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Editor's Message

On July 1, 1995, Roger W. Pearson, M.D. will step down as acting chairman of the Department of Dermatology at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. Our sentiments are expressed beautifully by Joan Phillips, executive secretary at Rush. "Dr. Pearson is a warm, caring physician who treats his patients and colleagues with the highest regard and respect. He believes that individuals can become inspired to reach higher goals." Roger will be missed by his department, the Medical Center, and the entire Chicago dermatological community.

Roger W. Pearson, M.D.

On July 1, 1995, Dr. Roger Pearson will retire after an almost 40year career in academic dermatology, all of it spent in Chicago. He and his wife, Betty, will be living in their newly-built home in Olympia, Washington, not far from Roger's home town of Seattle. They will be devoting themselves particularly to their grandchildren and the breeding of dogs.

Roger graduated from the University of Washington Medical School in 1954, interned at Indianapolis General Hospital, and completed his dermatology residency at the University of Chicago in 1958. He was then appointed to the full-time faculty in the Section of Dermatology, Department of Medicine, at the University of Chicago, where he subsequently served as Instructor, Assistant Professor, and Associate Professor from 1958-1969. Awarded an NIH Career Research Development Award (1964-1969), Roger pioneered in establishing a precise categorization of the then-known forms of epidermolysis bullosa (EB) and demonstrating for the first time the precise diagnostic electron microscopic features of each EB entity. His clinical and scientific classification of these diseases subsequently provided the basic groundwork for a myriad of investigative studies by others which have ultimately established the genetic and structural protein abnormalities in some of these disorders.

In 1969 Roger joined the full-time faculty at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, helping me enormously in our efforts to establish a new Department of Dermatology and a residency training program. In 1971 he was elected president of the Chicago Dermatological Society, and from 1971-78 he served as co-editor of the Year Book of Dermatology. In 1974 he was appointed a Professor at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center and in 1976 became board certified in dermatopathology. He served as chief assistant editor of the A.M.A. Archives of Dermatology from 1979-83 and has been a scientific advisor for D.E.B.R.A. since 1980. For the last 5 years he has been the director of our residency training program and, since 1992, has served as acting department chairman.

Throughout the years Roger has been an essential, enthusiastic and active member of our department, has served on several medical school committees (he recently chaired our medical school admissions committee) and has established himself as a superb clinician. He has had an outstanding career in dermatology and will be greatly missed by his patients. We wish him and Betty the very best for the future.

Frederick D. Malkinson, M.D.

New Chairman at Rush

Michael D. Tharp, M.D. will become chairman of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Department of Dermatology on July 1, 1995. Roger W. Pearson, M.D. will step down from the acting chairmanship and settle in Olympia, Washington. Doctor Tharp formerly served as Professor and Vice-Chairman of the Department of Dermatology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

A native of Ohio, Dr. Tharp graduated Cum Laude from Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio, and attended medical school at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. He then completed an internal medicine residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, Texas, and a dermatology residency and fellowship at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, North Carolina. He is board certified in internal medicine and dermatology.

Dr. Tharp has written over eighty papers and abstracts and has authored or co-authored fifteen books and book chapters. His chief interest is in mast cell research in urticaria, atopic dermatitis, mastocytosis, and eczematous dermatoses. He believes there is a subset of patients with urticaria who may have a semblance of autoimmune disease in which they make antibodies to IgE, are resistant to therapy, and require immune-modulators. I. Ja. Chan, M.D., a molecular biologist in Dr. Tharp's lab in Pittsburgh, will move to Chicago as well to continue their joint research.

Dr. Tharp is married to Robin, who is also an Ohio native. She graduated from Miami University of Ohio in speech therapy. While currently a homemaker, Robin enjoys art and antique collecting. Living in western Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Texas all contributed to their interest in antiques. The Tharps have three daughters: Kristin (15), Kelly (12), and Kathryn (10). The girls enjoy sports like soccer and basketball. The Tharps remember Chicago fondly from their attendance of the American Academy of Dermatology meetings when they were held yearly in the windy city. They are looking forward to Chicago's shopping, museums, and restaurants.

