

2012 CPFI Annual Conference Practicing Pharmacy with Wisdom and Knowledge Nena Lindrose

Administrative Director

CPFI members from 28 states gathered together in Colorado Springs last week to attend the 2012 CPFI Annual Conference hosted by the Glen Eyrie Conference Center. The theme for the conference this year was "Practicing Pharmacy with Wisdom and Knowledge" and speakers delivered educational and inspirational sessions that provided conference attendees with both 'wisdom' and 'knowledge'. Prior to the start of the Annual Conference, CPFI members gathered to participate in a white water rafting trip on the Arkansas River. The CPFI Board of Directors also held their semi-annual meeting prior to the conference, which is always open to members that wish to attend. (*continued coverage on page 3 and 4*)



2013 Annual Conference Moves to North Carolina

Those of us that are involved in planning CPFI's annual conferences are very encouraged by the enthusiasm and the success of this year's conference. Planning for the 2013 conference began months ago and we are praying for a great turn out in Flat Rock, North Carolina next summer. Please mark your calendars for June 6 through June 9, 2013 and invite another pharmacist or pharmacy student to attend the conference. We know that you will be blessed by the speakers that we are lining up for the conference, the small town charm of Flat Rock and nearby Hendersonville, and the hospitality of the staff and management at Bonclarken Conference Center.



June 2012

A message from the new President:



"Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing." Psalm 100:2

Serving the Lord with gladness is how I am approaching my newly elected position as your President. I have been associated with CPFI since the early 1980's and have had many opportunities to be involved. I am undertaking this new role with enthusiasm because CPFI has been an important part of both my spiritual and my professional journey. I feel that my calling as a Christian different pharmacist places responsibilities on my activities than if I was just a pharmacist or just a Christian. CPFI involvement helps me remember that. Colleagues I have met through CPFI give me examples of how to accomplish this better. The annual meeting presentations give me new insights. As your president this year I hope to share my perspective with you, grow your enthusiasm for CPFI, increase your involvement in our work and enlist your help to grow our membership. I am only an e-mail away so feel free to share your needs interests with or me at: Fred@ncpharmacists.org

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The Faith Script Newsletter and *Christianity & Pharmacy Journal* would welcome articles with a Christian focus. If you are interested in contributing, please draft your manuscript and submit it directly to the CPFI office or to the editor. The deadlines for the journal are as follows: Spring Journal: December 1; Fall Journal: July 1.

Short Term Foreign Mission Opportunities

CPFI has agreed to partner with the Christian Medical and Dental Associations, the Fellowship of Christian Nurses and the Fellowship of Christian Physician Assistants to send out short term medical teams under the group Global Health Outreach. The primary care teams usually are one or two weeks in length. We strive to have two pharmacists on each team. Below is a list of some upcoming trips, but for a complete list of the projects and dates, visit the GHO website which can be found on the CPFI website www.cpfi.org or the CMDA website www.cmda.org.

Upcoming GHO Short Term Projects	
Jun 2 - 10, 2012	Sep 22 – Oct. 6, 2012
Isla de Ometepe Nicaragua	Fiche, Ethiopia
Jun 9 – 17, 2012	Oct 6 –21, 2012
Cuenca, Ecuador	Chennai, India
Jun 9 – 17, 2012	Oct 6 – 20, 2012
Boqueron, El Salvador	Mumbai, India
Jun 16 –23, 2012	Oct 13 – 21, 2012
Managua, Nicaragua	Managua, Nicaragua
Jun 23 – Jul 1, 2012	Oct 20 – 28, 2012
Santa Domingo, Dominican Rep	Cubulco, Guatemala
Jul 7 –15, 2012	Oct 30 – Nov 11, 2012
Matagalpa, Nicaragua	Tikapur, Nepal
Jul 14 – 22, 2012	Nov 9 –17, 2012
Santa Domingo, Dominican Rep	Tegucigalpa, Honduras
Jul 21 –29, 2012	Nov 10 – 18, 2012
San Miguel, El Salvador	Nueva Guinea, Nicaragua
Jul 23 –Aug 3, 2012	Jan 25 –Feb 9, 2013
Kwa/Fieve, Ghana	Siem Reap, Cambodia
Jul 27 – Aug 12, 2012	Feb 8 – 17, 2013
Namanga/Nairobi, Kenya	El Sembrador, Honduras
Aug 4 –12, 2012	Feb 16 – Mar 2, 2013
Villa Sandino, Nicaragua	Manta, Ecuador
Sep 7 – 21, 2012	Mar 2 –10, 2013
China	Nicaragua
Sep 20 –30, 2012	Mar , 2013
Moldova	Ecuador
Sep 21 – 30, 2012	Apr , 2013
Gualaquiza, Ecuador	Moldova

