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ISD Member Brings Skin Care Essentials to Haiti



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

In 2013, we will not only hold our International Congress of Dermatology (ICD) in New Delhi, India (December 4-7, 2013), we also hold elections for our next leadership team of officers, vice presidents and directors. Over the past four years, the ISD has moved toward a more participatory society with programs, regional meetings and congresses and scholarships in between the ICD years.

Our mission is to promote and encourage scientific investigation and to facilitate mutual acquaintance and collaboration between persons of different nationalities and various fields of dermatology. Our open concept of collaboration extends beyond geographical, political and even economic borders.

Nowhere is this more important than in our leadership. Last year, a Nominating Committee was appointed to begin the process of seeking recommendations for the ISD Executive Committee, Vice Presidents and Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee includes Dr. Suzanne Olbricht as chair with Dr. Martin Black (United Kingdom), Dr. Jorge Ocampo Candiani (Mexico), Dr. Preya Kullavanijaya (Thailand) and Dr. Percy Naidu (South Africa). The committee was instructed to make the call for nominations process more open to the membership.

As a result, all members are invited to submit recommendations of members who they believe would provide the type of leadership that will help us fulfill our mission. The application process is open and on the ISD web site at *www.intsocderm.org.* If you would like to encourage a member to submit their name to the Nominating Committee, ask them to go to the web site and submit an application. Then you can support their application by submitting a letter of support. Applications are due April 1, 2013.

The following positions are open (a term is from one International Congress of Dermatology to the next):

Officers:

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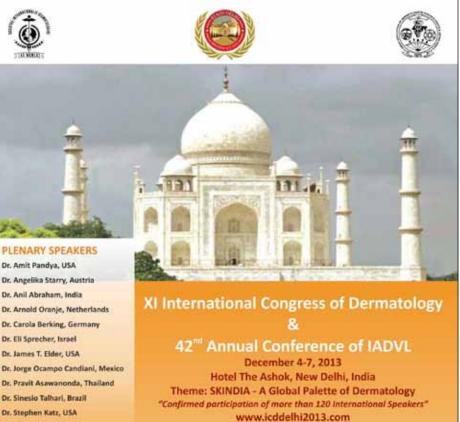
Vice Presidents (10 total for 1 term)

Directors (25 total, eligible for re-election)

I would also encourage you to introduce your colleagues to the International Society of Dermatology. While good leadership is important, each new member ensures that our vision of a borderless community of scientists and clinicians is possible.

Sincerely,

Francisco "Pancho" Kerdel, MD ISD President



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FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

CONTINUING OUR ADVOCACY ON EDUCATION

A glorious, successful, and happy 2013! This is a wish and prayer that I say for every member of the society, whether far or near, and young or old. I utter this for our beloved society as well - that we as a



society will have a wonderful time on our 54^{th} year.

The International Society of Dermatology (ISD) continues to serve its members with diverse educational activities. For the past three years, we have instituted the Continental Congresses. The very first Continental Congress was held in charming Cartagena, Colombia, South America, with Prof. Rafael Falabella organizing it. The second one was held in picturesque St. Petersburg, Russia, with Prof. Jana Hercogova at the helm. The third one (just last year) was organized by Profs. Ncoza Dlova and Percy Naidu in vibrant Durban, South Africa, with much colours and success.

The regional meetings, which number at least a minimum of three per year, and the travel grants like the Maria Duran fellowship have all been proud with good results. They have been spread widely, in 2012 we provided travel scholarships for presenters from India, Tunisia, Nigeria, Somalia, Philippines and the US, to name a few.

Add to this the mentorship program, which started in 2006, where more than 65 exceptional mentees were approved and matched with ISD volunteer mentors around the world.

The upcoming XI International Congress of Dermatology (ICD) in Delhi, India, in December is a grand event to look forward to. Both the international and local organizers buckled up to work for a congress worth remembering for a very long time. Prof. Vinod Sharma works hand in hand with several committees and especially with the Executive Committee of the ISD to ensure a beautiful and flawless congress that all ISD members will enjoy.

I hope you will consider joining us in our endeavors. You can organize a regional meeting, bid for the next continental congress, apply for the young dermatologists' mentorship program or simply plan to attend the XI ICD in Delhi.

A Prosperous New Year to all! Mabuhay!

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Evangeline B. Handog, MD Secretary-General, International Society of Dermatology

award.



Everywhere you look, ISD members are accomplishing great things. Congratulations to all for helping fulfill the mission of ISD!



ISD Connections Associate Editor **Maria Juliet E. Macarayo** (Philippines) was elected Secretary of the Philippine Dermatological Society (2013-2014).

