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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Kari Atkinson

With the new year approaching soon, it is prime time to reflect back on the past 12 months. What has HOI done to impact the lives of our members? I am proud of what our Board has accomplished during 2007. We sponsored the first ever Iowa First Step family fun/education weekend, offered education in a “road show” type style, gave more money in scholarships than ever before, won first place in the Camp SuperFly competition, and had awesome attendance at both our golf tournament and the annual meeting. WOW, I would say we did pretty well when you sum it up!

To those who served this last year on the Board, THANK YOU for helping to make all of this possible and for being patient with me in my first full year as your president. These events are not possible without all of you attending. Thank you goes to our treatment center staff for all you do for our organization—from mailing our information to the community to providing support and input on so many of our committees. Also, none

of this would be possible without our industry sponsorships and support from the professionals who work for these companies. Our thanks to each and every one of the companies that choose to participate and financially support Hemophilia of Iowa. We are grateful to each of you and for your unique talents and strengths that you and your companies bring to our organization.

With each annual meeting, we say good-bye to departing Board members and welcome new Board members. This year we said good-bye to Peggy Wier, who was one of our industry representatives. Peggy was instrumental in several committees, and her contributions over the past two years have been witnessed in several ways. We miss you, Peggy, and hope that you are enjoying more time on the home front with your family. HOI welcomes Brian Unruh and Dawn Humburg, both consumer Board members. Brian is new to the

Board, and we are looking forward to working with him. Dawn is a veteran member of the Board and has been our treasurer for the past couple of years. Cathy Treichel is another consumer Board member who has served on the Board before, and we are happy to have her back. Our new industry Board member is Mark Wiener, who was a Board member a few years ago. We look forward to having Mark’s expertise from past Boards brought to HOI for future growth. We welcome all of these members and look forward to having a great 2008!

Please check out the upcoming Chapter Events in this edition of the BloodLine. May each of you have a blessed holiday season, and please remember those who are not able to be with their families during this holiday season.

ANNUAL MEETING

September 21-23, 2007

The Annual Education Meeting for Hemophilia of Iowa was a huge success again this year! It was held at the West Des Moines Marriott Motel and Convention Center. We had great

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attendance with a wide variety of sessions for everyone to participate in.

This year, the weekend started on Friday night. After check-in, a very informal social time around the pool was enjoyed by many. This event was sponsored by HOI. Saturday's activities started with registration and exhibit time. The keynote speaker, Scary Guy, gave a very genuine presentation about stereotyping and what it can do to us. He stressed feeling good about yourself no matter what the circumstances are because a positive attitude is bound to rub off on others around you!



Session I choices included:

1. Living with Hemophilia: Practical Tips for You and Your Family.
2. Rap session with Scary Guy.
3. A session for siblings of those with a bleeding disorder.

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Session II choices included:

1. A Mentor Session for teens and up with two young men who have overcome many challenges and are now out on their own.
2. Infusion Therapy, an informative session to discuss whether you are ready to start home infusion therapy with your child.
3. Aging With Hemophilia, a session about growing older with hemophilia, along with the joys and challenges one faces.

Session III choices included:

1. Managing Financial Aspects of Care, a very informative session about learning different types of health coverage and how to compare them.
2. A Camp Tanager Reunion for all past attendees of this camp. Flipper was there to share in this session.

As usual, there were many opportunities for great food. We did

not have to wait long to have our hunger pains satisfied! There were breaks to visit vendor exhibits as well as enjoying snacks provided. We had three meals, which included a light continental breakfast served during registration, a delicious lunch, and a 3-choice buffet served for supper.

During lunch we had a short HOI general meeting with an introduction of current Board members and Board candidates. There were also reports given from all committees. After the evening banquet, scholarship recipients were announced and many wonderful door prizes were awarded. We also had a HUGE reason to have a celebration, complete with decorated cakes and cookies. Our chapter won 1st place in the Camp SuperFly competition. We received a \$30,000 grant to use for necessary items at Camp Tanager.

The evening concluded with music, provided by a DJ. Many people rocked the night away. It even rained gift cards out on the dance floor!

Of course, the first thing we did on Sunday morning was EAT a great breakfast buffet. A panel discussion, "Ask the Experts," let the audience ask questions about everyday practical issues that were answered by the panel. The facilitator also asked the panel questions.

