



45th Annual
Installation Program

June 24, 2010



*Welcome to the
45th Annual Installation
Program
for
The New York City Society
of
Health-system Pharmacists
at
Manhattan Penthouse
June 24, 2010*



Program

Exhibit/Cocktails

Welcome – Installation Chair, Kwaku Marfo

Outgoing Presidential Address – Joe Pinto

Awards Presentations – Joe Pinto

Installation of Officers - Karen Vitacolonna

Installation of the Board of Directors

Installation of the President

Incoming Presidential Address – Monica Mehta

Dinner

Dancing

Installation Program Organizers:

Kwaku Marfo

Erica Nunes

Janna Roitman

Melissa Zaslow



Dear Colleagues,

I know it is cliché but time does fly, I think each and every one of my predecessors have said the same thing, “It feels like yesterday that I stood here before you getting installed and giving my presidential address”. Though I was not entirely successful in accomplishing some of my goals this past year I am encouraged with the process that was made and I will continue to work on those projects during my year as Immediate Past President. We have laid the groundwork for a couple of ad-hoc committees such as Industry relations and a Resident member committee. Come September I will begin the process of forming a clinical subcommittee. I am happy to say that after a year or so in the making we are an Adopt a Highway sponsor, our NYCSHP sign will be displayed at the southbound Kappock st exit. I hope you all will consider volunteering an hour a month in helping to maintain our area. As part of our public relations campaign we formed teams that participated in different events. This year we had a great turnout at NY Cares Day, where a group of members volunteered their time to freshen up a NYC public school in the Bronx by painting a wall mural. Also, as has been tradition over the past few years we did our Pharmacy Week Today Show appearance, as well as AIDS Walk New York and Breast Cancer awareness walk. In addition to our monthly educational meetings we also held our 2nd annual Health-system Pharmacy career panel for pharmacy students.

This is the time where I get to thank all of our board and committee members for the time and effort they put towards our organization. Beginning with the Director at Large(s), Kwaku Marfo, Shu Jing and Norberto Alberto, I can’t say enough about the dedication to the profession and our organization that these three individuals have displayed over the past year. Sally Arif our secretary and Harold Neham Award recipient, Sally did a great job at editing the minutes of all of our meetings, knowing just when to delete the profanities. This is Sally’s last day as an acting board member as she prepares to embark on a new professional endeavor outside of New York State. On Behalf of the entire membership I wish Sally all the best and thank her for her years of service to our organization. Fran Jordan for maintaining our “books” and keeping us fiscally sound as well as organizing our team for NY Cares Day. Vickie Powell and Karen Vitacolona – Falk for their guidance and leadership. Dr. Monica Mehta our president-elect and soon to be president for her innovative monthly programs and great ideas.

No matter how hard and how much effort we put in as officers we would not be able to accomplish much of anything without our dedicated committee members.

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1. Erica Nunes
2. Melissa Zaslow
3. Janna Roitman

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1. Elizabeth Palillo
2. Vincent Ruocco



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3. Tom Meere
4. Allana Farrell
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2. Sally Arif

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2. John Sang
3. Reena Tejura

Last and certainly not least I would like to thank our Immediate Past President Dr. Leila Tibi, I feel very fortunate to have had Leila as my mentor and friend these past couple of years. Her participation at the different board positions and her knowledge of the organization made her an invaluable resource. Whenever I had a question or just needed to vent I would email or text her and she was there with an answer or recommendation. I know she is looking forward to taking some down time but I'm sure if and when we call, email or text her she will be there to lend her expertise. They say imitation is the best form of flattery and I can only hope to imitate Leila and provide the same such leadership and guidance to Monica and Kwaku over the next couple of years.

I would like to thank you my colleagues for your support, ideas and participation and look forward to working with you in the future.

I would be remised if I did not applaud and recognize two of our members Frank Sosnowski and Karol Woltenburg. Both were recognized at the NYSCHP Annual Assembly, Frank was the recipient of the Pharmacist of Year Award and Karol was the recipient of the Pharmacist Achievement Award.

Thank you and enjoy the rest of the evening.



NYCSHP President's Address - 2010
Monica Mehta, PharmD

Though my path has meandered, I don't regret a single step. They have led me to the ground on which I stand today. But as I reflect, upon both professional and personal paths, I appreciate the path more than the destination. Since time is elusive, with every moment blurring into the next, opportunities are forever lost. We cannot defer learning or living.

In 2009, toward the end of my infectious diseases residency at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Leila Tibi (at the time president) sent me a rather benign email asking if I'd like to run for presidency of NYCSHP. She mentioned that it was the natural progression from my present position of secretary, as if it was a small incremental next step. The seed was planted, though it didn't germinate. I wasn't sure if I was down with the lingo and up for the responsibility. Simply put, I was intimidated. Then, Joe Pinto (president elect) asked me to do it. And that's when I knew I would. With his laid-back and earnest manner, it was virtually impossible to say no. But moreover, I could not say no to the opportunity to further our profession.