The Awards Committee of the Society has chosen the recipients of the Practitioner of the Year and the Founders Award for 1995.

Practitioner of the Year

Awarded each year to an individual for exemplary service as a practitioner of dermatology: **Emanuel C. Liss, M.D.**

Founders Award

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

Marianne O'Donoghue, M.D.

Emanuel C. Liss, M.D.

Manny Liss was born 82 years ago (plus a few months) in Atlanta, Georgia. After a happy childhood in Columbus, Ohio, he entered his teenage years with a severe case of cystic acne. He felt like a pariah as far as girls were concerned, and that was very distressing because he always liked girls.

At 13, he went to a dermatologist, Charles Shepard, M.D., who tried his best but could help very little. Between the ages of 14 and 23, Manny was given three full courses of x-ray treatment to his face. This therapy was only partially successful. However, it led to the eventual development of multiple basal cell carcinomas on his face. The kindness and empathy of Dr. Shepard as well as the emotional effects of serious acne on his teenage years led Manny to consider dermatology as a profession.

After receiving his B.A. at Ohio State and his M.D. at the University of Chicago and Rush Medical College, he returned to Columbus for his internship. He tried for a dermatology residency but none was available. A pediatric residency at Children's Hospital in Columbus was open, so Manny went into pediatrics, but never forgot his first love — dermatology.

In August 1940, he began to practice pediatrics. After marrying and serving in the army, Manny moved to South Bend, Indiana, to be with his two brothers. He passed his pediatric boards, and spent a total of 19 successful years in the practice of pediatrics. However, dermatology always remained in the back of his mind.

Finally in 1959, Manny moved to New York with his wife and daughter and, at the age of 46, he began two years of dermatology training at New York University Bellevue Medical Center and Skin and Cancer Hospital. He was given one year credit for his pediatric boards.

Manny returned to South Bend in September 1961, passed his dermatology boards and has been successfully practicing dermatology for the past 34 years. He has had a good and happy life with his wife, Helen, for 54 years. Their daughter and her husband live a mile away. Their oldest grandson, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, works in Washington, D.C.. Their youngest grandchild is a sophomore at Ohio State University. Clearly, Manny has never regretted following his dream to be a dermatologist.

Incidentally, he has a three-unit office building he would like to sell so that he can retire. Anyone interested?

Marianne O'Donoghue, M.D.

Marianne O'Donoghue graduated from Trinity College in Washington, D.C. at the age of 19. She had no idea at that time that dermatology would be her profession. She went to Georgetown University Medical School where she met her husband, Kevin. They were married as sophomores and had the first of their four children as juniors. She was exposed to dermatology for the first time as a senior.

During a four-week elective at Georgetown, she spent one day per week in the office of Peter Horvath (Gold Medal winner for A.A.D. in 1992), two days per week at Andrews Air Force Base where she was taught by Major Mervyn Elgart and a young A. Bernard Ackerman, and two days per week at Walter Reed Army Hospital, where one of her 3rd year residents was Stephen Webster. Needless to say — after those 4 weeks of brilliant teaching, Marianne was hooked on dermatology forever.

After interning at Northwestern University's Passavant Hospital where one of her attendings was Paul Lazar, she went to the University of Chicago to begin her dermatology residency. Her teachers at the U. of C. were Doctors Allan Lorincz, Fred Malkinson, Roger Pearson, Sylvia Griem, and John Rippon. Marianne and her fellow residents had a lot of fun learning from that staff and from each other. Kevin had to go into the military at that time, so she completed her residency in Cincinnati, Ohio. Doctors Leon Goldman and Daniel Richfield were two more great teachers whom she encountered.

After completing her residency Marianne returned to the University of Chicago. However, she loved teaching and patient care more than research, so she decided to leave the U.of C. for private practice. At that time she was recruited by Drs. Malkinson and Pearson for part-time teaching at the new dermatology department at Rush-Presbyterian-St.Luke's Medical Center. She has derived great satisfaction and pleasure from her interaction over the years with so many marvelous residents. Marianne usually attends the Friday clinics, sees an occasional consult (the late Friday specials), and conducts textbook reviews. These sessions allow her to learn about some of the newest material from the residents, and share with them some of her practical experience from 20+ years in practice.

