



Dean's Message

I want to first thank all of you for being such incredible colleagues, students, teachers and friends. [I formally announced](#) my retirement last month and will be [stepping down as dean](#) of the School of Pharmacy and Health Professions on April 30, 2017. I would love to hear from you, so please send any messages my way or to spahparo@creighton.edu.



Mu Appointed to Associate Dean

Keli Mu, OTR/L, PhD, chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy, has been appointed associate dean for International Relations. Read [more](#).



Pharmacy Student Natural Leader

Pharmacy student Margarita Caraway, Class of 2021, is a natural leader with relentless drive. She has served in the Army Reserve for the past nine years while raising a family and completing prerequisites for pharmacy school. Read [more](#).



National Honor Society Elects Smith

April Smith, PharmD, associate professor of pharmacy practice, has been elected to the integrated Health Executive Council for the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. Learn [more](#).



Pre-pharmacy Lab Breaks Stereotypes

Pre-pharmacy and pre-health professional undergraduate students learn immersion skills in the new pharmacy lab. Learn [more](#).



Malesker Appointed to CHEST

Mark Malesker, PharmD, professor of pharmacy practice and medicine, has been selected to the editorial board of *CHEST*, an official publication of the American College of Chest Physicians. Read [more](#).



Alumni Volunteer for Hurricane Relief

In the midst of disaster and recovery, health sciences alumni put their skills and compassion to work. Learn [more](#).



Physical Therapy Visiting Scholar

A physical therapy scholar from the Pontificia Universidad Catolica Madre y Maestra in Santiago, Dominican Republic, visited the School of Pharmacy and Health Professions. Read [more](#).



Price Appointed to CAPTE

Paul Price, PharmD, senior associate dean, has been appointed to the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education for a four-year term starting in January. Read [more](#).

Fostering Service

First-year physical therapy students inspired by an older generation's commitment to community, assess basic vital



signs, nutrition and exercise to keep foster grandparents on a health path. Learn [more](#).



Beran-Shepler Recognized as Leader in PT

Kimberly Beran-Shepler, PT, DPT, assistant professor in the Department of Physical Therapy, was elected as a Distinguished Fellow in the National Academies of Practice in physical therapy. Read [more](#).



Alumni Advisory Board Open Positions

The Alumni Advisory Board is currently seeking applications to fill two open positions for spring 2018. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis, but the current positions are for graduates from the pharmacy pathway and occupational therapy pathway. To apply please visit [here](#).



Call for Nominations

The 2018 Young Alumni Appreciation Award nominations are now open. The award is conferred annually on outstanding graduates from each of the three disciplines who earned degrees within the past 10 years. To nominate outstanding young alumni, please submit [here](#). Congratulations to our 2017 recipients Marlena Culver Witchell, DPT'07, Doug Besch, MBA'07, PharmD'07, Micheal Rea, PharmD'07 and Maria Doyle Devlin, OTD'11, BSHS'11.

Doll Receives AOTA Award

Joy Doll, OTD, executive director of the Center for Practice, Education and Research, has been recognized with the AOTA Interprofessional Collaboration Award. Read [more](#).



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