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# CHICAGO DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Behind every woman president are many women and men who are actually doing the majority of the work! I'd like to thank our officers, the members of Plans & Policy, and the faculty and residents of the training programs who work so hard throughout the year. I am deeply indebted to the Society's membership. It's your participation at every meeting that makes it so fun and educational. A special thank you is extended to our meeting manager, Mindy Scott, and her assistant, Lily Gonzalez. Mindy, your talents will be missed. We welcome Dr. Soltani to the presidency. It is time for me to retire and work on my golf.

**THE YEAR IN REVIEW**

Are you feeling tired? You should! We packed in eight meetings over the past year, combining our traditions with new ventures.

**SEPTEMBER 16, 1998****Cases from the Community**

I asked for the help and input of the Society's membership and I got it. In a session intended to emulate the first meetings of the CDS, sixteen practitioners presented their most interesting and problematic patients. We saw lupus masquerading as other diseases, extensive and atypical granuloma annulare, uncommon disorders including polychondritis, pemphigus, dermatitis herpetiformis, and herpes gestationis, and finally difficult treatment dilemmas such as DSAP, burning tongue syndrome, sarcoidosis, prurigo nodularis, PCT, Mucha-Habermann, and vitiligo. Let's do it again sometime!

**OCTOBER 21, 1998**

Hosted by Northwestern University

Department of Dermatology

Samuel Bluefarb, M.D. Lectureship

Guest Speaker: John Olerud, M.D.

Dr. Olerud updated us on his studies on the diagnosis of CTCL. Pretreatment skin biopsies in suspected CTCL were reviewed by a panel of dermatopathologists, then scored on likelihood that the biopsies indicated CTCL. The correlation between histopathological diagnosis and the patients' disease outcome was disappointingly poor. Dr. Olerud emphasized the importance of clinicopathological correlation in early CTCL. Polymerase chain reaction on lymph node biopsies in more advanced CTCL was more likely to be positive than was gene rearrangement, but surprisingly it did not correlate with eventual clinical outcome.

**NOVEMBER 18, 1998**

Hosted by the University of Chicago

Department of Dermatology

Allan Lorincz, M.D. Lectureship

Guest Speaker: Paul Khavari, M.D., Ph.D.

Now that the genetic basis has been identified for a

number of hereditary skin diseases, the possibility exists of correcting the defect by inserting the needed gene into the skin. The success depends upon the efficiency of gene transfer, durability, regulation of expression of the introduced gene, and transgene immunogenicity. In lamellar and X-linked ichthyoses, transglutaminase I gene and a gene expressing arylsulfatase C respectively have been introduced into patient keratinocytes via a retroviral vector. The gene expression lasted only a month but showed promise. Studies are under way for epidermolysis bullosa and xeroderma pigmentosum. Stay tuned!

**DECEMBER 9, 1998**

Hosted by the University of Illinois

Department of Dermatology

Silas Wallk, M.D. Lectureship

Guest Speaker: William James, M.D.

After treating the residents to a spectrum of tropical diseases, Dr. James updated us on new clinical pearls in contact dermatitis. Testing is challenging for mucosal disease, but the yield is higher for oral problems if ulcers are present. There is a 49% incidence of relevant patch test positivity in vulvar pruritis but not in vulvodinia. In "itchy red bump disease," think of fabric softener, clothing formaldehyde resins, and systemic contact from ethylenediamine/hydroxyzine as potential contact culprits. Lastly don't miss the "baboon syndrome" which may be caused by systemic exposure to mercury, amoxicillin, nickel, or heparin.

**JANUARY 19, 1999**

Coding

Guest Speaker: Inga Ellzey, MPA, RRA, CDC

When it comes to coding she walks on water (or at least on snow this blustery January day). When she speaks, coding almost seems comprehensible. Inga warns, "Be careful out there. Mistakes will cost you money but fraud will land you in jail." Modifiers are simply a way of communicating with computers. Modifiers -24, -25, and -57 are only attached to services that start with a "99." Modifier -24 is only used for services rendered during the postoperative follow-up period.

**FEBRUARY 24, 1999**

Hosted by Cook County Division of Dermatology

Samuel Zakon, M.D. Lectureship

Guest Speaker: Christopher Zackary, M.D.