Dr. Maria Juliet E. Macarayo



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Dr. Vincent Cipollaro



ISD Connections Editor Aisha Sethi (USA) is being awarded the "Members Making a Difference" award this year at the AAD annual awards luncheon at the Academy's 71st Annual Meeting for her work helping flood victims in Pakistan.

Dr. Vincent Cipollaro (USA) will be awarded the 2012 International League

of Dermatological Societies (ILDS)

Certificate of Appreciation on Friday, March 1, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the Miami Beach Botanical Gardens. ILDS President Dr. Wolfram Sterry will present the

Dr. Aisha Sethi

To share your news with us, please email your suggestions to *info@intsocderm.org*.

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GLOBAL DERMATOLOGY:



An interview with James O. Ertle, M.D., Assistant Professor of Dermatology, Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, Illinois, USA.

A long-standing member of the ISD Board of Directors since 2003 and a former Vice President of the Society, Dr. James Ertle is no stranger to volunteer work. Travelling to the Regional Dermatology Training Center in Moshi, Tanzania, Dr. Ertle helped Dr. Terence Ryan and his wife with the outreach program to contact Albinos and abused women in the area. Recently, he has been involved in a community outreach program in Haiti where he brings his medical expertise and commitment to community service to people who need it most.

Can you describe your work in Haiti and how you got interested in this type of volunteer work?

In 2002, the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD) under President Ray Cornelison initiated a program called "Skin Care in Developing Countries." After a consensus meeting in Washington, D.C., it was decided to start a project in Haiti. ISD members Dr. Rod Hay and Dr. Robin Mark made the connection for me to physicians from the CDC involved with a Lymphatic Filariasis (LF) education project that were looking for dermatologists, so Dr. Jim Nordlund and I went with the CDC physicians to be introduced to Leogane, Haiti. We began going twice yearly for one week stays from January 2003 until the earthquake in 2010. Early in the program, we were joined by Dr. Alix Charles, a dermatology resident at Rush Medical School where I teach, who learned to speak Creole from his parents growing up in Evanston, Illinois.

What type of skin disease education tools did you develop?

The basic idea was to establish an ongoing teaching program in Haiti. We brought a laminated card series developed by us with the AAD depicting the 16 most common skin diseases with photos and treatment guides in French.

We developed power point presentations based on the laminated card diseases and gave talks to Haitian physicians, medical students, nurses and nursing students. We also developed, through the AAD, compact discs of Common Skin Diseases, which are to be given to medical students.

What types of skin problems did you encounter in Haiti most frequently?

The skin diseases encountered in Haiti were largely similar to what we see in the United States, but always in a seemingly more advanced or even neglected stage. Patients would often walk hours to see us.

Leprosy and LF with elephantiasis were also seen. We collaborated with the CDC physicians to control skin infection

leading to elephantiasis in LF patients in a separate clinic in Leogane.

We visited orphanages where we routinely screened children for scabies, tinea and other skin diseases. We then wrote checks so the nuns could purchase Griseofulvin and other medicines. Malnutrition and Kwashiorkor were sadly quite common. An example of a successful effort happened when we gave talks to nursing students in Leogane on scabies and tineas. Then they went with us to an orphanage and helped us screen children. By

"The Haitian people are a very warm and loving yet stoical people. They suffer many hardships with grace and dignity." – Dr. James Ertle

the end of the afternoon, they were competent and confident in their knowledge of these common skin diseases in Haiti.

For the most part, do the people in this area of Haiti have access to any other dermatologic medical care other than the care you provided?

There are no dermatologists in Leogane, but there were two who came from Port-au-Prince at times and we saw patients with them. These dermatologists were most thankful for our input and especially our therapeutic insight. In general, the public is underserved with dermatological care.

Nuns from Montreal operated a small, neat and clean hospital in Leogane for mostly leprosy patients called Cardinal Leger Hospital where we also saw patients and gave lectures.

What are the greatest challenges you face in providing dermatologic care to this population?

One of the biggest obstacles to care was finding affordable medicine for patients. We recruited a pharmacist, Diane Lamarre, president of the Canadian Chapter of Pharmacists Without Borders, to set up a compounding pharmacy at Cardinal Legar Hospital for simple, affordable dermatological medicines. She made several trips with us and also gave talks to medical students and nurses.

What impact did the earthquake have on the medical care for the people of Leogane?

Of course, everything crashed after the earthquake. Leogane was the epicenter and the regional Hospital Ste. Croix was destroyed. The nuns have since rebuilt a small leprosy clinic.

Will you visit this location again in the near future?

We have not been back since the earthquake but plan on going back this year. We are connecting with Partners in Health out of Boston who have built a new hospital in Mirebelaise.

How could people who read this interview help your program in Haiti?