Even as a pharmacy student in Texas years ago, during which I was class president, I felt a strong sense of responsibility toward the profession. At the time, OBRA-90 was all the buzz and how it revolutionized our role as healthcare educators. I firmly believed that counseling patients in a community setting was the most impactful role of our profession. But my road led me to medication management in an ambulatory care clinic since CDTM (collaborative drug therapy management) was practiced in Texas. During training, I worked in diabetes, heart failure, hypertension, and smoking cessation clinics. Afterwards, I helped to create an anticoagulation clinic in an urban hospital in Austin, where we conducted basic physical examination, point-of-care testing, and medication management independent of a physician. Beyond warfarin dosing, we would take blood pressure, prescribe low-molecular weight heparin if needed, and directly admit patients with suspected bleeds. One year later, we won a hospital excellence award for our high rates of therapeutic outcomes compared to the standard of care.

I came to New York City in 2003, which had become home during previous visits to see my brother. The city had such diversity, urban beauty, and high energy, that I fell deeply in love with it (and still am). Sadly, however, I realized that I couldn't practice pharmacy the same way. There was a kink in the road, which I had to make the best of. I knew that I wanted to work in a community with limited resources, so I gravitated to a community hospital in the Bronx. Shortly thereafter, I started working as Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice at Long Island University while maintaining my practice site at Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center.



I heard recently at a pharmacy education presentation that as teachers, our goal shouldn't be to "fill a vessel", but rather to "start a fire". As pharmacists, we have been educated for years – in basic sciences, humanities, and extensively, in applied sciences. Medical doctors receive one to two semesters of "pharmacology" which is a severely-abridged, highly-abbreviated, cliff's notes version of what we get over four years. Four years of pharmacology plus medicinal chemistry, pharmaceuticals, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacotherapeutics (among other things) is a tremendous training yielding a vast knowledge base. I've heard that one of the signs of learning is confidence. A few months ago, while on a medical ward with one of my students, I asked her to explain the major locations and functions of beta 1 and beta 2 receptors in the body. She said nothing. A passing medical student jumped in and proceeded to not only list the adrenergic receptors and their locations, but also drew them. My student was embarrassed. The very next day, in front of her peers, she proceeded to explain the entire central nervous system from the sympathetic and parasympathetic to specific receptors and neurotransmitters. And I don't believe she'll ever forget it. I am grateful to have witnessed this process. Teaching is a privilege. But more importantly, I have seen repeatedly, that we, as pharmacists and pharmacy students, fail to acknowledge what we know. And most devastatingly, we often fail to act. Perhaps we are comfortable playing a passive role. But in the context of healthcare reform and living in one of the few states that has not passed CDTM, we cannot remain passive.

To seize they day – or a moment – we must first realize its importance. And remember that it is fleeting. Though at different stages of our careers, we continue to walk the path. And with each step, we should pass on the torch. But to pass it on, one must receive it. People ask me what my overall mission will be for my term as your president. Shall it be pharmacy and public health? Promotion of our professional breadth? Mentoring students? Yes and yes. And yes. But not without your help. I look forward to the term. It is our absolute obligation and responsibility to further our profession. To educate each other. To serve as role models to students. And to have confidence in what we know. Please join me in this endeavor. Not just as a member, but as an active participant. This is first moment of the rest of your life. What are you going to do with it?



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2010
Harold Neham Memorial Award

Sally Arif

The Harold Neham Memorial Award was established in 1982 by the New York City Society of Hospital Pharmacists to honor a member of the society who has made a significant contribution to the literature and/or professional meetings promoting the profession of hospital pharmacy or improving hospital pharmacy services. This award was named after Harold Neham, the first president of the New York City Society of Hospital Pharmacists.

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2010
Joel Yellin Award of Merit

Larry Schiller

The Award of Merit was established in 1967 by the New York City Society of Hospital Pharmacists to honor an individual or a group of individuals for significant contributions, which have had a positive effect on the practice of hospital pharmacy in the metropolitan New York area. As of 2004, this award has been renamed the Joel Yellin Award of Merit, in honor of his devotion to the practice of pharmacy and the New York City and New York State associations.

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2004 Karol Wollenburg
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2006 Vickie Powell
2007 Joanne Meyer
2009 Christine Kubin



2010
Student Awards

Jennifer Yam,
Touro College of Pharmacy

Teena Sam,
St. John's University

Vy Nguyen,
Long Island University

The Outstanding Student Award for Touro College of Pharmacy is presented by the New York City Society of Health-system Pharmacists to an exceptional first-year Touro Pharmacy student. This is the inaugural year for the Outstanding Student Award.

The nominees are selected by the College and the students present their CVs and an essay on a pharmacy-related topic to the Award Nominations Committee. The voting members of the New York City Society of Health-system Pharmacists Board of Directors then selects the award recipient.

It is with great pleasure that the New York City Society of Health-system Pharmacists welcomes this student into our profession by awarding her the 2009 Outstanding Student Award.



2009 - 2010
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November	Stericycle/Baxter Healthcare
January	Cubist
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