The website also provides a link for each trip introducing the team leader and gives an estimate of the cost associated with the trip. It is possible to apply online to participate in the trip of your choice. If you have further questions you can contact Ron Herman, the Mission Committee Chair for more information or to apply for a mission scholarship (ronherman@mchsi.com).





This year the educational sessions emphasized the importance of Christian pharmacists integrating their faith in pharmacy practice. Inspiring devotionals were shared by Fred Eckel, CPFI's newly elected President, Gary Smith, retired Professor from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy and currently working part time in hospital pharmacy and academia in Tucson, Arizona, and Jennifer Sands, Christian author and inspirational speaker. The sessions also included a lively panel discussion, titled 'Practicing Your Calling as a Christian Pharmacist'.



The panel was comprised of a practicing hospital pharmacist, a retired pharmacist who previously worked as a drug representative for Bristol Meyers and who also helped launch a clinic for AIDs patients, and two pharmacists who are currently practicing their pharmacy calling in the academic arena. Those that attended the educational and devotional sessions experienced a sense of connectedness with the speakers and each other that provided them with an opportunity to share their personal concerns and challenges in integrating their faith in their professional life. Comments from conference evaluation forms indicated that people were very pleased with the stronger emphasis on faith integration this year.



Attendees gathered together at the Flying W Ranch on Friday night to enjoy a delicious 'chuckwagon' dinner and a live western band.



The CPFI Awards banquet was held on Saturday evening and this year the Warren Weaver Award was presented to Julie McDonald, a CPFI Board member, for her service to CPFI and CPFI student chapters. Julie first became a member of CPFI as a pharmacy student and when she graduated from The Lloyd L. Gregory School of Pharmacy at Palm Beach Atlantic University in 2008 she quickly transitioned from student member to a very active professional member. Julie was elected to the CPFI Board of Directors in 2008 and is currently serving a second term. Over the last four years, Julie has been faithful in her efforts to help CPFI increase its student membership base.



The Fred M. Eckel Award was awarded to the family of the late Curtis Johnson, University of Wisconsin pharmacy professor, for his many years of service to CPFI and students. As a faculty member he was devoted to seeing the development of a strong Christian influence in the student body. Steven Woxland accepted the award on behalf of the Johnson family.



The Student Chapter of the Year Award, a new award created to acknowledge a chapter that has provided outstanding service to students and CPFI, was presented to the University of Cincinnati. Several other certificates were given to individuals for their outstanding service to CPFI, including chairperson of the National Student Council, Rusty Curington, the assistant Chairperson, Daniel Wilson and both Julie Kidd and Katherine Foster for a project that connected U.S. students with international students.



We were awe inspired by the beauty of God's creation in the nearby Garden of the Gods,



and by the beautiful Glen Eryie grounds.





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Upcoming Events

- AACP CPFI Prayer Breakfast Sunday, July 15, 2012 6:45 am to 7:45 am Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Ctr., Kissimmee, FL
- **CPFI 9th Annual Student Retreat** Aug. 31 – Sept. 2, 2012 University of Charleston, Charleston, WV
- **CPFI 26th Annual Conference** June 6 – 9th, 2013 Bonclarken Conference Center, Flat Rock, NC

We were awe inspired by the We were stimulated by talented educators,



and blessed by inspired devotional leaders.



We experienced rich fellowship,



great student interaction,



and valuable networking opportunities.



2012-2013 CPFI Board of Directors



Back Row: John Cowley, Herb Hames, Daniel Wilson, Greg Carlson, Amanda Davis Hayes, Julie McDonald, Susan Lutz, Gene Lutz, Michael Merrick, Dan Hussar, Barbara Porteous, Bob Watt, Keith Allhands, Front Row: Ron Herman, Nena Lindrose, Fred Eckel, and Sue Hussar. Not pictured: Luigi DeBoni, Lisa Sims, Daniel Spadaro and Marc Sweeney.





