



2008 Annual Meeting Highlights

This year's 21st Annual CPFI meeting started off with CPFI members and medical missionaries Raymond and Sylvia Skinner who spoke on "Practicing Pharmacy in the Solomon Islands." We can not thank Ray and Sylvia enough for donating their time and talents.

There were 69 pharmacists, 27 students, and 52 family members for a total attendance of 148. Monday morning started with stimulating CE topics, followed with a night at the Flying W Ranch. The closing banquet was held on Tuesday night, followed by singing hymns in God's great outdoors. Thanks to Brian Dial and Chris Phillips for their gifts at the piano. I recommend that you mark your calendars now for next year's meeting at Palm Beach Atlantic University, West Palm Beach, FL June 21 to 23 (Board Meeting the 19th and 20th). Board meetings are open to all members.

We had a total of 27 pharmacy students in attendance from the following schools:

Mercer University, Midwestern University, North Dakota University, Palm Beach Atlantic University, Shenandoah University, St. John Fisher College, Texas Tech University, University of Charleston-West Virginia, University of Colorado, University of Iowa, University of Kansas, University of Oklahoma, University of Pittsburgh, USP-Philadelphia, and Wingate University. It was great to spend time with such young, energetic and bright students. Thanks to the CPFI members' contributions, we were able to give each student who signed up for assistance \$146.19 to help with their meeting expenses this year. We would like to continue to provide support for student travel for next year's meeting. If you would like to contribute to the student fund, please send a check to CPFI and write "student travel fund" in the memo section. All money collected will be distributed to students who attend the annual meeting next year. Thank you for your wiliness to invest in the future of CPFI.

Welcome New CPFI Assistant Director Nena Lindrose

Nena's background is primarily in the legal field where she worked for 15 years as a paralegal in a variety of areas of the law including Environmental Law, Insurance Defense and Personal Injury. Nena earned an Associate Degree in Legal Studies from Palm Beach Community College. She is planning to pursue a Bachelor's Degree at PBAU in Organizational Management as part of their evening program. She also holds a real estate license and a massage therapy license in the State of Florida.

Nena attends a small church in West Palm Beach and teaches a youth group at her church on Sunday evenings. She is a volunteer for the American Red Cross and a State Certified Guardian Ad Litem.

She has two beautiful cats, Lovie and Thurston Howell III (can you tell which TV show she likes?). In her spare time she likes to go bicycling, hiking (which she states in FL she doesn't get to do much) and swimming.

Although she has many favorite scripture passages, Matthew 14:25-31 is especially personal to her. Over the years God has spoken to her many times with these verses especially in times of trouble or when a decision must be made. Every time He points her to this scripture He shows her

something new. One thing she has learned from Matthew 14 is in order to be more Christ like, she must keep her eyes on Christ. As soon as she takes her eyes off of Him, she sinks...and then she is sunk! It is a lesson that she must learn daily and will probably always be learning.



GHO UPCOMING TRIPS:

GHO must have applications complete with all credentials, travel permission form, and waiver to be considered for acceptance to the trip.

Dates	Location	Spclty/Status
Sept 6 - 20	Zambia	Urgent Need
Sept 13 - 21	Nicaragua	Urgent Need
Sept 25 - Oct 5	Ghana	Urgent Need
Oct 10 - 24	China	Urgent Need
Oct 11 - 25	Ecuador	
Oct 18 - 26	Mexico	
Oct 18 - 26	Dominican Republic	
Oct 18 - 26	Nicaragua	
Oct 25 - Nov 2	Mexico	GYN SURGERY
Oct 31 - Nov 14	India	
Nov 1 - 9 Relief	Nicaragua	Human Trafficking
Nov 8 - 15	Mexico	
Nov 15 - 23	Guatemala	GENERAL SURGERY
Dec 6 - 14	Nicaragua	
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Jan 10 - 17	Mexico	
Jan 10 - 18	Mexico	
Jan 19 - 30	Liberia	
Jan 24 - Feb 7	Ecuador	
Jan 29 - Feb 12	Ethiopia	
Feb 7 - 21	Honduras	
Feb 28 - Mar 8	Haiti	
March 6 - 15	Vietnam	
March 7 - 15	Nicaragua	
Mar 28 - Apr 5	Mexico	
April 18 - 26	Nicaragua	
Apr 18 - May 2	Ecuador	GYN SURGERY
May 23 - 31	Nicaragua	
Nov 5 - 15	Ethiopia	

For more information on these mission trips, call 423-844-1000 or e-mail gho@cmdahome.org or the Christian Medical and Dental Association (CMDA) at 888-230-2637. You can also contact Ron Herman, ronherman@mchsi.com to learn more about short-term mission trips.

Global Missions Health Conference November 13-15, 2008 Louisville, Kentucky

Join us in Louisville, KY from November 13-15 for one of the largest medical missions conferences in the world. Now in its 13th year, this conference draws over 2000 participants, including over 600 students from around the country. Continuing Education (CE) is available for pharmacists, in addition to other practitioners. For more details, see the website at: www.medicalmissions.com.

