The CPFI Board of Directors Working Together!

Check out some of the activities the CPFI Board of Directors has been doing in 2016 to promote and strengthen our organization.

Fred M. Eckel, President
Fred oversees the activities of the CPFI office and works closely with the administrative staff. He serves on several CPFI committees including assisting the membership committee with their outreach efforts through making member calls. Fred prepares the monthly electronic prayers that CPFI sends to the membership as well as writing articles for publication in The Faith Script several times each year. Fred planned, coordinated, and facilitated the CPFI 2016 Annual Conference program and is in the process of planning the program for the 2017 Conference. He also served as moderator for one of the CE panel discussions at the 2016 Conference. Fred has planned every annual conference since the first conference which was held in Orlando, FL in 1988! Praise the Lord for his continued service. Check out the CPFI website to see a list of all of the past CPFI conferences. Fred planned and facilitated the CPFI Prayer Breakfast at the APhA 2016 Convention on Sunday, March 6, 2016 in Baltimore, MD. In addition to all of these activities, he still found time to address the Harding University School of Pharmacy, at their Rho Chi Induction Ceremony, in Searcy, AR, on September 16, 2016 and the CPFI Chapter at the Eshelman School of Pharmacy, UNCH, Asheville Campus, April 8, 2016. Did you know that Fred served as Executive Director this year for the North Carolina Association of Pharmacists? He also made several international trips this year some of which were pharmacy related.

Gene Lutz, Vice President
Gene serves as the chair for the membership committee and is responsible for overseeing the committee's activities. Gene composed and contributed an article for publication in the June issue of The Faith Script. Gene also assisted with coordination and execution of a silent auction to benefit CPFI student chapters at the CPFI 2016 Annual Conference.

Susan Lutz, Secretary
Susan serves as secretary for CPFI and is responsible for transcribing the minutes for all of the board meetings. She also serves as chair for the nominations committee and coordinates and oversees communications for the organization's election process. Susan assisted the membership committee this year with their outreach efforts through member calls. Susan contributed an article for publication in the May issue of The Faith Script. Susan, along with her husband, Gene, coordinated and executed a very successful silent auction this year at the 2016 Annual Conference to benefit CPFI student chapters.

Greg Carlson, Treasurer
Greg serves as treasurer for CPFI and works closely with office staff on finance related matters including reviewing monthly financial statements, preparation of the yearly budget and review of the organizations tax documents. Greg has also chaired a fundraising committee which was formed to design and implement plans to help strengthen CPFI financially. Greg assisted the membership committee this year with their outreach efforts through member calls. Greg partnered with Board members, Mark Johnson and Gene Erb, and past Board member, John Cowley to plan, coordinate and host a CPFI prayer breakfast at the Virginia Pharmacists Association 135th Annual Convention on September 9, 2016 in Virginia Beach, VA, something John and Greg have done together for many years. The committee also sponsored a CPFI exhibit booth at that event.

Ron Herman, Executive Director
Ron is the CPFI student chapter advisor for the University of Iowa and has participated in several CPFI student events at the university this year. Ron was a CE speaker at the CPFI 2016 Annual Conference. Ron also contributed several published articles this year for The Faith Script and he is scheduled to compose the message for the November issue. Ron works closely with the office staff to help keep CPFI’s website running smoothly and is always available to offer support for the organization’s administrative activities. Ron is a behind the scenes worker and is often the person found setting up early in the morning or tearing down late in the evening at CPFI events such as the annual conference.

Jeffrey Copeland, Director
Jeff is the CPFI chapter advisor for the University of the Incarnate Word Felix School of Pharmacy, San Antonio, TX. Jeff was a CE speaker at the CPFI 2016 Annual Conference and has been included in the program every year for the last several years in which he blesses us with his extensive Biblical knowledge gained in part during his time in ministry. Jeff composed and contributed the January message published in The Faith Script and an article this year for the spring edition of Christianity & Pharmacy. Jeff also serves on the finance committee and the fundraising committee and is the creator and the founding member of The 1% Group and the Power Hour Gift Club.

