

**Janet Silvester
Elected ASHP President
Schultz and Stevenson Join Board**

Janet Silvester, M.B.A., FASHP, will help guide ASHP efforts to strengthen the role of pharmacists as the Society's President-elect. Also selected for terms on the ASHP Board of Directors were Kathryn R. Schultz, Pharm.D., and James G. Stevenson, Pharm.D., FASHP.

Silvester is the director of pharmacy at Martha Jefferson Hospital in Charlottesville, Va. She has served ASHP as a member of the Board of Directors, the ASHP Foundation Development Committee, and as chair of the Council on Legal and Public Affairs. Silvester is a past president of the Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists and recipient of the Pharmacist of the Year Award.

Schultz is director of pharmacy at the Bethesda Rehabilitation Hospital in St. Paul, Minn. She has served ASHP as Chair of the Council on Organizational Affairs and is a past-president of the Minnesota and Central Minnesota societies of health-system pharmacists.

Stevenson is director of pharmacy services and professor and associate dean at the University of Michigan. He has served as chair of the ASHP Council on Educational Affairs, the executive committee of the Section of Pharmacy Practice Managers, and the ASHP Foundation Development Committee.

Silvester will begin her appointment as president-elect immediately. Schultz and Stevenson will begin their terms in June 2007.

HB 299 Signed into Law

Led by patron Del. Chris Jones, VSHP was successful in securing passage of HB 299 which allows pharmacy technicians to receive verbal orders for non patient-specific diagnostic radiopharmaceuticals. Almost two years ago, VSHP was able to get the Board of Pharmacy to approve a pilot program which essentially did the same thing. This temporary program came to an end and without passage of legislation codifying the program, only pharmacists were able to receive these verbal orders. Once again, VSHP owes a great deal of thanks to its dear friend, Del. Chris Jones.

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Spotlight: Manuel Lucero



In 1945, the Army hospital in Richmond where Mr. Lucero worked was changed to the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Shortly afterwards, he was made the Chief of Pharmacy. It was during this time that he met his future wife, a young medical technician named Ruth.

Manuel Lucero served the VSHP in various capacities. He was appointed to the Resolutions Committee on May 19, 1956. Created on October 29, 1955, the purpose of the Committee was to address the amendments to the VSHP By-Laws. Mr. Lucero was elected President on May 23, 1959 and served till

The Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists [VSHP] had its inception on April 29, 1955. Manuel Lucero was a founding member, along with Russell Fiske, Mary Ann Magee and R. David Anderson. It was through their vision and tutelage that the VSHP was born and has grown to become the great entity that it is today.

Manuel Lucero was born on September 2nd 1918 in Colorado. He attended the University of Colorado where he received his pharmacy degree. Soon thereafter he joined the U. S. Army. During WWII, he was stationed in North Africa where he set up two pharmacies for the Army. Later, he was transferred to the Army hospital in Richmond where he was responsible for troops arriving for treatment. He left the Army as 1st Sergeant, became active in the National Guard, and eventually retired as Colonel in the engineering core.

1960. During his term, he proposed that Board Meetings be held four times per year. Thus, the current culture of the VSHP quarterly Board of Directors meeting stemmed from Mr. Lucero's enterprising idea to push the organization forward. Also during his term, Mr. Lucero appointed Mary Anne Magee and Russell Fiske to compile and maintain the history of the VSHP. Today, as we commemorate our history, it is essential to remember the man that was instrumental in its preservation.

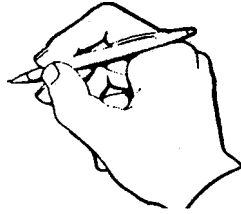
Professionally, he was the Pharmacy Director at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Richmond. He died suddenly on April 10, 1973 due to a ruptured brain aneurysm.

To those who knew him, Mr. Lucero was a gentleman. He had a remarkable working relationship with his colleagues. Shirley Robinson was Mr. Lucero's col-

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From The President

Robert J. Stoneburner



First of all I would like to express what an honor it is for me to serve as your VSHP President (for the second time). Also I would like to applaud all of those dedicated individuals whom also serve on your Board of Directors. I have had the pleasure of being a Board member since 1999 and have always been awed by the insight and experience that our Board has brought to the table. A more engaged group of individuals I have never met. Speaking of someone who is totally engaged and dedicated to the success of VSHP, Kelly Gill, Director of Operations, was honored for her 10 years of service to VSHP last October at the Fall Seminar's Presidents Banquet. She is one of the reasons that VSHP has been so successful in developing such high quality programs as our Spring and Fall Seminars.

