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President’s Message
By Harriet W. Hopf

Dear WHS Members and Colleagues,
The Annual Meeting, held jointly with the Symposium on Advanced Wound Care (SAWC) in Dallas April 14-17 was a great success, with outstanding scientific sessions and plenty of opportunities for networking and catching up with old friends and making new ones. You can find a review of highlights on throughout the newsletter.

Before I talk about my goals and plans for the coming year, I want to thank Luisa DiPietro, DDS, PhD, for her outstanding stewardship over the past year. One major accomplishment was the review and revision of our Mission Statement along with a set of Guiding Principles. The new principles (see column at left) align with our societal goals and provide a reference point for decisions. This will help our Committees identify their most important goals and make most efficient use of our hard-working volunteers.

Another of Luisa’s accomplishments came out of a collaboration between the Membership and Website Committees and Crow-Segal, our management company, to create an effective way of assigning members to committees. If you are interested in joining a committee, log in to the Members Only section of our web site (www.woundheal.org) and select the “Click here to join a committee!” button.

Other accomplishments of note:
• Congratulations and welcome to our new Vice President, Paul Liu, and new members of the Board of Directors, Gayle Gordillo, Kenneth Liechty, James Tomasek, and Marjana Tomic-Canic.
• Thanks to retiring BOD members Paul Liu, Chandan Sen, Oluyinka Olutoye, and Laura Bolton. But don’t think you are done with service to the WHS yet!
• Congratulations to Pat Hebda, PhD, recipient of the 2011 Distinguished Service Award. Pat’s contributions as Editor-in-Chief of our journal, Wound Repair and Regeneration, and President have been enormous.
• Thanks to Annette Wysocki for bringing the Wound Healing Society Foundation into compliance with the non-profit rules and regulations so that we can move forward with fund-raising to help promote the mission of our society.

In the coming year, I have five major objectives:
1. Work with our committee chairs to confirm that their ongoing work and new initiatives align with our Mission and Guiding Principles and invest resources in increasing their productivity.
2. Revitalize less active committees by identifying long-term goals and short-term projects that align with our Mission and Guiding Principles.
3. Complete the process of getting our Acute and Chronic Wound Prevention and Treatment Guidelines listed on guidelines.gov and initiate the process of revising the guidelines for publication.
4. Work with the Wound Healing Foundation to create a business plan for growing their fund-raising program.

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5. The WHS Board of Directors will hold a facilitated Strategic Planning Meeting in November to assess how to keep our annual meeting aligned with our Mission and Guiding Principles. This is particularly important to inform the negotiations as we approach the end of our current contract with HMP/NACCME (2013).

I am grateful for the many contributions of our hard working members. I look forward to working with you and for you in the coming year. Please feel free to contact me with your ideas and questions: president@woundheal.org.

With Warm Regards,
Harriet
Jeffrey Davidson  
By Sabine Eming, Susan Opalenik and Lillian Nanney

The European Connection  
(by Sabine Eming)

I first met Jeff at the Gordon Research Conference on Wound Repair in 1995, when he was introduced to me by Thomas Krieg. At that time I was a post-doc and not yet completely decided how to develop my career. However, I guess the “Gordon encounter” engraved a wonderful destination for my future life. Jeff inspired me to investigate a novel gene transfer technique at that time. He generously invited me to visit Vanderbilt to examine the technology. So, I spent several very fruitful weeks in his laboratory, learned a lot, met his wonderful Italian wife Gabriella and son Nicolo, and had a memorable time in Nashville.

Thereafter, I brought the knowledge back home to the department of Thomas Krieg in Cologne and to this day we continue to collaborate on a number of projects. I am proud to say that, over the years, Jeff became a friend and mentor and I am thankful for his continuous helpful advice. Not only did Jeff affect my personal professional development, but he has been quite helpful in my current position as ETRS president. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for his disposition to discuss and provide advice, particularly on how to strengthen the interrelation between ETRS and WHS. Like many other WHS friends, Jeff significantly contributes to the hearty, pleasant and constructive atmosphere when “ETRS meets WHS.” Therefore, also in the name of my ETRS colleagues, we would like to thank Jeff for his wonderful support, guidance, and leadership.

