

# the Independent Voice

From the Students' Perspective



## *Tip of the Month*

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Help out your state's pharmacists by volunteering to put together a list of each pharmacy's local legislators so that in a time of need the pharmacist can easily contact them!



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## Shaping History...

This May, at the 2009 National Legislative Conference, students from across the nation helped educate legislators about the issues facing our profession. Along with independent pharmacists in their state and members of their state organizations, students brought up issues like the CVS Caremark merger, DME accreditation and much more. The discussions that NCPA members had with their state legislators will directly affect the laws that are being passed right now!

Thank you to all who participated!

A special congratulation goes to the winners of the Dennis Ludwig Memorial Scholarship in Government Affairs.

The winner was awarded the scholarship at the Legislative Conference held during May 11-13, 2009 in Washington DC. The purpose of the scholarship is to promote pharmacy student participation in the NCPA Legislative Conference for the purpose of encouraging education on the functions and organization of Congress, understanding of the federal legislative process, and insight into legislative policies and strategies for the adoption of legislation.

The NCPA Ohio Northern University Student Chapter was awarded \$500 with the highest attendance at the NCPA Legislative Conference to support pharmacy student attendance at the 2009 NCPA Annual Convention, October 17-21 in New Orleans, LA.

Four \$250 scholarships were awarded at random from a drawing to the following students who attended the conference:

Sean Agazanof  
University of Pacific  
Joy Cunningham  
University of Cincinnati  
Shaun Thomas  
University of Louisiana at Monroe  
Bradley Ordender  
Midwestern University - Glendale

Congratulations to all winners!



## Important • Dates & Deadlines •

### As Soon As Possible:

Chapter presidents, please log onto

<http://www.ncpanet.org/studentsvcs/officersform.php>

to submit your upcoming officer information!

### October 3, 2009:

Deadline to Pre-Register for the 2009 Annual Meeting in New Orleans.

### October 17-21, 2009:

NCPA 111<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and Trade Exposition  
New Orleans, LA

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a meeting at  
your school?

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## Meet... Learn... Succeed...

NCPA will host its Annual Meeting this October 17-21 in New Orleans, LA! Student programming will primarily be held on Saturday and Sunday but students are encouraged to attend the Monday-Wednesday sessions as well! So what is in it for you?

**Meet:** Pharmacists from around the nation will be gathered together for a tremendous networking opportunity! Meet students from around the country and get tips for your student chapters... meet pharmacy owners in your state who are interested in junior partnerships... the possibilities are limitless!

**Learn:** Student programming will focus on how to make you marketable as a young pharmacist, how to separate yourself from the rest of the graduates looking for a job. It will teach you tips on how to get into owning a pharmacy, setting up niches in your store and even tips on how to manage your money!

**Succeed:** Once you have participated in Meeting and Learning – you are set up for success!

Log onto <http://www.ncpanet.org/calendarncpa/2009convention.php> for more information and registration!

## Student Executive Council News:

Congratulations to our new President-Elect Andrew Helm and Secretary-Elect Jason Wang! The council is currently working hard to make your Annual Meeting programming very beneficial to you!