Marianne and her partners, Louisa Gehlmann and John Kalis, consult each other frequently on interesting and difficult cases. "We are lucky to have a profession that lends itself so easily to teaching and learning. I'm very grateful for the Founders Award and all my wonderful Chicago colleagues who gave it to me."

NEW MEMBERS

Ronald S. Berne, M.D.

Dr. Berne is a Chicago native. He received a B.S., and M.S. at the University of Illinois in Champaign. He then attended the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. After finishing an internship at Rush Medical Center, he completed his dermatology training at Cook County Hospital. He has joined Robert Polisky, M.D. in private practice in Elk Grove Village.

Nona M. Craig, M.D.

Dr. Craig received her B.A. in biochemistry from Harvard University and her M.D. from Northwestern University Medical School. She completed an internal medicine residency at Evanston Hospital, serving an additional year as a chief resident. She then received her dermatology training at Northwestern University. She is currently in practice with David Lorber, M.D. in Evanston and Northbrook.

Jeffrey C. Draluck, M.D.

Dr. Draluck received his B.A. in psychology from Emory University and his M.D. at U.M.D.N.J.-Rutgers Medical School. After an internship in internal medicine at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, he spent a year in dermatopathology with A. Bernard Ackerman, M.D.. He completed his residency in dermatology at Cook County Hospital. Currently he is in private practice in Deerfield with Doctors Burton Silver, Bruce Bennin, Anne Bronner, and Peter Hallarman.

Augusto Montalvo, M.D. M.P.H.

Dr. Montalvo is a product of the Chicago public schools. He began to pursue an interest in medicine during a three year enlistment in the U.S. Army. In 1983, he received both an MPH from The Harvard School of Public Health and an M.D. from Boston University. After completing an internal medicine residency at the Montefiore Medical Center in New York, he repaid financial obligations by serving with the Federal Bureau of Prisons. He completed his residency in dermatology at the University of Illinois at Chicago, where he has remained as a clinical assistant professor.

Scott B. Phillips, M.D.

Dr. Phillips attended Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. He received his M.D. from Harvard Medical School in Boston, Massachusetts. After an internship in internal medicine at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida, he returned to Harvard for his residency in dermatology. He then taught two years at Harvard Medical School and is currently a clinical assistant professor at the University of Chicago. He is also director of the drug discovery section of GenDerm Corporation in Lincolnshire, Illinois.

Elizbeth Strow, M.D.

Dr. Strow received her B.S. and M.S. in nursing from the University of Illinois and her M.D. from Southern Illinois University. She completed a year of post-graduate training in pathology at the University of Iowa and an internal medicine residency at Southern Illinois University. After a year as chief resident in internal medicine, she completed a dermatology residency at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

IN PASSING

Eugene Lorant, M.D. (1904-1994)

Dr. Eugene Lorant, professor emeritus of dermatology at the Chicago Medical School, died in a hospice in Milwaukee. He was a longtime resident of the Budlong Woods neighborhood before moving to Milwaukee. Dr. Lorant began his medical training in Germany and completed it in Italy. He moved to Cuba in 1937, where he was a member of that country's national fencing team. He came to Chicago in 1940. After serving in the Army Medical Corps in World War II, he returned to Chicago and practiced on Chicago's Northwest Side and in Evanston. In 1987 he was named Practitioner of the Year by the Chicago Dermatological Society. Survivors include his wife, Ruth, a daughter, Paula, and three grandchildren.

Irene Neuhauser, M.D. (1900-1995)

Dr. Irene Neuhauser received her medical degree from Rush Medical College, Chicago, in 1929. She then completed her residency training at Mandel Clinic of Michael Reese Hospital in 1937. Among the notable achievements of Dr. Neuhauser: second woman admitted to the Chicago Dermatological Society (1942), President of Chicago Dermatological Society (1955), and Practitioner of the Year of the Chicago Dermatological Society (1980).

