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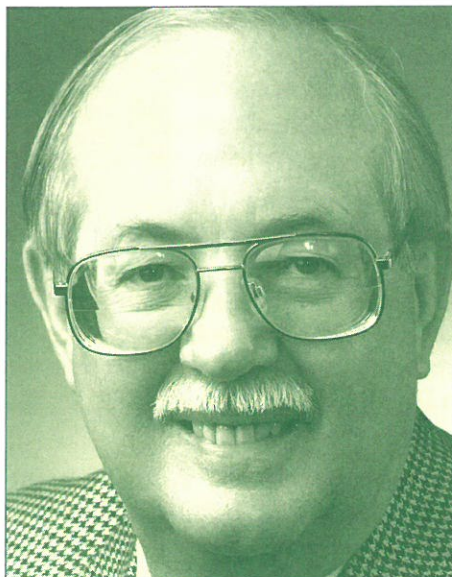
IN MEMORIAM

MARSHALL L. BLANKENSHIP received his undergraduate and M.D. degrees from the University of Illinois. After an internship at the Illinois Central Hospital in Chicago and service in the U.S. Army as a general medical officer, he completed his residency in dermatology at Northwestern University Medical School. His mentors there included Samuel Bluefarb, M.D., Junji Hasegawa, M.D., Fred Levit, M.D., Frank Dunlap, M.D., and Paul Lazar, M.D. Toward the completion of his residency, Royal Ihrke, M.D. invited him to share offices in private practice in Oak Lawn, Illinois. Marshall was associated in practice (in addition to Dr. Ihrke) with Leon Lando, M.D., John Keane, M.D., Kenneth Bielinski, M.D., and Mark Hoffman, M.D.

In addition to his private practice, Marshall spent eight years as a faculty member at Northwestern University. In 1973, he joined the faculty of the Department of Dermatology of Rush University Medical Center. Over the years, he had the privilege of being associated with Fred Malkinson, M.D., Roger Pearson, M.D., Marianne O'Donoghue, M.D., James Ertle, M.D., and Michael Sharp, M.D.

Marshall was active at all levels of organized dermatology both nationally and internationally. He was president of the Chicago Dermatological Society in 1976 when the Society celebrated its 75th anniversary. He was on the organizing committee for the Illinois Dermatological Society and served as its president in 1978. From 1986 to 1990, Dr. Blankenship was a member of the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Dermatology. He was also a board member of the International Society of Dermatology, Secretary-Treasurer of the Foundation for International Dermatologic Education, and a Director of the Noah Worcester Dermatologic Society. A former trustee of the Dermatology Foundation, Dr. Blankenship served on the Leaders Society Committee and led the Leader's Society campaign in Illinois in 1990 and 1991.

In 1997, at the annual American Academy of Dermatology meeting in San Francisco, California, Marshall was awarded the National Practitioner of the Year Award. The Award is given each year by the Dermatology Foundation. It was established by the Foundation's Trustees in 1976 to honor those mem-



bers of our specialty who epitomize the best clinical service to the individual patient. Criteria for the Award include a dermatologist's record of teaching, research, publications, participation in professional societies, and his/her clinical career. "Marshall Blankenship's rich career spans more than 40 years and whether you define accomplishments by research, the number of publications and citations, or visiting professorships, he made major contributions to all facets of dermatology," said Dermatology Foundation President Howard V. Dubin, M.D. In 2001, Marshall received the prestigious Gold Medal Award from our own CDS.

One of Marshall's many interests was travel. His CDS Presidential Address was "Travels of a Dermatologist." Literally spanning the globe, his numerous presentations have been made to assemblies in South Africa, Zimbabwe, Japan, Australia, Egypt, Singapore, Brazil, Germany, and Argentina, to name only some. From a discussion of "Mites Other Than Scabies" before the Hospital for Tropical Diseases in Manaus, Brazil, to "Electrosurgery" presented to the Zimbabwe Medical Association, Marshall has shared his wide-ranging interests and expertise with many international audiences.

