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# A NEWS BULLETIN

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# Report of the 100th Annual Meeting of The United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology

February 26 - March 4, San Antonio, Texas

#### Comment from the Editor

On this special occasion of the 100th meeting of the USCAP and the 13th and final report by Fred Silva, I would like to have permission to give an abbreviated report, partly because it is recorded in full on the web site, and partly because I would like to have more space to recognise some of the younger pathologists and trainees who will be Fred's enduring legacy.

I have read and edited for publication in the News Bulletin all of Fred's reports for the past 13 years. He loves numbers — the bigger the better. The numbers have steadily increased under his stewardship and this year they are 'about to leave the planet.'

A recent statistic of which he is proud is that at this meeting they had the largest group of onsite scientific abstracts in history in Pathology (Anatomic Pathology and Molecular Diagnosis.)

The 100th Meeting saw 4225 physician-pathologists in attendance - the second highest in the history of USCAP (4262 in Boston in 2009). There were 880 international visitors from 61 countries outside of the USA and Canada. The total USCAP membership now stands at over 10,600 physician-pathologists. In July 1999 there were 520 junior members. 6,800 additional juniors have been recruited in the 13 years since then. Many of them are now regular members. In this 13 years the percentages of juniors attending the meeting have risen from 41% to 85%. It appears that the current 'steady state' of 2000 attending the meetings was reached about 5 years ago.

With 121 exhibitors and 285 booths, this proved to be our largest Exhibit Show in history. Dr. Stuart Schnitt served a distinguished and quite active term as President. He turned over the gavel and the Presidency to Dr. Greg Fuller. Dr. Linda Ferrell (UCSF) is President-Elect, and Dr. Jeffrey

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Ben Castleman Award presented to Anthony Gill and Jiaqui Shi by David Louis, Pathologist in chief, Mass Gen Hospital,







Juan Rosai receives the IAP Gold Medal award from Antonio Llombart-Bosch and David



Above: Sylvia Asa receives the F.K. Mostofi Distinguished Service Award. Left: Henry Appleman and Donald Antonioli with Mrs. Harvey Goldman - Eleonora Galvanek. They were the first recipients of the Harvey Goldman



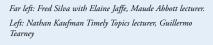
Stephen Sternberg receives a

Distinguished Pathologist award.

presented to Shuji Ogino by Michael Gimbrone, Chairman Brigham and Womens Pathology Dept. Boston.

Below: Actors re-enacting the battle of the

Below right: David and William Crockett. Descendants of Davy Crockett one of the heroes of the Alamo. They had not met each other before.



the Vice President. 2678 scientific abstracts were submitted. A record total of 1960 were accepted (73%).

354 Stowell-Orbison Abstracts were submitted by junior pathologists. 249 were accepted (70%). There were four co-equal Stowell-Orbison Awards presented and four co-equal Certificates of Merit.

# Stowell-Orbison Awards

- · Stephen S. Koh, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA (Poster #66 - Abstract #493).
- Lori Edwards, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada - (Poster #182 - Abstract #1254).
- · Gabriel A Bien-Willner Washington University, St Louis, MO (Poster #212 - Abstract #1607).
- Christopher Heaphy, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD (Poster #219 -Abstract #1688).

#### Certificate of Merit Awards

- · Carlos E. De Andrea, Leiden University Medical Center, Netherlands (Poster #10 - Abstract #33.)
- Alejandro A. Gru, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO (Poster #18 - Abstract
- Nikoletta Sidiropoulos, Fletcher Allen health Care/ University of Vermont, Burlington, VT (Poster #55 - Abstract #434).
- · Nikhil A. Sangle, University of Utah & ARUP Laboratories, Salt Lake City, UT (Poster #168 - Abstract #1357).

#### ADASP/USCAP Autopsy Award

 Huankai Hu, University Hospital of Cleveland, Case Medical Center, OH (Poster #7-Abstract #9).

#### ADASP/USCAP Surgical Pathology Award

· Yaqiong Li, Wakayama Medical University, Japan (Poster #70 - Abstract #580).