The annual meeting is a great way to come and learn about blood-clotting disorders and related issues that we face everyday. You also get to know the people in your chapter and have fun, all at the same time! Why don't you come and join us next year? Keep watching the BloodLine for upcoming announcements regarding the meeting.

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(Please see the following short biographies of different representatives from some of the above companies.)

INDUSTRY BIOS

My name is Caleb Sellers, and I am employed by **Walgreens-Option Care**. Originally I was from

Monroe, Iowa, but now reside in Kansas City, Missouri. All of my family lives in Iowa, and I travel to visit them on a regular basis. One of my goals as an employee of Option Care Hemophilia Services is to help empower patients to be active participants in their own care. My involvement has taught me to really value what the community does and all that goes into the care and management of bleeding disorders. It is a great community to be involved with!

Greetings! I am Jim Brown, Regional Sales Manager for **Mid-West Cornerstone Healthcare Services** – a home care company providing services to the bleeding disorders community. I have severe Factor IX hemophilia (but it does not define my life!), and I serve on the HOI Board of Directors. Having lived with hemophilia, having been on various home care services and

having worked for other home care providers, I CHOSE to work for Mid-West Cornerstone because of their many years of dedicated experience and service. Their personal family involvement with hemophilia and their strong commitment to and support of the bleeding disorders community, including Hemophilia of Iowa, were also very important to me.

I'm Terry Morrow and live with my wife, Debra, and daughter, Noreen, in Lake Park, Iowa. I have two grown sons with hemophilia: Cody, an aerospace engineer working for an airplane manufacturer in Duluth, MN; and Nick, who is married, also an aerospace engineer working for John Deere & Co. in Fort Collins, CO. I work for **Hemophilia Health Services, Accredo Health, Inc.**, as a Community Advocate. I have had the honor of meeting many, many fine

people who have offered a helping hand in our fight against the effects of hemophilia on our community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my employer for allowing me the time to represent HOI as your Advocacy Co-Chair in our successful quest to become the first state to have an official Hemophilia Advisory Review Board at the state level. Last, but not least, I am thanking all our chapter people, friends, and associates for keeping our Hemophilia of Iowa Inc., vibrant and growing!

I'm Nancy Golden, and I have had the opportunity to work for **Bayer HealthCare** for 11 years. My husband, John, and I have two children, Danielle (7), and Stephen (5), and two crazy dogs, Maggie and Mollie. We live just north of the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. Our passion at Bayer is to promote "Science for a Better Life." Bayer

hopes to enhance the lives of people living with hemophilia by eventually producing a longer acting recombinant factor VIII. Bayer also has a College internship program, which will enter its third year in 2008. Also quickly picking up speed is the Racing for Hemophilia program, which is being done in conjunction with the NHF and the Marco Andretti racing team.

I'm Rick Pollock, one of the National Coagulation Specialists with **Grifols Biologicals**. I'm proud to be associated with Grifols. Without sounding like a commercial, Grifols has had a world-wide presence for over 60 years. I have been involved in the hemophilia community since 1991 and participated in one of the first Hemophilia of Iowa golf tournaments at the Amana Colonies. In my limited, but important, spare time I'm a Shriner involved with Shriners

For more information, please contact your local Bayer HealthCare Account Executive, Nancy Golden, at (612) 810-1186, or by e-mail at nancy.golden@bayer.com.



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My name is Jeri Cornwell. I am an RN and **Coram's** Bleeding Disorders Specialist. In the late 90's I worked in the bleeding disorders community for 3 years, missed all of you and decided to return. I have 2 grown sons (officers in the military); 2 wonderful daughters-in-law, 3 beautiful grandchildren, all who live far away from me. So I have 2 cats, each with their own unique personalities, to keep me company. I'm active in my church and volunteer for several of the local symphony orchestras. Liz Poore is the local Coram Consumer Advocate. Liz is a physical therapy assistant and has a lifetime history of family members with severe hemophilia. She loves to teach and reach out to help others to empower them to live life to its fullest. Ask her about anything—from camp to insurance to industry assistance programs to school or work issues to logging treatment information.

My name is Peggy Wier, and I have been married for twenty years and have worked for **Baxter** that long as well. My husband, Pat, and I have two children; Andy is a senior, and Katie is a freshman. I have greatly enjoyed the relationships and the impact I have been able to make while serving on the Board of Hemophilia of Iowa for the past two years. The local bleeding disorders community is engaged, proactive and interested in the advancements in therapy. Through my role at Baxter, where top priorities include Research and Development, advocacy and insurance assistance, and community education programs and resources, I am honored to be a part of the progress

being made in the hemophilia world. Our goal as a company and mine, as a local representative, is to be "There When You Need Us."