Through Dr. Ben Smith and other dermatologists, Dr. Blankenship developed a passion for "the Master" Sherlock Holmes. He was a member of the Hounds of the Baskervilles (*sic*) which is the Chicago scion society of the Baker Street Irregulars. In addition he was an active member of four other local Sherlockian Societies and the Sir James Saunder's Society whose members are all dermatologists. Involvement with Sherlock Holmes led to an interest in books, and a large portion of his time was spent in bookstores and fairs looking for treasures.

Influenced somewhat by Dr. Samuel Bluefarb's stamp collection, Marshall had an extensive collection of stamps of the United States. His other interests were gourmet cooking, music (he had been a long term subscriber to the Chicago Symphony, Lyric Opera, and Music of the Baroque), theater, sports and history.

Dr. Blankenship's career would not have been possible without the support of his companion and wife of 57 years, Barbara, his daughter, Kathryn, his son, Marshall Jr., and his daughter-in-law, Susan.

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Awards

The Awards Committee of the Society has chosen the recipients of the Founders and the Practitioner of the Year awards for 2015.

Founders Award

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

Michael D. Tharp, M.D.

Practitioner of the Year Award

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

Joaquin C. Brieva, M.D.

MICHAEL D. THARP, M.D.

Michael D. Tharp, MD is the Clark W. Finnerud, M.D. Professor and Chair of the Department of Dermatology at Rush University Medical Center. Dr. Tharp graduated cum laude from both Ohio Wesleyan University and from Ohio State University Medical School in 1971 and 1974, respectively. He completed three years of internal medicine training at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, Texas, before finishing a dermatology residency and fellowship at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, North Carolina in 1980. Dr. Tharp is board certified in both specialties.



He served on the faculty as an Assistant and Associate Professor in the Departments of Dermatology and Internal Medicine at Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, Texas for seven years prior to becoming Professor and Vice-Chairman of the Department of Dermatology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in 1987. Dr. Tharp moved to Rush University Medical Center in Chicago in 1995 where he is presently

Professor and Chair of the Department of Dermatology.

Dr. Tharp has written over 150 papers, book chapters, books, and abstracts. He is the Chief Editor of Dermatologic Therapy, President of the Dermatology Foundation, and past President of the Association of Professors of Dermatology and Chicago Dermatological Association. He also is a member of the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee of the Dermatology Foundation, a past Board member of the American Academy of Dermatology, and past Vice President of the Society of Investigative Dermatology. His primary research interest is in mast cells as they relate to urticaria, pruritus, atopic dermatitis, and mastocytosis. His clinical research interests include psoriasis, atopic dermatitis, cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, and immune bullous diseases.

Dr. Tharp is married to Robin, who is also an Ohio native. Robin enjoys art and antique collecting. Living in western Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Texas contributed to the couple's interest in antiques. The Tharps have three daughters: Kristin, Kelly, and Kathryn. They are all married: Kristin to Rob Cornejo; Kelly to Brian Ellefson; and Kathryn to Marcus Kawakami. The Tharps have one granddaughter: Emily Grace Ellefson.

CDS FOUNDERS AWARD WINNERS

1982 Edward Peterka, MD	1991 Fred Levit, MD	1999 Salve Ronan, MD	2009 Neill T. Peters, MD
1983 Sidney Barsky, MD	1992 William Caro, MD	2000 Taraneh S. Firoozi, MD	2010 James W. Swan, MD
1984 Samuel Bluefarb, MD	1993 David Fretzin, MD	2001 Maria Medinica, MD	2011 Iris K. Aronson, MD
1985 Stefan Bielinski, MD	1994 Marshall L. Blankenship, MD	2002 Bruce Bennin, MD	2012 Anne E. Laumann, MD
1986 Melville Hartman, MD	1995 Marianne O'Donoghue, MD	2003 Keyoumars Soltani, MD	2013 Arthur R. Rhodes, MD
1987 Frederick Szymanski, MD	1996 James B. Pinski, MD	2004 Virginia Fiedler, MD	2014 Amy Paller, MD
1988 Stanley Huff, MD	1997 Mark D. Gendleman, MD	2005 Sophie Worobec, MD	2015 Michael D. Tharp, MD
1989 Arthur Shapiro, MD	1998 Ana M. Eng, MD	2006 James Ertle, MD	
1990 M. Barry Kirschenbaum, MD		2007 Tony S. Fu, MD	
		2008 Jerome M Garden, MD	

