drug Company

- Pharmacist
- Pharmacy Technician

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc

- Staff Pharmacist