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Ardmore Pharmacist Henry L. Roberts Honored for Outstanding Community Service

Washington, DC – The Oklahoma Pharmacists Association has selected Henry L. Roberts as the recipient of the 2014 Bowl of Hygeia Award for outstanding community service. Roberts was presented with the award at the Annual Convention on Saturday, July 12. The award is sponsored by the American Pharmacists Association Foundation, the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations and the American Pharmacists Association with support from Boehringer Ingelheim.

Roberts was honored as a long-time pharmacist from Ardmore in recognition of his service to the community and to the profession of pharmacy. He is an OPhA member who served honorably as an OPhA District 4 Council member for almost a decade. He has been an active member in his own community since taking up residence in 1976. He was appointed to the Ardmore City Commission in 1995 and was elected to that office in 1996, served as mayor from 1996-1997, and served on the Commission for 5 years. Additionally, Roberts has served on numerous boards in Ardmore, which include: Board of Directors at Dornick Hill Country Club, the Board of Southern Oklahoma Ambulance Service, and currently the Salvation Army Board, Board of Ardmore Development Authority, and Board of the First National Bank of Ardmore. He has been a member of the Ardmore Rotary for 30 years.

Roberts was born and raised in Granite, Oklahoma, and graduated from Granite High School in 1967. He graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy in 1972, and received an MBA from Oklahoma City University in 1991.

He is currently part owner of Express Pharmacy in Ardmore. He is a member of First Baptist Church, and he and his wife, Linda, who married in 1970, have son Grant, son Jeff and his wife Erin, and one grandson, Graham.

Established in 1958, the Bowl of Hygeia Award recognizes pharmacists who possess outstanding records of civic leadership in their communities and encourages pharmacists to take active roles in the affairs of their respective communities. The award is presented annually by participating state pharmacist associations, including those in the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. In addition to service through their local, state and national pharmacy associations, award recipients have devoted their time, talent and resources to a wide variety of causes and community service.

The Bowl of Hygeia is the most widely recognized international symbol for the pharmacy profession and is considered one of the profession's most prestigious awards. The Bowl of Hygeia has been associated with the pharmacy profession since as early as 1796 when the symbol was used on a coin minted for the Parisian Society of Pharmacy. The bowl represents a medicinal potion and the snake represents healing. Healing through medicine is precisely why the pharmacy profession has adopted the Bowl of Hygeia symbol.

Information regarding contributing to the Bowl of Hygeia future is available by contacting the APhA Foundation at 202-429-7565 or info@aphafoundation.org.

About the American Pharmacists Association Foundation

The APhA Foundation, a nonprofit organization based in Washington, D.C., is a trusted source of research demonstrating how pharmacists can improve health care. The APhA Foundation's mission is to improve people's health through pharmacists' patient care services. The APhA Foundation is affiliated with the American Pharmacists Association, the national professional society of pharmacists in the U.S. For more information, please visit the APhA Foundation website www.aphafoundation.org. Follow the APhA Foundation on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) for the latest updates.

About the National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations

The National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA) promotes leadership, sharing, learning, and policy exchange among pharmacy leaders in all 50 states and Washington, DC, and provides education and advocacy to support pharmacists, patients, and communities working together to improve public health. NASPA was founded in 1927 as the National Council of State Pharmacy Association Executives (NCSPAEE). For more information, please visit the NASPA Web site www.naspa.us.