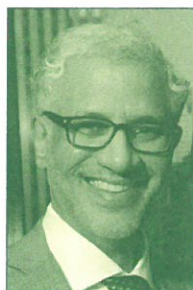
CDS PRACTITIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS

1977 Sam Zakon, MD	1987 Eugene Lorant, MD	1997 Raymond M. Handler, MD	2007 Marjorie Mintz Rosenbaum, MD
1978 Albert Slepian, MD	1988 Frank Dunlap, MD	1998 Morton D. Barnett, MD	2008 Harry M. Goldin, MD
1979 Theodore Cornbleet, MD	1989 Irving Distelheim, MD	1999 Thomas Andrews, MD	2009 Carl W. Soderstrom, MD
1980 Irene Neuhauser, MD	1990 Alan E. Lasser, MD	2000 Nancy O. Furey, MD	2010 John B. Kalis, MD
1981 Louis Rubin, MD	1991 James Ertle, MD	2001 George H. Engle, MD	2011 Stephen P. Stone, MD
1982 Sidney Kaplan, MD	1992 John Weiss, MD	2002 Mark Gordon, MD	2012 Andrew J. Scheman, MD
1983 Silas Wallk, MD	1993 Paul Lazar, MD	2003 David Lorber, MD	2013 Julie A. Moore, MD
1984 Milton Robin, MD	1994 Roland S. Medansky, MD	2004 Arthur Altman, MD	2014 Kathleen Remlinger, MD
1985 Alex Buchholz, MD	1995 Emanuel C. Liss, MD	2005 Elizabeth La Voo, MD	2014 Joaquin C. Brieva, MD
1986 Hyman Burstein, MD	1996 Samuel S. Solomon, MD	2006 Arnold Gombiner, MD	

CDS GOLD MEDAL AWARD WINNERS

1990 Allan L. Lorincz, MD	2001 Marshall Blankenship, MD
1992 Frederick Malkinson, MD	2002 Sidney Barsky, MD
1997 Lawrence Solomon, MD	2011 William A. Caro, MD

Joaquin C. Brieva, M.D. was born in Barranquilla, Colombia, the oldest son of four children. He comes from a very successful family. Joaquin's father was an ex-marine who went into banking and his mother is a renowned Colombian fashion designer and couturier. His paternal uncle was a board certified pediatrician, who after completing his training at the University of Pennsylvania returned to his home of Cartagena, Colombia and became a powerful influence on Joaquin's life.



Joaquin completed his education in medicine at the Universidad Del Norte, in his native city. During his clinical rotations he was exposed to a variety of tropical dermatological and infectious diseases. Influenced by Professor Faud Muvd M.D., he decided to pursue a career in dermatology. He was accepted into the prestigious National University of Colombia, where he graduated with a combined degree in internal medicine/dermatology.

The great tragedy of Armero Tolima struck Colombia in 1985. Joaquin was part of the first responders assisting the survivors of the catastrophic lahars (volcanically induced mudslides) that killed 25,000 people and decimated the town of Armero (which sits at the outskirts of the El Nevado del Ruiz Volcano). The National University School of Medicine organized emergency medical specialist teams. Joaquin collaborated with the infectious disease physicians, who were able to diagnose and treat aggressive wound infections that were caused by molds of the class zygomycetes. It was eventually reported (through various publications) that the mud of the lahars contained mucorales (sometimes called pin molds).

During the 1980s in Colombia, drug wars between the Medellin and Cali Cartels, along with daily kidnappings, and ongoing civil unrest made Colombia one of the most dangerous and violent places in the world. Joaquin was devastated by the effects of urban warfare, terrorism, daily bombings, and the infamous "Toma del Palacio de Justicia," where guerrillas overtook the Palace of Justice in Bogota and held the Supreme Court Judges hostage. The Colombian army and the guerrillas exchanged fire for days which ended in the destruction of the building and the killing of over 100 people and 12 Supreme Court Judges.

