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#### **President's Message**

#### **Chris Oswald**



Springtime is here and while it officially began back in March, I have always felt that April and May best represent the season. The old saying goes 'April showers bring May flowers' and while I believe much of the country would argue against that statement in present day, we here in Idaho are fortunate to have the days getting warmer and staying lighter longer with summer just waiting around the corner. Outdoor adventures here we come!

With it being Spring, it is difficult to not get nostalgic as this season also brings closure to another academic year for many. Maybe you are a P3 student about to embark on rotations, one year closer to reaching the finish line, or you have reached it and are a new graduate. Regardless of where you are in school, or if you are out of school, take time to celebrate your accomplishments. After all, you worked to get where you are and have earned it. For those pharmacy residents, the light is at the end of the tunnel and you are almost there!

I want to take this time to thank all of you who attended our Spring Conference in Boise. It was a great success and would not have been possible without the support from our members and all the planning and organization from our Education Committee led by Brandon Griffith, Eliza Borzadek, and LeAnn Bolster. We had an action-packed business meeting with many great changes coming to ISHP. I was happy to announce that our most recent progress report to ACPE was accepted and we will continue to be an ACPE provider. We passed a change in our bylaws that will allow our ASHP delegates to hold two-year terms to increase their ability to better serve the organization on the national level. I also announced several opportunities to get involved with ISHP, including working on moving ASHP's Practice Advancement Initiative (PAI) forward in Idaho. We are still in the beginning stages of forming a task force for this and setting goals and objectives for how ISHP will support institutions around the state of Idaho in advancing this initiative. Nominations for the Board of Directors were also opened. There are several positions available and I strongly encourage anyone interested in serving the organization in such a way to submit your name by the May 31st deadline. Speaking from personal experience, serving on the Board of Directors is truly rewarding and fun. It allows me to connect with many individuals across Idaho and other parts of the country from different backgrounds and institutions to work together to make a positive impact on the pharmacy profession.

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The mission of ISHP is to promote the highest levels of pharmacy practice by our members



ISHP Annual Fall Meeting
Sun Valley

September 23, 24, 25, 2016



# "The Future of Pharmacy Practice: Provider Status and Collaborative Practice"



September 23, 24 & 25, 2016

# Sun Valley, Idaho ISHP's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

# Topics being planned:

Biosimilar update \*\* Diabetes update \*\* Oral chemotherapy

Layered learning module \*\* Telepharmacy \*\* USP 800 update

Antibiotic workshop \*\* Pharmacy forecast \*\* Pharmacy Law

# **Technician Program:**

CV writing \*\* Medication reconciliation \*\* Dosing calculations

Vaccine update \*\* Pharmacy technician forecast



Many thanks to our fantastic Education and Programs Committees for their efforts in setting up this program.

For more information or if you have suggestions for the program, please contact Brandon Griffith, Eliza Borzadek or LeAnn Bolster at the ISHP office:

ishpcontact@gmail.com

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In closing, I want to thank you all for making ISHP a great organization to be part of. We have a lot to be proud of and many things in the works that will continue to support the pharmacy profession in Idaho. If you are ever wanting to give some time to ISHP and assist us with one of our many projects, please visit our website <a href="http://www.ishp.shuttepod.org">http://www.ishp.shuttepod.org</a> or contact <a href="mailto:ishpcontact@gmail.com">ishpcontact@gmail.com</a> to find out more about opportunities.

Congratulations Class of 2016! Good luck to all of the students on rotations! Have a safe and happy summer; we will see you at the Fall Conference in Sun Valley!

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#### **ASHP House of Delegates**

ASHP House of Delegates **Elizabeth Duncan** and **Michael Dickens** are the elected Idaho representatives to the 2016 ASHP House of Delegates. **Paul Driver** servers as the alternative delegate. The House of Delegates serves as the policy making body of ASHP. Mike and Elizabeth recently returned from Phoenix, AZ, which was one of four sites of the Regional Delegate Conferences. At this meeting they joined 15 other state delegates representing Arizona, California, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, and South Dakota. All of the national delegates will meet when the House convenes in June during the ASHP Summer Meeting in Baltimore.

