WPC eNews

It's Parkinson's Awareness Month! What are you doing this month to raise Parkinson's awareness in your community? The WPC will be attending a few events promoting the Congress, Portland Countdown podcasts, and Scientific Update webcasts. Look for us in Vancouver at the AAN meeting and if you plan to attend the New York City Parkinson Unity Walk, stop by our table to meet us. View the list of events will be at the "Upcoming Events" section below.

During the week of the Congress there will be a number of educational and social events taking place outside of the Congress days/hours. This includes the Sole Support Portland walk hosted by Parkinson's Resources of Oregon, a CME event for allied health professionals hosted by the OHSU Brain Institute, and evening of health professional networking events, and even a MOB workout with the Power Through Project team at the Brian Grant Foundation. Learn more about these events and many more on our website.

If you still haven't registered for the WPC 2016, what are you waiting for? Discounted registration prices end on July 5th and hotels in our blocks are filling up! Register TODAY!
We would also like to take a moment to recognize our incredible **WPC 2016 Sponsors**. We look to our supporters in the pharmaceutical industry, corporate world, and nonprofit community to ensure success of this very important meeting. Thank you to our newest sponsors: **Acorda Therapeutics Inc., ADAMAS Pharmaceutical, Lundbeck LLC, and St. Jude Medical.** View the full list of WPC 2016 Sponsors.

**WPC Award for Distinguished Contribution to the Parkinson Community**
The WPC is accepting nominations for this inaugural award to the individual whose efforts to the Parkinson's community best embody the goals of the World Parkinson Congress. This award is open to **ALL** members of the community, including researchers, clinicians, people with Parkinson's, advocates and others in the Parkinson's space. If you know a deserving candidate, submit a nomination by **Sunday, May 15, 2016**. Learn more about the criteria and nomination submission.

**Become a WPC 2016 Volunteer!**
We have only 22 spots left for the WPC 2016 Volunteer Program! Apply today for a rewarding experience and to get your registration fee waived. Volunteers get to meet some of the most highly regarded Parkinson's clinical researchers, basic scientists, and advocates living with Parkinson's today. **Slots are filling fast, apply now before they are all gone.**

**NEW Portland Countdown podcast available today!**
This month's podcast, "New Neurons for Old," takes on the interesting yet controversial topic of fetal tissue and stem cell transplants in Parkinson's disease. Co-hosts Dave Iverson and Jon Palfreman interview Dr. Roger Barker, Professor of Clinical Neuroscience and Honorary Consultant in Neurology at the University of Cambridge and at Addenbrooke's Hospital. **Listen to this FREE podcast here and share it with your friends!**

**Share your story or quote to the Forging Resilience Project**
The Forging Resilience Project wants to hear from YOU! Help build the tree of resilience by sharing your story. Creators hope to invoke the age-old art of storytelling as a road to each other and to our deepest selves. You will be able to read all the stories and quotes as leaves on the Tree of Resilience on display at the WPC 2016. **Share YOUR story here.**

**WPC Welcomes New Partners!**
The WPC welcomes Legacy Health (USA) and Spotlight YOPD (UK) as our newest Organizational Partners. Learn more about the WPC Organizational Partners.

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**WPC 2016 Abstract Submission**
Abstract Submission closes THIS MONTH on Monday, April 25, 2016. The WPC 2016 will accept abstracts from health professionals engaged in research as well as from non-scientists who are involved in activities and programs that are creating change for the PD community. Learn more about abstract submission topics and guidelines by clicking below.

**Upcoming Events**

**Ask the Ambassador Call with Jillian Carson & Ryan Tripp**
April 7, 2016 -- Online

**2016 Brain Fair**
April 15, 2016 -- Vancouver, BC Canada

**2016 AAN Annual Meeting**
April 15-21, 2016 -- Vancouver, BC Canada

**Parkinson's Unity Walk**
April 23, 2016 -- New York, NY USA
The Victory Summit*  
April 30, 2016 -- Vancouver, BC Canada  

*Visit the WPC Booth at this event!

WPC 2016 Travel Grants  
The WPC 2016 Travel Grants application deadline is April 25, 2016. Applications are open those who reside OUTSIDE Oregon/SW WA in need of financial assistance to attend the WPC 2016.  

Click below to learn about WPC 2016 travel grants.

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