GHO HAS THE FOLLOWING URGENT NEEDS:

Where: Lusaka, Zambia Sept 6 - 20

Who: Primary Care Physicians, Dentists, Hygienists, PA's, NP's, Nurses, Physical Therapists, Logistics (non-medical helpers)

Status: Accepting applications

Project Fee: \$1,750 plus international airfare (subject to change)

Team Leader: Doug Hornok, CMDA Central Regional Director

Where: Condega, Nicaragua Sept 13 - 21

Who: Physician, Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Pharmacists, Physical Therapists, Nurses, Pharmacists and Logistics (non-medical helpers)

Status: Accepting applications

Project Fee: \$1,200 plus international airfare (subject to change)

Team Leader: Frank Imbarrato, MD

Where: Sogakope, Ghana Sept 26 - Oct 5

Who: Primary Care Physicians, Dentists, Hygienists, PA's, NP's, Nurses, Physical Therapists, Logistics (non-medical helpers)

Status: Accepting applications

Project Fee: \$1,750 plus international airfare (subject to change)

Team Leader: Dwain Illman, MD

Where: China, Oct 10 - 24

Who: Primary Care Physicians who can train National Doctors

Status: Accepting applications

Project Fee: \$1,550 plus international airfare (subject to change)

Team Leader: Sam Molind, DMD

If you have any further questions, please contact GHO at (423)

844-1000 or gho@cmda.org.

GHO is no longer accepting applications for "closed" trips.

**All trips welcome Physicians, Dentists, Pharmacists, Physician Assistants, Physical Therapists, Optometrists, Nurses, Techs, Students, Interpreters, and Non-Medical volunteers unless noted as a specialty team. For more information, call 423-844-1000 or email gho@cmda.org.*

Ways You Can Get Involved in CPFI

1. Visit a local school/college CPFI student affiliated group
 - Students truly value having professional members visit their group to provide guidance, ways to incorporate faith in your practice, and so forth.
 - For more information contact Julie Lynch McDonald at Julie.CPFI@gmail.com
2. Host a prayer breakfast at your state pharmacy meeting
 - For more information contact Mande Williams at mandepad@yahoo.com
3. Write an article for publication in the journal or newsletter
 - For more information contact Mary Ferrill at Mary_Ferrill@pba.edu
4. Share about the organization with your coworkers

As always your prayers and dues are critical to CPFI!

National Student Council Begins Year Two

The National Student Council (NSC) completed the first year with much success! The activities completed by the NSC encouraged and facilitated fellowship between Christian pharmacy students across the country. There were 40 college campuses participating in the council during the 2007-2008 academic year. In November, the NSC participated in a nationwide student based outreach with Operation Christmas Child. During the spring semester, the council created a "Suggestions for Your CPFI Student Affiliated Group" guidebook that contains information on potential officer positions, suggestions for advisors, example mission statements, ideas for fellowship, and other valuable suggestions provided by multiple colleges (the guidebook can be viewed at www.cphi.org). Furthermore, the NCS coordinated a student session at the CPFI Annual Meeting.

During the 2008-2009 academic year, Whitney Deal from Mercer University, will be the chair of the National Student Council. If your student group has not participated or would like more information please contact Whitney.K.Deal@student.mercer.edu

or if you are interest in starting a student group at your university please email Julie.cphi@gmail.com.

Much thanks to the 2007-2008 National Student Council representatives: Jennifer Reardon (Campbell University), Lindsay Dunham (Drake University), Allison Robertson (Kansas University), Whitney Deal (Mercer University), Lisa Brown (Midwestern University at Glendale), Smitha Mathew (NOVA South-eastern University), Monica Vargas (NOVA Southeastern University at West Palm Beach), Mandy Carlson (Ohio Northern University), Andrea Tribuzi (Ohio State University), Christine Kewallal (Palm Beach Atlantic University), Lauren Ressel (Purdue University), Brittney Wilder (Samford University), Jason Liao (Shenandoah University), Shelly Thompson and Betty Morris (South University), Joshua Miller (Southwestern Oklahoma State), Madoussou Kane (St. John Fisher College), Tim Weigle (Texas Tech University), Jennifer Dunkle (Texas Tech University at Abilene), Ashley Hicks (University of Appalachia), Danielle Russell (University of Arizona), Lauren Byrns (University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences), Shelley Schliesser (University of Charleston West Virginia), Brooke Glasmann (University of Colorado Health Sciences), Lauren Carter (University of Florida), Matthew Jinks (University of Florida at Jacksonville), Beki Nickens (University of Florida at Orlando), Tayo Isola (University of Georgia), Johnna Dees (University of Houston), Marco Vidaurri (University of Incarnate Word), Julie Cooper (University of Kentucky), Dan Kim (University of Maryland), Dr. Robert Doerksen (University of Mississippi), James Lagasca (University of North Carolina), Jessica Goure (University of Oklahoma), Sam Eckel (University of the Sciences in Philadelphia), Megan Womack (University of South Carolina), Kim Sherman (University of Wisconsin at Madison), David Clopton (Virginia Commonwealth University), Dr. Calvin Brister (West Virginia University), Beth Clements & Carrie Griffiths (Wingate University), and P4 liaison Mande Williams (Wingate University).