On June 16th and 17th, the Board of Directors participated in the 2006 VSHP Retreat. The primary focus of this retreat was on the following topics:

- Development of a VSHP student rotation and the creation of a Virginia Pharmacy "College Bowl" for the Clinical Skills Competition.
- Continuation of the VSHP Medication Reconciliation Project.
- Creation of a VSHP Foundation.

Breakout sessions on the afternoon of the 16th and the morning of the 17th as well as group discussion proved to be very productive.

The group that focused on the student rotation/"College Bowl" topic recommended that three rotations be considered around the dates coinciding with our Fall and Spring seminars as well as the summer Retreat. The primary objective for this type of rotation would be for the student to learn how VSHP operates as a professional organization not only from the Administrative Director's perspective, but also from the Board's perspective. Spending some time with both the state and regional officers, as well as participation in regional meetings

(where they live), would also be included in the rotation. The rotation(s) would be open to all schools of Pharmacy with the first rotation being available for the 2007 Fall Seminar. The concept of a Virginia "College Bowl" for the Clinical Skills Competition was also discussed. Ideally this should take place at the Fall Seminar, but if timing prevents this then a central location prior to the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting would be selected for the site. Each School of Pharmacy would send their best team to the Virginia Pharmacy "College Bowl", and the winning team would receive a monetary reward as well as certificates of participation. This would offer another chance for our students to hone their clinical knowledge skills prior to the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting.

You may recall that VSHP posted on the website our version of a personal medication history form in the Spring of 2005 to assist in the Medication Reconciliation requirements from JCAHO that became effective in January 2006. Since "medrec" continues to be a challenge across Virginia, the group that addressed this topic had several recommendations. The first was to raise public awareness about the importance of keeping medication histories up to date. This could be accomplished through a focused PR campaign which Region V volunteered to "pilot" before "rolling it out" across the state. Another recommendation was to develop a "universal" form that could be utilized across the state. This has been successfully done in both Massachusetts and South Carolina, but will require significant participation and buy-in from many other healthcare organizations.

The third topic that was discussed was the development of a VSHP Foundation. Research done prior to the Retreat revealed that of the 49 ASHP affiliates, only 13 had foundations. Practically all of these provided scholarships for pharmacy students as well as funding for educational programs

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Calendar

- Sep 11-14:** Alzheimer's Association, Atlanta, GA www.alz.org
- Sep 29-Oct 1:** ASHP New Practitioners Conference, Chicago, IL www.ashp.org
- Oct 3-8:** America College of Gastroenterology, Orlando, FL www.acg.gi.org
- Oct 5-7:** VSHP Fall Seminar, Norfolk, VA www.vshp.org
- Oct 16-17:** ASHP Leadership Conference, Chicago, IL www.ashpadvantage.com/leaders
- Oct 22-25:** American College of Clinical Pharmacy, St. Louis, MO www.accp.org
- Nov 3-5:** Southern Medical Association, Chapel Hill, NC www.sma.org
- Dec 3-5:** Drug Information Association, Baltimore, MD www.diahome.org
- Dec 4-8:** ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Las Vegas, NV www.ashp.org
- Dec 4:** VSHP Reception at ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Las Vegas, NV www.vshp.org

2006 FALL SEMINAR AGENDA

Thursday, October 5

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| <p>12:00-1:00 pm Political Action Committee
Board of Trustees Meeting</p> <p>1:00-5:00pm VSHP Board of Directors Meeting
(Open to All Members)</p> <p>5:30-6:00 pm Cocktail Reception</p> <p>6:00 pm Past Presidents' Banquet</p> | <p>4:00-5:00 pm Management of the Hospitalized
Patients with Diabetes
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)</p> <p>5:00-7:00 pm Exhibit Program/Dinner</p> <p>7:00 Awards Program/Dessert</p> |
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Friday, October 6