I am Lisa Sackuvich, the founder, President, and owner of **ARJ Infusion Services**. I started ARJ, a home infusion company which provides nursing and pharmacy services, in 2000. I have been a registered nurse for 26 years and have been providing care to people with bleeding disorders for 17 years. I have also been fascinated with veins since I was a child. When I was young, I had multiple infusions and quickly learned there were some people who stuck me with needles who were very good and some people who were very bad. When I was 4 years old and in the hospital, the nurse told my mother, "Don't worry it doesn't hurt her and she will not remember." Well, I remember like it was yesterday! In 1992, I had the honor of volunteering at my first hemophilia summer camp and watching a 7 year old boy stick his own vein to administer his factor while his peers cheered him on! Since then I have been blessed to practice my profession of infusion nursing

and caring for people with bleeding disorders. My past experiences have made me a better nurse and continue to ignite my commitment to patient care and service.

PRESS RELEASES

Hemophilia of Iowa (HOI), a statewide nonprofit organization representing people with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders, is pleased to announce that Kari Atkinson, Shane Kelley and Terry Morrow were among eight individuals who received an Award of Excellence for Advocacy from the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF). The announcement was made earlier this month at the NHF's 59th Annual Meeting and Exhibit in Orlando, FL.

Iowa was one of three states (the other two being Illinois and Texas) to adopt a version of the NHF's model bleeding disorders advisory board legislation. Atkinson, Kelley and Morrow were recognized for their significant contributions helping to secure passage of Iowa's version of the NHF bill, the Iowa Hemophilia Advisory Committee (HAC).



The Iowa HAC, supported widely by people with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders, created a venue for policymakers, consumers and providers to work collectively toward a comprehensive approach to addressing the needs of people with bleeding disorders in Iowa. "Our families are in crisis. The high cost for the care and treatment of hemophilia, which can be over \$100,000 per year per individual, have made it difficult for Iowans with hemophilia to find and keep health insurance coverage," said Atkinson. "HOI members pursued implementation of the HAC legislation because this was a first step in our fight to preserve access to care and treatment for Iowans with bleeding disorders," says Morrow. "We're extremely proud to have received such a distinguished award."

Atkinson, Kelley and Morrow are members of the HOI board of directors.

About HOI and NHF

Hemophilia of Iowa (HOI) is a volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for the individuals with bleeding disorders and their families throughout Iowa. The National Hemophilia Foundation is a national organization dedicated to finding better treatments and cures for bleeding and clotting disorders and to preventing the complications of these disorders through education, advocacy and research. For more information, visit HOI website at <http://www.hemophiliaofiowa.com/> or the NHF website at <http://www.hemophilia.org/>.

Search Begins for 2008 Hemophilia Leadership Development Program Intern

College students touched by hemophilia encouraged to apply for summer internship program

Bayer HealthCare is now accepting applications for its 2008 Hemophilia Leadership Development Program, an eight-week paid summer internship program that will begin in June 2008. Applicants should be college students (sophomore through senior year), touched by hemophilia, who can demonstrate a commitment and interest in being a future leader in the hemophilia community. The selected intern(s) will gain firsthand knowledge of the complexities and challenges associated with manufacturing and promoting a recombinant factor VIII (rFVIII) product to the hemophilia community.

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Applications are due by Thursday, January 31, 2008, at 11:59 pm ET.

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Coram is sponsoring a **Bleeding Disorders Educational Conference Call Series for Consumers**. You never have to leave your home and there is no charge for participating.

To participate in a conference call, simply follow these steps:

- Call **866.213.1962** approximately five minutes before the call is scheduled to begin
- When prompted, enter the 7-digit conference call access code **2522683**
- All calls are held Wednesday evenings at 6 pm CST

Conference Call Calendar January 30

Topic: Success from the Start: How to begin to manage hemophilia and other bleeding disorders successfully from the beginning.

February 27

Topic: Living with Hemophilia: Practical tips for you and your family – the transition from adolescent to young adult.

March 26

Topic: Chronic Pain Management for Bleeding Disorders Patients.

April 30

Topic: The Hemophilia Camp Experience. Thinking about sending your child to camp? Lots of good information from a camp nurse.

