Boucher Article *Pharmacotherapy* Top Ten

Brad Boucher, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP, FCCM, professor of Clinical Pharmacy and Neurosurgery, has been recognized by the American College of Clinical Pharmacy as authoring one of the top ten articles published in the ACCP Journal *Pharmacotherapy* during 2011. Dr. Boucher’s article entitled “Achieving Hemostasis in the Surgical Field” was released in the July 2009 issue of *Pharmacotherapy* and was the sixth most downloaded article during the past year. Dr. Boucher’s recognition for this achievement can be found in the April 2012 issue of the ACCP Report. Dr. Boucher states that he is “very gratified to receive this honor considering the large number of high quality articles published in *Pharmacotherapy* and the caliber of its readership.” When asked about his future plans, Dr. Boucher commented on the fact that he will continue to publish not only original research studies but reviews and commentaries as well.
Dean Emeritus Gourley Candidate for APhA President

Dick R. Gourley, PharmD, FAPhA, dean emeritus, UTHSC College of Pharmacy and interim president, UT Research Foundation has been nominated as one of two candidates campaigning for the position of president-elect of the American Pharmacists Association Board of Trustees. The elections for this position will be held during the summer of 2012 with the term lasting from 2013-2014. If elected, Dr. Gourley will automatically succeed to the office of president and represent the more than 62,000 practicing pharmacists, pharmaceutical scientists, student pharmacists and pharmacy technicians who are members of the organization.

Dean Emeritus Gourley has received a number of honors and recognitions throughout his career including Tennessee Pharmacist Association Pharmacist of the Year, UT Pharmacy Alumni Association Alumnus of the Year, American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Rufus Lyman Award, Hungarian Private Pharmacists Association Lifetime Achievement Award and American Heart Association Outstanding Service Award. He holds a certificate in Health Systems Management from Harvard University, and has served the pharmacy profession in a myriad of roles since his graduation from the UT College of Pharmacy, where he received both his BS and PharmD degrees. These roles include: member of the APhA Board of Trustees, editor-in-chief of the APhA Comprehensive Review of Pharmacy, professor and dean at Mercer University, chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Nebraska, member of the ASHP Commission on Credentialing, member, vice chair and chair on the Board of Pharmacy Specialties, chair of the Clinical Section of the AACP and member of the board of directors of the Greater Omaha Pharmacists Association.

Witbrodt RxPortfolio Profile Award Winner

Kevin Witbrodt, third year student pharmacist at UT COP, was one of 15 student pharmacists in the United States selected by RxPortfolio as a 2011 Profile Award winner.

RxPortfolios are electronic portfolios for the organization and presentation of credentials to employers, colleagues, and patients. RxPortfolios empower students and practitioners to manage and present their credentials through the entire practice continuum - promoting transparency, accomplishment, and building patient confidence.
Rogers Delivers Keynote Scientific Lecture at University of Texas

P. David Rogers, PharmD, PhD, FCCP, First Tennessee Chair of Excellence in Clinical Pharmacy, director, Division of Clinical and Translational Therapeutics, and professor and vice chair for research in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center Pharmacy, recently delivered the keynote scientific lecture at the University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy.

Dr. Rogers presented “Overcoming Limitations of Antifungal Drug Therapy - From Clinical Pharmacy to Molecular Mycology,” at the Eighth Annual Louis C. Littlefield Celebrating Pharmacy Research Excellence Day on April 17, 2012.

Dr. Littlefield was a longtime associate dean and faculty member of the University of Texas College of Pharmacy. It is a time for faculty, staff and students to focus on research at the college and to present posters, and oral summaries of research. Also included in the day are a Distinguished Faculty Presentation and a Keynote Scientific Lecture given by a nationally recognized Speaker, in this case, Dr. Rogers.

Dr. Rogers’s audience not only included the guests at the University of Texas, but also a global audience that was able to view the lecture online. Dr. Rogers remarked, "It was an honor to have the opportunity to participate in this important event celebrating research in pharmacy from all of its associated domains. It was particularly exciting to interact with so many students within our profession with a clear passion and enthusiasm for discovery and new knowledge."

Pictured above (L to R) are Carlton K. Erickson, PhD, associate dean for Research and Graduate Studies; Dr. Rogers and M. Lynn Crismon, PharmD, dean of the University of Texas. More information about the event can be found at http://www.utexas.edu/pharmacy/news/researchday.html.
FACULTY PRESENTATIONS

Dean Chisholm-Burns Lectures at the University of Pittsburgh

Marie Chisholm-Burns, PharmD, MPH, FCCP, FASHP, University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) College of Pharmacy Dean, was recently invited to present two lectures at the University of Pittsburgh: The Rho Chi/Phi Lambda Sigma Dinner Address and the Julius A. Koch Memorial Lecture, which honors the first dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy.