- 7:00-8:00 am Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 8:00-9:00 am Drug Eluting Stents: An Overview
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 9:00-10:00 am Update on the Use of Statins in the
Management of Coronary Artery Disease
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 10:00 -10:15am Break
- 10:15-11:15 am Overview of Antifungal Therapy
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 11:15-12:15 pm The Role of Community-Acquired
Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus
aureus* (CA-MRSA) in Healthcare Today
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 12:15-1:45 pm Lunch/Exhibit Program
- 1:45-2:45 pm What's New in the
Treatment of Diabetes?
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 2:45-3:45 pm Metabolic Syndrome
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 3:45-4:00 pm Break

Saturday October 7

- 7:00-8:00 am Christian Pharmacist's Fellowship
International Prayer Breakfast
- 8:00-9:00 am Parkinson's Disease
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 9:00-10:00 am A Clinical and Pathological
Update on Restless Legs Syndrome
(RLS) and Essential Tremor (ET)
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 10:00-10:15 am Break
- 10:15-11:15 am Palliative Care Service:
Challenges for Pharmacists
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 11:15-12:15 am Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors
in the Treatment of Cancer
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)
- 12:15-1:45 pm Lunch
- 1:45-2:45 pm Transition to Long Term Care:
What You Can Do For the Patient
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L04 (.10 CEU)
- 2:45-3:45pm Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV):
Treatment and Prophylaxis
in the Pediatric Patient
ACPE #108-000-06-00-L01 (.10 CEU)



STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION

The Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists is approved by the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmaceutical education. This VSHP 2006 Fall Seminar is approved for 13.0 contact hours (1.3 CEUs). Attendees must attend the entire time allotted for each session, complete a Speaker and Program Evaluation Form on-site for each session attended, and present it at the registration desk at the conclusion of the program for validation. VSHP will provide validated Statements of Continuing Pharmaceutical Education to meeting participants no later than 30 days after the completion of the program. This program is directed toward all individuals actively engaged in the practice of pharmacy.

2006 Fall Seminar: October 6-7

Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists

2006 Fall Seminar

The VSHP 2006 Fall Seminar will be held October 6-7 at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott. The Norfolk Waterside Marriott is situated in the heart of downtown Norfolk, adjoining the Waterside Convention Center. It is within two blocks of Waterside Marketplace, Nauticus and the USS Wisconsin, six blocks to Norfolk Scope and Chrysler Hall, and two blocks to the MacArthur Center Mall (anchored by Nordstrom and Dillard's).

We have developed an outstanding program including:

- 13 hours of the highest quality continuing education on topics you have requested
- A festive exhibit program on Friday evening with a dinner buffet, lots of fun, and opportunities to win prizes.
- Our Annual Awards Dessert Program honoring this year's recipients of the Pharmacist of the Year, Clinical Pharmacy Practice Achievement and Technician of the Year Awards (formal attire is encouraged).
- 4 hour Exhibit Program featuring the latest pharmaceutical developments, products, equipment and services available

Drug Eluting Stents: An Overview

Mark N. Adams, Pharm.D., BCPS

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, Critical Care/Surgery
Veterans Affairs Medical Center

- Describe the process of Cardiac Catherization to include balloon angioplasty, percutaneous cardiac intervention, percutaneous endovascular interventions, rotoblade procedures, as well as others.
- Describe the role of Cardiac Interventions in STEMI and NSTEMI patients.
- Describe the role of stenting in Cardiac Interventions to include the history of development, and the development and role of drug eluting stents including current drug literature evaluations.
- Describe the role of adjuvant therapy needed with Cardiac (and other) stent procedures to include use of ASA, ADP antagonists, GP IIb/IIIa inhibitors, and direct thrombin inhibitors.
- Describe the role of stenting procedures in areas other than cardiovascular disease.

Update on the Use of Statins in the Management of Coronary Artery Disease

Barbara S. Wiggins, Pharm.D., BCPS

Pharmacy Clinical Specialist in Cardiology
University of Virginia Health System

- Describe current guideline recommendations regarding the management of patients with coronary artery disease.
- Summarize the rationale and impact of high-dose statin therapy.