Ana Eng, M.D. has written a few personal observations about this remarkable physician. "Irene was a true dermatologist. She attended and absorbed most of the academic programs our field had to offer. But being a friend to Irene added so much texture and depth to my life. She knew how to smell the flowers both real and symbolic. She won top awards on some of her many horticulture specimens. Being with her was like taking a mental vacation she talked of her trips all around the world, her recipes in cooking, her interest in calligraphy. She lived through the days of Al Capone and the discovery of Kaopectate (a product her husband discovered). She was a fighter, too. She savored every moment of life despite her physical handicaps near the end. We would make every effort to lunch at the Quadrangle Club, a place close to her heart because of her ties to the University of Chicago. She appeared delicate, but was a truly strong person. She may not be wrapped in a bright package, but she was a gift to me."

Phototherapy Update

The Society would like to add the following centers to the lists published in previous issues:

Chicago Dr. Jonith Breadon

(312) 883-5300

UVA & UVB

La Grange

Dr. Rosemary Chen (708) 482-3376 UVA & UVB

Lake Bluff

Dr. M. Allan Berk (708) 295-1500 UVA & UVB

Silas Wallk Day of Learning January 18, 1995

The Chicago Dermatological Society held its January, 1995 meeting at the Chicago Medical Society facility. Stephen Katz, M.D. gave an outstanding lecture on the molecular and immunologic basis of a number of skin disorders. Doctor Katz is the Marion B. Sulzberger Professor and Acting Chairman of the Department of Dermatology, Uniformed Services University of The Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland.

The lecture was followed by the inaugural CDS Dermatopathology Self-Assessment Program chaired by David Fretzin, M.D. The program was developed by a staff that included Drs. Darryl Bronson, Ana Eng, Tony Fu and Maria Medanica. Bruce Bennin, M.D. and Sylvia Paas from the Chicago Dermatological Society provided valuable help in the physical arrangements for the meeting. There were two slide viewing sessions of 20 pathologic cases containing a wide variety of subject material. Seventy-eight physicians participated in the course.

A discussion of the diagnoses followed the viewing sessions. The program was received with great enthusiasm, and a roll call vote by Samuel Solomon, M.D. supported the continuation of this program next year.

David Fretzin, M.D.

Midwest Clinical Conference

The Midwest Clinical Conference was held at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers on January 20 through 22, 1995. The dermatology course this year took place on Saturday, between 3 and 5 p.m. and focused on dermatology for the primary physician. Benjamin Dubin, M.D. spoke on "Acne," Colleen Keegan, D.O. discussed "Common Skin Infections," Ronald Berne, M.D. presented "Psoriasis," and Harry Goldin, M.D. spoke about "Common Skin Cancers." Over 200 physicians had enrolled in the course. Over 100 actually attended and only 5 fell asleep. The audience enjoyed the presentations and many people came up afterwards and told the speakers how much they had learned. The Society would like to thank all of the speakers who participated in this year's successful session at the Midwest Clinical Conference.

Harry M. Goldin, M.D.

1995 Service Awards

50 years	Year elected
William A. Yacullo, M.D.	1945
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45 years	
Helen J. Hare, M.D.	1950
Marvin S. Kagen, M.D.	1950
Vera H. Leaf, M.D.	1950
William C. Miller, M.D.	1950
Arthur L. Shapiro, M.D.	1950
Otto C. Stegmaier, M.D.	1950
F.J. Szymanski, M.D.	1950
40 years	
Donald Birmingham, M.D.	1955
Mitchell Ede, M.D.	1955
M. Paul Lazar, M.D.	1955
Stanley Meisrow, M.D.	1955
Stephen R Phelps, M.D.	1955
Jerome F. Sickley, M.D.	1955
35 years	
Arnold A. Gombiner, M.D.	1960
Sylvia Griem, M.D.	1960
Roland S. Medansky, M.D.	1960
Leo J. Miedler, M.D.	1960
Roger W. Pearson, M.D.	1960
Harold Plotnick, M.D.	1960
Brian Potter, M.D.	1960
Christine Sutton, M.D.	1960
30 years	
Eugene Mandrea, M.D.	1965
Rudolph Scrimenti, M.D.	1965
John W. Weiss, M.D.	1965
25 years	
Karl W. Kitzmiller, M.D.	1970
Marianne O'Donoghue, M.D.	1970
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Long Range Planning Committee

This Committee met on March 1, 1995. Chaired by James Ertle, M.D., other members are Sophie Welykyj, M.D., Mark Gendleman, M.D., Benjamin Dubin, M.D., Samuel Solomon, M.D., and David Shanker, M.D.

