

Saturday,
February 24, 2007

NCEMSF conference highlights

News and Information

See you at **breakfast** starting at 7:30 AM!

Saturday conference activities kick off at 8:00 AM with the **Student Speaker Competition**.

Don't forget to bring your banners to the **Meet & Greet** at 9:00 AM in the Grand East and West.

Alumni: don't forget about the **Alumni Mixer and Networking Event** at the conclusion of the Awards ceremony in the Whitecap Tavern, the hotel restaurant and bar. Conference badge with "Alumni" ribbon and proper ID required for entrance.

CME Credits: Please refer to page 23 of the Conference Program for details.

Welcome to Baltimore! 14th Annual NCEMSF Conference Begins

Over 600 students, alumni and advisors representing 84 universities and all NCEMSF Regions arrived in Baltimore for the 14th Annual NCEMSF Conference making this one of the largest NCEMSF Conference ever! Whether you are attending for the skills competition, leadership forums, networking, or just plain fun, we welcome you to Baltimore!

Over the last number of months the NCEMSF Board has been working with

UMBC and HERO to plan this year's conference, which includes over forty separate lectures compressed into one and a half days and offers numerous networking opportunities.

The Board and conference co-hosts hope that you enjoy the weekend, that you learn from the lecturers and from each other and that you return to your respective campuses energized with new ideas and solutions.

Program Changes and Addendums

Workshop Session 2:

Administrative Roundtables: Financing will be moderated by Andrew Mener, Recruitment and Retention by David I. Bacall and Training by Michael Saltis.

Changes to Workshop Session 3:

Fire Based Emergency Medical Services will now be presented by Chief Lloyd R. Carter, Division Chief, Baltimore City Fire Department Emergency Medical Services Bureau.

Life After Collegiate EMS Panelists - Raphael M. Barishansky, MPH, Benjamin Lawner, DO, Karolina Schabses, MPH, Christopher T. Stephens, MD, Harland Westgate.

Don't forget to sign up for the Airway Skills Lab! Registration is limited to 25 participants.

Changes to Medtronic EMS Skills Competition Review:

The review will now take place in Stadium 1 on the second floor. The time, Sunday at 8:30AM, remains the same.

Changes to Workshop Session 6:

Developing your EMS Organization will now take place in Grand West. Service Roundtables will take place in Salon A, B, and C.

IS YOUR SQUAD CELEBRATING A MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR? PLEASE INFORM A MEMBER OF THE NCEMSF BOARD BY 1:00PM SO THAT YOU MAY BE APPROPRIATELY ACKNOWLEDGED DURING OUR AWARDS CEREMONY SATURDAY EVENING!



Annual Medtronic Skills Competition A Success!

25+ teams of four members competed in the annual Medtronic BLS and ALS skills competitions. Both BLS and ALS teams showed their skills in three separate challenging scenarios: medical, trauma, and team-building rescue. Teams were judged based on their patient assessments, treatment decisions, and ability to work together. They were held to the National Registry standards. The three teams with the highest total point scores will be awarded first, second and third place trophies at the awards ceremony later this evening. First place in the ALS competition will also be awarded.

All participants had a great time interacting with one another while, of course, maintaining the competitive edge trying to earn bragging rights for their squad and university.

Many thanks to the volunteer patients who were back-boarded, splinted and otherwise prodded repeatedly through the evening.

For more information about the skills competition and the scenarios with which teams were faced please attend the skills competition review session scheduled for Sunday morning at 8:30 AM.



Zoll Challenges Attendees to CPR Challenge During Welcome Social

Attendees gathered for food, music, banners, and fun. The live DJ added to the atmosphere as pictures from conferences past scrolled in the background. A nacho bar filled hungry travelers. Between songs and trips to the buffet, EMTs, turned artists, created banners for their squads to be presented Saturday morning during the group introductions at 9 AM.

Zoll Challenged party goes to beat their Zoll AutoPulse. The contestant who performs the most effective CPR will have his/her choice of an iPod or new AED for his/her squad.

The social afforded schools the opportunity to begin conversations that will continue through the three scheduled roundtable discussions this weekend.

NOTE: After presenting your banners on Saturday, please leave them at the registration table so we may display. We will return them at the end of the conference.

Professor Squirrel Emerges from Hibernation to Join Conference 2007

NCEMSF President, George J. Koenig, Jr, greeted Professor Squirrel Friday night at the Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor at Camden Yards. The Professor, a fervent advocate of Collegiate EMS and regular *NCEMSF News* columnist contributing his practical, yet nutty, advice, forged the cool weather only to heat things up on the dance floor during the Welcome Social. Professor Squirrel circulated through the crowds welcoming attendees and offering encouragement to skills competition participants. He helped unload cars, assisted at hotel and conference registration, and even participated in the CPR Challenge. NCEMSF's furry friend will be present all weekend and will be on hand to congratulate award winners Saturday. Also, look for the Professor behind the bar at the Alumni Mixer immediately following the awards ceremony.

