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Mission/Vision of Allergists for Israel

Allergists for Israel was founded in 1985 and the evolving vision of our group is to:

1. Develop camaraderie by the gathering (nationally and internationally) of Allergists/ Immunologists and other supporters of allergy in Israel at national Academy and College allergy meetings.
2. Provide financial support for Israeli allergy fellows for scholarly activities.
3. Establish a network of North American and Israeli Allergists/Immunologists so that we can communicate internationally and meet in the United States and Israel every few years.
4. Develop linkages between American and Israeli Allergists/Immunologists by sponsoring American allergists to visit and speak in Israel.

AFI Mini-Fellowships

To apply as a center willing to accept Israeli fellows please contact Jonathan Bernstein at Jonathan.Bernstein@uc.edu. This is an extremely gratifying opportunity as it provides the opportunity to develop close relationships with Israeli allergists through academic and social exchange. AFI currently provides a \$3,000 stipend for a three week rotation. It is recommended to coordinate these rotations around a AAAAI meeting as the stipend helps for travel expenses. The letter from one of our recent AFI mini-fellowship awardees elegantly summarizes great experience our Israeli colleagues have when they come to the US.

Dear AFI members,

I am a clinical allergist and most of my patients are from the Western Galilee. Two months ago I returned from the mini-fellowship generously granted by AFI. It was really a wonderful and interesting experience for me to watch the clinical practice of a high standard university hospital and private clinics with the most modern technical devices and to see also how another medical care system works. I had the opportunity to see some different approaches to problems which I face as well in my clinic and those which can fit my patients and our system I will of course adopt. Not only was the professional aspect wonderful but it was also an exciting experience to be with Professors Leonard, David and Jonathan and their charming families. They really gave me the feeling of being among good friends. My mini-fellowship in Cincinnati, Ohio completely fulfilled the AFI goals which were to strengthen the friendship between American and Israeli allergists and to help us to be better physicians. I want to thank all AFI members for the grant and my hosts for the great time I had with them. It will be my pleasure to have any one of the AFI members as my guests and to show you the beautiful region I live when you visit Israel.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Nusem

AFI Annual Dinner Event

The AFI annual event at the AAAAI meeting in Washington D.C. was held at the Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, the First Hebrew Congregation which was founded in 1852. The event had over 200 attendees and highlighted **Dr. Michael Kaliner**, Chief Medical Director of the Institute for Asthma and Allergy, who spoke on “Asthma: New Ideas From An Old Observer,” Mr. Martin Peled-Flax, a diplomat with the Israeli Embassy in Washington, and our keynote speaker was Dr. Charles Krauthammer, the Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist from the *Washington Post*, who spoke on the events leading up to the current political chaos surrounding Israel. The evening was hosted by **Dr. Daniel Ein** and **Dr. Michael Kaliner**.



Martin Peled-Flax



Dr. Charles Krauthammer

2009 Israel Association of Allergy and Clinical Immunology Meeting

This year's IAACI meeting will be held in Canaan SPA hotel in Zefad, Israel October 29–31, 2009. AFI is sponsoring a keynote speaker, **Dr. Amy Pallar**, from the Department of Dermatology, Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine, an expert in Atopic Dermatitis. All are invited to attend.

AFI Event at this Year's WAO Event in Buenos Aires, Argentina

For anyone attending this year's WAO meeting in Buenos Aires, Argentina, **Dr. Edgardo Jares** will host an AFI sponsored cocktail party at the Museum of the “Templo Libertad”, where the first Argentinean Synagogue was erected. The event will be held December 9 from 7 p.m. For more information, contact Edgardo Jares at edgardo.jares@gmail.com.

Join us on Facebook

Facebook began as the hottest thing among the college-age population, but it has now become just as popular now among teens and adults. Although it is called “social networking,” there is a huge and growing professional component to it as well. It is truly a graphic representation of “six degrees of separation.” People use it to connect, interact and keep in touch with their friends. It is also a quick and informal way to keep in touch with colleagues, or advertise events that is being used by the ACAAI as well.

Since Allergists for Israel strives to reach our members through various ways, we'd like to announce that we now have a Facebook page. We already link to our web site and post events. In the future we may post photographs and other information there as well. Now, you don't even have to leave Facebook to find us — please join us today and join the Allergists for Israel group. You can search for “Allergists for Israel” within Facebook, or go directly to our Facebook Group at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=52393390016>



2009 AAAAI Annual AFI Dinner



2009 AAAAI Annual AFI Dinner (continued)



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AFI dinner in Tel Aviv, August 2009 and at the Kineret



Locations of Allergy Training Programs in Israel



Academic Training Centers

Haifa:

"Rambam" Medical Center
 Prof. Shimon Pollack
pollack@rambam.health.gov.il

Kfar Saba:

"Meir" Medical Center
 Dr Arnon Goldberg
arnong@clalit.org.il

Petach Tikva:

"Schneider" Medical Center
 Prof. Yehuda Danon
ydanon@clalit.org.il

Tel Aviv:

"Sourasky" Medical Center
 Prof. Shmuel Kivity
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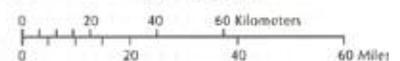
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- District center
- Railroad
- Expressway
- Road
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Organization _____

Street Address _____

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E-mail _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

Spouse/Partner's Name _____

Hobbies/Affiliations _____

Member since _____ Areas of interest _____

Please let us know what you are interested in seeing Allergists for Israel achieve. Your comments and suggestions will help us to improve our organization.

Our primary mode of communication will be e-mail since it is easy to use and inexpensive. Please let us know if you would rather be contacted via an alternate method. Phone Fax

2010 annual dues are \$118. Please include a check payable to ALLERGISTS FOR ISRAEL with your completed form or provide your credit card information below.

Visa MasterCard

Account number _____ Expiration date _____

Signature _____

For questions or comments, please contact Beth at afiadm@gmail.com
Please visit our website at: www.allergists4israel.org
Membership dues may be paid on line through Paypal by visiting our website

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.

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