Several recommendations were made:

- 1) A seventh meeting should be held during the academic year, either in September or February. It should be a clinical meeting with cases presented. It could be held at a neutral location with major input from private practitioners in order not to burden the various institutions with a second meeting during the year. Feedback concerning this proposal will be obtained from Society members at a future meeting.
- 2) The Public Awareness Committee should establish a speakers bureau. This list could be distributed to organizations, hospitals, newspapers, and radio and television stations. The Society will need speakers and topics. Anyone interested in participating in this bureau should contact the Society. (312-670-2582).
- 3) A Public Service Award should be added to honor or recognize any non-dermatologist who has served our Society or specialty. This award would be given whenever the Society would choose to honor such an individual.
- 4) Society members should receive information about the American Academy of Dermatology's Advisory Board. This should include the names of our representatives to the Board, the purpose of the Board, and examples of past resolutions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Centennial Celebration

The Dermatology Department at the University of Illinois will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in December, 1995. On December 2nd and 3rd, 1995, there will be a special centennial meeting. This meeting will be jointly sponsored by the University of Illinois, Chicago Dermatological Society, and the Illinois Dermatological Society. The format will consist of lectures Saturday afternoon at the Omni Chicago Hotel by nationally recognized dermatologists formerly affiliated with the University of Illinois Department of Dermatology. The lecturers will be Dorinda Shelley, M.D. and Walter B. Shelley, M.D., Ph.D. There will be a cocktail party and dinner Saturday night. Many alumni of the University from all over the country plan to attend. On Sunday morning, there will be a clinical meeting at the University.

Advisory Board

The Advisory Board provides the only opportunity (aside from the general business meeting of the A.A.D.) for members to voice their views regarding the policy and direction of the Academy. Anyone can send in a resolution which is then placed before the reference committee for testimony and discussion. The reference committee may suggest modification of the resolution. The resolutions are then placed before the Advisory Board for a vote. Decisions of the Advisory Board are non-binding, but the Board of Directors of the A.A.D. is bound to consider them. Experience has shown that the Board of Directors takes the policy recommendations of the Advisory Board very seriously.

The Advisory Board will be holding a meeting during the summer A.A.D. session in Chicago on Friday, July 28, 1995. The deadline for submitting resolutions for this meeting is June 30, 1995. If you have a particular concern, call or write any of your local representatives.

James Ertle, M.D.-Executive Committee-11th District (Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin) Darryl Bronson, M.D.-Chicago Dermatological Society Andy Lazar, M.D.-Illinois Dermatological Society Barry Kirschenbaum, M.D.-Great Lakes Dermatological Society

University Study

A Phase I Pharmacokinetic study to evaluate the absorption of Tacrolymus (FK 506) in patients with atopic dermatitis is being conducted at the University of Illinois. This is an eleven day study and patients will be reimbursed for their participation. They are seeking to enroll patients with at least 5000 cm² body involvement of their atopic dermatitis. If you have any patients who qualify and would be interested, please have them contact Dr. Samer Alaiti, at 312/413-7783.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Tort Reform

There have been several bills in the Illinois General Assembly of special interest to dermatologists in this session. Tort Reform was passed and was immediately challenged in the courts. The outcome is pending,

Direct Access

The Direct Access Bill for dermatologists (HB2240) passed in the House by the overwhelming vote of 100 Yeas to a solitary Nay (cast by Rep. Judy Erwin, 11th District, who has more dermatologists in her district than any other). At this time all our efforts are concentrated on getting the Direct Access Bill passed in the Senate. Contact with Senators and especially those in the leadership should be emphasized. Judging hy the overwhelming vote in the House our case for direct access for dermatologists has obviously found a receptive audience in the legislature.