Felipe Jaramillo, M.D., his senior dermatology resident in Colombia, had completed a dermatopathology fellowship at New York University. Dr. Jaramillo told Joaquin how advanced dermatological education was at American medical schools, which motivated Joaquin to come to America. During that time his sister Beatriz married an American physician (Gilberto A. Site M.D.) and moved to Evanston, Illinois. Gilberto was Joaquin's medical school classmate and best friend. It was Beatriz and Gilberto who encouraged him to come to the U.S. and further his education. Joaquin fell in love with the architecture and tranquility of Evanston and became highly motivated to stay in America. He ambitiously pursued intensive English classes and began studying for the USMLE Board Examination. In less than a year he passed the USMLE and learned English.

In the winter of 1989 Joaquin was invited by friends to present a lecture at the Department of Dermatology at the University Of Illinois. This gave him the opportunity to share his tropical medicine cases with the residents and attendings. Unknowingly to Joaquin, the department chair (Lawrence Solomon M.D.) was quietly watching at the back of the room while Joaquin described the cases and elaborated on different tropical dermatoses. When Joaquin was finished, Dr. Solomon introduced himself and congratulated him. Joaquin was eventually offered a medicine position (outside the match).

Joaquin completed his residency in internal medicine at the University of Illinois, under the mentorship of the legendary Professor of Medicine: Clifford Pliz M.D.. During his residency, Joaquin was the recipient of the Medical Resident of the Year for 1992 and 1993. In 1993 he was accepted as a resident in dermatology at Illinois. He fondly remembers many wonderful teachers and mentors: Drs. Iris Aronson, Salve Ronan, Anne Laumann, James Swan, David Eilers, Mary Massa, Tony Fu, David Fretzin, Brian Cook, and of course Larry Solomon.

After a brief private practice at Lutheran General Hospital, he was encouraged by old friends and colleagues (Joan Guitart, Brian Cook, and Augusto Montalvo) to join the faculty at Northwestern University Department of Dermatology. Dr. Brieva is currently an Associate Professor of Dermatology at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine. He is dedicated to the teaching of medical dermatology and inpatient (hospital based) dermatology to medical students and residents. He was named Northwestern University Medical School Faculty Member of the Year in 2007-2008 and also received the Dean's award for Teaching Excellence in 2007.

Joaquin is the author of multiple original peer review publications and is a funded investigator currently doing clinical trials on pemphigus and psoriasis. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation and is currently a member of the Northwestern Memorial Hospital Executive Committee, and the director of the Inpatient Consult Service of the Department of Dermatology at Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

Joaquin's interests outside of medicine include spending time with his wife (Jennifer), cooking, watching classic and foreign films, opera, and classical music. He also loves hiking the Rocky Mountains with Jennifer and fishing trips usually organized by his friend and classmate Paul Storrs, M.D. He also loves graphic arts and is an accomplished photographer and India ink artist. One of his best friends is the Chicago based painter Dahuang Zhou Shi (Zhou Brothers).

Joaquin considers himself very fortunate to be able (in the last 26 years) to personally learn and exchange ideas with so many giants in American dermatology. Among them were Albert Kligman, Walter and Dorinda Shelley, Irwin Freedberg, Eugene Braverman, Bernard Ackerman and our own Chicago Dermatological Society Gold Medal recipients. He feels truly honored to have received the Practitioner of the Year Award from the Chicago Dermatological Society. He would like to dedicate this award to the people who have helped him the most: his parents and family members, former wife Elizabeth, his seven wonderful children, his current wife Jennifer, and his nurse Ruth Petty.

THE CHICAGO DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETY will hold several meetings next year at the Gleacher Center in downtown Chicago. The initial meeting was held at the Gleacher Center last December, 2014. Even though there was some negative feedback from our attendees, most were very satisfied with the meeting overall. Even the parking was satisfactory. Many Chicago Dermatological Society members favored the Gleacher Center over the Stevens Convention Center in Rosemont and the medical schools.