Jordan Daniel, Director
Jordan has been active in CPFI by developing and chairing a new marketing committee with the goal of enhancing CPFI’s ability to serve Christ and the world through pharmacy. His committee members include Board member, Mark Johnson, and CPFI members, Rick Hess, and Sarah Leonall. Jordan has also assisted the membership committee this year with their outreach efforts through member calls. Jordan partnered with a local CPFI student chapter this year to share a devotional at a University of Rhode Island event. He is planning a health-fair in Providence, RI on December 3, 2016 in cooperation with URI/CPFI student chapter. Jordan was instrumental in creating and coordinating a special CPFI event (meet & greet) for the upcoming Global Missions Health Conference in Louisville, KY. The event will be on November 11, 2016 and will serve to supplement outreach efforts CPFI will make through their partnership with GMHC and through the CPFI exhibit booth at the three-day conference. In addition, Jordan composed and contributed an article which was published in the September issue of The Faith Script.

Gene Erb, Director
Gene is a member of the fundraising committee which was formed to design and implement plans to help strengthen CPFI financially. Gene is also a member of the finance committee and he assisted the membership committee this year with their outreach efforts through member calls. Gene partnered with Board members, Mark Johnson and Greg Carlson, and past Board member, John Cowley to plan, coordinate and host a CPFI prayer breakfast at the Virginia Pharmacists Association 135th Annual Convention on September 9, 2016.
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**Joy Greene, Director**

Joy developed the new *Hands and Feet Grant* this year to help support CPFI student chapters as they serve in their local community. Joy also led a devotional service and was a CE speaker at the 2016 CPFI Annual Conference as well as for the National Student Retreat. Joy is a CPFI student chapter advisor at High Point University School of Pharmacy. Joy also assisted the membership committee this year with their outreach efforts through member calls. Joy contributed a published article this year for the spring edition of *Christianity & Pharmacy* and is scheduled to contribute an article for publication in the December issue of *The Faith Script*.

**Mark Johnson, Director**

Mark serves as a CPFI student chapter advisor at Shenandoah University Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy. Mark also serves as a member of the new CPFI marketing committee and is the chair for the bylaws committee. Mark composed and contributed an article for publication in the February issue of *The Faith Script*. Mark partnered with Board members Greg Carlson and Gene Erb, and past Board member, John Cowley to plan, coordinate and host a CPFI prayer breakfast at the Virginia Pharmacists Association 135th Annual Convention on September 9, 2016 in Virginia Beach, VA. The committee also sponsored a CPFI exhibit booth at that event.

**Daniel Wilson, Director**

Daniel is the Board’s key point person with CPFI student chapters and advisors, and he oversees and supports all of the National Student Council activities. Daniel helps to support student activities at the various student chapter regions. In addition to maintaining contact with over 80 CPFI student chapters, Daniel also developed a campaign this year to reach over 1000 recent graduates to increase membership as well as implement several promotions to create a message of invitation to new pharmacists. Daniel assisted the membership committee this year with their outreach efforts through member calls. Daniel is responsible for maintaining the student components of the CPFI website. Daniel partnered with last year’s CPFI student board representative, Shawn Kohlhaas, to coordinate and host a special CPFI session at the American Pharmacists Association 2016 Convention titled “To Dispense or not to Dispense, Should that Even be the Question?” which was held on March 5, 2016 in Baltimore, MD.

**Tristram Ford, Student Representative**

Tristram's one-year term as the student representative on the Board of Directors began in June and he has already contributed much to the organization. Tristram drafted and submitted a proposal to the APhA-ASP House of Delegates requesting that they allow a CPFI student member to attend their meetings. The request was accepted by APhA! Tristram assisted in leading a devotional session at the 2016 annual conference in Myrtle Beach. He also helps to oversee the CPFI social media sites. Tristram assisted Board member, Jordan Daniel, with coordinating and planning the CPFI special ’meet & greet’ event for the 2016 Global Missions Health Conference. He also recently traveled to Buies Creek, NC to represent CPFI and serve as the CPFI Exhibit Booth representative for the Cure Medical Missions Conference at Campbell University on September 10, 2016. Tristram contributed a published article for the CPFI National Student Council newsletter.

**CPFI Student Retreat**

This year, the CPFI Southwest Regional Retreat was a 3-day event held in Abilene, TX at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy. In attendance were several CPFI members, a few faculty and staff and even a student from a nearby college in attendance. Attendees were able to enjoy a variety of guest speakers as well as a group movie night and community service project. We spent meaningful time in fellowship and worship as we enjoyed a performance by a local church choir, and enjoyed time spent getting to know each other and learning about ways to reveal and incorporate our faith in the pharmacy profession. Overall, it was a great success and we feel very blessed to have had such a fun event come together for the glory of God.