Dean Chisholm-Burns commented, "It was a great honor and privilege to be the Julius A. Koch Memorial Lecturer as well as the Rho Chi Phi Lambda Sigma Speaker. I very much enjoyed meeting University of Pittsburgh's students and their families, Dean, faculty, and staff." Dean Chisholm-Burns (second from right) is pictured with University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy Representatives.

Farr Presents to Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy in San Francisco

FACULTY PRESENTATIONS – continued

Foster Shares Immunization Expertise Across the State and Nation


“Immunization Update” presented for local pharmacists in Jackson on December 8, 2011.

“APhA Pharmacy Based Immunization Delivery Train-the-Trainer Program” presented for the Tennessee Pharmacists Association in Nashville on November 19, 2011.

“APhA Pharmacy Based Immunization Delivery Program” presented in Phoenix, AZ on November 12, 2011.

“October ACIP Update Webinar” presented for the American Pharmacists Association on November 9, 2011.

“Immunization Update” presented at the New Jersey Pharmacists Association Annual Meeting in Atlantic City, NJ on October 20, 2011.

“OSHA Training Webinar” presented for the Tennessee Pharmacists Association on October 7, 17, 27 and November 7, 2011.

“APhA Pharmacy Based Immunization Delivery Program” presented for The National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) Annual Meeting in Nashville on October 8, 2011.

“Immunization Update” presented at Residents Grand Rounds at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, OH on September 22, 2011.
FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Bell, GC, Foster SL. 2010 pertussis outbreak and updated Tdap recommendations. *J Amer Pharm Assoc* 2011;51 (1): 118-120.


Foster SL. Summary of topics discussed at the October ACIP meeting. Posted on APhA Immunization Website “Ask the Experts” at www.pharmacist.com Nov 10, 2011.


Foster SL. Summary of topics discussed at the June ACIP meeting. Posted on APhA Immunization Website “Ask the Experts” at www.pharmacist.com July 7, 2011.


Most schools of pharmacy do not include the area of diagnostic imaging to any appreciable extent in the curriculum, so very few practicing pharmacists have a high level of comfort when dealing with issues relating to diagnostic imaging. Patients undergoing diagnostic imaging procedures may receive a variety of pharmaceutical interventional agents as part of the imaging procedure. Historically these pharmaceutical agents have been overseen by the radiology department rather than the pharmacy department. With recent changes in regulatory oversight of medication management and with increased emphasis by accreditation bodies, pharmacists are finding themselves in need of a better understanding of the policies, procedures, and use of pharmacologic agents in the diagnostic imaging arena. *Diagnostic Imaging for Pharmacists* is the only diagnostic imaging reference written specifically for pharmacists.

Dr. Loveless’ chapters in the book include:

Adjunct Agents Used in X-Ray Imaging: Contrast Media
Adjunct Agents Used in Nuclear Medicine Imaging: Nonradioactive Pharmaceuticals
Adjunct Agents Used in Magnetic Resonance Imaging: Contrast Media

The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy Alpha Nu Chapter of Rho Chi Society and Phi Lambda Sigma are privileged to announce their 2012 - 2013 Executive Committees:

**Rho Chi and Phi Lambda Sigma Name Executive Committee**

President - Sarah Norrid  
VP Memphis - Mallory Baird  
VP Knoxville - Blake Poole  
Secretary - Ashley Marshall  
Treasurer - Allison Werner  
Historian - Merry Daniel  
Knox Liaison - Bethany Shoulders  

President - Keaton Smetana  
VP Memphis - Cindy Brasher & Mya Santos  
VP Knoxville - Brian Winbigler  
Secretary - Memphis - Lindsay Hubbard  
Secretary - Knoxville - Bethany Shoulders  
Treasurer - Memphis - Clayton Johnston  
Treasurer - Knoxville - Kayla Werner
STUDENTS, GRADUATE STUDENTS & POST DOCTORAL RESIDENTS

APhA-ASP Award Banquet/Casino Night/Pharmacy Weekend

On April 20, 2012 the College of Pharmacy's American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) Chapter held their annual Awards Banquet and Casino Night at the Memphis Botanical Gardens in conjunction with Pharmacy Weekend events for incoming student pharmacists. Over 150 incoming pharmacy students and accompanying family members attended the festivities. Outgoing chapter student leaders were honored and newly elected officers were installed.

Immediately following the banquet, tables were cleared and faculty served as dealers for black jack, craps and roulette. Current and incoming student pharmacists played for tickets to be drawn for donated door prizes.
STUDENTS, GRADUATE STUDENTS & POST DOCTORAL RESIDENTS

SNPhA Hosts Endowment Fundraiser

The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA) chapter hosted a social networking and fundraising reception on Friday, April 13, 2012 at the Rock N Soul Museum. Alumni, faculty, staff and student attendees were treated to complimentary wine, tasty hors d’oeuvres, museum tour, and a live DJ. The overall objective of this event was to highlight the chapter’s accomplishments throughout the years, introduce alumni to our new dean, and solicit donations for a future SNPhA endowment. The endowment was the innovation of SNPhA’s advisor, Mr. Bobby Thomas, assistant dean.

During the reception, Mr. Thomas and Dean Marie Chisholm-Burns spoke and expressed their excitement about the alumni presence and willingness to continue to be involved with the chapter. Future plans of the chapter also include a scholarship fund. The event was planned by SNPhA members: Chiamaka Iwueke (P2), Sarah Jackson (P2), and Michelle Washington (P4). Pictured above left (L to R) are SNPhA members Tasha Walker, Danesha Williams, Andraya Johnson, Titilola Afolabi, Michelle Washington. Dean Chisholm-Burns’ son, John, is pictured above right with several SNPhA members at the event.

UTHSC Health Care Challenge

Interprofessional education and clinical simulation (IPECS), the new interprofessional organization at UTHSC, coordinated The Health Care Challenge, a student team-based competition with the challenge to propose programs or activities to address health care needs of low income individuals in the greater Memphis community. Teams were comprised of 5-6 students representing at least 3 professions. Each team was advised by a faculty member from one of the UTHSC colleges. Teams competed for cash, awards and the opportunity to help individuals in need. The event kicked off on Saturday, January 21, 2012 and concluded with the final presentations delivered to a panel of judges from the community on Saturday, March 24, 2012. First place honors went to Team CHIC (Collaborative Health and Interprofessional Care). Team members include Mythili Chunduru (Pharmacy), Laura Matthews (Dentistry), Holly Norwich (Medicine), Vata Sitimascharoen (Pharmacy), Mary Austin Smith (Dentistry), Tara Tae (Medicine), Karen Wong (Medicine), and advisor Chasity Shelton (Pharmacy)
ASP Holds Pizza and Policy Event

Student pharmacists from the College of Pharmacy's American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) recently lined up to participate in the organization's first Pizza and Policy event. One hundred forty four students on both Memphis and Knoxville campuses signed a petition in support of recognizing pharmacists as healthcare providers. Students also found their local state senators and representatives and sent letters urging them to support the Medication Therapy Management (MTM) bill that is currently on the floor.

Passage of this bill would allow pharmacists to bill for MTM services rendered, enabling expansion of pharmacists’ scope of practice and improvement of health outcomes while lowering consumer costs. ASP’s Pizza and Policy event was a great success, and was the first of many to come. If you too would like to join in the effort to recognize pharmacists as healthcare providers, go to http://www.change.org/petitions/the-president-of-the-united-states-recognize-pharmacists-as-health-care-providers to sign the petition!

ASP-MIFA on Health Fair in Memphis

The College’s APhA-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) Project Heart committee partnered with the Metropolitan Inter-Faith Association (MIFA) of Memphis to host its 5th annual community health fair on March 31, 2012. The objective of this event was to improve health education and awareness in an underserved and uninsured population within our local UTHSC campus community. Under the guidance of faculty member Dr. Shannon Finks, APhA-ASP Vice President of Patient Care second year student pharmacist Lindsay Hubbard, and Project Heart Chairs third year student pharmacist Brittany Wodowski and second year student pharmacists Meghan Maynard and Keaton Smetana, over 70 pharmacy students screened and counseled 130 patients for illness related to heart disease and general healthcare. All ten APhA-ASP patient care committees participated. The committees individually collected data that will be incorporated into a poster presentation that Project Heart plans on presenting at a later date.
Alumnus Levine Named APhA Fellow

The American Pharmacists Association (APhA) announced Donald J. Levine, DPh ('72) as a recipient of the 2012 APhA Academy of Pharmaceutical Research and Science (APhA-APRS). The APhA-APRS stimulates the discovery, dissemination and application of research to improve patient health and serves pharmacists and those members who are involved in the pharmaceutical sciences. Dr. Levine devoted more than 37 years at Schering-Plough Healthcare Products in Memphis. His work experience covers product development, package development, process development, scale-up and product tech transfer, clinical research, clinical supplies, GMP training, computer validation, product safety, and consumer relations. Levine has been issued a patent and is a co-author on several publications and poster presentations. He has held leadership positions in APhA-APRS and is active in his synagogue, where he has served on its Board of Trustees in leadership positions for more than 30 years. He and his wife live in Memphis and have two grown children.

Alumni Board & Dean’s Advisory Council Meeting

The Alumni Board and Dean’s Advisory Council recently met on April 19th and 20th in Memphis. The group enjoyed a reception and dinner at the Mud Island River Hall on Thursday evening, followed by the meeting on Friday. UTHSC Chancellor Steve Schwab was in attendance and addressed the group as well. At the meeting, Dean Chisholm-Burns’ College update was followed by small group discussions by Alumni Board and Dean’s Advisory Council members, respectively.
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