Dr. Zackary wowed us with his interactive presentation of surgery and lasers. We learned optimal techniques for closures on the helical rim of the ear, including advancement flaps. We saw impressive results from laser rejuvenation of the face, but were reminded that this is an optional procedure and not one the patient should be told he needs. Electrical treatment of rhytides, with fewer attendant complications, is on the horizon.

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## AWARDS

*The Awards Committee of the Society has chosen the recipients of the Founders Award and the Practitioner of the Year for 1999.*

### FOUNDERS AWARD

*Awarded each year to an individual who has devoted extraordinary time and talent as a teacher and clinician:*

**SALVE G. RONAN, M.D.**

### PRACTITIONER OF THE YEAR

*Awarded each year to an individual for exemplary service as a practitioner of dermatology:*

**THOMAS W. ANDREWS, M.D.**

### SALVE G. RONAN, M.D.

Salve G. Ronan, M.D., Professor of Pathology and Dermatology, has been a member of the faculty of the University of Illinois College of Medicine since 1976. She joined the institution six years earlier when she started a residency in anatomic and clinical pathology. Her career choice of pathology was made after a rotating internship in Milwaukee and a year of training in internal medicine in Minneapolis. Dr. Ronan's early decision to change her professional direction was a blessing that continues to serve well the specialties of pathology, dermatopathology, and dermatology.

Dr. Ronan has dedicated her entire professional life to academic medicine. She is a dedicated teacher who devotes considerable energy and time to the education of medical and dental students. For more than two decades, she has also supervised the training of dermatology and pathology residents. She is an effective teacher because of her experience, wealth of material, and innate love of teaching. Her effectiveness is also enhanced by a competence that is widely respected in her fields. She holds Board certification in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology (1975), Dermatopathology (1976), and Dermatology (1984). She also holds a Master of Science degree in pathology for her studies in microbiology (1976). She is internationally recognized for her work and expertise in malignant melanoma and other pigment disorders. Her numerous publications include significant and seminal work in these areas.

Dr. Ronan's excellence in teaching, while nurtured and honed by her many years as a faculty member, comes naturally and is a gift she received in many ways through her parents, especially her father who was a career educator in the Philippines. She was always motivated to excel and has received many academic honors: high school valedictorian, entrance scholar, University of the Philippines and consistent scholar, Far Eastern University College of Medicine (M.D., 1968).

Away from academe, Dr. Ronan finds enjoyment in cooking and traveling and the company of her family and many friends.

### TOM ANDREWS, M.D.

Tom Andrews, M.D. was born in Bowling Green, Ohio. By virtue of eastward moves on the part of his family, he never was much further west than that until he started medical school. The lion's share of his formative years was spent outside Philadelphia where his first teaching experience was guiding his cousins through Valley Forge Park whenever they came for summer visits. He started westward by going to Hiram College which is located outside Cleveland, Ohio, and where, with exposure to the sciences, he decided that medicine would be something he might like to pursue. A trip to Chicago and a visit to

the University of Chicago where four Hiram alumni were enrolled in the medical school, convinced him that he would probably be pretty happy there. He applied and was admitted to the class of 1963. During his junior year he began a dermatology rotation with Drs. Allan Lorincz and Steven Rothman. Tom was duly impressed with not only the subject matter but especially the teachers, and decided that being a dermatologist could be both intellectually rewarding and a lot of fun.

After graduating from the University of Chicago, Tom headed back to the Cleveland area for a rotating internship at the Cleveland Clinic. During that year he took a two month elective on the Dermatology Service with Dr. John Haserick. The plan to return that next year to Chicago to start a dermatology residency was rudely interrupted by Uncle Sam who swept Tom off to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, at the height of the scorpion season, and then onto Korea as a general medical officer in a dispensary about an hour north of Seoul. After a year, it was back to Fort Ord, California, to another dispensary. There were several deaths from meningitis at Fort Ord, so morning sick-call would number around 200. He was almost seduced by California, but steadfastly returned to the University of Chicago for his dermatology residency. He was privileged to train with teachers like Drs. Allan Lorincz, Sylvia Griem, Fred Malkinson, and Roger Pearson. During a two year fellowship at the University of Chicago, he set up the immunofluorescence laboratory.

