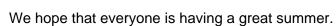
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New Alumni!

The alumni chapter would like to congratulate the 2001 Phi Delta Chi Graduates! We are proud to call you our colleagues and welcome you to join the alumni chapter! Congratulations to all !!

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Farheen Ahmed	Deepa Dronamraju	Andy Liu
Mais Badwan	David Fairchild	Susanna Milman
Kaysen Bala	Amy Green	Aliou Ousmanou
Farzin Baniassadi	Michelle Harang	Jennifer Phillips
Anna Chessky	Catherina Hybela	Alexis Seymour
Sandy Cuellar	Tom Kelliher	Julie Stauss
Rachel Daniell	Chris Kennedy	Natasa Stevkovic
Lea Dela Pena	Kristin Koppa	Khanh Tran

Fundraising:

We were able to collect from Dominick's (\$25) and Jewel (\$64) a total of \$89. The "Shop and Share" programs available for non-profit organizations are extremely easy for the membership and others to participate in. Unfortunately we did not have as many members participating this time as anticipated. Another event of this type is planned for November 2001, and we hope that all members will be able to participate. Thanks again to all.

Treasurers Report:

CD = \$5315.81 Cash Reserve = \$1754.67

The majority of the money that we have in our treasury is the result of dues collections and generous contributions to our Memorial Scholarship Fund. Our primary goal as you know is to fund the Memorial Scholarship. Other expenses include the publishing and mailing of this newsletter, and an annual contribution to the Collegiate chapter to help defer travel expenses of Collegiate members going to Grand Council or other PDC professional meetings. A minimum of \$10,000 is needed to establish a scholarship at the University of Illinois. Once this goal is attained, the money will be deposited with the College of Pharmacy. The annual interest earned will then be awarded by an impartial scholarship committee from the College of Pharmacy, to a Phi Delta Chi student. The criteria for the selection has not yet been finalized.

Drug Information Update New Cholesterol Guidelines

The National Cholesterol Education Program (NCEP) expert panel on detection, evaluation, and treatment of high blood cholesterol in adults has published updated guidelines for cholesterol screening and management. The executive summary is available at: http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/cholesterol/index.htm and the full guidelines will be available soon. An executive summary was also published in the May 16, 2001 issue of JAMA (JAMA 2001;285:2486-97) This summary is available free of charge at: http://jama.ama-assn.org/issues/v285n19/ffull/jsc10094.html Some key changes include:

- Patients with diabetes are in the same risk category as patients with coronary heart disease
- LDL level <100 mg/dL is now referred to as optimal
- HDL level <40 mg/dL is the definition of low HDL
- Triglyceride classification levels have been lowered; normal <150 mg/dL, derline-high 150-199 mg/dL, high 200-499 mg/dL, and very high =500 mg/dL
- Complete lipoprotein profile is the preferred initial screening test
- Strategies for adherence including utilizing the collaborative care of pharmacists are presented

Question from the Correspondent:

We would like to reduce our mailing budget in order to put more funds toward the Memorial Scholarship and other alumni chapter endeavors. To accomplish this, we would like to get feedback regarding an electronic version of the Post-Script. If you would be willing to receive a link to the electronic version of the Post-Script rather than a hard copy please e-mail Amy Lodolce at aelo@uic.edu Please note that you will still receive mailings regarding CE programs and fundraising opportunities. Thank you for your cooperation!

Baseball Game Report:

Graduates spanning 30 + years, plus fans from both sides of a cross-town rivalry in addition to a beautiful June Sunday afternoon made for a perfect baseball outing as forty-five alumni, students, family and friends came together to enjoy an afternoon of baseball and fun. The day was accented by friendly bantering between Sox and Cubs fans as well as catching up with old friends, meeting new people and exchanging stories. We plan to have another baseball outing next year.

Kno Biggie Party & Picnic:

It's that time of the year again for Alumni and Collegiate members to spend an enjoyable afternoon and evening together at Ray Traficante's home. This year there will be games for children and adults, and the volleyball court will be located on grass. A much softer surface than Ray's street. Try to make this annual event. FRIENDS and FAMILY ARE WELCOME (flyer enclosed) www.uic.edu/~rtrafica/kno.pdf

Next Meeting: Sunday, **August 26th.** at 6:00 PM, we will again meet at Palmer Place located at 56 S. La Grange Rd. in La Grange, IL. We hope to see many members in attendance. (Parking lots located behind the building and directly across the street)

Continuing Education Programs:

The Alumni Association is on track to have 2 CE / dinners planned for this fall and early winter. Members will be informed at a later date after all arrangements with the sponsoring drug companies have been made. If anyone knows a good contact within any drug company willing to sponsor and fund a future Continuing Education Program please contact Amy Lodolce at 312-996-3681. Any comments or ideas are welcome. Your input as a member is appreciated.

Annual Dues for Membership: If you have not yet paid, the association would greatly appreciate your donation. Your membership dues are being used to publish and mail this newsletter, defer travel expenses of Collegiate members going to Grand Council, and funding of the Memorial Scholarship. Please review your current status, and use the form below to renew. We appreciate all of the support our membership has given to the Alumni Association. Our success depends upon this support. Thank YOU!!!

Alpha Sigma Alumni Association Membership Form 2001 - 2002			
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Chapter and Year of Graduation			
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City, State, ZIP			
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Voluntary donation to the Memorial Scholarship Fund (enter amount)			
Yearly dues are \$20 per alum (June 1st thru May 31st) Please make checks payable to: Phi Delta Chi Alumni Association We look forward to your membership!	Mail to: Amy Lodolce 9035 W. 27th Brookfield, IL 60513 708-387-1898 aelo@uic.edu		