For more information, contact Nancye Buelow, at buelown@coramhc.com

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

March 29, - before Adult Retreat

May 4, 7 p.m. - Conference call

June 8, 6 p.m. - Pella

September 20, - Time and place TBD

October 12, 7 p.m. - Conference call

October - after annual meeting, Cedar Rapids

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

March 29—Adult Retreat, Burlington

June 9— Golf Tournament, Pella

June 22—Hemophilia Summer Camp Week, Camp Tanager

August 9—Family Camp, Camp Tanager

October 24-26—Annual Meeting, Cedar Rapids

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E-mail Address:

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_____ **I have enclosed my membership dues (\$20 annually for either single or family) and registration fee of \$10 per person.**

Number of adults attending _____ **x \$10=** _____

_____ **We plan to attend all scheduled events.**

_____ **Due to a prior commitment, we are attending but will not be able to join the group until _____ (time).**

_____ **We are attending, but hotel accommodations will NOT be needed.**

Please mail registration to:
Hemophilia of Iowa
C/O Emily Weidman
1604 Olive St.
Cedar Falls, IA 50613

HEMOPHILIA OF IOWA ANNUAL ADULT RETREAT

How would you like to meet others in the State of Iowa who are dealing with the same challenges you are? This is an event to meet people, have fun and just enjoy a weekend with adults.

When: Saturday March 29, 2008

Where: The Lodge, Bettendorf Iowa

Events: Tour of the John Deere Pavilion
2½ hour dinner cruise aboard the Celebration river boat
Breakfast at the hotel

The agenda is as follows:

Saturday

2:30 p.m. Meet at the Front Desk of The Lodge to board the Act Charter bus.
3:00 p.m. Travel to and tour The John Deere Pavilion
5:15 p.m. Reboard bus and travel to Celebration River Cruises
6:00 p.m. Celebration Dinner Cruise
9:30 p.m. Reboard bus and travel back to The Lodge for refreshments in hospitality room

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Breakfast at The Lodge

Registration deadline is February 25, 2008. If you have any questions, please contact Kari Atkinson at 1-866-464-8061 or Emily Weidman at 319-269-8509

Frequently Asked Questions:

- 1. Do I have to be a member of Hemophilia of Iowa to attend?** Yes, you do have to be a member. Please reference the membership application. Memberships are for a calendar year. They run from January 1 to December 31 regardless of when they were paid in that timeframe.
- 2. Is there a registration fee to attend if I am a member?** Yes, there is a \$10 non-refundable registration fee per person attending.
- 3. If I am not going to spend the night, do I have to pay the fee to attend?** Yes, the non-refundable fee is still \$10 per person.
- 4. Can my children come & have their own hotel room?** This event is for adults only, so all in attendance must be over the age of 18. If your child is over 18 and chooses to come, only one hotel room will be provided with a membership. If they want a separate room, they will be able to pay the discount rate. If they have their own membership, they are entitled to a hotel room.
- 5. Is there a dress code?** Business casual is preferred. Please remember you are representing Hemophilia of Iowa.
- 6. Will I receive something confirming my reservation?** Yes, once your registration is received, you will receive a confirmation. E-mail is the fastest way for us to get a confirmation out to you. Please include your e-mail address if you have one.
- 7. Bettendorf is a great place. Will I have time to do some shopping?** At the present time, there is not shopping time figured in the schedule. Please come early and enjoy the attractions that Bettendorf has to offer and then meet up with us at 2:30 pm.
- 8. Is there a deadline for registration? Yes, the deadline is February 25, 2008.**
- 9. Will late registrations be accepted?** Possibly. Late registrations will be accepted; however, there is no guarantee that a room will be available for you if your registration is received after February 25, 2008.
- 10. If I can't afford to come, what do I do?** If you are directly affected by a bleeding disorder or a caregiver to someone who has a bleeding disorder, you can contact Kari Atkinson, HOI President, at 1-866-464-8061 for confidential financial assistance.

RECOGNITION & THANK YOU

Terry Morrow was recognized at the 2007 Hemophilia of Iowa annual



meeting in Des Moines with a special award for his advocacy efforts and leadership, which led to the establishment of the Iowa Hemophilia Advisory Review Board. The bill to establish this committee within the Department of Health passed the Iowa House 96 to 0. The plaque on the award had the following inscription:

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As you can imagine, Terry received a standing ovation from the community and industry. We will all benefit for years to come from Terry's efforts on behalf of the community. Please

join us in wishing him congratulations on this recognition!