In 1971 it was time to leave the warm and secure land of academe and go out into the world. So it was out to Hinsdale where he started his practice in dermatology with Dr. Victor Williams. When Dr. Williams retired in 1972, Tom was joined by Dr. Jim Ertle, who has been his associate and good friend ever since. Tom joined the Department of Dermatology at Northwestern University where he has continued to be exposed to great teachers, both at the faculty and resident level. He remembers fondly over thirty years of exposure to The Chicago Dermatological Society, from those early days of presentations during his residency (with a couple of sweaty 3 x 5 cards in hand) to the well orchestrated meetings of today (with stellar patients, sculpted presentations, and outstanding speakers from all over the United States).

Tom has been an instructor in the Family Practice Residency Program at Hinsdale Hospital from 1972 to the present. In 1983, he received the Teacher of the Year award from the family practice residents at Hinsdale. He has served on several committees of the Chicago Dermatological Society (finance, by-laws, membership, plans and policy) and was vice-president of the Society in 1992-93. He has been secretary-treasurer and president of the Illinois Dermatological Society and secretary-treasurer and now president-elect of the Great Lakes Dermatological Society. In 1998, he was chosen Teacher of the Year by the dermatology residents at Northwestern University and was elected to the Board of Trustees of his beloved Hiram College.

In the intervening years, Tom has taken on the task of keeping an 1868 house in Hinsdale from falling over. His garden seems to thrive in spite of his "plant dementia" where every plant seems to have to be moved to a new spot every year, and the stacks of books in the bedroom (he has long run out of shelves) have added innumerable R-factors to the non-existent insulation in the house. His family, which is represented by a goodly cascade of nephews and nieces stretching from Portland, Maine, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, rely on him for advice and some propping up in their postgraduate education pursuits. And in spite of what he tells them, they seem genuinely anxious to have him return to the East for his twilight years.

## 1999 SERVICE AWARDS

### 25 YEARS

Thomas L. Fisher, M.D.  
Kastytis A. Lucas, M.D.  
Paul Tancil, M.D.  
Carol Tharp, M.D.  
John R. Vydareny, M.D.

### 30 YEARS

Arthur T. Altman, M.D.  
Morton D. Barnett, M.D.  
David F. Fretzin, M.D.  
Nancy Furey, M.D.  
Mark Gordon, M.D.  
Thomas J. Russel, M.D.

### 35 YEARS

Dan A. Bovenmyer, M.D.  
Bess B. Brennan, M.D.  
M.B. Kirschenbaum, M.D.  
Emanuel C. Liss, M.D.  
Arthur L. Norins, M.D.

### 40 YEARS

R.K. Winkelmann, M.D.

### 45 YEARS

Theodore Arlook, M.D.  
Allan L. Lorincz, M.D.  
Harold O. Perry, M.D.  
Hillard M. Shair, M.D.  
Cornelius A. Vander Laan, M.D.

### 50 YEARS

Irving Distelheim, M.D.  
Max E. Klein, M.D.

### 55 YEARS

Zachary Felsher, M.D.

## CHICAGO DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY RESEARCH GRANTS

The scientific committee of our Society has awarded three grants for the academic year of 1999-2000. All three grants are sponsored by the recipients' dermatology programs and are as follows:

- 1) **Robert Sidbury, M.D.** (Fellow in Pediatric Dermatology): *Topical immiquimod treatment of infantile vascular tumors.* Children's Memorial Hospital of Northwestern University.
- 2) **Stephen Lui, M.S. II** (Medical Student): *National comparative study of dermatologists' perceptions of factors affecting the practice of dermatology.* The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine.
- 3) **Wei Chen, Ph.D.** (Assistant Professor): *A potential therapy for acute photodamage.* Department of Dermatology, University of Illinois.

Research grants are available from the Chicago Dermatological Society to initiate or pursue further a clinical/laboratory research project in dermatology. Research has to be conducted in the United States. Applicants must be a regular member of the Chicago Dermatological Society or resident in training, fellow, or Ph.D. degreeholder whose major appointment is in an academic dermatology department. Applicants in these last three categories who are not members of the Chicago Dermatological Society need to be sponsored by a dermatology department or divisional preceptor who a regular member of the Society. Applications are reviewed and awarded on a competitive basis. Grants will be made for only one year and usually will not exceed \$5,000. These awards may not be used for payment of salary, indirect costs, or travel.

Application deadline is January 31, 2000. Further information and applications can be obtained by contacting the Chicago Dermatological Society, 12-670-2582.

## 1999-2000 CALENDAR

### OCTOBER 20, 1999

Samuel Bluefarb Lecture  
Northwestern University

### NOVEMBER 17, 1999

Allan Lorincz Lecture  
University of Chicago

### DECEMBER 8, 1999

Silas Wallk Day of Learning  
University of Illinois

### JANUARY 19, 2000

Coding Seminar  
Chicago Medical Society

### FEBRUARY 16, 2000

Samuel Zakon Memorial Lecture  
Cook County Hospital

### APRIL 19, 2000

"Seminars-In-Depth"  
Chicago Medical Society

### MAY 17, 2000

Max & Vera Pinski Memorial Lecture  
Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center  
Annual Awards Luncheon





Dr. Stephen Rothman, the unchallenged master of investigative dermatology, died on Aug 31, 1963, at the age of 68 years. His impact on his beloved specialty was such that dermatology can indeed be divided into two eras: before and after Rothman. For more than a quarter of a century he led the way in fusing the enormous powers of modern science with the exacting morphological and clinical achievements of his predecessors to vastly broaden understanding in dermatology and set new directions for its progress.

Dr. Rothman was a colorful and remarkable man whose keenly sharp mind was continually delighted and nourished by the phenomenal scientific renaissance taking place during his lifetime. He was not only a brilliant, creative scientist and critical disciplined thinker, but he also had a much broader wisdom which properly evaluated and ranged over all that life could offer. Moreover, he was unusually endowed with those special qualities of spirit which elevate humanity: open forthrightness, vigorous enthusiasm, perceptive kindness and understanding, light-hearted wit and humor, true humility, and a sensitive appreciation of all that was fine, excellent, and beautiful. He loved and knew music thoroughly and was a superb pianist and an expert on Mozart.

Most of Dr. Rothman's professional career was spent at the University of Chicago, where, at the invitation of Dr. Samuel W. Becker, Sr., he joined the staff in dermatology in 1938. Academically he quickly rose until he achieved full professorship in 1945. From 1942 until he reached emeritus status he headed the section of dermatology. After his formal retirement he continued an active program of dermatological research as a staff member of the Argonne Cancer Research Hospital operated by the University of Chicago on its campus for the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

Dr. Rothman was born and grew up in Budapest, Hungary. The special cultural climate which prevailed there in his generation nurtured many outstandingly able men who, under American freedom and opportunity, developed into keystone figures in the sciences and arts. As Von Neumann was to mathematics; Szent-Gyorgi to biochemistry; Szilard, Wigner, and Teller to nuclear physics; Von Karman to aerodynamics; and Bartok, Reiner, and Ormandy to music, so Rothman was to dermatology.

After graduating from medical school in Budapest in 1917 and serving briefly as a medical officer in the Austro-Hungarian Army, Dr. Rothman returned to the University of Budapest in 1918 as an assistant in the department of physiology. He simultaneously started his clinical work in dermatology as well as his first investigations on the physiology of itching and insensible perspiration. At that time he also married a bright and most charming young medical school graduate,

Miss Irene Manheim. This marriage proved an exceptionally devoted one, and for several years young Mrs. Rothman ably assisted her husband in carrying out his early laboratory researches. They had two sons, Steven and Frank, who have both worked on the frontiers of science and who fathered their six very much adored grandchildren.

In 1920 Dr. Rothman left Hungary to accept an appointment as staff member in the Dermatology Department of the University of Giessen in Germany. There he worked with Prof Albert Jesionek, a dynamic pioneer of the science of dermatology and an inspiring teacher to whom Dr. Rothman later dedicated his great book *Physiology and Biochemistry of the Skin*. At the University of Giessen Dr. Rothman was promoted to assistant professor in 1923, and associate professor in 1927. During this period in Germany he traveled widely in Europe, visiting often in extended fashion all the university dermatology departments in Germany as well as those in Vienna, Paris, and London. In 1924 he worked for six months with Dr. Bruno Bloch, the distinguished professor of dermatology at the University of Zurich and published several scientific papers from there.

In 1928 he returned to Budapest to accept an appointment as head of a dermatologic and venereological outpatient clinic in the Hungarian government's Institute for Social Medicine. He held this position for ten years, engaging simultaneously in an active private practice. In 1935 he served as general secretary of the memorable Ninth International Congress of Dermatology in Budapest.

In 1938, sensing the gathering political storm in Europe, he immigrated with his family to the United States and started his career at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Rothman's scientific contributions to dermatology are far too numerous to detail here. His studies on autonomic cutaneous axon reflexes, melanin pigment formation, skin surface lipid biochemistry, effects of sunlight on the skin, sun-protective methods, the keratinization process, and percutaneous absorption have not only greatly advanced knowledge in these areas but have had wide practical applications.

In addition to his own more than 220 scientific publications he has directly provided the main ideas and stimulation for at least an equal number of research publications by his students and associates.

Alongside of his great scientific productivity, Dr. Rothman was a superb clinical dermatologist and an extraordinarily talented and dedicated teacher. His classes steadily ranked among the most popular in the medical school. He had a notable gift for communicating his knowledge and ideas with lively impact and colorfully illustrated with an inexhaustible supply of

anecdotes and stories. The success of his teaching is indicated by the numerous — by now almost legendary — accounts of dermatologic triumphs achieved by his medical students in later internship and residency years.

Dr. Rothman's clinical acumen is attested to not only by his students and colleagues but even more so by the multitude of his devoted and grateful patients: on countless occasions he provided relief for troubled spirits as well as for ailing skins.

Dr. Rothman's monumental book, *Physiology and Biochemistry of the Skin*, assured his eminence as the father of modern investigative dermatology and has continued to serve as a source and inspiration for the mushrooming development of dermatologic research following its publication in 1954.

Numerous honors and offices were bestowed on Dr. Rothman through the years. He served as president of the Society for Investigative Dermatology and the Chicago Dermatological Society. He was chairman of the Subcommittee on the Cutaneous System of the Medical Division of the National Research Council and Chairman of the Committee on Cosmetics of the American Medical Association. He received the Semmelweis Medal of the American Hungarian Medical Society and the Special Award of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists. He held honorary memberships in Alpha Omega Alpha honor medical society and in at least nine foreign dermatological societies. He was also invited to give numerous honorary lectures throughout the world, including the first Dohi Memorial Lecture in Japan and the Leon von Zumbusch Memorial Lecture in Munich. He served as chairman of pioneering sessions devoted to cutaneous research at the Gordon Research Conferences and at the meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

In 1958 the Society for Investigative Dermatology dedicated a special issue of its journal to Dr. Rothman in which new research reports from only his former students were published. In 1960 the young scientists' group in investigative dermatology, The Dermatology Research Club, was renamed "The Stephen Rothman Club." This unique honor was among the closest to Dr. Rothman's heart. In 1962 he was one of ten US medical scientists to receive the distinguished achievement award from the periodical, *Modern Medicine*, for relating basic sciences to dermatology. He was also recipient of two of the highest American honors in the field of dermatology: honorary membership in the American Dermatological Association and the Gold Medal Award of the American Academy of Dermatology. The latter was presented with the following appropriate citation:

*Whereas — Dr. Stephen Rothman — is universally recognized as the grand master of modern investigative dermatology, and*

*Whereas — Dr. Stephen Rothman — by his keen intellect, inexhaustible energy and enthusiasm, and his highly cultured charm, has endeared himself to all, and*

*Whereas as a scientist, teacher and clinician and by his numerous publications enriched American Dermatology, therefore be it*

*Resolved that the American Academy of Dermatology tenders an expression of its indebtedness to and its esteem and affection for Stephen Rothman and be it further*

*Resolved that these resolutions be engrossed and, with the Gold Medal of the Academy, be presented to him at the 21st Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology, December, 1962.*

Despite failing health during his last year and a half, Dr. Rothman refused to capitulate and continued to work actively in his laboratory until his final short hospitalization. To the end he remained probably the most informed scientist that dermatology has known. His agile mind never aged, never stopped inquiring, thinking, or creating. Though he did not bother to accumulate material wealth, through his works, wisdom, and humanity Dr. Rothman has left a priceless legacy.

Allan L. Lorincz, M.D.

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## IN PASSING

### MELVILLE D. HARTMAN, M.D. (1912-1999)

Melville D. Hartman, M.D., was born on July 31, 1912, in Chicago. He graduated from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1939, then served over 4½ years in the U.S. Army Medical Corps, both in Okinawa and in Korea. After completing his training in dermatology, he opened his office in Oak Park, Illinois, where he practiced for over 25 years. He re-located to North Michigan Avenue where he continued to practice dermatology until his retirement in the late 1980s. Throughout his professional career, he served as a clinical professor in the Department of Dermatology of Northwestern University Medical School.

After retiring from the practice of dermatology, Mel became active as a regular volunteer at the Art Institute of Chicago where he sought to impart some of the joy he felt amid the myriad art treasures there to the thousands of people with whom he came into contact. A lover of classical music since childhood, he was a patron of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Lyric Opera of Chicago throughout his adult life. He will be missed by his many colleagues and friends in dermatology.



## NEW MEMBERS

### **KELLY L. ABATE, M.D.**

Dr. Abate graduated from the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford and served her internship in internal medicine at Northwestern University. Her dermatology residency was completed at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's department of dermatology. Since July, 1997, she has been in private practice with Moira Ariano in Wheaton, Illinois. Her husband, Peter Kallas, is an internist in practice in Riverside and Downers Grove, Illinois. They live in Hinsdale with their five-month-old son, Charlie.

### **SUZANNE BATOR-SCHOELCH, M.D.**

Dr. Bator-Schoelch grew up in Ridgefield, Connecticut. She received a BA in biology from Cornell University and graduated from Tulane Medical School on a scholarship from the Navy. Her internship in internal medicine was spent at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego. After completing flight surgery training in Pensacola, Florida, she spent two and a half years as a flight surgeon with a Marine helicopter squadron in Camp Pendleton, California. While doing a field course in cold weather medicine at a Marine base in the California Sierras, she met her husband, Michael, who is a dentist in the Navy. She completed her dermatology residency at Naval Medical Center San Diego and stayed on for a year on staff while her husband completed a fellowship in oral medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. She and her husband were transferred to the Great Lakes Naval Hospital this past July. They both enjoy road bicycling (especially on the flat terrain here!) and are looking forward to this season so they can explore more of the area.

### **MIROSLAWA DULCZEWSKA-MILLER, M.D., PH.D.**

Dr. Dulczewska-Miller was born in Poland. After medical school in Poznan, Poland, at the Akademia Medyczna, she completed an internship at the General Hospital in Zielona Gora, Poland. Her dermatology residency was completed in Warsaw with Poland's normal two step system. The first degree is given to a trainee after he or she finishes at least two years (or longer) in a specialty residency hospital-based program, followed by passing of an examination. The second degree is bestowed on the physician (who has earned the first degree) after he or she completes at least a three year residency program, followed by another specialty examination. Dr. Dulczewska-Miller has passed the Board of Dermatology in Poland and the American Board of Pediatrics. She is in practice in Chicago.

### **PAUL GETZ, M.D.**

Dr. Getz has returned to the Chicago area after a lengthy hiatus, joining the Leone Dermatology Center in Bloomingdale and Arlington Heights. He completed medical school and residency in Chicago, finishing in

1981, after which he left Chicago to practice in the San Francisco Bay Area.

After childhood in suburban Elmhurst, Dr. Getz completed both undergraduate and medical degrees at the University of Illinois, receiving his medical degree at the Chicago campus in 1977. Crossing Polk Street from the University of Illinois, he began his dermatology career at Cook County Hospital, completing training there in 1981.

For the next seventeen years Dr. Getz practiced with The Permanente Medical Group, in Richmond, California (San Francisco area). It was at Kaiser-Richmond that Dr. Sidney Garfield began the nation's first HMO in 1942, forerunner of the innovative Kaiser-Permanente Medical Care Program. Dr. Getz served as Chief of the Department of Dermatology there for 10 years, until returning to Illinois. While in California, Dr. Getz was a member of the clinical faculty of the University of California, San Francisco.

Dr. Getz's association with dermatology has been lifelong. From his uncle, an elder in the Chicago dermatology community, to two cousins, also local dermatologists [surname Barsky], dermatology has been a family affair, giving Dr. Getz deep roots in the specialty.

Unmarried, Dr. Getz supplements his off-hours with recreational running and tennis. He has participated in several marathons both in Illinois and California, including the Bay to Breakers, Bridge to Bridge, and Chicago marathons. Back at home in the Chicago area, he looks forward to new associations within the dermatology community, as well as reconnecting with prior friends and colleagues.

### **KENNETH B. GORDON, M.D.**

Dr. Gordon grew up in Flossmoor, son of Mark Gordon, M.D. who has been practicing dermatology in the Chicago area since 1969. He went to college at Amherst College (which his four-year-old son says is the best college in the whole world). He attended medical school at the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, where he was sure he was not going to be a dermatologist. He did complete his medical residency at the Beth Israel Hospital/Harvard University program in Boston where he was mentored by Dr. Kenneth Arndt who led him to dermatology as a specialty. He trained in dermatology at Northwestern where he did two years of clinical dermatology training and two years of a research post-doctoral fellowship in the laboratory of Stephen Miller, Ph.D. In Dr. Miller's lab he studied cellular immunology and antigen presentation in animal models of autoimmune disease. He has been on the faculty at Northwestern for two years and has multiple roles. He is the medical director of the cutaneous clinical trials unit along with being chief of the dermatology



section of the Lakeside VA Hospital. He has an active laboratory and specific research interests, both clinical and on the bench, in psoriasis and non-surgical therapy of non-melanoma skin cancer. He is married to Dafna Gordon, M.D., a gastroenterologist on the North Shore, and has two small boys, Danny 4 and Jake 1 who are currently not planning on joining the "family business."

#### **SARA KATZ WARD, M.D.**

Dr. Ward grew up in Philadelphia and received her undergraduate degree from Cornell University. She earned her M.D. from the University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine. After completing her internship in internal medicine at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, she returned to Chicago for her residency in dermatology at

Northwestern University. Last year she married Parker Ward, M.D. who is currently a cardiology fellow at the University of Chicago. She is in private practice with Northwestern Memorial Physicians Group in the loop.

#### **VIJAYA REDDY, M.D.**

Dr. Reddy did her residency in pathology at Loyola University and her fellowship in dermatopathology at New York University with A. Bernard Ackerman, M.D. She enjoys teaching and currently instructs medical students and residents in pathology and dermatology at Rush Medical College and residents in dermatology at the University of Illinois. She considers her professional life to be truly challenging and rewarding. She lives in the western suburbs with her family which includes two children, ages 12 and 10.

### **NEW OFFICERS FOR CHICAGO DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

The following slate of officers has been chosen for 1999-2000:

*President*.....Keyoumars Soltani, M.D.  
*President-Elect/Treasurer*.....Amy Paller, M.D.  
*Vice-President*.....Nathanial Morgan, M.D.  
*Secretary*.....David Lorber, M.D.

### **NEW OFFICERS FOR ILLINOIS DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

The following slate of officers has been chosen for 1999-2000:

*President*.....Darryl Bronson, M.D.  
*Secretary/Treasurer*.....Harry Goldin, M.D.

### **THE YEAR IN REVIEW**

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#### **APRIL 21, 1999**

Pediatric Dermatology

Guest Speakers: Drs. Adelaide Hebert, Ilona Frieden, Barbara Reed, and Amy Paller

Who would have thought there was so much to know about insect repellents! Because of reports of serious toxicity and even deaths, Dr. Hebert recommends using DEET with a concentration no greater than 10% in children. It is important to realize that insect repellents can inactivate sunscreens.

Dr. Frieden reviewed congenital vascular lesions. Current thinking divides these disorders into two types: hemangiomas which usually proliferate rapidly and then regress, and vascular malformations. However newly described syndromes such as PHACE have features of both and are blurring the borders of distinction. Also, on rare occasions interferon alpha used for therapy of hemangiomas in infants has been associated with hemiplegia. However this association is giving scientists insight into the pathophysiology of cerebral palsy since these children have high serum levels of interferon.

Dr. Reed reviewed the meaning of the various FDA pregnancy categories, then gave us extremely helpful lists of what drugs to avoid in pregnancy, and also which drugs are (at least relatively) safe.

Dr. Paller impressed us with her comprehensive review of connective tissue diseases in children. She advised early aggressive treatment of children with dermatomyositis to avoid long term complications from calcinosis. Beautiful photographs demonstrated the wide variety of clinical clues to neonatal lupus erythematosus, including annular, atrophic and discoid lesions, and raccoon eyes. The mothers of these children are often asymptomatic and only a minority eventually develop rheumatic disorders, but they should be followed.

#### **MAY 12, 1999**

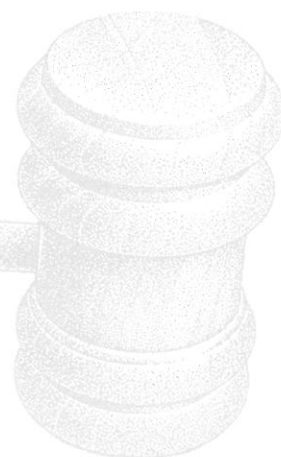
Hosted by Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center  
 Department of Dermatology

Max and Vera Pinski Lectureship

Guest Speaker: Charles Camisa, M.D.

Dr. Camisa introduced us to common and uncommon normal variants in the oral mucosa as well as to a variety of diseases. Dermatitis herpetiformis can be associated with oral lesions. Chewers of cinnamon gum may develop a lichenoid eruption on the buccal mucosa. Lichenoid stomatitis may be seen from mercury in amalgam fillings, all of which, not just those in proximity to the lesions, need to be removed to solve the problem. Patch testing and correlation are a must.

*Kathleen Remlinger, M.D.*



## MEMBERSHIP

The following membership criteria have been approved by the Plans and Policy Committee of the Society and will be voted on by the entire membership in the fall of 1999.

Section 1. The membership shall consist of the following categories: (1) Regular (2) Affiliate (3) Corresponding (4) Retired (5) Emeritus (6) Non-Resident.

Section 2. Regular Members shall be physicians who have completed residency training in dermatology in programs approved by the American Board of Dermatology, American Osteopathic board of Dermatology or the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. Regular members may vote, hold elective office, and shall pay the dues and assessments levied by the Society. Regular members must have a valid license to practice medicine in the state or states in which they practice. Revocation of a license to practice medicine in any state shall mean the regular member status is inactive until such times as their license is reinstated. Regular members must notify the Chicago Dermatological Society in writing within thirty days after the date of revocation of medical licensure.

Section 3. Affiliate members shall be individuals in good standing in the following categories:

1. Practicing dermatopathologists who are not eligible to be regular members.
2. Non-dermatologist physicians, Ph.D. degree holders and other scientists devoting a major portion of their time to dermatologic research and/or education in academic medical centers, teaching hospitals or industry.
3. Physicians who are certified in dermatology by a for-

eign board or its licensing equivalent or who satisfy educational and professional requirements approximately equivalent to the requirements for the American Board of Dermatology or for certification in dermatology by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

Affiliate members shall pay the same dues as Regular Members, but they cannot hold elective office in the Society or vote on Society matters.

Section 4. Corresponding Members: Any distinguished dermatologist in this country or abroad may be elected to Corresponding Membership. Corresponding Membership shall be exempt from paying dues and cannot hold elective office in the Society or vote on Society matters.

Section 5. Retired Members are those members who are no longer able to practice dermatology or maintain gainful employment within the general field of medicine. There will be no dues or assessments for Retired members. Retired Members retain all the rights and privileges of membership except for holding elective office.

Section 6. Emeritus Members are those members who are at least 70 years of age and have 25 years of active participation in the Society. Emeritus Members pay no dues or assessments and retain all rights and privileges of membership.

Section 7. Non-resident Members are those members who are otherwise eligible for membership, but who live outside of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Iowa, and Wisconsin. Individuals in these areas may apply for membership under this category. Non-resident Members pay reduced dues, are eligible to hold elective office, and may vote on Society matters.

## 1998 MIDWEST CLINICAL CONFERENCE

The Dermatology section of the Midwest Clinical Conference was held on Feb. 28 at Navy Pier. Over 300 physicians were in attendance for this exciting and informative seminar.

Mary E. Shepherd, Ph.D., M.D., opened the session with in-depth coverage of "AAD Guidelines for Referrals in Managed Care Settings." James J. Herrmann, M.D., covered "Cutaneous Manifestations of Systemic Disease." David B. Eilers, M.D., addressed "Pruritus, An Approach to Workup and Management," and Stephanie F. Marschall, M.D., closed the session with a review of "Cosmetic Dermatology." The course was moderated by Fern P. Nelson, M.D.

The speakers were all outstanding and many thanks to them for their efforts in teaching our primary care colleagues.

*Fern P. Nelson, M.D.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Una Shah, M.D., currently a second year dermatology resident at the University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, is looking to join a private practice in the Chicagoland area. She is originally from Chicago and would like to return here. Her special interests include surgical and cosmetic procedures, such as laser resurfacing, sclerotherapy, and tumescent liposuction. Anyone interested can contact Dr. Shah at (573) 446-8911 or (573) 882-8578.

### CENTENNIAL MEETING

The centennial meeting of the Chicago Dermatological Society will be held on October 5, 6, and 7 of the year 2001. The headquarters for the weekend will be the Drake Hotel, and the centennial dinner will be held at the Chicago Historical Society.