NCPA Foundation stays busy in 2018

The NCPA Foundation advances independent community pharmacy through scholarships to pharmacy students, research/programs to improve the success of independent pharmacy and patient care, community health awareness programs, and aid to community pharmacy owners for their recovery in the event of disaster or other adverse circumstances. The NCPA Foundation is a nonprofit, philanthropic 501(c)(3) organization established in 1953.

Here are some of the foundation’s 2018 highlights.

**GOOD NEIGHBOR PHARMACY NCPA PRUITT-SCHUTTE STUDENT BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION**

The 2018 Good Neighbor Pharmacy NCPA Pruitt-Schutte Student Business Plan Competition had submissions from 34 teams, with more than 200 student and adviser participants. The live competition takes place Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018, from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. in Boston during the NCPA Convention. The inaugural competition was held in Boston in 2004, so the return this year is a fitting way to mark the 15-year anniversary. NCPA and the NCPA Foundation are able to continue the competition into the next 15 years due to endowment gifts from Good Neighbor Pharmacy, Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Companies, and the families of the late Neil Pruitt Sr., and the late H. Joseph Schutte. Email studentaffairs@ncpanet.org for more information.

**BONE MARROW DONOR DRIVE**

The NCPA Foundation is continuing its partnership with DKMS in the fight against blood cancers. More than 2,800 individuals have been added to the National Bone Marrow Registry from donor drives conducted at independent pharmacies. For more information, email ncpaF@ncpanet.org.

**AWARDS CEREMONY**

Scholarship and award recipients, distinguished pharmacy leaders, and volunteers will be recognized at the NCPA Foundation Awards Ceremony at the NCPA Annual Convention. The ceremony is Sunday, Oct. 6, 2018, from 4 – 5:30 p.m. Contact ncpaF@ncpanet.org for details.

**PHARMACY DISASTER SUPPORT CENTER**

Independent community pharmacists have a seamless resource for
consolidating their disaster preparedness, response, and recovery processes. The NCPA Foundation Pharmacy Disaster Support Center was created with the goal of helping pharmacy owners minimize business interruption from an adverse event and streamline communications with insurance and vendor contacts during the chaotic aftermath of a calamity. The center is supported by the NCPA Foundation and the Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Co. Visit www.rxdisaster.com to learn more. The NCPA Foundation is also dedicated to providing financial assistance to community pharmacies experiencing disaster-related hardship. If you or a pharmacy you know of is in need of assistance, please contact us at ncpaF@ncpanet.org.

YEAR-END DONATION CAMPAIGN
The only way the NCPA Foundation stays relevant, proactively serves the needs of the profession, and continues leaving footprints to lead others is through the generosity of individual and corporate supporters. Please remember to donate to the NCPA Foundation before year’s end (Dec. 31). Email ncpaF@ncpanet.org to request a donor form or visit the donation page of www.ncpafoundation.org today.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
The NCPA Foundation is proud to continue its tradition of encouraging college students who dream of community pharmacy ownership. The Foundation and Partners in Pharmacy scholarship programs help NCPA student members with a demonstrated interest in ownership offset rising tuition costs. This year, the foundation and PIP are awarding more than $75,000 in educational aid to NCPA student members. McKesson generously supports the NCPA Foundation’s Presidential Scholarship program.

2018 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
Congratulations to the following NCPA student members for receiving NCPA Foundation and PIP scholarships:

Alexandria Gochenauer - The University of Mississippi
Anna Crooker - Ohio Northern University
Elizabeth Lucas - Samford McWhorter School of Pharmacy
Jasmin S. Corn - University of Georgia College of Pharmacy
Jessica Palmer - The Ohio State University
Michelle Kim - University of Maryland, Baltimore
Phillip Gardner - University of Georgia College of Pharmacy
Tien Phan - University of North Texas Health Science Center
Tory Knebel - Washington State University College of Pharmacy
Travis Frost - University of New England
Alanah Canfield - University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy
Alexis Dayton - Ohio Northern University
Amber Cox - University of South Florida
Andrew Richard Blake - Mercer University College of Pharmacy
Anh Dong - University of North Texas Health Science Center
Austin Streiff - University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy
Carter Chapman - Drake University
Cassidy Heath - University of the Incarnate Word FEIK School of Pharmacy
Cory Hamada - University of Washington School of Pharmacy
Hannah Haynes - Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy
Heather LeAnna Hembree - University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy
Jennifer Ellis - University of Georgia College of Pharmacy
Jonathan Kappock - Fairleigh Dickinson School of Pharmacy
Juli Halacoglu - Regis University
Katlyn Brown - Ohio Northern University
Katy Jacobs - Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy
Lauren Tait - Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy
Laurie Lee - Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Science
Linda Lang - Washington State University College of Pharmacy
McKayla Edwards - University of Kansas School of Pharmacy
Meagan Brandt - Ohio Northern University Raabe College of Pharmacy
Morgan Sarah Wood - Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy
Omar Fuentes - The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy
Peter Tang - Washington State University College of Pharmacy
Steven Nguyen - University of Missouri-Kansas City
Tracy Tran - Midwestern University College of Pharmacy – Glendale
Xinyan Shannon Ye - University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy
Brittany Branam - University of Georgia College of Pharmacy
Sarah Nguyen - University of Texas at Austin