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Marcé Society Newsletter

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Sheraton Station Square
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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
United States of America

Redesigned the Marcé Society Website

We are pleased to announce that we have recently redesigned the Marcé Society website and encourage you to visit and access new resources including recent articles with research findings, information on the upcoming October Marcé meeting in Pittsburgh, lecture slides, an updated membership directory, and much more. Additionally, you may also view the website now in different languages. You simply click on your language in the center column of the home page just under the promotional statement for the 2010 meeting. Visit the Marcé Society website here:

<http://www.marcesociety.com/>

We invite you to contribute to the new section on resources for members, clinicians, patients, and their families:

<http://www.marcesociety.com/References.aspx>

Please send any relevant articles, reports or links to:

info@marcesociety.com

MedEDPPD Survey

MedEDPPD is conducting a survey on depression treatment decisions of women of 18-44 years of age, and who are either pregnant or have recently given birth. The survey is anonymous and participation is voluntary.

Dr. Sapana Patel (who works with Dr. Katherine Wisner on this project!) is the principal investigator of the study and will answer any questions about the study or participation.

Take the survey here:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BL5CX CZ>



PSI's Annual Silent Auction

The following is taken from the PSI Annual Silent Auction announcement correspondence.

August 13, 2010

With the annual conference fast approaching this coming October in Pittsburgh, your help is needed for a successful PSI's Annual Silent Auction. The Silent Auction offers an opportunity to "Eat, Drink, and Be Merry" during the evening Banquet on Friday October 29th. As in past years, we are asking for interesting, artistic items or useful services. We need your charitable contribution to make this a fun and successful event!

Please contribute a piece of art, jewelry, a weekend at your beach or ski house. Be creative or team up to provide a wonderful basket of goodies! Also, consider contacting a friend in business who might have something worthwhile to donate. Last year, someone donated a Satellite TV service for one year. Salon and massage services and restaurant gift cards also are all outstanding auction items.

Please help us make the Silent Auction a success. If you would like to serve on the Silent Auction committee, your help is most welcome.

Your contributions are vital to our success. Thanks in advance!

For donation forms, please email
lklempner@verizon.net, or
nuhferec@upmc.edu

Best regards,

Linda Klempner, Silent Auction Chair



Stroller Strides: Mornings at the Marcé 2010 Conference

Stroller Strides is a total fitness program for moms and babies. It uses power walking and body toning and a stroller. Taught by specially trained instructors, sessions will take place on two mornings during the Marcé 2010 Conference.

Morning walks and exercise will take place Wednesday October 27th, and Thursday, October 28th at 7am until 9am.

Weather permitting; meet Adrienne Griffen of Stroller Strides at Lobby Entrance of the Sheraton at Station Square. Adrienne will have a shirt on marked "Stroller Strides."

For more information on Stroller Strides, visit their website:

<http://www.strollerstrides.com/>



Amur tiger cub at the Pittsburgh Zoo



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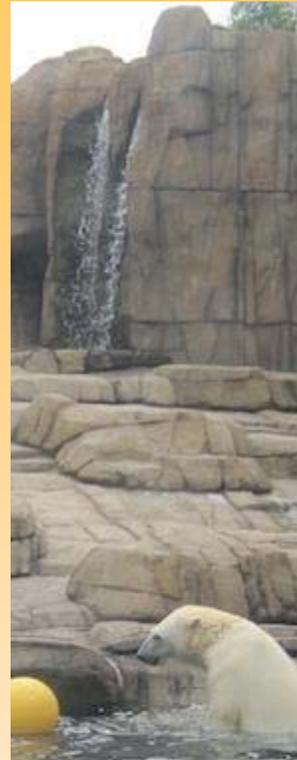
A warm thank you goes to Birgitta Wickberg of Sweden, a member of the Marcé Executive Committee. After 20 years, she will retire in November 2010. The Marcé Society wishes you well.

Marce Society International Conference 2010: Pittsburgh

Lions and tigers and bears . . . oh my! There are many places to visit while in Pittsburgh for the 2010 Marce Society International conference, one being the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium.

Learn more about the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium here:

<http://www.pittsburghzoo.com/>



Marcé members! Join the Debate!

Will postpartum depression disappear from DSM-5?

Affirmative: The ‘with postpartum onset’ qualifier for major depressive disorder should be included in DSM-5.

Negative: The “with postpartum onset” qualifier is not supported by research and should not be included in DSM-5.

Note: the debate is for unipolar major depressive disorder only, not bipolar disorder. I am constructing a position paper on the Affirmative, but Negative opinions are just (maybe even more!) helpful!

We will have an excellent lecture on this topic given by Ellen Frank, Ph.D., at the October meeting of the Marcé society in Pittsburgh, PA!

May I suggest that you use the Robins and Guze (1970) criteria (<http://ajp.psychiatryonline.org/cgi/reprint/126/7/983>) to frame your responses to this debate? Feel free to add any other material you believe to be relevant. The question is whether there is enough research evidence to support that depression with postpartum onset is substantially different from depression at any other point in a woman’s life.

- (1) Clinical Descriptors.
- (2) Physical/Neurological Features and Laboratory Evaluations.
- (3) Family History.
- (4) Treatment Response.
- (5) Predictive Validity.

Please send comments to Dr. Katherine Wisner, WisnerKL@upmc.edu by Friday, September 17, 2010. THANK YOU!