WEIDMAN BENEFIT

There will be a benefit held to help offset the expenses for the Weidman family (please see the "Deepest Sympathy" article). The benefit will be:

Saturday, January 19, 2008
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By Kari Atkinson

The First Step parent coordinators are in full swing planning the second annual Family Fun Education Weekend. It will be held February 9-10, 2008, at the Adventureland Inn, Altoona, Iowa. Invitations will be mailed to the families with children ages birth to 8 years who have bleeding disorders. If this BloodLine is received by someone who falls in that age category and does not go to

the UIHC Treatment Center, please contact Kari Atkinson to make sure you are on the First Step mailing list.

If anyone does not know what the benefits are to being involved in the First Step program or are interested in obtaining more information regarding our First Step group, please feel free to contact the treatment center or any one of the parent coordinators. Jill Nolte @ 319-213-1009; Mary McCarthy @ 641-658-2783 Kari Atkinson @ 1-866-464-8061.

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A question was asked at our Annual meeting about whether Medicare or Medicaid is considered credible insurance coverage while off private insurance. Also, where do we get a Letter/Certificate of Credible Coverage?

Mike Lammer researched this for us with the Iowa Insurance Division, and Mike was told that Medicaid is considered credible coverage. The person will need to ask for a letter from the local Department of Human Services office that indicates the dates they

were on Medicaid when they are ready to change to other health insurance.

For Medicare the person will have to present their Medicare card to their new employer. (Mike got that information from our local Social Security office.) Mike suggests that anyone who has Medicare and then gets a job that offers health insurance should contact their local Social Security office and find out if that office will provide a letter. He got the impression that there is no set protocol at Social Security for obtaining a Letter/Certificate of Credible Coverage.

MY STORY

By Matt Patrilla

I was born with severe Hemophilia A back in 1984 to a family that had no previous history of the bleeding

disorder. I was a learning experience for most everyone that came in contact with me. I am now 23 years old; and living with hemophilia has indeed gotten easier as a result of research, medication/treatment advancement, and my maturity level increasing (be it just a little).

I have been a part of many studies related to Hemophilia through the University of Iowa and Hemophilia of Iowa. I have also interacted with young parents who have children with the bleeding disorder, just to show them that their child will indeed grow up to be as normal as anyone. I also participated in a few golf outings through Hemophilia of Iowa. I believe that this helped the morale of fellow Hemophilia of Iowa members to know that there is indeed a worse golfer out there.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Tristen Weidman of Cedar Falls, IA, son of Mike & Emily Weidman and Heather Runyan, passed away on November 19, 2007, in a tragic accident. Tristen was 10 years old and loved by many. As his dad stated, he just wanted to be everyone's friend and truly and genuinely cared about each person he met. Tristen loved spending time with both of his brothers, Trey and Riley. One of Tristen's favorite summer activities was Hemophilia Summer Camp. Our sincere sympathy goes to Tristen's family at this time of tragedy.

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Clint Curnard of Logan, IA, son of Liz and James Poore and Dennis and Vicki Cunard passed away on October 13, 2007, in a tragic motorcycle accident. Clint was 30 years old and loved being an uncle and spending time with his family and friends. He loved motorcycling, motocross and had a deep affection for some of the much older chapter members and the guys he used to go to clinic with. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Clint's family in this time of tragedy. Memorials are being accepted in memory of Clint at the following address for the community's new swimming pool. Clint's mom, Liz, stated that Clint loved to swim and has nieces that are competitive swimmers; and he would love to know that memorials are going help make

this swimming pool a reality for the city of Logan. The address is:

City Clerk's Office
108 W. 4th St.
Logan, IA 51546

Jeanette Welck, Horichon, WI. Jeanette is Carol Meyer's mother, who passed away on October 13, 2007. Carol's mother was 85 years old and while her health had deteriorated the last few years, Carol and her family were able to spend some quality time with her. Our sincere sympathy goes out to the Meyer family. Memorials are being accepted in Jeanette's memory at the following two places;

St. Stephens Lutheran Church
Horichon, WI 53032

or

Lutheran Inter-parish School
POFinally" Box 750
Williamsburg, IA 52361

SCHOLARSHIP THANK YOU

By Matt Patrilla

Thank you so much for the scholarship this year. I am very grateful to have a resource like this when it comes time to pay the tuition bill. I am still up in Waterloo at Allen College working towards my BSN and will be here for four more semesters.