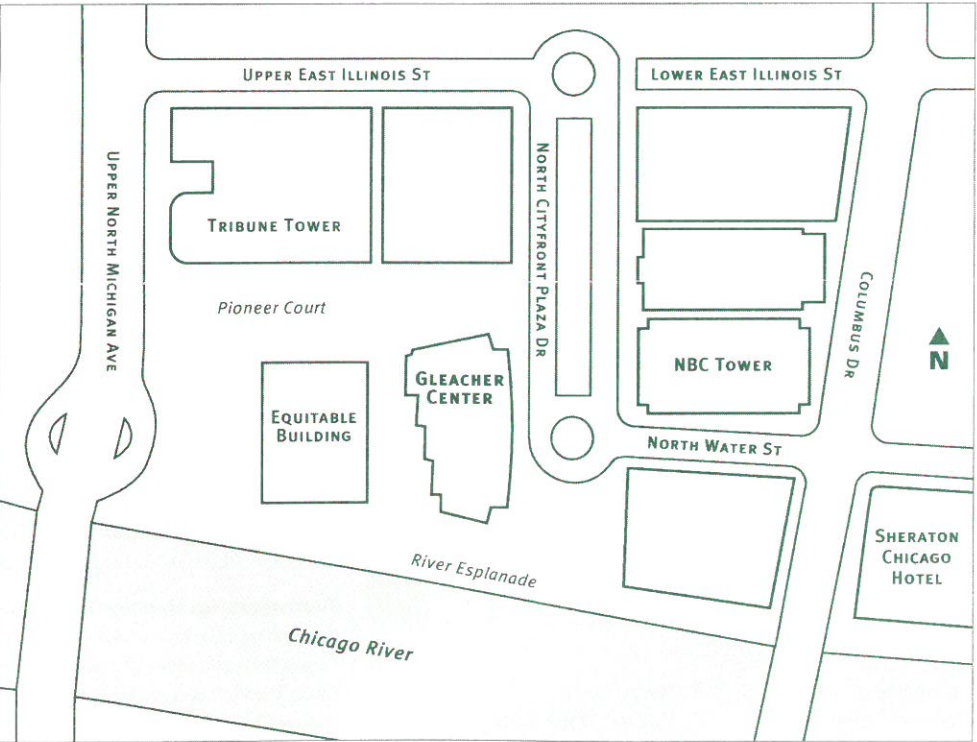


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Gleacher Center

Upper Level: Pick-up, Drop-off and Pedestrian Access



Update on Past CDS Leaders

Since retiring from University of Illinois in Chicago in December, 2003, I have been in solo part-time practice close to home in Wilmette, Illinois. I still specialize in scalp and hairloss disorders. I am particularly interested in trigger factors for alopecia areata and the influence of nutrition on inflammation. My office is very close to my home, which has given me the opportunity to spend more time with my daughter. My daughter is now 21 years old. She is a student at the American Academy of Art in downtown Chicago where she is majoring in graphic design. When she is not in school we enjoy traveling together.

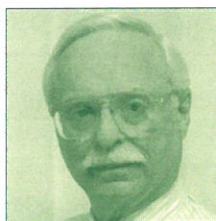
Virginia Fiedler, M.D.



Am I enjoying being retired? Yes and no. In spite of the many years I spent doing dermatology, I somehow don't miss it too terribly. I actually enjoy not having to work. What I do miss are my friends and colleagues that I left back in Chicago. I keep myself busy out here in San Francisco with my two sons who live nearby. On top of that I have been taking a few adult education courses at the community college. The topics are quite varied but very interesting. I'm taking a class about the Greek gods, two classes on cosmology, and a quantum mechanics class which I find very fascinating.

Unfortunately my pleasures in life have been diminished by my physical deterioration. I am visually impaired to the point where I can no longer read a newspaper or a book. So the answer to the question I have posed is yes, I am enjoying retirement and plan on keeping it up for a while. And by the way, thanks for asking.

Fred Levitt, M.D.