Each state representative **read and reviewed 25 new or revised policies** that will be voted on June 14<sup>th</sup> and to be included in ASHP policies that the organization lobbies for on Capitol Hill. For more information on the ASHP House of Delegates activities, please go to the ASHP Delegate banner on the ISHP website at:

http://www.ashp.org/menu/PracticePolicy/HOD.aspx

Some of the more controversial topics before the House of Delegates this year include:

#### Council on Therapeutics

- Drug Dosing in Renal Replacement Therapy
- Safety of Epidural Steroid Injections

#### Council on Education and Workforce Development

- Career Opportunities for Pharmacy Technicians
- Developing Leadership Competencies

#### Council on Pharmacy Management

- Controlled Substance Diversion and Patient Access
- Surface Contamination on Packages and Vials of Hazardous Drugs

#### Council on Pharmacy Practice

- Automated Preparation and Dispensing Technology for Sterile Preparations
- Accreditation of Compounding Facilities

#### Council on Public Policy

- Timely State Board of Pharmacy Licensing
- Inclusion of Drug Product Shortages in State Price-gouging Laws
- Direct-to-Consumer Advertising for Prescription Drugs and Implantable Devices

#### Resolution

ASHP Position on Assisted Suicide

Dinner conversation also included a discussion from the ASHP Steering Committee on "Women in Pharmacy Leadership."

If you would like to **comment or have any specific questions** as to any of these issues, please contact either Elizabeth at thompsel@slhs.org or Mike at dickensm@slhs.org by **May 31st**.

#### **Legal and Public Affairs Update**

#### John Sullivan



We have several topics to discuss for this newsletter. First off in the last newsletter I listed the new rules and statutes proposed by the Board of Pharmacy and approved during the most recent legislative session. I also mentioned new legislation on vaccinations by ISPA and biosimilars from industry that would be presented. ISPA was successful in passing the lowering of the age to which a pharmacist can provide vaccines from 12 years of age to 6 years of age. This change will allow for greater access for younger patients to obtain vaccines and thus improving vaccination rates. Congratulations to ISPA for passing this through.

The legislation regarding biosimilars was also approved. There is now a requirement that pharmacists must notify the physician when a substitution is made during the dispensing process. There are a few exceptions to this rule. The exceptions read as follows:

#### 54-1769. Communication Regarding Biological Products.

...Otherwise, the pharmacist shall communicate the biological product dispensed to the prescriber using facsimile, telephone, electronic transmission or other prevailing means, provided that the communication shall not be required when:

- (a) There is no interchangeable biological product approved by the federal food and drug administration for the product prescribed;
- (b) A refill prescription is not changed from the product dispensed on the prior filling of the prescription; or
- (c) The pharmacist or the pharmacist's designee has already communicated to the prescriber the specific product to be provided to the patient, including the name and manufacturer of the product, prior to dispensing; and that product is the product that is actually dispensed.

During the most recent Board of Pharmacy meeting, ISHP asked for interpretation of line "(c)". More specifically, when a biosimilar is added to the formulary of a hospital or health system, would notification of the addition of the biosimilar through published P&T minutes satisfy this exception? The Board supports this as satisfying the requirement. The documentation of this support can be found in the most recent Board minutes (in draft form until approved) from April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure that providers in your organization receive P&T minutes to be compliant.

The second item for discussion also relates to the Board of Pharmacy. We are in the early phase of negotiated rule-making phase for next year's legislative session. There are some proposed changes relating to technicians and their roles and responsibilities.

#### Below is an expert from the draft minutes:

The Board discussed how to approach the medication dispensing support topics. The purpose of this meeting is to provide directional support to staff; no final decisions were made. Any final decision would be vetted through negotiated and open rulemaking sessions that are properly noticed through the administrative bulletin and include a public comment period. Instead, this meeting is intended to task Board staff with pursuing draft rule language, more staff research, or no further action. The Board provided the following directional feedback:

- Draft preliminary rule language that would allow a certified technician to take verbal prescriptions in institutional settings
- Draft preliminary rule language that would allow a certified technician to transfer a prescription

- Draft preliminary rule language that would allow certified technicians to consult with a prescriber prior to filling a prescription at the direction of a supervising pharmacist
- Draft preliminary rule language that will expand tech-check-tech to practice settings beyond acute care hospitals

These changes are intended to assist with allowing the pharmacist more time with patients. A presentation from the Iowa Pharmacists Association shared data supporting this when rules allowed for increased responsibility for technicians.

The second topic from the Board meeting relates to the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) and looking to optimize its use. Several items under consideration have been discussed. They include requiring pharmacists with a CS registration to register with the PMP. Currently registration is voluntary for pharmacists. The second item under consideration is integration of a program titled Gateway®. Gateway® was designed to enhance data sharing in the healthcare setting by integrating pharmacy software and electronic medical records with prescription monitoring data. By integrating this program, it allows for the health care provider to access data without having to log in to a separate system. Many states are looking at legislation around opioid abuse. Some have signed legislation limiting the days' supply that can be dispensed and include language on exploring alternatives to opioids for pain management.

The third item to mention has to do with the FDA and sterile compounding oversight. ASHP recently sent a message regarding three guidance's that are in the open comment phase. I highly encourage you to read about these items as they can have huge impact on health systems that share resources. Here is the link to the ASHP language:

http://www.ashp.org/menu/Advocacy/FederalIssues/Compounding/FDA-Issues-Three-Guidances-on-Pharmacy-Compounding.aspx?utm\_source=Real%20Magnet&utm\_medium=Email&utm\_campaign=94833752

Lastly, I wanted to talk about provider status. On the Federal level, H.R. 592 has 286 co-sponsors and S. 314 has 44. Idaho's Senators and Representatives have yet to sign on as co-sponsors. On the state level we have formed a task force looking at provider status. Thus far, we have been gathering information regarding the provider status initiative and looking at passed legislation in other states such as Washington and Oregon. This is an exciting time for pharmacy. If you have an interest in participating in this topic, please send an email to ishpcontact@gmail.com

Thank you,

John

# Swans aren't the only birds in Sun Valley this September.....



As part of the 60<sup>th</sup> ISHP Anniversary celebration, the Idaho Pharmacy Research and Education Foundation (IPREF) is sponsoring a "catch a duck" fundraising event. The proceeds from the "duck hunting licenses" go to the IPREF fund. This fund awards grants to further pharmacist led research in Idaho, sponsorship of regional education events, and scholarships to the ISU College of Pharmacy winners traveling to the ASHP Annual Clinical Skills competition.

There will be a pond at the Inn filled with bright yellow ducks. Catch a duck to win an immediate prize! Or, display your ducks on your table during continuing education sessions. The grand prize goes to the catcher of the most ducks on Sunday!

#### **Honduras Medical Mission**

#### Arielle Martin



Going on medical mission trips to the desolate villages in Honduras are some of the most rewarding and challenging trips I have ever taken. I was first introduced to International Health Service (IHS-MN) (<a href="www.ihsmn.org">www.ihsmn.org</a>) through my College of Pharmacy at South Dakota State University. It is an optional P4 rotation. IHS-MN sends multiple medical teams twice a year to some of the most poverty stricken places of Honduras, and has done so for 30+ years. My team went to Lisangnipura, a small village ~20 miles south of Puerto Lempira. We flew from La Ceiba to Puerto Lempira and then took a puddle jumper to Lisangni. The air strip is ~1 mile from the village, so the locals come out in droves to help haul all of our gear and supplies to the clinic.

Our team was made up of one physician, 2 medical-oncology nurses, a dentist, myself as a pharmacist, a pharmacy student, 2 English-Spanish translators, 3 general helpers, a radio operator, and an engineer. We also had many local helpers, including 5 Spanish-Moskito translators, 1 local nurse, and 3 general helpers. We saw over 1400 patients and filled over 3500 prescriptions in just 9 days!





I love this group because they recognize pharmacist impact on patient care. The nurses and physician would write down the patient's problems on their sheet and rely on the pharmacy team to choose the medications based on the patient and pharmacy supply. We had a very limited inventory and had to triage the medications daily make the best use of our supplies. For example, we had numerous pediatric patients with respiratory illness (likely due to smoke inhalation) but had limited liquid antibiotics. So, we gave tablets to every child we could (even 3 year olds could swallow pills!), and when we finally ran out of liquid we compounded

amoxicillin suspensions using capsules. We worked with what we had and improvised daily.

