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\$15.7M TO STUDY ANTHRAX

A team of ten University of Illinois at Chicago researchers received a \$15.7 million grant for a multi-pronged program to develop drugs to treat and stop the spread of anthrax, the often fatal infectious disease that has been rated second to smallpox in potential impact as an agent of bioterrorism. The pharmacy grant is the largest ever received at UIC.

Michael Johnson, PhD, professor, Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacognosy, and director, Center for Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, will direct the four-and-a-half-year program, which is funded by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Congratulations to Mike and his team!

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COW COMES HOME

Last month, the College officially welcomed its latest addition, the PharmaCow. The life-sized bovine statue is a gift from Pfizer, and was originally part of the Chicago Cows on Parade exhibition in 1999. Dressed in a white coat with symbols of pharmacy decorating its rump, PharmaCow now grazes in the College's lobby. Stop by for a visit!

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ASHP RECEPTION

The annual Illinois Reception during the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting will be Monday, December 8, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Kabby's Restaurant in the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. All alumni are welcome. There will be complimentary appetizers and cash bar service. For more information, contact Jeff Larson at larsonjc@uic.edu or (312) 355-0833.

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#### FEINBERG, MAGILL ON FIRE

Bill Feinberg (BS 70) and Julius Magill (BS 57) have been invited to "light the flame" before a UIC mens basketball game on November 25 and December 20, respectively. To attend either game, contact the UIC Pavilion box office at (312) 413-8421. Previous torchbearers include Ed Cohen (BS 75), John DeNardo (BS 71, MS 74), Scott A. Meyers (BS 76) Elma Jean Pierre-Jean (BS 74) and Avery Spunt (BS 70). For more on this tradition, visit <http://www.uiaa.org/chicago/awards/lighting.html>

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FLAMES VS. ILLINI @ UNITED CENTER

On Tuesday, December 30, the UIC Flames will tip-off against the UIUC Fighting Illini at the United Center. Tickets are \$25-40. Call to order tickets at (312) 413-8431 or go online at <http://uicflames.ocsn.com/tickets/mbaskbl-special.html>. The game will also be aired live in Chicago on CBS Channel 2 at 7 p.m.

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#### ALUMNI NIGHT AT BULLS GAME

Saturday, January 10, is Illinois Alumni Night for the Chicago Bulls vs. New Orleans Hornets game at the United Center at 7:30 p.m. Discounted tickets are priced at \$24, \$19 and \$16. Order form and payment must be received by the Chicago Bulls no later than Friday, December 26. UIC tickets will be grouped together. Please note that a limited number of tickets are available and they are being offered on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, visit: [http://www.uiaa.org/chicago/Bulls\\_ticketform.pdf](http://www.uiaa.org/chicago/Bulls_ticketform.pdf)

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ARIZONA ALUMNI BRUNCH

Dean Rosalie Sagraves will host a brunch for alumni living (or wintering) in Arizona on Sunday, January 18. To RSVP or for more information, contact Jeff Larson at larsonjc@uic.edu or (312) 355-0833.

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#### BUYING A HOUSE?

On Thursday, January 22, the University of Illinois Alumni Association is hosting “Home Buying 101: Buying your first condo or house?” Learn from alumni professionals in the real estate industry as they share their home-purchasing expertise and provide tips. The session will run from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Cubby Bear (Wrigley Room, 1059 W. Addison St., Chicago, IL). The cost is \$5 for members, \$10 for nonmembers. For more information, contact Tara Anderson, (312) 413-2382 or [tlndrsn1@uic.edu](mailto:tlndrsn1@uic.edu). Please register before Monday, January 19.

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CHALLENGE OF THE DEANS III

Dean Rosalie Sagraves will join the other health science deans in the third annual free-throw competition during halftime of a UIC Flames men’s basketball game on Thursday, February 26. The Dean will be defending the College’s trophy. Come to cheer her onto victory! The game against Wright State begins at 7 p.m. in the renovated UIC Pavilion. More details to come, but read about last’s year’s tournament online: <http://tiger.uic.edu/~aschupp/Grind.html>

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### PHARMACY ALUMNI REUNION

The Pharmacy Alumni Reunion is Saturday, April 24, at the Oak Brook Hills Resort celebrating the classes of ending in 4 or 9. In addition to the reunion banquet, CE classes and a tour of the College will be offered. Invitations will be mailed in March. For more information, visit <http://www.uic.edu/pharmacy/alumni/reunion/>

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FREE E-MAIL FOR ALUMNI

University of Illinois alumni and UIAA members are eligible for free e-mail accounts through the UIAA. Visit <http://www.uicalumni.org> to sign up.

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### CAREER CENTER CALENDAR

Upcoming professional development workshops:

Nov. 25 - Presenting Your Transferable Skills, 6 p.m.

Dec. 3 - Resume and Cover Letter Tune Up, 6 p.m.

Dec. 10 - It's Time to Take Action on Your Job Search, 6 p.m.

Workshops are held at UIAA's Alumni Career Center, 200 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago. Find details for these and other events in the calendar at <http://www.uiaa.org/careers> or email [careers@uillinois.edu](mailto:careers@uillinois.edu).

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COLLECTING CLASS NOTES

Please send your news (employment changes, family events, volunteer activities, new degrees and other items) to the Pharmacy Alumni Office at the address below, or fax to (312) 996-3272 or e-mail at pharmacy@uic.edu. Or use the online form at www.uic.edu/pharmacy/alumni

Your news will be published as a class note in the UIC Pharmacist (as appropriate).

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