It has been a true joy to work with each of you – Julie Lynch McDonald!

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Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International

Invites You and Your Friends to a Luncheon

Tuesday, October 21, 2008
in Louisville, Kentucky

Join your colleagues for lunch, fellowship and to hear

Aaron William Calhoun MD

Dr. Calhoun received his MD from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and completed a Fellowship in Pediatric Critical Care at Children's Hospital of Boston, Harvard University. He is currently an Attending Physician in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky. He is also an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Louisville. He is a member of the Christian Medical and Dental Association, Society of Critical Care Medicine, American Academy of Pediatrics, and the American Medical Association. One of his current funded research projects involves a feasibility study for complete integration of a simulation center into active intensive care workspace.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend this important event.

Louisville Marriott Downtown
Rose Meeting Room
Tuesday, October 21
12:00 Noon to 1:30pm

Due to limited seating, reservations are requested by October 8. Please RSVP via e-mail to cpfi-fellowship@christianitypharmacy.org or call 313-793-3555 and ask for Debbie. The cost of the meal is underwritten; however, donations to CPFI are invited.

This luncheon coincides with the ACCP Annual Meeting to accommodate clinical pharmacists interested in its content. However, the ACCP does not sponsor or endorse this event, nor is there any connection with the ACCP.

How To Measure Success with CPFI Student Affiliated Groups?

The Students Appeal for Professional Member Support

I can tell you in one year CPFI has grown from having student affiliated groups at 31 universities to 48 plus gaining firm contacts at an additional 11 universities. And I can tell you for the first time CPFI students joined nationwide to contribute shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child in November of 2007, which resulted in more than 670 boxes being sent to children in need. But, is this how we measure success? I would say true success is much more difficult to describe and quantify because it is the transforming of individual lives. Success is seen in a pharmacy student in Georgia who formerly opposed organized religion, but in a time of crisis they reach out to their college's CPFI student group. It is evident in the "lukewarm" Christian student who attended their local CPFI student group Bible studies, which resulted in a decision to serve as a full-time missionary pharmacist. It is apparent in the CPFI student in Arizona who stops and prays with classmates prior to each major exam. I could go on about student mission trips to Uganda and countless other individual stories; however I think the point is made.

In my opinion, there is no question God is accomplishing much through CPFI student affiliated groups at universities nationwide. Nonetheless, there is still room for growth and support is needed. An example of this is a PI student in California who recently contacted CPFI stating "she was reaching out in a void" for Christian support. The CPFI Board of Directors and a group of recent graduates are making efforts to meet the needs of student groups. Moreover, students desperately desire for professional members who are willing to volunteer as a guest speaker and/or mentor. They want local professional members to share their struggles, teach them how to keep a balanced life, and tell them how to incorporate faith in their profession. At the CPFI Annual Meeting, we were blessed to have nine professional members volunteer, but many more are needed.

If you are interested, please contact Julie Lynch McDonald: Julie.cphi@gmail.com today for we are not promised tomorrow.

Volunteers Begin Work to Develop CPFI Student Affiliated

A group of recent graduates recently joined in a Board of Director's approved effort to further CPFI student groups during this exciting time of growth. The following details the volunteers and their roles in this effort. Please feel free to contact any of these volunteers. Additionally, we are looking for more volunteers to join in this effort, if interested please contact Julie.CPFI@gmail.com.

Julie Lynch McDonald (Palm Beach Atlantic University Graduate) Julie.cphi@gmail.com

- Assist students and/or faculty who contact CPFI with a desire to initiate a new student group.
- Coordinate/encourage professional members and local student affiliated group interaction (guest speakers, mentoring, etc.).
- Contact student affiliated group advisers in August and January.

Cimeon Koebel (Mercer University Graduate) Cimeon.koebel@student.mercer.edu

- Work towards creating student affiliated group regional support networks with regions gathering socially, collaborating on projects, hosting regional retreats, and so forth.

Mande Williams (Wingate University Graduate) Mandepadg@yahoo.com

- State Prayer Breakfasts Point-Person: spend first year becoming orientated with the prayer breakfasts that currently occur, developing a prayer breakfast checklist/how to docu-

ment, and assisting in publicizing the breakfasts. In the following years, she would like to take a more active role in perusing breakfasts in new states and incorporating student groups in hosting.

Brooke Bergmann (Palm Beach Atlantic University Graduate) Brooke_Bergmann@pba.edu

- Coordinate P4 CPFI Rotation Promotion: Annually contact each active student group to provide pens or other items for the P4s to bring with them on rotations in an effort to promote CPFI.

Lisa Brown (Midwestern University at Glendale Graduate) lisab413@cox.net

- Contact recent graduates to congratulate them, determine their practice site, determine how CPFI can serve them, and inform them of the reduced membership rate following graduation.

Faith Script Newsletter and Christianity & Pharmacy Journal Submission Deadlines

The deadlines for each edition of the newsletter and journal are listed below. We welcome articles with a Christian focus.

Newsletter #1: November 15	Newsletter #2: February 1	Fall Journal: July 1
Spring Journal: December 1	Newsletter #3: June 1	Newsletter #4: September 1