ISD members who are French speaking and interested in our teaching program in Haiti would be most welcome. Early in our efforts, we asked AAD members to send us microscopes, which we hand carried to Leogane for a new nursing school there. We may need such an effort once again and would welcome donations from ISD members as well.



Dr. Ertle (center) and pharmacist Diane Lamarre (right) with the children from the orphanage



From left to right: Dr. Ertle, Dr. Nordlund and Dr. Charles during Grand Rounds in Port-au-Prince



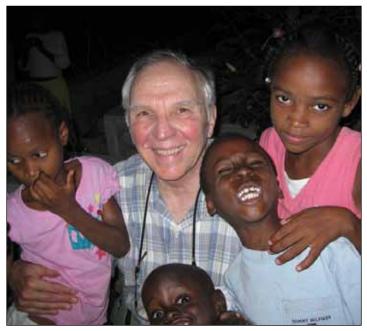
Dr. Ertle and Dr. Charles examine a child



A leg with Elephantiasis from Lymphatic Filariasis



A little girl with Kwashiorkor



Dr. Nordlund with children from the orphanage

ISD Sister Society Meeting at EADV 2012 Boasts Impressive Lineup of Speakers

The ISD Sister Society meeting developed around the theme of "Society and Culture in Dermatology" at the EADV 2012 in Prague was a great success. The session opened with welcome addresses by Dr. Keyvan Nouri (US) and Dr. Shyam Verma (India), co-organizers of the session. Dr. Verma and Dr. Nouri are to be highly commended and recognized for organizing a meeting with such a diverse array of speakers and topics relevant to the practice of dermatology in different cultures.

The meeting's first two talks addressed the cultural stigmata associated with dermatologic manifestations of HIV by Dr. Carrie Kovarik (US) and those in patients with vitiligo by Dr. Torello Lotti (Italy). Thereafter, Dr. Nouri discussed different cultural hair care practices and hair removal methods currently used. and his second lecture addressed the historic cultural aspects of tattoos over the past few centuries and current modern tattoo removal methods.

Dr. Shyam Verma (India) gave a detailed and interesting review of different cultural practices in India and the skin conditions that may follow (for example, planar warts after the practice of a hair removal method called "threading"). Dr. Narasimha Rao (India) addressed the historic stigma associated with leprosy and the current state of the disease in India. This was followed



From left to right: Dr. Shyamanta Barua, Dr. Carrie Kovarik. Dr. Carmen Salavastru, Dr. Keyvan Nouri, Dr. Shyam Verma, Dr. Narasimha Rao, Dr. Torello Lotti, and Dr. Aisha Sethi

by a talk from another Indian colleague that addressed issues with dermatological drug dispensing in India presented by Dr. Shyamanta Barua (India).

Dr. Carmen Maria Salavastru from Romania presented information regarding the most common dermatocosmetic patient requests in her native country. Dr. Aisha Sethi (US) presented regarding imported dermatoses that American dermatologists should watch for with regards to immigrant population patterns in the country.

Each of the talks covered various issues of importance regarding global dermatology

"Society and Culture in Dermatology" Topics/Speakers:

Cultural Stigma of HIV-related Skin Disease / Carrie Kovarik, MD (US)

Vitiligo: Society, Culture & Quality of Life / Torello Lotti, MD (Italy)

Hair Removal Methods including Laser Hair Removal / Keyvan Nouri, MD (US)

Some Common Indian Cultural Practices and their Dermatological Associations / Shyam Verma, DVD, FRCP (London) (India)

Exotic Skin Disease /Aisha Sethi, MD (US)

Dermato-cosmetic Patient Requests in Romania / Carmen Maria Salavastru, MD, PhD (Romania)

Cultural Aspects of Tattoos and State of the Art Treatment of Tattoos / Keyvan Nouri, MD (US)

Dermatological Drug Dispensing in India: A Free for All / Shyamanta Barua, MD (India)

Leprosy in Indian Society – Present and Future /P. Narasimha Rao, MD, DD, PhD (India)

and the cultural stigma associated with skin disease. It also provided information on how cultural and societal values and practices intersect with the physician/patient relationship in the treatment of the skin including the challenges of migrant populations, stigmatization of skin disease and cultural practices affecting the skin. Congratulations and many thanks to Dr. Shyam Verma and Dr. Keyvan Nouri for a successful ISD Sister Society Meeting!

2013 Meetings Calendar

March 2013

Friday, March 1, 2013 (Friday night!)

ISD Reunion at the American Academy of Dermatology Miami Beach Botanical Gardens (Directly across from the **AAD Convention Center)** Miami Beach, Florida USA

Join ISD members for a Bollywood adventure! Get updates on the ISD activities, the XI International Congress of Dermatology and more.

