Recently Completed and Ongoing Projects of JMFOA - NA







- **♦**Furnishing the lecture Hall.
- ♦ Students Scholarships.
- **♦** Library Project.
- ◆ Contribution to the Dean's fund.
- ◆ Fund to create web site for JMF.

 (http://www.jfn.ac.lk/med/)
- ♦ Funding Neonatal ICU at Jaffna Teaching Hospital.
- ◆ Participation with JMFOA- UK Visiting Lecture Programs at JMF
- ◆ Support to Hari Children's Home in Batticaloa.

06. February. 2012

Acknowledgment for the clinical lecture hall project

Supported by the JMFOA

On behalf of Faculty of Medicine, University of Jaffna I would like to express my heart full gratitude and appreciation to the JMFOA specially the New Zeeland and North American chapters for their enormous support to furnish our clinical lecture hall located in the medical student hostel building.

A well-equipped clinical lecture hall near by the JTH was a long-term need of the faculty. Because, only a small room at the Teaching Hospital Jaffna has been used as a lecture hall for long time.

Although the present lecture hall was constructed by the university in the medical student hostel building for the use of medical students it was not furnished due to the inadequate funding. When this request was proposed by the local ALUMNI, JMFOA has kindly accepted the request and shouldered the whole responsibility to furnish this lecture hall to its fully flagged condition within a very short time. As a result now the above empty lecture hall is converted into a fully furnished air-conditioned lecture hall with all the necessary audio video equipments. The total cost for this project was 3.7 million Sri Lankan Rupees.

Since this lecture hall is located just in front of the JTH, consultants and the doctors from JTH are comfortably organizing their lectures and case discussions in this lecture hall. As this lecture hall can accommodate more than 150 students it is also utilized by the JMA to organize the medical related seminars, workshops and popular talks very frequently.

In January this year Sri Lanka Medical Association conducted a seminar for doctors in Jaffna as a part of their regional conference in Collaboration with JMA in this lecture hall. After this the faculty has decided to lend this hall for similar purpose for JMA free of charge and a nominal fee for other organization.

We are so proud of our graduates who are the members of the JMFOA for serving their Alma Mater. The entire Jaffna medical community will be obliged for the support of JMFOA in this regard.

Prof.K.Sivapalan, Dean, Faculty of Medicine University of Jaffna, Sri Lanka





JMFOA- North America 8th AGM July 21, 2012 Los Angeles, California, USA

Venue

Holiday Inn, Buena Park Hotel and Conference Center 7000, Beach Blvd. Buena Park, CA 9062

Morning Session:

7.30 am-8am: Registration

8am-8.15am: Introduction

8.15am-12.30pm: CME session

12.30pm-1.30pm: Committee Meeting/ Election of Members

Evening Session:

6pm-6.30pm: Registration

6.30pm-7pm: Dance, courtesy by Los Angeles Members

7pm-8pm: AGM

8pm-8.30pm: Bollywood Dance, courtesy by LA Members

8.30pm- 9.30pm: Dinner

9.30pm-1.00 am: Dance / DJ and Live Music



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CME/ Scientific Session

This live activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the Medical Education Council of Pensacola (MECOP) and Jaffna Medical Overseas Alumni (JMFOA). The MECOP is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for the physicians. The MECOP designates this live activity for a maximum of 12 AMA/PRA Category I Credit TM(s). Physicians only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation activity.

July 21, 2012 (Los Angeles, CA)

8.15am- 9.15am:

"Evaluation of Chest pain in community settings in the UK." **K.Ranjadayalan**, M.D, FRCP, Consultant Physician and Cardiologist, Newham University Hospital, NHS trust, UK

9 15am- 10 15am·

"Non Cardiac Chest Pain: Remains a challenge as ever!" **R.Mathialagan**, M.D, FRCP, Consultant Physician and Gastroenterologist, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, NHS trust, Kings Lynn, UK

10.15am- 10.30am:

Coffee Break.

10.30am-11.30pm:

"Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation and Chain of Survival: Implications in Developing Countries." S.Sujanthy Rajaram, M.D Critical Care Medicine, Cooper University Hospital, Camden, NJ

11.30am-12.30am:

"Current Concept and management of Varicose Veins." Ram. Ravichandran, M.D., Consultant Physician, Fairview Hospital, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

July 23, 2012 (Alaska Cruise- Princes Star)

10am- 11am:

"Understanding the Disorders of Circadian Rhythm." **S.Sujanthy Rajaram**, M.D Critical Care Medicine, Cooper University Hospital, Camden, NJ

11am- 12pm:

"GI potpourri" **R.Mathialagan**, M.D, FRCP, Consultant Physician and Gastroenterologist, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, NHS trust, Kings Lynn, UK

July 25, 2012 (Alaska Cruise- Princes Star)

10am-11am:

"What do we know about osteoporosis in men?" **Ram Ravichandran**, M.D, Consultant Physician, Fairview Hospital, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

11am- 12pm:

"Management of End Stage Renal Failure: an update." **S.Anandasivam, M.D**, Consultant Physician and Nephrologist, Harlingen, TX.

July 27, 2012 (Alaska Cruise- Princes Star)

10am- 11am:

"Controversies in Chronic Proton Pump Inhibitors." **Malathy Varatharajah**, M.D, Consultant Physician, Mercy Hospital, Fairfield, Cincinnati, OH

11am- 12m:

"Evaluation of Dementias. What should primary care providers know."

T.Nandakumar, M.D, Consultant Neurologist, NY

July 28, 2012 (Alaska Cruise- Princes Star)

10am- 11am:

"Approach of Parkinson's Disease for non neurologists."

T.Nandakumar, M.D., Consultant Neurologist, NY

11am- 12pm:

"Urinary Incontinence: the right approach of this common problem!" Anusuya Nagarajah, M.D, Consultant Physician and Geriatrician, NJ



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Editor's Message...

Members, their families, and well wishers!

It has been almost 8 years since we started this organization in North America. Now we are proud to see its successful expansion to other parts of the world with one goal in mind. That is helping our Alma- Mater. This was only possible because of your valuable contributions, which was very much appreciated by all. As you know the pillar of success in maintaining an organization is having a healthy membership. Therefore help us recruit more members with their continuous support to achieve our goal.

Thank You.

Andy Somesan,

Editor. JMFOA- NA

From the President's Desk...

I'm very proud of our organization for having the 8th AGM in Los Angeles, California tonight. I thank the organizing committee, which worked tirelessly to make this event a memorable and successful one.

Over the past eight years, JMFOA has maintained its intended goal as a non-profit, nonpolitical organization by dedicated team of volunteer members who worked very hard with utmost passion. As you all know, we have already made several meaningful contributions to benefit our alma mater as outlined on next page in this brochure.

JMFOA has now chapters all around the world including North America, United Kingdom, New Zealand, and Australia. These chapters are actively participating to provide support to our medical faculty not only through individual projects but also international collaboration with several organizations.

As we move forward, I call upon all the chapters to strengthen their bonding and working relationship to raise the Jaffna Medical Faculty to a world-class institution. We can achieve this goal by bringing more alumni into the organization, garnering their support and utilizing their expertise. And tonight, please join me to celebrate this special occasion of friendship with food, music and dance.

Norman Alfret, President, JMFOA (North America)



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