AND FINALLY

There is a new children's book available called I AM NATE. It is authored by Chris Barnes, the mother of a young boy with hemophilia A. It provides parents and healthcare providers a fun and easy way to educate young children living



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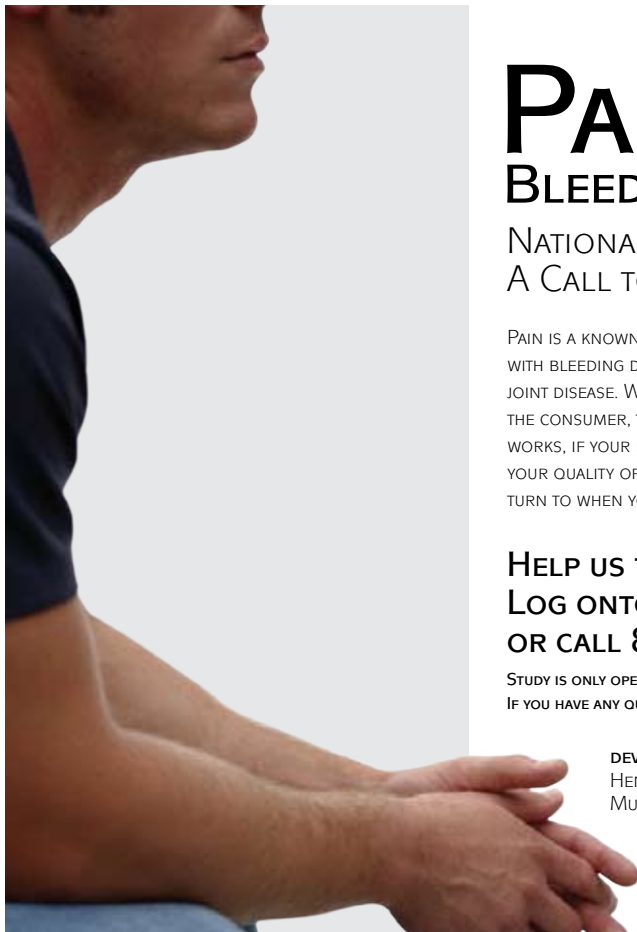
In the 2007 November/December issue of NHF's Hemaware, there is a great article about Dylan Humburg. You may remember that we featured Dylan in an article about his success at the Drake Relays and at the State track meet. Dylan is the son of Dawn and Keith Humburg.

King Pharmaceuticals has a new FDA-approved bovine thrombin topical hemostatic product that can help stop nosebleeds. The Thrombin-JMI Epistaxis Kit offers emergency department and trauma center staff "a convenient new option to achieve fast, active hemostasis during epistaxes," reports a company official.

The company anticipates that this product will be available around the end of 2007 according to the King Pharmaceuticals website.

Hemophilia Health Services created an educational brochure in conjunction with Bayer HealthCare. It debuted at the annual NHF meeting and is called "A Guide to Venous Access Devices." It is an illustration-rich brochure that reviews all types of infusion devices and lists the benefits and drawbacks of each. Check with your local Hemophilia Treatment Center for available copies.

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PAIN IN THE BLEEDING DISORDERS COMMUNITY

NATIONAL PAIN STUDY:
A CALL TO ACTION TO IMPROVE PAIN MANAGEMENT

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OUR GOAL IS TO IMPROVE PAIN MANAGEMENT FOR PERSONS WITH BLEEDING DISORDERS. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT MANY AREAS WILL INCLUDE YOUR DAILY LEVEL OF PAIN; TREATMENT MEASURES YOU CURRENTLY UTILIZE OR HAVE TRIED; AND THE EFFECT OF PAIN ON YOUR DAILY LIVING.

HELP US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR PAIN.
LOG ONTO [HTTP://WWW.HENRYFORD.COM/PAINSTUDY](http://www.henryford.com/painstudy)
OR CALL 800.580.4347.

STUDY IS ONLY OPEN TO PERSONS WITH HEMOPHILIA OR VWD AGES 18 AND OLDER.
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL: ANGELA LAMBING AT 313.916.9094 OR MICHELLE WITKOP AT 231.935.7227.

