

Lifting the Veil of Secrecy — Updated Information

American Academy of Neurology (AAN) (page 3), clarification: The recipient of the corporate funding is a related organization, the AAN Education and Research Foundation, rather than the AAN itself.

American Medical Writers Association (page ix), please replace the paragraph with:

Another group that receives industry funding is the American Medical Writers Association (AMWA). Calling itself the “leading professional organization for biomedical communicators,” AMWA has received a moderate amount of funding from the likes of Eli Lilly, Abbott Laboratories, and Pfizer. Considering how important it is that the public (and health-care professionals) get objective information about drugs and medical devices, one would think that this organization of communicators would have avoided possibly biasing sources of funding.

Center for Consumer Freedom (page 22), additional information:

Though [CCF] does not disclose the identity of its funders, a whistleblower provided PR Watch, a nonprofit organization, with the following information:

Pre-2001 Contributions:		HMS Host Corporation	\$50,000
4 B's Restaurants	. \$200	Jeff's Gourmet Pies	\$1,000
Advantica Restaurant Group	\$10,000	John R. Daily Company	. \$750
Armour-Swift Eckrich	\$5,000	Kagome, Inc.	\$1,086
Bestfoods Foodservice	\$1,250	King and Prince Seafood	\$9,200
Buca, Inc.	. \$500	KorBert, Inc.	. \$300
Carlson Hospitality Worldwide	\$1,000	KPR Foods	\$1,000
Chart House Enterprises	\$2,500	LTP Management Group	\$3,250
Comarco Products	\$2,000	Marie Callendar Pie Shops	\$11,900
Country Kitchen International	\$1,000	Mexican Restaurants	. \$750
Harrah's Entertainment, Inc.	\$1,500	Monsanto	\$200,000
Louise's Trattoria	. \$500	National Steak and Poultry	\$10,000
Max & Erma's Restaurants, Inc.	\$2,500	North American Enterprises	. \$500
Ruby Tuesday, Inc.	\$500	North American Provisioners	. \$150
Ruth's Chris Steak House, Inc.	\$1,000	Not Your Average Joe's	. \$347
Standard Meat	\$17,500	Outback Steakhouse	\$164,600
Trincherio Family Estates	\$10,000	P.F. Chang's China Bistro	\$15,000
		Packaging Corporation of America	\$10,000
		Performance Food Group	\$15,000
2001 Contributions:		Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	\$100,000
Anton's Airfoods, Inc.	\$3,000	Pro Edge	\$2,400
Applebee's International, Inc.	\$15,000	Quantum Foods	\$18,000
Cameron Mitchell Restaurants	\$1,250	Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers	\$1,000
Campagna-Turano Bakery, Inc.	. \$500	Rare Hospitality	\$15,000
Casual Restaurant Concepts	\$3,300	Real Food Marketing	. \$500
Coca-Cola Company	\$200,000	Restaurant Concepts	\$6,000
Coldwater Seafood	\$15,000	Rosemount Estates (Southcorp)	\$5,300
Crystal's International	. \$252	Royal Cup	\$1,000
Custom Cuts	\$1,500	Save-on Seafood	\$2,000
Daisy Brand	\$1,000	Sugar Foods Corporation	\$5,000
Excel/Cargill	\$100,000	T. Marzetti Company	\$10,000
Fired Up	\$6,000	TriOak Foods	\$5,100
Hatfield Quality Meats	\$33,700		

Tyson Foods, Inc.	....	\$100,000	Ken's Foods Inc.	.....	\$5,000
Wendy's International, Inc.	....	\$200,000	Michigan Turkey Producers Coop.	.....	\$7,000
White Castle System		\$43,872	National Everclean Service	.	\$500
Worldwide Restaurants Concepts		\$1,500	Not Your Average Joe's	.	\$347
2002 Contributions:			Paradise Tomato Kitchens, Inc.		\$7,500
Brinker International, Inc.		\$25,000	Perdue Farms, Inc.		\$40,000
Cameron Mitchell Restaurants		\$1,250	Pro Clean		\$1,500
Campagna-Turano Bakery, Inc.	.	\$500	Revolution, Inc.		\$1,000
China Mist	.	\$400	Royal Cup		\$1,500
Coffee Reserve, Inc.	.	\$140	RTM, Inc.		\$64,872
Darifair Foods		\$5,000	Simmons Foods, Inc.		\$5,000
Dean Foods Company		\$5,000	Sun Orchard, Inc.		\$2,000
Eli's Cheesecake Company		\$1,000	Syracuse's Italian Sausage	.	\$500
Excel/Cargill		\$100,000	Tyson Foods, Inc.		\$100,000
Good Humor/Breyer's Ice Cream		\$1,500	(http://www.disinfopedia.org/wiki.phtml?title=Center_for_Consumer_Freedom ; accessed 7/10/03)		
HMS Host Corporation		\$25,000			
John Soules Foods		\$1,000			

Society for Women's Health Research (pages x–xi); please replace the paragraph with:

Relatively benign image-enhancing relationships may be converted into protective shields when circumstances dictate. For instance, the Society for Women's Health Research has encouraged the government to sponsor research on women's health. But in 2002, SWHR criticized the way the National Institutes of Health released a landmark study that found that hormone replacement therapy (HRT) increased the risk of breast cancer and heart attacks. Wyeth, which markets Prempro, the most widely used HRT drug for post-menopausal women, is a major financial contributor to SWHR. According to *The Washington Monthly*, Wyeth underwrote the costs of SWHR's April 2002 black-tie fund-raising dinner at Washington's Ritz-Carlton Hotel and, a week later, gave SWHR \$250,000 at an event celebrating the 60th anniversary of another Wyeth HRT drug. Wyeth, apparently gratified by SWHR's activities, also was the "Grand Benefactor" of the society's 2003 annual gala. On a second matter, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation gave SWHR substantial funding to mount an education initiative, which included full-page national magazine ads and a Web site, about irritable bowel syndrome (IBS). Novartis markets Zelnorm, which is used to treat IBS.

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