Tattoo

The Tattoo Bill to regulate tattoo parlors was passed easily out of committee in the House but has an uncertain future in the Senate. The current Senate President is opposed to any new regulation at this time. Most legislators do not seem to appreciate the extent that tattoos have entered into mainstream American life.

Electrologists

The Electrologists Regulatory Bill is stalled in the Senate for the same reasons as the Tattoo Bill.

Point of Service

A bill requiring all insurance plans to offer point of service to all participants at reasonable cost is planned for the next session in the Illinois General Assembly. Drs. Marianne O'Donoghue and Jim Ertle attended a meeting recently of the Coalition of Medica1 Specialists hosted by the Illinois Orthopedic Surgical Society. Dr. Ertle introduced a resolution at the recent House of Delegates of the Illinois State Medical Society mandating ISMS support for such legislation and the resolution passed easily. Therefore we can expect the Illinois State Medical Society with its excellent Springfield staff to support this effort.

For most dermatologists this year marks their first attempt to specifically push legislation for dermatology. Hopefully, our initial successes will stimulate more participation. At the A.A.D. legislative conference last year in Washington. D.C., Senator Alan Simpson urged dermatologists to get involved. He cautioned, "you can do things now – or – you can have things done to you."

James O. Ertle, M.D.

New Officers

The following slate of officers has been chosen for 1995-96:

1995-96 Programs and Speakers

October 18, 1995

Allan Lorincz Lecture

Brian J. Nickoloff, M.D., Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Pathology and Dermatology

Director, Immunohistochemistry Laboratory

University of Michigan

Ann Arbor, Michigan

The Role of Professional and Non-Professional Antigen-

Presenting Cells in Skin Disease

University of Chicago

December 2 & 3, 1995

University Of Illinois Centennial Celebration

Dorinda Shelley, M.D.

Professor of Medicine & Chief of Dermatology Division

Medical College of Ohio

Toledo, Ohio

Treatment of Morphea and Lichen Sclerosis Et Atrophicus

with Penicillin and Other Antibiotics

Walter B. Shelley, M.D., Ph.D.

Professor of Dermatology

Medical College of Ohio

Toledo, Ohio

A Portrait of the Four Great American

Dermatologic Minds of a Century Ago

Omni Chicago Hotel and the University of Illinois

January 10, 1996

Silas Wallk Day Of Learning

A. Bernard Ackerman, M.D.

Director, Institute of Dermatopathology

Jefferson Medical College

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Chicago Medical Society

March 20, 1996

Samuel Zakon Lecture

Jon M. Hanifin, M.D.

Professor of Dermatology

Oregon Health Sciences University

Portland, Oregon

Atopic Dermatitis - A Basic Pathogenesis

and Therapeutics Update

Cook County Hospital

April 24, 1996

Samuel Bluefarb Lecture

Speaker TBA

Northwestern University

May 15, 1996

Max & Vera Pinski Lecture

Janet Fairley, M.D.

Medical College of Wisconsin

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center

Important Numbers

AIDS

AIDS Hotline

(800) 243-AIDS (Illinois only)

Centers fo Disease Control

National AIDS Information Clearinghouse (800) 458-5231

Alopecia Areata

National Alopecia Areata Foundation (415) 456-4644

Cancer

American Cancer Society

(404) 320-3333

National Cancer Institute

(301) 496-6631

Herpes

Herpes Resource Center

American Social Health Association

(919) 361-8488 (National Herpes Hotline)

Human Papillomavirus

HPV Support Program

American Social Health Association

(800) 227-8922

Lupus

Lupus Foundation of America, Inc. (301) 670-9292 or (800) 558-0121

Neurofibromatosis

National Neurofibromatosis Foundation (212) 344-6633 or (800) 323-7938

Psoriasis

National Psoriasis Foundation (503) 244-7404

Rosacea

National Rosacea Society (708) 382-8971

Scleroderma

United Scleroderma Foundation, Inc. (408) 728-2202 or (800) 722-HOPE

Shingles

VZV Research Foundation (212) 472-3181

Skin Cancer

Skin Cancer Foundation (212) 725-5176

Vitiligo

National Organization for Albinism & Hypopigmentation (215) 545-2322 or (800) 473-2310