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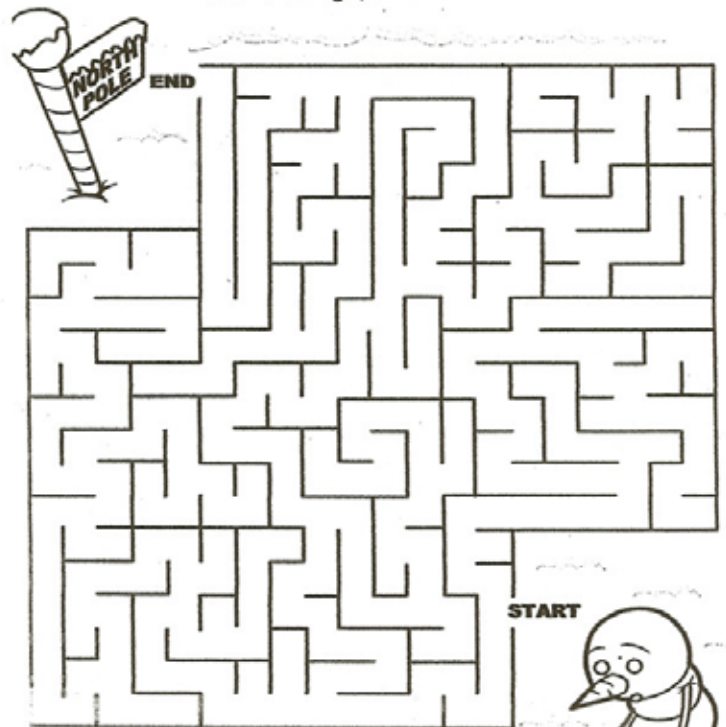
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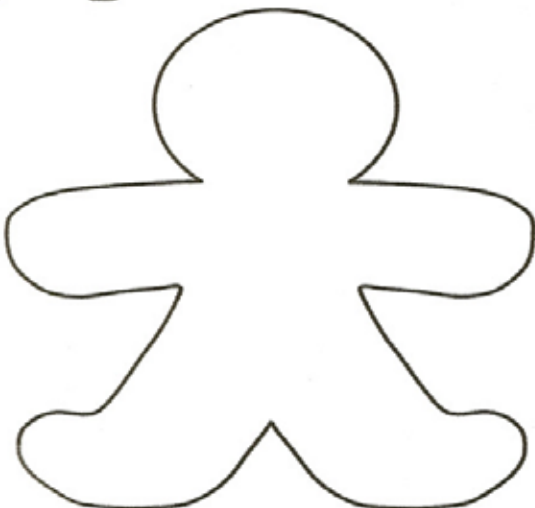
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created by: Kessie Humburg



Scholarship Application 2008

Start Application Process – September 22
Applications Must Be Postmarked by – March 31
Decisions Made – May 1
Money Dispersed – July 1

Please read attached requirements. No Late Applications Accepted.

Date: _____ Email: _____

Student's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Name: _____ Phone: _____

Student's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Have you turned in membership form of Hemophilia of Iowa for 2008? Yes _____ Attached Y N

****Membership of either yourself or qualifying parent/guardian is REQUIRED****

(Siblings Only) Name of person with bleeding disorder _____

Institution/College you plan to attend or are attending: _____

Enrollment Date: _____ Full Time (12 hours or Above) _____ Part Time _____

College Address: _____ ***For Payment of Scholarship***

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

High School you Attended: _____ Graduation Date: _____

High School Address: Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

I hereby give the Scholarship Committee permission to access confidential information in my files as necessary to determine my scholarship need.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Scholarships Currently Available

Bleeding Disorders-Up to \$1,500.00

Immediate Family Members of a Person with a Bleeding Disorder-Up to \$1,000.00

John Heisner-Up to \$1,000.00

Dude Cremer-Up to \$1,000.00

Please reference the Hemophilia of Iowa Scholarship Fund Criteria outline. This goes into great detail of what is required to accompany this application. If the criteria outlined is not submitted, this scholarship will NOT be considered including Membership to HOI in 2008. If you have questions regarding this criteria, please contact Shane Kelley at (319) 635-2839

Mail completed application to: Shane Kelley – Scholarship Committee Chair, HOI
22930 20th Street
Fairbank, IA 50629

Hemophilia of Iowa Scholarship Fund
Application Postmark Deadline: March 31, 2008

Application Instructions

Calendar

September 22, 2007 – Applications available at www.hemophiliaofiowa.com

March 31, 2008 – Postmark Deadline for complete applications

May 1, 2008 – Selections Made

July 1, 2008 – Award Disbursement

Eligibility Requirements

Member of Hemophilia of Iowa through December 31, 2008. Memberships are on a calendar year schedule. This membership must be turned in before the scholarship postmark deadline or accompany the application. If membership is NOT turned in with the scholarship or before the scholarship deadline, the scholarship will NOT be considered. No exception!