- Identify aspects of medication safety as it relates to dosing and choice of agent.
- Recognize the role of combination therapy in managing hyperlipidemia.

Overview of Antifungal Therapy

Kathey B. Fulton, Pharm.D.

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, Internal Medicine
Pitt County Memorial Hospital

- Identify risk factors associated with the development of invasive fungal infections.
- Compare and contrast the relative advantages and disadvantages of each of the classes of antifungal agents.
- Describe the major adverse effects (AE) of the polyenes, echinocandins and azole agents and discuss management strategies for these AEs.

The Role of Community-Acquired Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (CA-MRSA) in Healthcare Today

Tammy M. Winterboer, PharmD

Pharmacy Practice Resident

Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center

- Define community-acquired methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (CA-MRSA) and describe how it differs from nosocomial methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*.
- Describe the incidence of CA-MRSA and the population(s) at highest risk for these types of infection.
- Discuss the most common sites of CA-MRSA infection and the associated pathogenicity.
- Compare current antibiotic choices for the treatment of CA-MRSA.

What's New in the Treatment of Diabetes?

Brian E. Grover, Pharm.D., BCPS

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist

University of Maryland Medical Center

- Recognize the need for new therapies in managing patients with diabetes.
- Define new and investigational medications as potential therapies for patients with diabetes.
- Summarize monitoring strategies and devices available to patients with diabetes.

Metabolic Syndrome

James R. Levy, MD

Endocrinology and Metabolism

McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center

- Define the metabolic syndrome.
- Define the health consequences of the metabolic syndrome.
- Summarize how to prevent the metabolic syndrome in high risk populations.
- Describe how to treat the metabolic syndrome.

Continuing Education Learning Objectives:

Management of the Hospitalized Patient with Diabetes

Lori B. Sweeney, MD

Division of Endocrinology
VCU Medical Center

- Summarize the evidence-based strategies for management of the hospitalized patient with Type II DM using sliding scale insulin therapy-regular insulin vs. rapid-acting analogs, sliding scale vs. basal insulin regimens, and algorithm approach to insulin titration.
- Summarize the emerging strategies for management of diabetic keto acidosis using continuous insulin infusion vs. subcutaneous insulin regimens and protocol-driven transition from continuous insulin infusion to subcutaneous insulin.
- Summarize intensive insulin therapy in the ICU patient including medical vs. surgical ICU patients and acute vs. sustained critical illness.

A Clinical and Pathological Update on Restless Legs Syndrome (RLS) and Essential Tremor (ET)

David J. Leszczyszyn, MD, PhD

Assistant Professor of Neurology
VCU School of Medicine

Staff Neurologist, Sleep Disorders Clinic, McGuire VAMC

- Describe the recently revised diagnostic criteria for restless legs syndrome (RLS).
- Describe the importance of coexistent sleep disorders.
- Summarize the current theories on pathophysiology of RLS.
- List three major pharmacologic categories used in treatment of RLS and describe the role of second tier medications and supplements.
- Define and differentiate postural, kinetic, and rest tremors.
- Summarize the diagnostic inclusion criteria for classical essential tremor.
- Define the epidemiology of essential tremor.
- Summarize the clinician's approach to management including classical and newer medications, botulinum toxin injections, and stereotactic neurosurgical approaches.

Palliative Care Service: Challenges for Pharmacists

Tina L. Smusz, MA, MPH, MD

Director, Palliative Medicine Service
Carilion New River Valley Medical Center

- Summarize the experience of a 110 bed community hospital to understand palliative care.
- Describe the unique role of pharmacists in meeting the fragile patients' needs by using case presentations.
- Summarize pharmacy challenges peculiar to this focus of care.
- Describe the significance of relief of suffering and the importance of pharmacists routinely thinking "outside the box".

- List available resources for pharmacists to use when assisting the healthcare team with urgent/emergent symptom management.

Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors in the Treatment of Cancer

Douglas L. Smith, Pharm.D., BCNSP, BCOP

Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice
Shenandoah University, Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy

- Explain the rationale for monoclonal antibodies and small-molecule inhibitors of tyrosine kinase in cancer treatment.
- State 2 important counseling points regarding the administration of imatinib mesylate (Gleevec).
- State the primary route of metabolism and predict potential drug interactions associated with imatinib mesylate.
- Define the role of erlotinib (Tarceva) in the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer.
- State one important counseling point regarding the administration of erlotinib and two important adverse effects.
- List current options for treating metastatic renal cell carcinoma.
- Compare sorafenib (Nexavar) with sunitinib (Sutent) in terms of indications, efficacy and tolerability.

Transition to Long Term Care:

What You Can Do For the Patient

Roberta (Bobbie) A. Bullock, Pharm.D., CGP, FASCP

Lead Consultant Pharmacist
Kindred Pharmacy Service

- Identify OBRA 1987 and how it applies to pharmacy services.
- Summarize regulations governing nursing homes.
- Identify quality indicators and sentinel events.
- List medication appropriateness index.

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV): Treatment and Prophylaxis in the Pediatric Patient

James E. Dice, PharmD

Director of Pharmacy

Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters

Eloise D. Woodruff, PharmD

Clinical NICU Pharmacist

Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters

Kimberly C. Huber, RPh

Clinical NICU Pharmacist

Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters

- Summarize the effects of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) infection in infants and pediatric patients.
- Define the treatment of RSV in infants and pediatric patients.
- Describe the pharmacodynamics of palivizumab (Synagis).
- Describe the guidelines for the prophylaxis of RSV in infants.
- Describe the Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters pharmaceutical care program to improve RSV prophylaxis for patients discharged from the NICU.

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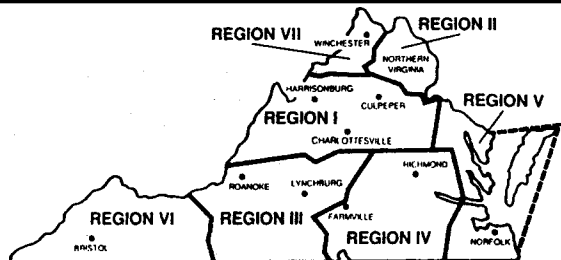
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league at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. She remembers when she was a young pharmacist, Mr. Lucero and his wife took her under their wings and guided her professional growth. "He was the best boss I ever had", she said with a smile. Earl Rogers, the current Pharmacy Director of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Richmond, fondly remembers Manuel Lucero as 'Lucy', a nickname given to him by his many colleagues.

His wife, Ruth Lucero remembers him as an absolutely happy man who loved to entertain people. He was also a man that would go to any length to help reduce the cost of medication for his patients. He was loyal and dedicated to his profession. She says, "He often worked extra time to help the other pharmacists".

Mr. Lucero is loved and admired by many within VSHP. We celebrate his accomplishments for they are the foundations of our history. We owe our thanks to Mr. Manuel Lucero, the man, the hero. I'm sure 'Lucy' would be proud to be remembered as a founder of our prestigious organization.

— Tony Okafor, Pharm.D.

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and various awards programs. Most foundations also funded advocacy programs which promoted either the pharmacy profession or the benefits of using medications wisely. Some offered internships/traineeships while others had endowment funds to support the purchase/maintenance of a building for the organization. They all offered a mechanism for their membership to support their organization with tax-deductible contributions. The ways to contribute varied from state to state, but the more advanced foundations offered a variety of "planned giving" options which included bequests, charitable trusts, gift annuities, life insurance gifts, retirement planning and gifts of stocks and bonds. The first step in getting our Foundation started will be to get it registered with the IRS as a charitable organization with its own Board of Directors. Stay tuned for more information on our progress with this important endeavor.

Other topics that were either addressed at the retreat or at the Board of Directors meeting that followed included updating the VSHP Policy and Procedure

manual, enhancements to the VSHP website, and collaboration with VPHA regarding a "Universal" medication history form as well as sharing positions on legislative bills.

Finally we were very happy to welcome two members from University of Appalachia College of Pharmacy to the table who expressed interest in "revitalizing" Region VI as an active participant within VSHP.

SAVE THE DATES
Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists

2007 Lobby Day
February 7
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Richmond

2007 Spring Seminar
April 13-15
Wintergreen Resorts

2007 Fall Seminar
Dates to be determined
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