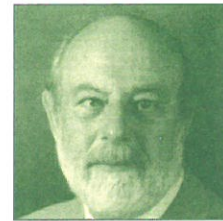


I've been living in Scottsdale Arizona for the past 18 years. I'm still practicing dermatology full time with Arizona Advanced Dermatology, which was just purchased by a hedge fund group. I was made an honorary member of the Academy at this year's American Academy of Dermatology meeting in San Francisco. I still enjoy traveling and even though I suffer from chronic back pain, I always enjoy a good round of golf.

Henry H. Roenigk, Jr., M.D.



John Weiss, M.D., Past President of the Chicago Dermatological Society, has continued to be very active in dermatology since leaving the Chicago area in 1992. He has been in private practice in Castro Valley, California (a suburb of the Bay Area). John has served as Secretary Treasurer and then as President of the San Francisco Dermatological Society. He has received the Practitioner of the Year Award of that Society and has served as President of the Pacific Dermatological Association. He and his wife (Suzanne) live in Oakland Hills, California. He still practices half days and has the same love for dermatology that he always had.



John tried to model the San Francisco Dermatological Society along the lines of the Chicago Dermatological Society, but despite his efforts, the transplant didn't take. John is very grateful for his residency at the University of Chicago, his practice in Evanston, and his academic career at Loyola University Department of Dermatology. He still feels that the Chicago Dermatological Society is the finest local dermatological organization in the country and has provided him with some of the most stimulating educational fare of his career.

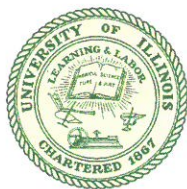
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Marianne O'Donoghue, M.D. (Marshall's long time friend and colleague), had this to say about Marshall, "In spite of his national and international dermatological reputation, he lived a modest and humble life. He befriended colleagues of all ages. Long after his retirement, Marshall continued to learn by attending local and national meetings. He shared his love of travel and Sherlock Holmes with many. He will be forever missed by his many friends and colleagues." Jim Ertle, M.D. (also Marshall's friend and colleague), said, "Marshall always went at it full force, whether it was dermatology, stamp collecting, croquet, or Sherlock Holmes. An avid supporter of his profession, he left every organization in dermatology better off than when he arrived. (C.D.S., ILL. Derm, Noah Worcester, A.A.D., or the A.D.A.) In the end, many people have fond memories of Marshall because he was always fun to be around. He was a special type of person only found in America: a small town Illinois boy who became an outstanding physician, world traveler, and patron of the arts, but who never lost his small town integrity."

Meeting Schedule 2015-2016

OCTOBER 2015



HOST: University of Illinois at Chicago (Fretzin Lecture)

DATE: Wednesday, 10/14/2015

LOCATION: Gleacher Center, downtown Chicago

NOVEMBER 2015



HOST: Northwestern University (Bluefarb Lecture)

DATE: Wednesday, 11/4/2015

LOCATION: Gleacher Center, downtown Chicago

DECEMBER 2015



THE UNIVERSITY OF
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HOST: University of Chicago (Lorincz Lecture)

DATE: Wednesday, 12/2/2015

LOCATION: Gleacher Center, downtown Chicago

JANUARY 2016

HOST: IDS practice management & coding workshop

DATE: To be determined

LOCATION: Stephens Convention Center; Rosemont

FEBRUARY 2016

PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE & AWARDS LUNCHEON

DATE: Wednesday, February 2016

LOCATION: Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont

APRIL 2016

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& HOSPITALS SYSTEM**

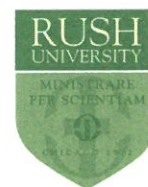
CCHHS

HOST: Stroger-Cook County Hospital (Barsky Lecture)

DATE: Wednesday, 4/20/2016

LOCATION: Gleacher Center, downtown Chicago

MAY 2016



HOST: Rush University (Malkinson Lecture)

DATE: Wednesday, 5/11/2016

LOCATION: Gleacher Center, downtown Chicago

JUNE 2016

**LOYOLA
UNIVERSITY CHICAGO**



HOST: Loyola University

DATE: Wednesday, 6/8/2016

LOCATION: Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont