Introduction

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The Seldon D. Feurt Memorial Symposium is named in honor of Dr. Seldon D. Feurt, who served as Dean of the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy from March 1959 until his death on 19 January 1975. The UT College of Pharmacy grew rapidly under his leadership from 200 students, a faculty of 4 and an operating budget of $40,000 to an enrollment of 400, a faculty of 40 full-time and 20 part-time members, a graduate program, one of the first Pharm.D. programs, and an operating budget of $800,000.
He initiated a doctor of pharmacy program, began a student-coordinated drug abuse education program, and numerous cooperative educational and research ventures with industry and hospitals and community pharmacies across the state.

Dr. Feurt coauthored a book, *Applied Mathematics in Pharmacy*, authored numerous scientific articles, and held six patents. He was a frequently sought pharmaceutical consultant to both industry and government. The outstanding contributions Dr. Feurt made during his tenure as Dean in guiding the expansion and development of the college will have a lasting impact on pharmacy education and practice in Tennessee. In recognition of Dr. Feurt’s accomplishments, the Board of Trustees of the university renamed the Dental Pharmacy Research Building the Seldon D. Feurt Building in June 1975.

Following Dr. Feurt's death in 1975, alumni of the college, in cooperation with the Tennessee Pharmacists Association, the Tennessee Board of Pharmacy, and the UT College of Pharmacy, established the Seldon D. Feurt Memorial Fund. The fund is an endowment invested in perpetuity to provide financial assistance for programs of the College of Pharmacy. This was the first such fund established for the college.

A committee composed of representatives of the establishing groups was formed to oversee the expenditure of the earnings generated by the endowment. At the 1990 annual meeting of the Feurt Memorial Fund Committee, Dick R. Gourley, Dean of the UT Memphis College of Pharmacy, presented a proposal. Dean Gourley proposed the establishment of the following programs to be funded from future annual earnings of the Feurt endowment. The committee approved the programs.

**SELDON D. FEURT MEMORIAL SYMPOSIUM**

The Seldon D. Feurt Memorial Symposium was the focal point of the committee’s activities. The first symposium was held 13 February 1991 and brought 3 to 5 outstanding pharmacy educators from three different disciplines (pharmaceutical sciences, clinical practice, and administrative sciences) to the College of Pharmacy to address
students, faculty, and alumni of the college and the University of Tennessee community. These individuals were called Feurt Visiting Professors, and they presented a major seminar to our entire faculty and student body.

At the time of the Feurt Memorial Symposium, special attention was given the contributions of Dr. Feurt to the College of Pharmacy and to pharmacy in the State of Tennessee. This provided the recognition that Dean Feurt should be afforded and gave us an opportunity to continue to enhance the Feurt Memorial Fund. Outside support for the speakers was obtained through an educational grant from the G. D. Searle Company. The grant from Searle allowed the committee to place 10% of the earnings back into the fund.

**FEURT SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

Meeting the needs of graduate students is extremely important to the recruitment of top-notch scholars for the pharmaceutical sciences graduate programs. The college must provide innovative programs; competitive stipends, and summer research funds. The second component of the Feurt program is the establishment of six Feurt Graduate Scholars who will be enrolled in the graduate program in pharmaceutical sciences as joint Pharm.D./Ph.D. students. Feurt Scholars will receive $7,500 per year for the first 4 years and $12,500 per year for the last 2 years. The goal for the joint Pharm.D./Ph.D. program is to admit 5 Pharm.D./Ph.D. students per year until a maximum of 30 students are enrolled in the 6-year program. The Feurt Scholars program will eventually provide 6 of the 30 scholars. Private foundations and the pharmaceutical industry will be approached for funding for these scholars. The Feurt Memorial Fund will set the example and pave the way for additional funding.

**FEURT INTERNATIONAL EXTERNSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS**

The third component of the Feurt Program is the International Externship Scholarships. By offering UT pharmacy students the opportunity to participate in international externships, we broaden
their horizons as professionals and as individuals. These students will have a professional experience from which they will benefit for the rest of their lives. One of the major stumbling blocks for students participating in such an externship program is funding for airfare. Feurt Externships will provide them with scholarships to assist in paying their airfare and to cover their housing. By offering Feurt Scholarships to fourth-year students, UT will open the door for 15 students per year to participate in the international externships. The Feurt International Scholars will receive scholarships of $500 to $1,000, depending on the airfare cost during the spring quarter of their senior year. The goal will be to provide funding for 15 students as funds become available. In October, Drew Haskins presented this proposal to the Alumni Board of Directors of the College of Pharmacy. The board enthusiastically commended the Dean and the Feurt Committee and agreed that the Seldon D. Feurt Memorial Fund Endowment should be increased to $750,000 to provide for the growth projected for the programs.

The establishment of the Seldon D. Feurt Memorial Fund in 1976 marked the beginning of a unique cooperative agreement among the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy, its alumni, the Tennessee Pharmaceutical Association, and the Tennessee Board of Pharmacy. It was the primary goal of all of these groups to honor a man who had served each of them well and had contributed significantly to the profession of pharmacy. They have created an endowment that will perpetuate the legacy of Dr. Feurt.

THE 1992 SYMPOSIUM

The 1990s have seen the pharmacy profession embrace two major concepts: quality of life and pharmaceutical care. A plethora of material has been written about each of these topics individually. There is, however, very little in the literature that attempts to integrate the two. The Feurt Committee recognized the impact that these concepts presently have on the profession and the even greater impact that they will have in the future. The committee asked us to develop a symposium that would address how these two concepts are interrelated. The result was the 1992 Feurt Symposium.
the nation's leading authorities in these areas were assembled to discuss how the concept of quality of life can be used as an outcome measure of pharmaceutical care:

Mickey C. Smith, Ph.D., Barnard Distinguished Professor, University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy
Henri R. Manasse, Jr., Ph.D., Dean, University of Illinois College of Pharmacy
Thomas S. Rector, Pharm.D., Ph.D., Senior Research Associate, University of Minnesota Medical School
Robert A. Freeman, Ph.D., Senior Director, Corporate Health Economics, G. D. Searle Company.

The Feurt Memorial Committee and the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy, in conjunction with the Journal of Pharmacy Teaching, are proud to offer the reader the following compilation of these distinguished papers. The committee and the university gratefully acknowledge the educational grant from G. D. Searle and Company that made this symposium possible.