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Letter from the President



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Annual Awards Dinner on December 6th. It was a wonderful night celebrating the outstanding contributions of our community and honoring those companies and partners who made a significant difference to the success of the industry in 2012. The award winners are featured in this issue - be sure to take a moment to read all about their many successes in 2012!

We were thrilled to again partner with the Boettcher Foundation, with Timothy Schultz, President and Executive Director of the Boettcher Foundation presenting the 2012 Class of Boettcher Investigators of the Webb Waring Biomedical Research Program. The work of the Investigators represents some of the most promising and innovative research within our research institutions and we look forward to following their work and keeping you updated throughout the year.

The keynote, "Why Giving Matters", by George Sparks, President and CEO of the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, tied directly into the launch of our Colorado Bioscience Institute. "The Institute" is a non-

profit arm of the Association that will provide educational and workforce programs for teachers, students, bioscience professionals and the broader community. The Institute will depend on the generosity of individual and company donations as well as grants from community foundations. Please let us know if you are interested in learning more about "The Institute's" programs and how you can contribute your time, or financially.

Looking ahead to 2013, we look forward to celebrating CBSA's 10 year anniversary and paying tribute to the people, companies and community partners who saw a vision 10 years ago and led us to becoming one of the top bioscience clusters in the Nation.

Additionally, the 2013 state legislative session is gearing up to be very active. Please mark your calendar for Bioscience Day at the Capitol January 30, 2013 where we brief our legislators on the importance of this industry to the State and showcase bioscience companies.

April Giles
President & CEO
Colorado BioScience Association

Annual Awards Dinner Review

Educator of the Year - Shawndra Fordham, Biotech Teacher, Rock Canyon High School (Highlands Ranch)

Shawndra Fordham's enthusiasm and dedication to education has created one of the best programs in the state and has made an impact on her students and the industry. She has helped secure thousands of dollars in grant funding from federal institutions, foundations and industry and has created a program that challenges college curriculums around the country and her students have gone on to STEM focused majors and careers.



Volunteer of the Year - Mark Spiecker, CEO, Sharklet Technologies (Aurora)

Mark Spiecker is the Education Chair of the CBSA Board of Directors and a founding Board member of the new Colorado Bioscience Institute. He has been integral in developing key strategic efforts and partnerships with the Colorado education community.



Volunteer of the Year - Nicole Garneau, Ph.D., Curator and Chair of the Health Sciences Department, Denver Museum of Nature & Science (Denver)

Dr. Garneau is Co-Chair of the CBSA Education Committee and a founding Board member of the new Colorado Bioscience Institute. She has been instrumental in developing strategy and implementing the successful internship program.



Business Partner of the Year – Rockies Venture Club (Denver)

Rockies Venture Club (RVC) has successfully partnered with CBSA to support Colorado's bioscience industry. RVC has added active angel groups, sophisticated training and education, and events to assist early stage company funding.



Business Partner of the Year – Dorsey & Whitney LLP (Denver)

Dorsey & Whitney has been a long standing supporting partner for Colorado's bioscience industry; supporting the annual conference and the BioBoot Camp program. This year they dedicated countless hours of pro bono and consulting services to establish the new Colorado Bioscience Institute.



Industry's Best of 2012

Rising Star of the Year - Sophono (Boulder)

Sophono manufactures implanted magnetic hearing devices. This year the company has secured \$7 million in new growth capital financing to fuel product and business development efforts. They have tripled their square footage to expand their manufacturing facilities in Boulder.

2012 'Rising Star of the Year' Finalists included: InDevR, Inc., Boulder; Mosaic Biosciences, Aurora & Boulder; and Surefire Medical, Inc., Westminster



Company of the Year - TOLMAR (Fort Collins)

TOLMAR is a pharmaceutical research, development, manufacturing, and commercial operations company that has seen tremendous growth this past year. The pharmaceutical company announced their expansion into a 146,000-square-foot building in Windsor. TOLMAR is continually engaged in community efforts for the industry and partnered with CBSA this summer to launch the internship program.

2012 'Company of the Year' Finalists included: Bal Seal Engineering, Inc., Colorado Springs and Covidien (Colorado operations), Boulder



Chairman's Award - Sheridan Ross (Denver)

Sheridan Ross played a significant role in the coordination and application efforts to bring a U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to Denver. John Posthumus, Partner and Patent Attorney at Sheridan Ross worked with local, state and federal legislators along with business and economic development leaders for many years to accomplish this major development in the Colorado economy that will impact the bioscience industry in the years to come.



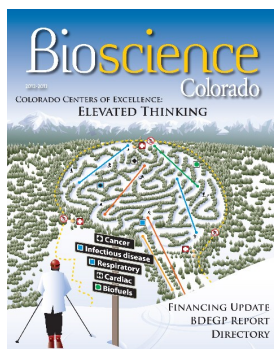
Lifetime Achievement Award - William Freytag, Ph.D., Former Chairman and CEO, Myogen

Dr. Freytag's 25 years of experience in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries include serving as Chairman and CEO of Myogen Inc. plus other senior executive and research positions. He currently serves on multiple boards including the BioFrontiers Institute, Board of Trustees of the University of Colorado Foundation, and the Fitzsimmons Redevelopment Authority.



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