The long course and the short courses were as usual of a very high standard and many of them were 'sold out.' The 19 evening Specialty Conferences from 7.30 to 9.30 were also well attended, 67% of all attendees attended at least one of the 26 Companion Society meetings on Saturday night and Sunday.

# The Nathan Kaufman Timely Topic Lecture

by Dr. Guillermo J. Tearney of Harvard/MIT was entitled 'Endoscopic Microscopy: Bridging the Radiology-Pathology Divide.'





#### The 53rd Maude Abbot Lecture

by Elaine Jaffe was entitled: 'The Microscope as a Tool for Disease Discovery'.

# The Distinguished Pathologist Award

Dr. Stephen S. Sternberg was recognized by the Academy membership for his major and extensive contributions to pathology over the years.

#### The President's Award

was presented this year to Dr. Fred Silva. Fred's dedication and work for the Academy is way 'above and beyond the call of duty.' Please see the USCAP Website of the 2011 Annual Meeting for details about this outstanding and dedicated individual who has contributed so much to pathology world-wide.

# The F.K. Mostofi Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Sylvia Asa was recognised for her important, multiple, and extraordinary efforts and achievements on behalf of the Academy.

# The Ramzi Cotran Young Investigator Award

to Dr. Shuji Ogino of the Brigham and Women's Hospital, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard Medical School for his major work in Molecular Pathological Epidemiology.

#### The Benjamin Castleman Award

for the most outstanding paper in the field of human pathology was awarded to two individuals this year:

Dr. Anthony Gill for his paper entitled "Immunohistochemistry for SDHB Divides Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors (GISTs) into 2 Distinct Types" in the American Journal of Surgical Pathology 2010: 34:636-644;

and **Dr Jiaqi Shi** for his paper in the International J. of Cancer 2010: 126(2): 395-404 entitled

'Increased expression of the heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein K in pancreatic cancer and its association with the mutant p53.'

The Awards were presented by Dr. David Louis, Chair of MGH/Boston.

#### The F. Stephen Vogel Award

for the most outstanding paper published in an Academy journal by a pathologist-in-training went to Dr. Jose Gaal, in the Erasmus Medical Center, Netherlands for his paper entitled:

SDHB Immunohistochemistry: A Useful Tool in the Diagnosis of Carney-Stratakis and Carney Triad Gastrointestinal Tumors in Modern Pathology 2010: 1-5'

#### Harvey Goldman Master Teacher Award.

The USCAP in conjunction with Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital/Harvard announced the institution of this Award. The first awardees are Drs. Donald Antonioli and Henry Appelman.

Next years large Annual USCAP meeting will be in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada from March 17-23, 2012.

#### **Editorial comment**

What Fred has done is there for all to see, but there are some activities about which he is particularly proud (and rightly so). He embraced the use of the

electronic media for communicating with the membership and for delivering

educational materials. (He says that in 1999 he did not know how to turn on a computer.) This resulted in

(1) The USCAP Website (www. uscap.org) which is crammed with educational materials that are free. It is a beautifully presented web site and it is no wonder that the hits are numbering in the millions and the downloads are trending in the same direction.

(2) Self Assessment modules and CME programmes online for members. He took particular trou-

> ble to bring in new initiatives for Junior members which have borne fruit as indicated already in this report, and which will be his enduring legacy.

He made considerable efforts to pursue an outreach programme of assistance to pathologists in underserved countries, especially those in East and West Africa. Fred finishes his 13th and final

report to the USCAP with his signature salutation: "Thanks for all your support for all

those we serve--our patients, our physicians and our students."

# Fred Silva, Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Vice President, USCAP, March 11, 2011.

And thanks to you, Fred. It has been an education, an honour and a privilege to know and to work with you. I hope that you and Jean will find plenty of challenging things to occupy you in the coming years.

# Robin Cooke, Editor





Two delegates who were amongst the 50 who did the 5 km 'fun run' for the Cancer Fund. Gerhard . Seitz, Germany and Sigurd Lax,



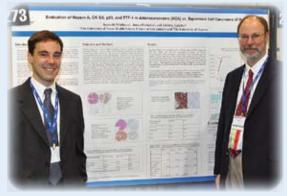
The President presents Anna-Melissa Cavazos - Director of Distinguished Giving - San Antonio Chapter of the American Cancer Society with a check for \$3,500 from the 5 km run.



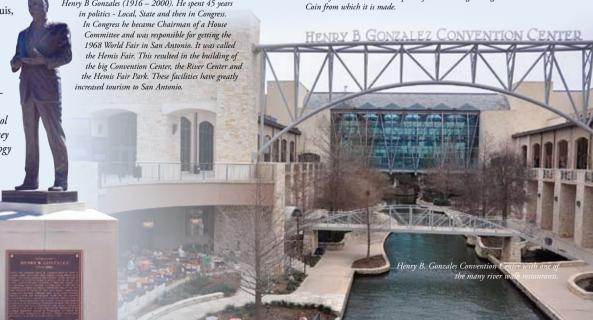


Above: Residents' Fair - Jeffrey Myers University of

Left: Richard Zarbo receives the Past Presidents'



Above: Alan Tucker with a poster by one of his former fellows, Kenneth Whithaus. Insets left: Commemorative Replica of a Texas Ranger Badge and a Cinco Peso Silver Coin from which it is made.



**EDITOR'S REPORT** 

The 100th Annual Meeting

This memorable occasion was celebrated in many ways during the meeting in San Antonio. As Editor of the News Bulletin I tried to capture some of those celebrations.

The current Board of management of the USCAP was photographed during the lunch break in their busy agenda.

A dinner lecture was given by Sir Ken Robinson an internationally recognized leader in the development of creativity, innovation and human resources. After the lecture the incoming President of the USCAP, Greg Fuller presented him with a silver star which was the medal of office of the Texas Rangers. This was accompanied by a book about this famous group of law enforcers in the lawless early days of the State of Texas.

A 'fun run' was arranged for early one morning. This raised a significant amount of money for the San Antonio branch of the American Cancer Society. At the same time there was a very big 'fun run' being staged in the Hemisfair Park on the Southern end of the Convention Center. This is an annual fund raising event for the Cystic Fibrosis Association.

An Art Show revealed many talented artists amongst the pathology fraternity. Sale of the Art works raised money for the Foundation of the Academy. This Fund is already supporting many educational and philanthropic projects.

Another major milestone in the history of the Academy was the retirement of the Executive vice President, Fred Silva. This was celebrated with an evening cocktail party.

The Residents' Fair at which the various Pathology Departments in North America advertise their training programs was introduced a few years ago. This year it was even more successful than in the past, It is a noisy and joyous function. I hope that I can convey some of this atmosphere in the photographs. These young people, full of youthful energy and enthusiasm will be Fred's legacy to the Academy.

There were also some other events about which I became aware. The first USCAP meeting that both Fred and I attended was in Washington in 1976. That was an eventful meeting because it was the last joint meeting of the USCAP and the IAP. Both of these organisations had their birth in the International

Below: USCAP Council meeting: Seated; Laura Lamps, Linda Ferrell, Kathleen Cho, Fred Silva, Bruce Smoller. Standing; Kerry Crockett, Mary Richardson, Richard Zarbo, Chris Fletcher, Greg Fuller, Andy Renshaw, Stuart Schnitt, Allen Gown, John Eble, David Hardwick, Fred Barr.

Top: Residents' Fair - a crowded, noisy and

Right: Organisers of the Art Show Jennifer Hunt, Stuart Schnitt, Kerry Crockett. Far right: Fred Silva and his portrait

Far right below: Jeffrey Myers with Sir

Ken Robinson and the book on the History of the Texas Rangers.

Below: Florabel Mullick receives the gold medal award of the IAP from Antonio Llombart-Bosch and David Hardwick.