Must have bleeding disorder or be an immediate family member (Sibling, Child, or Parent) of someone who has a bleeding disorder

High School Graduate before or in 2008

Be enrolled in a degree seeking program at a U.S accredited College, University, or Trade School for the 2008-2009 academic year

Selection Criteria

Community Service in the bleeding disorder community

Personal Qualities

The John Heisner Scholarship and the Dude Cremer Scholarship are awarded to persons who have supported the Mission of Hemophilia of Iowa.

Application Preparation

Please submit TWO (2) sets of the following documents:

1. Completed Scholarship Application
2. A typed summary of not less than one paragraph and no more than one page of your short range and long range career plans.
3. A typed summary of not less than one paragraph and no more than one page of your personal background related to the bleeding disorder community along with any contributions you have made to the Hemophilia of Iowa community. These contributions could possibly be considered for a Named Scholarship, which is awarded on top of the scholarship award.
4. A typed summary of not less than one paragraph and no more than one page explaining your key reasons for selecting the profession you are pursuing.

We strongly encourage you to type your Application and Summaries as it will make it easier for the selection committee to read. If you do not have access to a computer, you may neatly print the application in blue or black ink. Applications or Summaries that are illegible or incomplete will be disqualified. Check your Summaries for correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

Postmark Deadline

All materials must be mailed in one package that is postmarked on or before March 31, 2008.

Mail to: Hemophilia of Iowa Scholarship Fund

c/o Shane Kelley

22930 20th Street

Fairbank, IA 50629

Notification

All applicants will be notified of their award status in May or June 2008.

All selection decisions are final and are not subject to appeal. Applications and supporting documents become the sole property of Hemophilia of Iowa and cannot be returned.

If you wish to inquire on the receipt of your scholarship, please e-mail Shane Kelley at ssckelley@iowatelecom.net.

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Hemophilia of Iowa
2008 Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____ E-mail: _____

Please circle the best option for you.

Best time to contact me: AM / PM

Would you be willing to serve on a committee? Yes / No

Membership January 1 - December 31, 2008
Single, Family, Industry Representative, or Friends of Hemophilia of Iowa - \$20

(Family includes those who reside in the same household with dependent children up to the age of 25. (Dependent children do not have to reside in the parents' home if away at school or living on their own.) Relative would be a sister, brother, grandparent, aunt, uncle and cousin to the person who has a bleeding disorder. Friends of Hemophilia of Iowa are people who do not have a relative with a bleeding disorder but are support people and friends of those who do have a bleeding disorder.)

I would like to make an additional donation of \$_____ (This is tax deductible)

This donation will be recognized in the Winter issue of the BloodLine magazine unless the following is checked. _____

Please complete the following information so Hemophilia of Iowa can be of best service to you.

What is your association to the bleeding disorder community?

- _____ I have a bleeding disorder or my spouse has a bleeding disorder.
_____ I am a parent of a child with a bleeding disorder.
_____ I am a relative of a person with a bleeding disorder.
_____ I am a friend/support person for someone who has a bleeding disorder.

If you are a relative or friend/support person for someone with a bleeding disorder, please list the last name of the person who has the bleeding disorder. _____

If you have a child with a bleeding disorder, Hemophilia of Iowa now has a program called 1st Step. This program is designed to provide a mentor to families with a child who has a bleeding disorder aged 0-7.

Mentors are parents of child(ren) who have a bleeding disorder aged 8 +.

- _____ I would like to join 1st Step. _____ I have a child 8 yrs or older and would like to be a mentor.
_____ I would like more information before I decide to join. Please contact me.

Please do not let cost of membership prevent you from joining Hemophilia of Iowa. Contact Kari Atkinson, HOI President at 1-866-464-8061 for confidential financial assistance. This membership scholarship program is available for people directly affected by a bleeding disorder and their caregivers.

Please mail membership application and annual dues (Payable to Hemophilia of Iowa) to:

Emily Weidman, HOI Secretary, 1604 Olive St, Cedar Falls, IA 50613

If you wish to pay via credit card, please complete the information below: (circle one) Visa or MasterCard

Card Number: _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Mailed by:
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