

Kent and Jalee Abbott Honored by SWOSU College of Pharmacy

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The Abbotts were honored during the recent SWOSU College of Pharmacy Alumni Recognition Ceremony held on the Weatherford campus.

The Outstanding Pharmacy Alumnus award is presented each year for demonstrating exceptional support of the SWOSU College of Pharmacy and outstanding personal achievements in the profession.

Both Kent ('78) and Jalee ('77) are graduates of the SWOSU College of Pharmacy.

They are owners of PharmCare USA, founded in 1999 and based in Hydro. Their operations now stretch from New Jersey on the east coast to Grand Junction (CO) in the west. PharmCare provides a continuum of pharmaceutical services to long-term care patients, assisted living facilities and developmentally disabled patients. They have both been involved in community and consulting pharmacy since 1981 when they established their first company, JK Consulting.

Kent has been very involved on several committees and council work with the American Society of Consulting Pharmacists and has given numerous lectures and talks, including addressing pharmacy students at the SWOSU College of Pharmacy

Jalee, for many years, assisted the pharmacy college in scheduling rotation students with JK consulting services. Their consulting program has provided countless numbers of students with a quality pharmacy consultant experience.

They are both very prominent supporters of Hydro and the surrounding communities.

In addition to their community and professional services, Kent and Jalee are lifetime members of the Southwestern Pharmacy Alumni Association and have also been strong supporters of the Pharmacy Foundation. The Abbotts annually provide a \$2,000 Abbott Family Scholarship that benefits a third-year practice student and a \$2,000 PharmCare OK scholarship that benefits a second-year pharmacy student. Most recently, they were Hope Diamond Sponsors of the SWOSU College of Pharmacy's 75th Anniversary Celebration.

Kent is a graduate of Holdenville High School, while Jalee is a Hydro High School product. At one time, the Abbott family boasted the most active practicing pharmacists with nine. With their son and daughter-in-law, Cody and Jenna Abbott, recently becoming pharmacists, that number is now 11.