We had clinic from 8-5, with a short lunch and made sure to finish by 5 so we had time to cool off and bathe in the river before dark. There was no electricity or running water. I formed friendships with so many of the local people and children, including the pharmacy translator and his son Tito. The last night in Lisangni the villagers had a huge dance on the patio of the clinic to express their gratitude. The final day we crammed ourselves into the back of a truck-bed and spent 4 hours bouncing our way down the 'road' back to Puerto Lempira.





These trips are always bitter sweet for me. I feel embarrassed of the American lifestyle of instant gratification and consumerism when these villagers are happy playing catch with left over pill bottles. The people of Honduras teach me how to be joyful and content with life. I cannot explain the amount of joy and satisfaction I get from traveling and helping to improve the lives of others. I find the people and country to be a beautiful and remarkable place to visit.

#### **Technician's Corner**

LeAnn Bolster - ISHP Technician Representative

Hello fellow technicians!

The ISHP spring conference was a success! Thanks to all who attended and provided feedback. We at ISHP want you to know that we take your comments seriously and are working on implementing some of the suggestions for the fall conference in Sun Valley. One of the suggestions was to **pair a pharmacy technician** with a resident pharmacist as topic presenters. It is a fabulous idea and one we



would like to start this fall. If any technician out there is interested in being a paired presenter, please let a board member know as soon as possible as the topic assignments will be made very soon. You can email us at <a href="mailto:ishpcontact@gmail.com">ishpcontact@gmail.com</a>. Please put "Interested in being a presenter" in the subject line.

We are also still working on **updating the website**. One of the changes includes moving the Technician Corner to the main menu down the left hand side of the page. We are also planning to open up the forum section and improve the job board for members only. Any suggestions for improvements would be appreciated.

On a nationwide note, exciting changes are happening in the pharmacy technician world and **certification is becoming more and more important to obtain and maintain**. By becoming/staying a member of ISHP you have access to live CE credits twice per year at a discount and invaluable opportunities for networking. We also have a pharmacy technician of the year award and for newly certified technician scholarships are available. Contact a board member for more information.

Again, thanks to all who attended the spring conference, looking forward to seeing you at the fall conference in Sun Valley September 23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> for our 60th anniversary!

LeAnn

# **Antimicrobial Stewardship Roundtable**

Brian McCullough

The antimicrobial stewardship roundtable at the ISHP spring meeting was a huge success! We had 54 pharmacists in attendance at 4 separate tables discussing a wide range of antimicrobial stewardship issues. A huge thank you to the pharmacists that led the discussions and for all those in attendance that made the conversations lively and engaged! We hope to continue the tradition of roundtable discussions on the first evening of the meeting in future meetings.





#### Thank you, ISU Alumni Association and College of Pharmacy



The Idaho State University College of Pharmacy honored **Judge Samuel A. Hoagland** with the **Professional Achievement Award** at a banquet in Pocatello on May 6. "This is the highest honor bestowed on alumni of the College by the ISU Alumni Association and College of Pharmacy. This award is designed to recognize significant professional achievement in pharmacy by our graduates," stated Dr. Paul S. Cady, Dean and Professor, in the ISHP invitation to attend.

ISHP has reaped the benefits of Sam's dedication to our organization and our profession. He served as the Director of Legal and Public Affairs, President-elect, President, and Immediate Past President. Sam created the backbone of the current Executive Director contract, walked us through the steps of incorporation,

brought ISHP's point of view to the Office of the Governor and testified on our behalf in the State Legislature on numerous bills. He brought us into the electronic era with the Wild Apricot computer software. Sam represented ISHP's point of view to the Idaho Board of Pharmacy on issues of credentialing, provider status, equal recognition with other pharmacy organizations, and pharmacy technician registration and education.

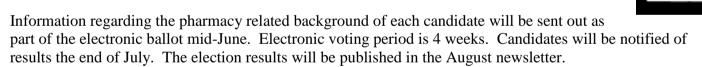
In 2012 ISHP honored Sam as a Lifetime Honorary Member for his many years of service and dedication to our profession. Since 1956 Sam is only the ninth member in ISHP history to have received this honor. May we continue to see him for many years at our annual fall and spring meetings. I however do personally miss the Hawaiian shirts and straw hats of the past. Congratulations, Sam!

Submitted by Debbie Rothstein

#### **Help Shape the Future of ISHP**

#### Nominations for the following board positions are open through May 31:

Director of Administrative Affairs Director of Education President-Elect Secretary-Treasurer



**Administrative Affairs** – work with ASHP to ensure ISHP's alignment as a state affiliate (bylaws) and that we are walking the talk (policies and procedures). This is a great opportunity to work on organizational skills; and if ASHP leadership and/or leadership in your organization to figure into your career plans.

**Education** – work with the Programs Director to develop ACPE programs to meet the ever increasing need for clinical skills in your workplace. In this board position the focus is on building people skills, networking, and meeting educational needs of our profession.

**President-elect** – work closely with board members to represent ISHP to our community; to hone people skills in a leadership role. This is the second level of ISHP as there is a prerequisite of having served on the ISHP board for two years. During this term you are prepared for the presidency. Over three years this officer goes from wearing training wheels to mentoring incoming board members.

**Secretary-Treasurer** – works with the Executive Director and the executive board. This is the office in which the decision to continue personal education through a MBA program can be answered, or to put your new MBA education into practice.

# NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK SUMMARY March 20 - 26, 2016

Les Gieselman
ISHP Poison Prevention Week Coordinator

As in years past, Idaho pharmacists, students, and technicians collaborated with personnel from the State of Idaho to help educate the public about poison prevention and celebrate National Poison Prevention Week (March 20-26). The recurring theme for this important event is "Children Act Fast...So Do Poisons!" Our partners this year were 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine and Idaho Injury Prevention, Division of Public Health, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, and The Nebraska Regional Poison Center, Omaha, Nebraska.

In mid-March, postcards were mailed to all Idaho Registered Pharmacists and Certified Pharmacy Technicians; the same information was e-mailed to ISU Pharmacy students. These groups were encouraged to provide poison prevention lectures to third graders statewide. In addition, postcards were mailed to daycares, elementary schools (third grade), WIC clinics, and Head Start programs alerting them that poison prevention information was available from the 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine website. Classroom presentations were provided to more than a half-dozen Treasure Valley elementary schools.

The 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine website and selected documents available on the website were updated to simplify ordering and downloading poison prevention materials. The 2016 National Poison Prevention Week poster contest guidelines and artwork release form were also posted on the 2-1-1 website. We are hopeful that Idaho students will submit their artwork to be considered for a future National Poison Prevention Week poster.

Ammon Baker from Boise's Cumulus Radio and Jason Helsley from the Idaho Dept. of Health & Welfare staffed a booth at the 2016 Expo Idaho Kids Fair and handed out poison prevention pamphlets, activity sheets, magnets, stickers, and kids goody bags.

Dr. Jeremy Crowfoot, St. Alphonsus Emergency Department Pharmacist, presented a lecture to ISU Pharmacy students on common poisonings and their management.

Governor Butch Otter and Secretary of State Lawrence Denney signed the official Idaho Poison Prevention Week Proclamation for 2016 and a copy was posted on the 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine website.

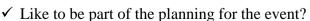
Thank you to all the people who once again made this a very successful campaign.

Les

# Remember this from 10 years ago?

# Well, ISHP will be turning the 60 this year!





- ✓ Like to share some of your favorite ISHP stories or know a little bit about our history?
- ✓ Help us get ready for the party
- ✓ Please contact Kent Quickstad at ishpcontact@gmail.com to join in on the fun



#### Student's Corner

Sarah Innacone & Dustin Stacey

**ISHP Student Representatives** 



Greetings from the ISU student members of ISHP! This time of year finds all of us recovering from our final examinations and preparing for the future. The P-4s are currently getting ready to take the step into real life and are preparing for rotations while the other students are getting ready for a well-deserved summer vacation (enjoy it while it lasts, right?). We were also delighted to see a lot of our friends and classmates graduate this year, as graduation took place on May 6<sup>th</sup> at Holt Arena in Pocatello and May 9<sup>th</sup> at CenturyLink Arena in Boise. We wish our friends best of luck in their future occupations and hope to follow the examples they have left on campus.

ISU students and their organizations continue to win acclaim as they strive for excellence in patient care and outreach. Just recently at the March APhA Annual Meeting, ISU won the National Immunization Award. This is a huge accomplishment for our students. Our Operation Immunization has helped to immunize thousands of people across the state and it is amazing that the University has been recognized on a national level. Our Generation Rx outreach program also took home the Region 7 award. Generation Rx helps middle school students learn about the dangers of prescription drug abuse. We appreciate all of the assistance we receive from ISHP members in assisting us with our outreach programs. We wouldn't have been able to do it without your assistance.

As a final note, with the end of the school year, it is time for new ISHP student representatives. Sarah and I are grateful for the opportunity we have had to get to know and rub shoulders with many of you throughout the year. It was a great experience to help out at the Fall and Spring meetings and we appreciate all the opportunities ISHP has given us. Your new ISHP student representatives are Monica McClain on the Meridian campus and Serena Hand on the Pocatello campus. We know that the ISU students will be well represented with Monica and Serena taking over. We wanted to say thanks again for this opportunity and we hope to see some of you on rotations. Hope everyone has a great summer!!!

# Sarah and Dustin

Sarah Iannacone – ISHP Pocatello Student Representative Dustin Stacey – ISHP Meridian Student Representative.



ISHP Spring meeting

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Anderson Center St. Luke's

**Boise** 





### From the ISHP Office- Executive Director's Message

**Spring Forward!** 

Ryan Fitzgerald

Spring 2016 brought forth some very exciting news and a very successful educational event for the ISHP members and its Board of Directors. In early March, the ISHP hosted its **2016 Spring Meeting** at the Anderson Conference Center at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise. We had just over 100 pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in attendance at this year's ISHP Spring Meeting, which focused on the **integration of technology into the pharmacy practice.** We received exceptional reviews on our lineup of speakers, the Infectious Disease Roundtable Workshop and close interaction opportunities with our exhibitors, throughout the meeting. We look forward to seeing everyone for the Annual Fall Meeting in Sun Valley for the 2016 Annual Fall Meeting – September  $23^{rd} - 25^{th}$ .

As many may have been aware, the ISHP was placed on temporary probation by ACPE, in the Spring of 2015, citing the need for more clearly defined educational objectives and measurements as well as the need for ISHP to work toward an educational structure that specifically met the needs and benefited the pharmacists served by the association. Following the probation notification, the ISHP Board invested in the new education portal, Learning ExpressCE, which was launched during the 2015 ISHP Fall Meeting in Sun Valley and also utilized at the 2016 Spring Meeting. Utilizing metrics from the new system and new guidelines outlined by the ISHP Board, President-Elect and Past-Education Chair, Lindsay Kaster, and current ISHP Education Chair, Brandon Griffith, authored a report to ACPE on the association's new system and its guidelines and goals for the ISHP Education Program going forward. In late March, the ISHP Board received a very positive report from ACPE and the great news that our probation had ended. In that regard, the ISHP has returned to full ACPE educational provider status and is looking at additional ways to bolster our educational programs. For example, we are providing an opportunity for additional CE credits to be obtained at drop-in CE classes in different parts of the State. In addition, we will be working with the State Board of Pharmacy to provide additional types of these CE opportunities throughout the year. Finally, please be on the lookout for ISHP surveys that will be seeking feedback on past educational programs as well as input on themes and topics for future programs.

Our work on the **ISHP website and the modernization of its backend database** continues, but we will be fully prepared for the Fall membership renewal process, which should reduce the proverbial "hoops" that members will have to jump through to renew their ISHP membership in this and future years. In the meantime, keep checking in, as we are working to make the ISHP website more efficient, effective and full of valuable industry information for both outside entities and members alike. More exciting developments to come as we continue our efforts to build the ISHP into the future!

# More Spring meeting pictures:



Looking forward to seeing <u>YOU</u>in

Sun Valley

this Fall!

