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# From the President: Happy Birthday, AMCP Foundation! 25th Anniversary Closes Today

As a person of an age where lighting candles on my birthday cake is an indication to alert the local fire department, I fancy myself an excellent judge of wonderful birthdays. The AMCP Foundation's year of celebrating its 25th has been extraordinary!

From producing a ground-breaking report on <a href="Emerging Trends">Emerging Trends</a> in <a href="Health Care">Health Care</a>, to organizing a stimulating 5th Annual <a href="Research Symposium">Research Symposium</a>, to initiating our aspirational \$250,000 Key to Our Success campaign, the Foundation's 25th anniversary year launched an ambitious strategy for our next quarter-century.

But wait...there's more! As befits a grown-up, 25-year-old organization, the Foundation once again has its own <a href="Executive Director"><u>Executive Director</u></a>! With additional full-time support, the Foundation Board streamlined its <a href="Strategic plan"><u>strategic plan</u></a>, a blueprint for the future that will include increased focus on research and creation of innovative programs.

Remember, there is still time for you to be a "Key to Our Success" by <u>contributing</u> before June 30 and adding your name to a lasting <u>Honor Roll</u> that will be posted at AMCP headquarters. You might even consider buying one of the limited tickets for the special Foundation <u>fundraising raffle</u> – wouldn't a gorgeous new Mercedes look fine in your garage?

See you at Nexus! Allan Chernov, MD chernov4@tx.rr.com



Access and Use of Opioid Therapy Is Focus of 6th Annual Symposium

Continuing its tradition of focusing on critical issues in managed care pharmacy, the Foundation's 6th Annual Research Symposium will



AMCP Foundation in the Community: San Francisco, CA

Following the successful AMCP Managed Care & Specialty Pharmacy Annual Meeting in San Francisco, the Foundation donated flowers to the



**Best Poster Competition Continues Rapid Growth** 

The Best Poster Competition is quickly growing! The competition at the 2016 Annual Meeting drew 114 eligible posters, compared to 66 in 2015. 24

address the challenges surrounding access and use of opioid therapy.

The Symposium takes place Oct. 3, preceding the AMCP Nexus conference at the Gaylord National Hotel & Convention Center in National Harbor, just outside Washington, D.C. Advance registration is required.

The focus on pain treatment represents a national challenge and is generating scrutiny by providers, payers, policy makers, caregivers and patients. According to a May 16 *Health Affairs* report, the annual cost to hospitalize individuals with opioid abuse and related dependencies tripled over a 10-yer period to nearly \$15 billion in 2012.

#### Read more.

SteppingStone Mabini South of Market Adult Day Center.

Recognized by its peers as a strong and effective leader amongst Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) providers in San Francisco, California, <a href="SteppingStone">SteppingStone</a> is committed solely to providing comprehensive and compassionate care.

Since 1983, the organization has enabled adults and seniors to live independently at home while thriving in a community that promotes their health and quality of life.

The AMCP Foundation was proud to play a part in bringing happiness to SteppingStone patrons by donating flowers from our award ceremony.

volunteers reviewed and judged entrants on criteria including the abstract's scientific merit; evidence that the research conducted was innovative and practical; the strength of the conclusions; the relevance of the study to managed care pharmacy practice; the clarity of the material; and the knowledge of the author displayed during presentation.

The competition is divided into two categories: one for Student Pharmacists and one for Residents & Fellows. Student/Resident/Fellow Posters may be submitted by pharmacy students enrolled in a Doctor of Pharmacy degree program, pharmacy residents, and pharmacists completing postdoctoral fellowships.

#### Read more.



## Foundation Holds 16th Annual National P&T Competition

Eight finalist teams were selected from 17 AMCP Student Chapters in the semifinal round to compete for top prizes in the 16th Annual National P&T Competition. The 2016 winners are:

- First Place, \$4,000 scholarship: UC San Diego: Chiao Chiu, Jeffrey He, Jamie Ta, Hannah Nguyen, and faculty advisors Jonathan H. Watanabe and Sara Erickson.
- Second Place, \$3,000 scholarship: USC: Amanda Vu, Maya Shehayeb, Irene Chen, Kristen Seto, and faculty advisor Edward M. Lieskovan.
- Third Place, \$2,000 scholarship: UC San Francisco: Christopher Chiu, Jay Barcelon, Jack Timmons, George Dimacali, and faculty advisors Marcus Ferrone and Marilyn Stebbins.

This year's competition drug was Ventavis® made by Actelion



3rd Annual 5K for the Future Features SF Landmarks

"Legendary" Thursday kicked off with another successful <u>5K for the Future</u>, made possible by Alkermes. The runners and walkers took a stroll around AT&T Park, home of the Giants, and participated in some "friendly" competition.

Check out full <u>race results</u>. For the 3rd year in a row, Ruth Seiffert protected her title as First Place Female. Our new reigning champion for First Place Male is Tommy Bramley.
Congratulations! Eight teams came together and made the race a little more interesting: Team Alkermes, The Baxalta Sparks, The Centene Roadrunners, Team CVS Health, The Georgia Dawgs, Team HIRC, The Humanimals and The MAD Hatters.

Team awards were:

• Fastest Team: Team



Having Fun at Casino Night and 25th Anniversary Scavenger Hunt

Casino Night wrapped up "Legendary" Thursday with a variety of high-energy casino-style games, music and the opportunity to send a friend or colleague to "jail."

For a donation to the Foundation, participants were able to put anyone in jail (or bail them out!) Watching attendees being escorted to "jail" by a pretend cop while the "Bad Boys" theme song played was a highlight of the evening.

<u>Casino Night</u> was generously supported by Novo Nordisk.

The AMCP Foundation 25th Anniversary Scavenger Hunt, which debuted at Nexus 2015, returned to the Annual Meeting in an abbreviated 10-question format.

Three prizes were awarded during the

Pharmaceuticals US, Inc. The competition was sponsored by Genentech, Amgen, Inc., Dymaxium, and AMCP/eDossier System. Awards were presented April 22 at the AMCP Foundation Student Pharmacist Award Ceremony.

Read more.

Alkermes

- Team with Most Overall Funds Raised: The MAD Hatters
- Team with Most Participants: Team Alkermes
- Team with Most Team
   Spirit Tie: Team Alkermes
   & The MAD Hatters.

AMCP Foundation Casino Night. The Hunt was posted on the AMCP mobile app following the Annual Meeting.

Thank you to all who attended this important fundraising event!

For winners, click here.



# Foundation with Allergan, Pfizer Offer Summer Internships

The AMCP Foundation has partnered with Allergan, Inc. and Pfizer, Inc. this summer to offer student pharmacists nationwide an opportunity to experience managed care pharmacy.

Two student pharmacists were selected for the Allergan, Inc. Specialized Summer Internship Program in Health Outcomes Research. The interns will spend nine weeks at the Allergan Global Health Economics and Outcomes Research Department, where they will complete a health outcomes-related project, and one week at AMCP Foundation headquarters.

Four student pharmacists will participate in the AMCP Foundation/Pfizer, Inc. Managed Care Pharmacy Summer Internship Program. The interns spend ten weeks in the program, where they will participate in the daily activities of managed care pharmacy practice at a health plan, pharmacy benefit management company or employer site. All interns will present poster presentations at AMCP Nexus 2016, Oct. 3-6, in National Harbor, Md.

Read more.



#### Just 100 Days and Counting; Car Raffle Ends in October

Only 100 days remain to win a 2016 luxury Mercedes SUV in the Foundation's Key to Our Success fundraising raffle. A limited number of special edition tickets are available at \$100 each. That works out to a little more than 25 cents a day for a chance for a new car. Odds of winning are much better than state lotteries (1 in 18 million) and far better than the multi-state Powerball (1 in 175 million).

Your ticket purchase supports your AMCP Foundation and gives you a chance to own a new luxury vehicle! Proceeds from ticket sales will be applied to research and education conducted by the AMCP Foundation to promote managed care pharmacy's patient care role.

The winner will be drawn on Oct. 6 at random from all tickets, and announced at AMCP Nexus. The winner need not be present to win. Complete rules and eligibility are posted at www.amcpfoundation.org.

The AMCP Foundation gratefully acknowledges RxAdvance for its donation of a 2016 Mercedes GLA SUV (or equivalent model).



### Annesha White Starts Term on Foundation Board of Trustees

Annesha White, PharmD, PhD, joined the AMCP Foundation Board of Trustees in April. White is Assistant Professor of Pharmacotherapy and Assistant Dean for Assessment at the University of North Texas System College of Pharmacy in Fort Worth, Texas. Her term began April 22 at the conclusion of the AMCP Managed Care & Specialty Pharmacy Annual Meeting in San Francisco, Calif.

White graduated from Florida A&M University in 2001 with a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree. She also earned a PhD in Health Services Research from the College of Public Health at the University of Florida. Her career includes working with the Florida Medicaid program, the federal Government Accountability Office, and as an Assistant Professor at Mercer University College of Pharmacy.

She joins the 15-member Board of Trustees, which provides guidance to the AMCP Foundation in support of its mission to advance the quality and affordability of our health care system.

Read more.



#### AMCP Foundation to Present Sunrise Yoga

The AMCP Foundation is offering Nexus attendees a "sweatworking" opportunity at 6 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 5. Join your fellow yoga enthusiasts to get the benefits of exercise and relaxation before beginning a full day of educational sessions and networking. Let AMCP Foundation help you find peace of mind and wellness by joining our experienced yoga instructor in exercises fit for everyone. Sign up today!



### Thank You for a Great 25th Anniversary Year!

The AMCP Foundation wants to thank everyone who has made this silver anniversary so memorable! It's impressive how dedicated the AMCP/Foundation Founders, First Foundation Trustees, volunteers, donors, funding partners and Academy members have been over the last year. We're also delighted to welcome so many first-time donors (Jan. 1-May 31, 2016). Take one more look back on the past 25 years in our commemorative video. We look forward to the next 25!



#### Add Your Voice to Conversation, Engage on Social Media Platforms

AMCP and the AMCP Foundation want to hear from you on social media!

Join the conversation on Twitter by following @amcporg and using the #AMCPFdn hash tag. Look for our #FdnFridays (Foundation Fridays) tweets with fun facts about AMCP Foundation!

Look for us on <u>Facebook</u>, LinkedIn, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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