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Dear Friend:

As the 3rd World Parkinson Congress draws closer, many details of this monumental meeting are falling into place. The biggest component to have recently been completed is the program and selected speakers for the WPC 2013! A special thank you is deserved for our program committee members who worked tirelessly on the 2013 program.

WPC speakers come from 26 countries and are experts in such a broad range of areas that matter to Parkinson’s. This "intersection" of some of the best and brightest neuroscientists, geriatricians, neurologists, rehab scientists, people with Parkinson’s, nurses and others creates a unique meeting space. We believe this group of distinguished speakers will not only educate you, but inspire you.

Dr. Carlos Cosentino from Peru and Dr. Anne-Louise Lafontaine are ready to meet you in Montreal next year.

The WPC 2013 Video Competition has opened. Be a part of the WPC legacy. Share your story.

Sacha Whitehead, of Australia (right), is hard at work making her video. She (and apparently her shadow) will see you in Montreal!

Our newest supporter, the National Parkinson Foundation, has come on board as a proud Silver Sponsor of the WPC 2013. We are honored to have their support. We can only succeed with the full support of the community. If your company or organization would like to support WPC 2013, please contact Marie Lou Coupal at secretariat@worldpdcongress.org.

We have received great proposals for Renewal Room sessions, but we would love more! If you have a talent or skill you'd like to share in the Renewal Room in Montreal, learn more about your options for doing this on our website.

See you in Montreal!

World Parkinson Coalition welcomes its newest partners, the World Confederation for Physical Therapy, Rock Steady.

2013 Video Competition

(Click image to learn more)
The 2013 Video Competition is now OPEN. The WPC invites you to share your experience with Parkinson's by submitting a video.

We are asking all members of the Parkinson's community including people with Parkinson's, scientists, neurologists, caregivers, family members, foundation staff and others to share your story.

Need inspiration for your submission? Take a look at 2010 video competition entries here.

Tell your story. Submit your video here.

Parkinson's Buddies Program

The WPC and Parkinson Society Canada are proud to announce a new initiative for the WPC 2013, the Parkinson's Buddies Program. This program will match WPC registrants with Parkinson's (those who have signed up to attend the WPC in Montreal 2013) with people with Parkinson's from Canada who plan to attend. Buddies will be matched based on common interests.

We hope this program will foster global communication and camaraderie between WPC delegates before the meeting starts!

Learn about Parkinson's Buddies Program

Ambassador Highlight: Bob Kuhn

Bob Kuhn is the founding partner of Kuhn LLP, a medium-sized law firm in Vancouver and Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada.

Bob was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in early 2006 at the age of 53. It is Bob's passionate commitment to live positively despite the challenges. He continues to work full-time in his law practice, write a blog, "Positively Parkinson's" (www.positivelyparkinsons.com) and speaks on that topic whenever possible. Bob traveled around the globe earlier this year visiting 15 countries on his "Shake Up My World" tour where he met with Parkinson's groups and learned about Parkinson's all while promoting the WPC 2013 and encouraging them to attend.

Read more about Bob's “Shake Up My World” Tour in his interview in the eParkinson Post, the online publication by WPC Partner and local host, Parkinson Society Canada.

Learn more about all the WPC 2013 Ambassadors. Invite Bob to meet with your group or Skype your group to talk about the WPC. Connect with Bob at bob@worldpdcongress.org.
Discover the next breakthrough: register for AD/PD 2013

The *International Conference on Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s Diseases* and related neurological disorders will attract the world’s leading professionals. The meeting is at the forefront of unraveling the mechanisms and improving the treatment of neurodegenerative diseases.

Secure your space and [register today](http://www.worldpdcongress.org/general/opt.asp?e=@@email@@).

Deadline to save on registration: **December 11, 2012**