For more information: www.intsocderm.org

September 2013

Friday, September 6 – Sunday, September 8, 2013

Maghrebian Congress of Dermatology Combined Meeting of the Four Societies of Dermatology in Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco and Libya ISD Regional Meeting Hotel Diar Lemdina, Hammamet, Tunisia

For more information: Dr. Nejib Doss, nejib.doss@gmail.com

December 2013

Wednesday, December 4 - Saturday, December 7, 2013 XI International Congress of Dermatology Greater Noida (Delhi), India

The XI ICD is the official meeting of the ISD and held every 4 years. For more information: www.icddelhi2013.com

Important Dates for the ICD

Registration		Reminder:
Early Bird Ends	April 30	Board of Directors
Early Ends	July 31	applications due April 1.
Late Ends	October 31	r
Onsite	From November 1 onwar	d

Abstract Submissions Due Dates

Faculty Abstracts	March 31
Scholarship Applications	March 31
Abstracts for Free Papers/Posters	May 31

Don't forget to renew your ISD membership for 2013! To avoid late fees, all membership renewals are due by March 15, 2013.

A MESSAGE FROM XI ICD CONGRESS PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to share with you that we are moving toward the final leg of organizing the combined XI International Congress of Dermatology and DERMACON 2014 in New Delhi, India, December 4-7, 2013. What a dynamic and festive meeting this will be!

Plans are already in place to make sure this meeting delivers the highest quality scientific program, as well as an abundance of social and cultural opportunities in our exciting host country. We hope you can take advantage of all India has to offer.

The congress website *www.icddelhi2013* is up and running and is a great resource as you plan your trip. Here, you will find valuable information on the program, registration deadlines, travel and accommodations, tour information and regular updates on the meeting.

If you are planning to attend the congress, be sure to register early to take advantage of early bird registration. You can register for the meeting and submit an abstract at the conference website (*www.icddelhi2013*). For those interested in ISD scholarships, apply early by submitting an application at the ISD website (*www.intsocderm.com*).

Important New Dates:

Faculty Abstracts: March 31, 2013 Scholarship applications: March 31, 2013 Abstracts for posters and skin around the world: May 31, 2013

Over the past few months, we have had productive visits with ISD Secretary-General Dr. Evangeline Handog and ISD Treasurer Dr. George Reizner, where we discussed the progress of the XI ICD in great detail. Both Dr. Handog and Dr. Reizner have offered invaluable assistance to us as we plan this memorable event. Dr. George Reizner also had firsthand experience attending DERMACON 2013 at Ahmedabad and participating in our organizing committee meetings and discussions with the new team of IADVL office bearers.

New Registration Cut-Off Dates:

Early Bird: January 1 to April 30, 2013 Early Registration: May 1 to July 31, 2013 Late Registration: August 1 to October 31, 2013 Onsite Registration: November 1, 2013, onwards

I also invite all international societies to consider holding meetings at our conference on December 4, 2013. We shall provide tea and coffee and lunch daily, and two dinners for all registered delegates.

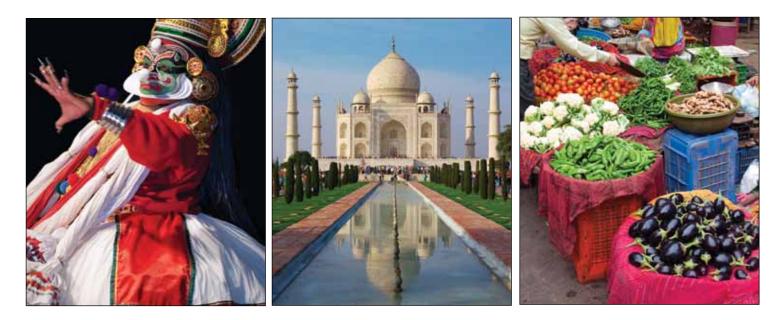
I encourage you to come with your spouse, children and friends and experience our warm hospitality and culture. Visit Delhi, India, and Taj Mahal at Agra where the vibrant culture, dresses, food and people will make a lasting impression. You can dine at one of the best hotels and visit theatres and galleries for art and culture. At Delhi Hat, you can see all traditional products including dresses and handicrafts from all over India. You can go to the pink city of Jaipur, Ajanata Ellora caves, Goa, and religious places like Hardwar and Varanasi.

Forget elephants and snake charmers and visit new India with malls, subways and flourishing fashion and software industry. Enjoy yourself and have international scientific feast at the same time.

A dermatology conference in India is more than a conference; it is an experience that you must come to see for yourself.

Looking forward to welcoming you!

Vinod K Sharma, MD, FAMS Congress President, XI ICD



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