**WPC 2013 HATS ON SALE!**

The very fashionable and lightweight WPC 2013 baseball hat is still available for purchase! We have approximately 40 WPC 2013 baseball caps left for sale for $25 USD plus S/H.

If you are interested, don’t wait! Send an email to christiana@worldpdcongress.org with your name, address, number of hats and your preferred payment method.

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**November 2013 eNews**

**Dear Friend:**

It’s hard to believe that a month has passed since we brought together more than 3,330 delegates from 64 countries under one roof at the 3rd World Parkinson Congress in Montreal!

This groundbreaking Congress, first launched in 2006 by the World Parkinson Coalition, is the only global meeting of its kind in the Parkinson’s field that includes all stakeholders in the community in all aspects of the meeting, starting with the planning, program design, logistics, and as faculty members. It’s participatory medicine at its best.

The breakdown of WPC 2013 delegates looked something like:
-- over 25% people with Parkinson’s
-- over 15% caregivers/care partners/family members
-- over 40% neuroscientists, clinicians, researchers, rehab specialists
-- over 11% nonprofit employees, media, guests
-- 9% registered in the mysterious ‘other’ category

The delegate mix was truly representative of the community, allowing for a unique cross-pollination.

Now that the WPC 2013 is finished, we want to hear from YOU! Did your experience at the Congress encourage you to start a support group? Write a book? Start new research? If so, let us know! The WPC legacy has been growing over the years and is something we pride ourselves on as we move forward. We want to ensure that the people living with Parkinson’s in the city where we host the meeting are left better off than when we arrived. We do this by raising awareness and understanding about Parkinson’s.

The WPC 2006 and WPC 2010 both inspired delegates to write articles and books, host events, and design programs to educate others about Parkinson’s and give the skills and knowledge to people with Parkinson’s to keep moving forward in a positive way and to live better with their disease. If you attended the WPC 2013, and have been inspired to create a new project or program because of someone you met or something you learned while there, please tell us about it by email at info@worldpdcongress.org.

We hope that you had an exciting and inspirational experience at the
meeting and that you will tell others in the Parkinson's community about the WPC 2013 and encourage them to join us at the WPC 2016 in Portland, Oregon from September 20 - 23, 2016. If you were not able to join us in Montreal, you have time now to start planning for the next WPC. And you can enjoy some webcasts of the sessions we taped (see below).

See you in Portland at the WPC 2016!

Parkinson's affect on attention and memory

In the last five years, there has been an increase in the literature on cognitive impairment and non-motor signs in Parkinson's disease. "It is becoming evident that cognitive changes can occur earlier in Parkinson's disease than once believed, and that these changes can take many forms" explains Dr. Alexander Tröster. Dr. Tröster chaired the popular and informative Parallel Session entitled "How Parkinson's affects attention and memory" on Day 2 of the program. This session, along with many others, is available for FREE on webcast!

Watch the webcasts by clicking here to hear a distinguished panel of speakers including Dr. Alexander Troster (USA), Dr. Connie Marras (Canada) (right), Dr. David Burn (UK) and Margarita Makoutonina, OT (Australia).

WPC webcasts made possible with support from National Parkinson Foundation and The Brin Wojcicki Foundation.

Video Competition

The WPC 2013 Grand Prize and the WPC People's Choice Award both went to Mr. Andy McDowell from New Zealand with his video Smaller: A Poem about Parkinson's.

But did you know that four other videos were also recognized by the Video Competition judges and the global Parkinson's community for their creativity and stories.

Power Forward by Brian Grant (USA) was awarded the First Prize. The Second Prize winners (it was a tie!) were To the Givers of Care by Larry Schneider Jr. (USA) and Something Inside So Strong by
Margaret Mullarney (Ireland). The accomplishments of both Second Prize winners was picked up by the media! Read this article from the South Jersey Times on Larry and The Irish Times on Margaret and the Voices of Hope Choir which she started after attend the WPC 2010 in Glasgow.

You can still view all the video submissions for the WPC 2013 Video Competition on our YouTube page. These videos add great awareness about Parkinson's globally and every story adds value to the ongoing discourse about Parkinson's.

Thank you to all the submitters of the video competition for sharing your story with us! And remember... it's never too early to start thinking about your submission for the WPC 2016 Video Competition.

WPC in the News

Under the leadership of Marjie Zacks, the WPC 2013 Communications Committee Chair, and to our many friends in the community, news about the Congress was picked up by my many major media sources and continues to come out even now.

You can read every single news story on our "WPC in the News" page on our website. If you notice something is missing from our list, please email to at info@worldpdcongress.org with a link to the article and we'll add it to the growing list.

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Please share this WPC eNEWS with another person! We look forward to seeing you in Portland, Oregon at the WPC 2016.