The Laboratory Connection  
(by Susan Opalenik)

I first met Jeff in 1999, when I was searching for a new post-doc position at Vanderbilt. I can still remember our first meeting. In his 100 sq ft, federal-issue office, with about 20 sq ft of available floor space, we chatted. In the words of Harold S. Geneen, “If your desk isn’t cluttered, you probably aren’t doing your job.” Trust me, and anyone who has seen Jeff’s office, there is no doubt that Jeff is always doing his job.

I asked what would be any negatives with regards to joining his laboratory. He replied, “I’m out of town a lot,” and to that I said, “Well, I guess that’s all a matter of perspective.” The rest is history. He wasn’t kidding; Jeff travels the globe consulting, going to conferences and meeting with collaborators, as well as significant pleasure travel abroad with his family. All too often I’m asked, “Is Dr. D in town?”

When Jeff is in Nashville, he is an avid cyclist; weather permitting, he bikes the 6+ miles to campus most days, and maintains a very active and healthy lifestyle. He will probably outlive most of us – though the occasional “honey bun” won’t hurt, right? He and his wife Gabriella also share a passion for the arts and frequent the symphony, opera, ballet, and numerous Broadway shows. He is also the proud father of a newly barred patent attorney; so, if in need, give Nicolo a call.

When students ask me my opinion of Jeff, I tell them that he is a thinker, rigorous but fair. He does not question the obvious, but goes beyond what is presented, so be prepared. If anyone has been at a seminar or meeting with Jeff, you know that he will ask one of the more insightful questions posed to the speaker, even though he will most likely be multi-tasking – reviewing a manuscript or grant, working on his computer (a Mac of course), checking his

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smart phone, or examining the inside of his eyelids – if you know what I mean (jet lag).

He has been instrumental in my personal career development as well as that of countless others, with whom he is generous with his time and resources. He is responsible for introducing me to the WHS and all the benefits of membership and involvement. I am grateful that this portion of my life’s journey was under his guidance and with his laboratory. In cycling terms, the “yellow jersey” certainly awaits those who share a “stage” with Jeff.

The Contemporary Connection
(by Lillian Nanney)

About 28 years ago, I was a new faculty member at Vanderbilt. While doing a literature search for one of my first wound healing papers, I accidentally discovered a wonderful paper. When I realized that its author, Jeff Davidson, was based out of Vanderbilt’s Pathology department, I hustled over to his notorious VA office. Thus began a friendship and professional collaboration that has continued throughout the years.

Jeff’s cool demeanor makes it all the more unexpected when he displays his sense of humor and adds some of the most succinct and clever comments to lighten the mood in response to some bureaucratic nonsense. Back in the early days at Vanderbilt, Jeff would apply the biochemical approach and I would supply the morphology aspect. The papers began to flow. I soon learned that Jeff was absolutely gifted when it came to manuscript revision. Nationally, his abilities in this realm are no longer a secret, and he is frequently tapped to serve as an associate editor. Watch out – if you get in his sights he will swiftly bestow on you the honor and privilege of reviewing a basic science paper in the WRR.

Jeff has been a national meeting organizer more times than I can recall. He has secret cards to play – he has friends and collaborators all over the world. To pull a meeting together, he merely asks his considerable cadre of friends and colleagues from universities or from industry to come engage in a little fun and intellectual exchange. Before you know it, a stellar conference has been assembled.

A personal commentary about Jeff would not be complete without saying that he has been a tireless champion and workhorse within the Wound Healing Society. I rather view him as a self-appointed international ambassador and advocate for wound healing science. He has served on innumerable committees, the WHS Board of Directors, and was co-chair of the program committee for the 2004, 14th Annual Meeting in Atlanta. He diligently worked himself up through the WHS leadership chain to become our President in 2005.

Well, that has been a while ago, so you are probably curious to know what Jeff is doing at this very moment. As I write this brief glimpse, he is wrapping up a week at the aforementioned Gordon Research Conference. That’s what Jeff always does every other year in June. After all, Jeff was the organizer of the very first GRC on “Wound Repair” in 1993, which has since been renamed “Tissue Repair & Regeneration.”

In short, Jeff is perpetually on the go. His life reminds me of children’s book series “Where in the World is Waldo.” In the next week I would be willing to place bets that Jeff will be traveling to a meeting to chat and exchange insightful ideas with friends, reviewing another NIH grant, planning and interpreting innovative new research directions with a multi-faceted team at Vanderbilt, or maybe off biking in Italy.

Abstract submissions will open September 26 and must be submitted online by the deadline of December 12, 2011.
Pre-Clinical Models of Would Healing

By Jeffrey Davidson, Andrew Baird, and Marjana Tomic-Canic

The 2011 WHS Annual meeting in Dallas, Texas was jumpstarted by a half-day pre-conference workshop called “Pre-Clinical Models of Wound Healing.” The Organizing Program Committee sponsored this special session of our annual meeting to stimulate a dialogue between investigators and promote discussions on the advantages and disadvantages of different animal and human models to study wound healing.

Because of their broad relevance to many WHS members, the emphasis of this first meeting was specifically designed to address the different needs faced by the WHS’s diverse membership in basic, clinical, and translational research. The Program Committee hoped that if there was sufficient interest, then the topic could be refined as an ongoing discussion amongst its membership and brought up again at subsequent WHS meetings. Judging by the levels of interest and the ultimate attendance, this topic is of high importance to WHS members and the workshop was remarkable in several ways. The attendance exceeded expectations, with more than 70 enthusiastic participants filling the venue to capacity (registration was required, but was free of charge).

To the surprise of the organizers, the great majority of the attendees were from industry rather than academia. While not intended to be an actual consensus conference, the workshop certainly pointed to a need to discuss the suitability of preclinical models for wound healing drug and device development.

Andrew Baird provided a short introduction to the workshop by stating its goals: to present an overview of meaningful preclinical wound healing models and examine how each plays, or does not play, into the development of a clinical concept. Not all preclinical studies are required by the FDA and other agencies to permit assessments in human trials, but all of us should be concerned nevertheless about issues such as quality control and quality assurance of the materials we test, the validation of standard operating procedures that we use, and the need for reproducibility when reporting data.

The presentation emphasized the importance of ensuring reproducibility and quantitative assessment. It addressed the range of wound types with a specific consideration of the various formats that can be utilized and the end points that could be evaluated. For example, the lecture emphasized the problems in interpreting wound closure in rodent models as a reflection of clinical outcomes in man. Rapid wound contraction is a poor representation of the typical filling of granulating wounds that occurs in both human and pig.

An important aspect of the discussion that followed included the limitations inherent in highly controlled studies that use inbred animal strains to help predict clinical responses in a genetically and environmentally heterogeneous human population.

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For example, many of the diabetic models induce profound hyperglycemia in younger animals than what is experienced in human type II diabetes. Moreover, nearly all animal studies are carried out in juvenile animals, which hardly represent the biology of most patients with chronic wounds.

Gabriel Sosne of Wayne State University used his presentation on “Thymosin beta 4: From Bench to Bedside” to move the discussion on preclinical models away from the laboratory and towards the unique hurdles in translational wound healing medicine. He described the development of thymosin b4 as an ophthalmologic treatment for a number of conditions. This peptide is currently in several clinical trials for repair of many tissues under a program sponsored by Regenerx.

Dr. Sosne showed how the pre-clinical and clinical trial findings in rat corneal burn and epithelial injury and in vitro based assays were used to establish both the efficacy and safety of treatment. These findings resulted in FDA approval for compassionate use in epidermolysis bullosa and later diabetic and neurotrophic corneal ulcers. Dr. Sosne reported on current phase II clinical trials for dry eye syndrome, and then described the details of the process that is required to move a data information package of safety data, pharmacokinetic data, preclinical observations, and clinical compassionate need through FDA approval.

The third presentation was a comprehensive discourse on the regulatory process by Michael Sabolinski on “Pre-Clinical and Clinical Trial Design for Regulatory Approval.” As former CEO of Organogenesis and a regulatory consultant (Aalnex), Dr. Sabolinski stressed that, from the FDA perspective, the primary value of preclinical studies is in the development of a safety portfolio, echoing the sentiment that animal models are an imperfect prelude to the critical stage of clinical trials. The scientific evidence of efficacy in animal models takes a lesser role than issues such as toxicity, pharmacokinetics, carcinogenesis, and teratogenicity in the case of pharmacologic approaches.

Device development follows a different regulatory pathway that generally requires different preclinical testing, since the objective is to demonstrate equivalent performance rather than superiority arising from a physical rather than biochemical interaction with host tissue. The presentation included a detailed flow chart of the regulatory process and a step-by-step presentation of the various regulatory hurdles and obstacles to approval. Dr. Sabolinski concluded his segment with an illustration of exemplary preclinical data that were used to obtain approval for Apligraf.

This excellent overview led to a wide-ranging, thought provoking brainstorming discussion. Seven panels of participants were each charged with assessing one of the following topics: preclinical models of scar formation, infection, ischemia, diabetes, replacement/regeneration, metabolic models, and human models. For each topic, they were asked to review the most common approaches being used, their advantages and their disadvantages.

When pressed to recommend the “ideal” model, the consensus of each panel was predictably the same: there is no perfect model. Instead, participants argued for the deployment of a combination of the complementary models as the key to performing accurate, reproducible, and scientifically sound science. The specific choice of animal models depends on the ultimate goal(s): basic science seeks to understand mechanisms, IND-enabling studies seek to explore efficacy, and IND models must test translational suitability.

Although different panels identified different weaknesses of different models, there were a number of common themes that emerged from the group discussions while the panels presented their findings. For example, there was concern that pre-clinical models have a tendency to become somewhat contrived for both scientific and economic reasons. As scientists, we always seek to refine, reduce, and replace, while always maintaining the scientific integrity of our work. But does the genetic, epigenetic, nutritional, and environmental homogeneity of our animal models help, or harm, the application of data to the real world?

In addition, there was discussion of the need for investigators to begin (in the laboratory) with the end in mind (in the clinic) when choosing different models. Finally, the specter of the economic reality of preclinical work was discussed. Whereas some models might be more predictive of outcome, the prohibitive cost precludes their deployment for most investigators.

The WHS is very much interested in employing its members to participate in an ongoing discussion of this topic with a goal of formulating recommendations for specific pre-clinical models. To this end we plan to develop a web-based forum that will capture the ongoing dialogue and formulate a follow-up conference at WHS 2012. So, stay tuned!
The Wound Healing Society Foundation takes great pride in being able to award the 3M Fellowship each year to junior faculty or postdoctoral researchers. The Wound Healing Society Foundation awarded the first 3M Fellowship in 2000. This award was initiated almost immediately after the Foundation was started in 1999 by a dedicated group of leaders from the Wound Healing Society. Dr. Warren Rottman from 3M Healthcare, who was a founding member of the first Board of Directors of the Wound Healing Society Foundation, was instrumental in working with the Foundation to form a strategic corporate partnership to establish this award.

Through the unwavering support of 3M Healthcare, the Fellowship Award had now been given for more than a decade to support the pioneering work of 12 investigators. The areas of investigation have been diverse and represent both basic laboratory science as well as clinical investigation, with topics such as: “Stem Cells in Wound Healing,” by Dr. Susan Opalenik; “Antimicrobial Peptides as Effectors of Wound Repair,” by Dr. Vasumati Pestonjamasp; “Acupuncture and Surgical Site Complications in Patients Undergoing Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting,” by Dr. Jodi Sherman; and “Molecular Mechanisms of β-Adrenergic Receptor Blockade that Attenuate Hypertrophic Scarring,” by Dr. Celeste Finnerty.

Individuals who receive the 3M Fellowship Award present findings from their research at the annual 3M Lecture and Fellowship Award session, sponsored by the Foundation at the annual meeting of the Wound Healing Society. The 3M Fellow Award provides each investigator with $15,000 to support their program of research in their laboratory or in the laboratory of their mentor, if they are at the postdoctoral stage of their career. To date, the Foundation has awarded over $165,000 for this award.

The purpose of the award is to stimulate scientific research and the career development of young investigators or junior faculty who are pursuing an academic career in wound healing research. The award is used for salary support or for direct costs associated with their program of research.

Individuals who have received the award can take pride in knowing that they have been singled out for the award from an extremely high-quality pool of applicants.

Many of the individuals who have received this award have become research faculty at various universities, and continue to be productive research scientists who have successfully competed for research funding from the National Institutes of Health or other private research organizations. Other individuals have continued to develop as successful clinicians and clinical research investigators. The 3M Fellow Award represents a major investment in the careers of promising investigators at the formative stages of their career by the Wound Healing Society Foundation.

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The History and Success of the 3M Fellowship Award
By Dr. Annette Wysocki, President of the Wound Healing Society Foundation

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One of the major goals of the Foundation is to increase the number of these awards because the number of individuals who compete for the award has increased since it was first awarded. The Foundation continues to look for other strategic partners, either individuals or companies, who are interested in sponsoring additional fellowship awards.

Please contact Dr. Annette Wysocki, President of the Wound Healing Society Foundation for information if you would like to sponsor an additional fellowship or other award to support the research or educational mission of the Foundation. She can be contacted by calling 601-815-4267 or by e-mail at awysocki@umc.edu.
Blast from the past

By Harriet W. Hopf and Bob Diegelmann

The 1993 WHS-ETRS joint annual meeting in Amsterdam was a wonderful gathering of scientists and clinicians from around the world. We thought it would be fun to revisit it in this newsletter in the run-up to the next Joint ETRS-WHS Meeting (and SAWC) April 19-23, 2012 in Atlanta, GA.

Wiete Westerhof was President of the ETRS and Chair of the Organizing Committee. In his welcome address, he noted a record number of 253 abstracts submitted from all over Europe, the United States, and Asia. Paul Ehrlich was President of the WHS, and Kel Cohen was the incoming President.

A number of familiar WHS faces presented, moderated, and networked at the meeting: Paul Ehrlich, Tom Hunt, Marty Robson, Diane Cooper, Pat Mertz, Jeff Davidson, Ted Tredget, Kel Cohen, Pat Hebda, Tom Mustoe, Harriet Hopf, Greg Schultz, and Bob Diegelmann. Hot topics included extracellular matrix, estrogen, infection, debridement, growth factors, tissue substitutes and dermal equivalents, negative pressure, diabetes, collagen, hyaluronic acid, wound measurement, transfusion and anemia, intestinal healing, matrix metalloproteinases, new dressings, and fetal wound healing.

Attendees were housed mostly in quaint and beautiful hotels in downtown Amsterdam. Finding the RAI Congress Centre, a big, modern, functional building near the edge of town, was something of an adventure, but well worth the bus ride. The opening reception at the Municipal Museum was elegant and the closing party at the Grand Hotel Krasnapolsky was a high-energy affair where the leadership of both societies were found dancing with the best of them. In between, there was an abundance of science, networking, sightseeing, carousing, and fantastic food.

Now it’s our turn to make the Atlanta meeting as welcoming and enjoyable for ETRS members as the Amsterdam meeting was for WHS members. Hope to see you there!
Awards
By Sashwati Roy

The WHS Awards Committee is at present composed of eleven active members. Since the annual meeting, the committee has met twice to plan and execute the work of the committee in preparation for the awards to be given at the WHS meeting in April 2012. Several important tasks have been undertaken this year, including preparation of a detailed budget for all the awards, as well as revising the awards write-up on WHS website with more uniform formats for all the awards.

Several amendments have been discussed for the Young Investigator Awards. The Awards Committee will actively engaged in the selection process for the top abstracts for the Young Investigator session. The Awards Committee will work closely with the program committee to perform this task.

The committee is also developing a proposal aimed at instituting a new award in translational research. As per a new timeline set up by the committee last year, we will start the selection of the Anita Roberts Award in the fall quarter. The nominations process for lifetime achievement award will start in October/November. The nomination submissions will close by the last week of December, and the selected nominee will be submitted to the Board of Directors by the third week of January every year.

Finance
By Bob Diegelmann

The financial status of the Society is strong. We exceeded our expected budget income from our meeting last April. Our Treasurer, Braham Shroot, is working hard to make sure our investments are safe and productive. We are looking for ways to invest in our Society to make it stronger still.

Government and Regulatory
By Robert Kirsner

The Government and Regulatory Committee (GRC) has potentially a very wide array for possible activities, ranging from dealing with clinically related issues such as reimbursement for products and services affecting clinicians, hospitals, and industry, to working with the FDA to help define best practices for new drug and device approval. In the past, GRC has performed many tasks, including helping payors become acquainted with the Wound Healing Society (WHS) Guidelines so that they become accepted as standards of care.

However, the broad range of activities does not allow focus and the WHS Board of Directors has tasked the GRC to focus its activities. At the annual meeting, a small group met and tentatively proposed that the GRC focus on issues related to scientific funding. It was proposed that the GRC goal would be to work to increase federal funding for wound healing research. To do this, it would require the GRC to survey the current status of federal funding, create a plan to influence funding agencies to increase funding for wound healing research and, after a period of time, assess the efforts made.

After direction by Harriet Hopf, MD, a larger group is being convened to review the GRC efforts, including the proposals developed through work at the annual meeting, and tentatively proposed that the GRC focus on issues related to scientific funding. It was proposed that the GRC goal would be to work to increase federal funding for wound healing research. To do this, it would require the GRC to survey the current status of federal funding, create a plan to influence funding agencies to increase funding for wound healing research and, after a period of time, assess the efforts made.

After direction by Harriet Hopf, MD, a larger group is being convened to review the GRC efforts, including the proposals developed through work at the annual meeting, and create a plan to focus the efforts of the GRC. The plan developed by this larger group will be presented to the WHS Board of Directors for comment and/or approval. If you have any comments related to the above stated plan, please do not hesitate to contact Robert Kirsner, MD, Ph.D., at rkirsner@med.miami.edu.
Industrial Advisory
By Thomas Serena

The focus of the Industrial Advisory Committee over the past year has been guidelines for the conduct of clinical research in wound care. At the annual Wound Healing Society meeting, the committee members and industrial attendees discussed principles for the conduct of clinical research. These principles have subsequently been submitted for publication to *Wound Repair and Regeneration*.

The committee discussed the role of the committee in 2012. One of the leading proposals for the IAC to consider is quality measures for the practice of wound care. The current quality measures published by the National Quality Forum (NQF) are not applicable to the field.

Membership
By Deepak Kilpadi

The Membership Committee welcomes four new members: Rei Ogawa, Rummana Aslam, Sue Gardner, and Sundeep Keswani. We have made two changes to the membership process:

1. Membership certificates can now be printed directly off the website.

2. Members can avail themselves of automatic billing. At the end of each year, a notice of renewal will be sent to those members who have signed up for automatic renewal.

The current membership is at 524. I encourage each of you to spread the word and recruit at least one new member.

Program
By Joyce Stechmiller and Chandan Sen

The Program Committee, co-Chaired by Chandan Sen and Joyce Stechmiller, is organizing for the 22nd Annual WHS Meeting with SAWC for April 19-22nd held in Atlanta. Next year is a joint meeting with ETRS and we have requested a representative from ETRS on the Program Planning Committee. In late June we attended an NACCME planning meeting for debriefing of the 2011 meeting and preplanning.

July was a busy month for us as we secured the keynote speaker, Dr. Geoffrey Gurtner from Stanford University, and we are currently finalizing the plenary sessions. We will continue to provide the Pre-clinical Models of Wound Healing and the Basics of Wound Care pre-conferences at the next year’s meeting in Atlanta, Georgia April 19-22, 2012. We hope to have another record-setting number of abstracts submissions. Stay tuned for new innovative Poster Discussion Sessions and a more intimate General Poster Session for enhanced one-on-one discussion regarding individual research studies. Finally, the WHS will host a joint symposium with the VWMS for a plenary session.

Website
By Kris Kieswetter

The Website Committee met during the WHS meeting in Dallas and discussed the following topics:

1. Membership Marketplace demonstration, related FAQs, and possibilities for monitoring the site;

2. Potential topics for future “Contemporary Topics” & “Featured Member” portions of the newsletter; and

3. WHS’s potential entry into Social Media such as Facebook and LinkedIn. In the spirit of initiating our foray into this realm, Lyn Henderson, WHS’s Assistant Executive Director, and a couple of our Board Members tweeted during the meeting.

Several members on the Board have expressed a desire to explore developing a Facebook site for the Society. Particular issues that are being examined are how best to utilize this site and how best to monitor it. The Committee is in need of Facebook connoisseurs and would welcome participation by individuals with this expertise. Feedback and suggestions from the membership on these topics is encouraged and can be sent to info@woundheal.org or kieswetk@kci1.com. Interest in the committee can also be sent to the email addresses above.

The committee has not had the opportunity to meet in June and will resume meeting on a regular basis in July. Finally, the committee would like to extend a special thank you to Traci Wilgus for her years of service.
President DiPietro making her remarks. (L) Followed by Pat Hebda thanking members for her award. (R)

The pre-clinical conference was a fantastic success full of lively discussion. (see page 6)

President DiPietro making her remarks. (L) Followed by Pat Hebda thanking members for her award. (R)

Patricia Hebda accepting the Distinguished Service Award from Luisa DiPietro.
The 2011 WHS Annual Meeting in Pictures

Awards Ceremony

Corrie Gallant-Behm (C) accepting the Anita Roberts Award. Flanked by Manuela Martins-Green (L) and WHS President Luisa DiPietro (R).

Industrial Research Award winner B. Lisenfeld accepting her award on behalf of her team from Luisa, Braham Shroot, and Manuela.

WHS Booth

Lyn Henderson of management staff enjoying herself at the WHS booth.

The WHS booth drew numerous visitors throughout the Trade Show. Attendees were eager to learn about what WHS has to offer.

Young Investigator Award winners, from left, Raul Sebastian, Victor Wong, Louis Le, and Melani Lighter.
The 2011 WHS Annual Meeting in Pictures

The WHS conference concluded with an enjoyable social and dinner enjoyed by all.

The editor of Year Book #2 (2011), Chandan Sen, (R) celebrating the first sell of the book.

Glimpse of the content:

- Dermatology - Iseroff
- Biofilm - Wolcott
- Limb Salvage - Attinger
- Wound Care Education - Ennis
- Cell Biology - Diegelmann
- Cytokines & Receptors - Wells
- Bioengineered Human Skin - B. Lynn Allen-Hoffmann & Cathy Rasmussen
- Mechanical Properties of Skin - Powell
- Protein & Gene Based Therapies - Davidson
Advances in Wound Care, Volume 2

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