Association of Medical Museums that was founded by Maude Abbott in 1906. Kash Mostofi was President of both Associations during the lead up to the 1976 meeting, and at the meeting he was able finally to announce the formal separation of the two bodies. The photograph from that meeting shows Peter Gedigk, (President of the IAP 1979-1981), Kash Mostofi who at that time was the

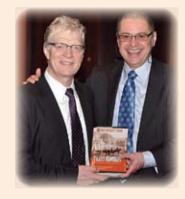
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The American Association of Neuropathologists (AANP) was established around 1930 as a professional and educational organization of American Neuropathologists. The Association, whose mission is to advance the science and practice of neuropathology, was formally incorporated in 1960 and today has over 800 members with many foreign members. For the historic 100th meeting of the USCAP, Dr. Marc Rosenblum delivered the AANP Companion Society Centennial Review lecture with an outstanding presentation entitled "A Look Back at the History of Surgical Neuropathology.

Right below: Nephropath - sponsor of the Residents' Fair.









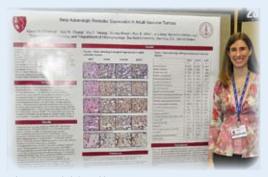




Above: A group of Australian delegates. Sanjiv Jain, David Ellis, Jane Dahlstrom, William de Boer, Paul McKenzie, Anthony Gill. Below: Residents' Fair - Massachusetts General Hospital.



Above: Residents' Fair - Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Paisit Paukesekon, Robert Hoffman, Giovanna Giannico. Below: Residents' Fair - Emory University.



Above: Karen Chisholm and her poster. Below: Residents' Fair - South Western Medical Center.















Above: Viewing the Art Show.

Below: Advertising the IAP Congress in South Africa Sept 30 to Oct 5, 2012 Jim Crimmins, Martin Hale and USCAP in



Left above: Nature Publishing Group. Publisher of USCAP journals. Above: Residents' Fair - Uni of Washington. Left: Residents' Fair - Methodist Hospital.



Above: Residents' Fair - North Western University. Below left: Wiley-Blackwell with senior editor, Elizabeth Whelan.

Below: Residents' Fair - Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.









River Center - a popular place for photogaphs. One of a number of debutantes being photographed with the River Center as a backdrop.





Pathologists from Singapore and Thailand who could not find the USCAP run and joined the Cystic Fibrosis run and climb of the Tower of the Americas instead. This was conducted in Hemis Fair Park South of the Convention Center. The park was made to accommodate the 1968 world fair.



Above: Residents' Fair - University of Arkansas. Left: Elsevier book stand. Madelene Hyde senior publisher

Below: Residents' Fair - Roswell Cancer Institute.

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Above: The Aperio stand advertising the Juan Rosai Collection. Right: Residents' Fair - Ohio State University Medical Center.



Above: Residents' Fair - UC Davis Health System. Right: Residents' Fair - Brown Alpert Medical School.





retiring President of the IAP and Murray Abell who was the current President of USCAP. They are with Leah Shander who had just organised her first International Congress of the IAP. She remained the official Congress Organiser of IAP Congresses until her retirement thirty years later in 2006.

At this 100th meeting of the USCAP, Florabel Mullick, the retiring President of the IAP received a gold medal for distinguished contributions to the IAP. Before becoming President, Florabel was Secretary from 1994. She is the first female Director, the first civilian Director, and also the last Director of the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology. She had the disappointing task of de commissioning the AFIP which since its establishment in 1862 has been a world leader in Education and Research. It had an excellent consultation service and a wonderful publication service.

When I visited the AFIP after the Congress in Washington in 1976, Ron Neafie showed me through the building. We went to a basement room where at that time they had the printing facility. Here, piled high everywhere, there were the sheets of pages of the book 'Pathology of Tropical and Extraordinary Diseases' and the red covers ready to be added to them. Apart from the Tumor Fascicles, this book must have been the most famous of the AFIP publications. I purchased a copy and Ron and many of the other authors kindly autographed it for me.

#### Robin Cooke, Editor

Below: USCAP meeting in Washington 1976. The last meeting before the USCAP and the IAP were made separate entities. Peter Gedigk (President of IAP 1979-1981) Kash Mostofi (retiring President of IAP), Murray Abell (President of USCAP), Leah Shander who was Congress organiser of this Congress and then official Congress Organiser of IAP until 2006.

Bottom: Ron Neafie, Nov 1976, in the publications section of the AFIP with the 'Pathology of Tropical and Extraordinary Diseases' books ready to be bound



