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APPY NATIONAL PHARMACIST'S WEEK !!!

While going through historical information pertaining to the Alpha Sigma Chapter, it was determined that the chapter has its 50th anniversary this coming January. Our collegiate Brothers are planning a couple activities to honor this event. The first being a ski trip and the other the **50th Anniversary Celebration Formal** this coming April. The ski trip will be to the Wisconsin Dells area during the Martin Luther King Holiday weekend. Friday, January 18th through the 21st. Of course the Alumni Chapter has been invited to attend. Contact Adam Kielbasa at 708-692-7646 or email him at akielb1@uic.edu for details. The other local Midwest Chapters have also been invited, and we hope that this will become an annual event that all can enjoy. Information pertaining to the 50th Anniversary Formal will become available in the January edition of the "post-Script".

Drug information update:

Continuing Education Program: Our "Founder's Day" CE will take place on November 18th, in Oak Brook, IL. Please make plans to attend this program. See enclosed flyer for details regarding the program. To reserve a space for yourself please contact:

Ray Traficante at the University of Illinois. (312-996-6541) or at rtrafica@uic.edu
WEB PAGE: www.uic.edu/~rtrafica/ce2001

Recently, COX-2 inhibitors have been in the news regarding potential cardiovascular adverse reactions. A meta-analysis published in JAMA (JAMA 2001;268:954-9) by Mukherjee and colleagues analyzed data involving 18 000 patients found a significant increase in cardiac events in patient receiving COX-2 inhibitors compared to patients receiving placebo in an aspirin meta-analysis. These findings raise concerns that COX-2 inhibitors are prothrombotic. Individual trials included in the Mukherjee meta-analysis revealed that patients receiving rofecoxib (Vioxx) experienced significantly more cardiac events than patients receiving naproxen did. This finding raises the possibility that traditional NSAIDs may have antiplatelet activity. However, it is too soon to jump to major conclusions based on the meta-analysis. Further prospective trials are needed.

Next Meeting: Sunday, **December 9th** 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 both behind the building and directly across the street) (708) 482-7127

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TIMETABLE of Collegiate Chapter events:**"Brotherhood Night" - October 26th (7:00 PM College of Pharmacy)****"Initiation" - November 9th (7:00 PM at the College of Pharmacy)***All dates and times are subject to change - call Amy Lodolce at 312-355-4049 or e-mail at aelo@uic.edu for information.***CE Report: October 3rd**

The October continuing education program was a very successful event. Thank you to everyone who attended the CE program at the Chicago Firehouse in October! We had a great turnout! Special thanks to Brother Rick Fiscella for speaking about the pharmacotherapy of glaucoma.



Fundraising: These projects are very important, to help fund our ongoing commitment to the collegiate chapter and the Memorial Scholarship Fund. The scholarship is about 75% funded.

The **"Entertainment 2002"** books have arrived. The cost per book this year is only \$25. There are 3 editions for Chicago (North/Northwest, West/Central, South/Southwest). If interested please contact Ray Traficante at 630-964-2278. We only have a few books left, so please get your order in soon. To order on line just go to our WEB site: www.uic.edu/~rtrafica/ Just click on the "Entertainment 2002" link. (MAKE SURE YOU ENTER THIS CODE NUMBER: **432953**) Online orders are subject to a delivery charge.

"Shop & Share" and "Benefit Days" Programs: We have several dates set up for both Jewel and Dominick's grocery stores. Included in this mailing you will find coupons from both Dominick's and Jewel food stores. Note the dates on the coupons. The Alumni Association will receive 5% of your total expenditure, as a donation from the stores. **Just sign the form and hand it to the checker.** If possible please pass the extra or unused coupons to friends and relatives. For information call Anita Staron at 708-233-9377

Alpha Sigma Alumni Association Membership Form 2001 - 2002

Name of Alumni Brother _____

Chapter and Year of Graduation _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Phone _____ e-mail address _____

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:

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THE PHI DELTA CHI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS A CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Antiplatelet Therapy in the Management of Acute
Coronary Syndromes**

November 18th, 2001



OBJECTIVES:

- Discuss the pathogenesis of acute coronary ischemic syndromes
- Understand the physiology of platelets and clotting
- Discuss the published recommendations for the treatment of acute coronary syndromes
- Understand the role of intravenous and oral antiplatelet agents in preventing ischemic complications associated with acute coronary syndromes and coronary stenting.

Presentation given by:
Robert DiDomenico Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
University of Illinois - College of Pharmacy



Bristol-Myers Squibb Company is approved by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education as a provider of continuing pharmaceutical education. ACPE Universal Program ID# (316-000-99-022-L01) Initial Release: -May 1999 (1.0 contact hour 0.10 CEU) will be awarded upon successful completion of the Verification of Continuing Education/Continuing Education Program Evaluation Form.

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This program is for: Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians
For additional information call Ray Traficante at 312-996-6540

Non-member fee will be returned if you cancel registration before 11-10-01

Conference Location & Time:

Maggiano's Restaurant- 6:30 PM
240 Oak Brook Center Mall
Oak Brook, IL. 60523

Conference Registration Form - Please print information below

Name :

Address :

City :

State/ZIP :

Daytime phone number :

This program is **limited**
to forty participants !!!!
Please register before
11/10/01 Program

agenda:
Refreshments at 6:30 PM
Dinner and the program
to begin at 7:00 PM and
ending at 8:30 PM

Mail or Call:

**Phi Delta Chi Fraternity
Alumni Association**

C/O R. Traficante
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Downers Grove, IL.
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A \$10.00 fee will
be charged to
non-members.
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