Overview of the Collection

**Col** Storrs, Frances J. (Fran)
**Title** Frances J. Storrs dermatological lantern slide collection
**Dates** undated
**Quantity** 6 linear feet, (one filing cabinet of glass lantern slides)
**Collection Number** 2011-009
**Summary** Frances Storrs is an internationally recognized contact and occupational dermatologist. This collection of lantern slides is currently unprocessed.
**Repository** Oregon Health & Science University, Historical Collections & Archives
OHSU Historical Collections & Archives
Oregon Health & Science University
3181 SW Sam Jackson Park Rd. MC:LIB
Portland, OR
97239
Telephone: 503-494-5587
hcaref@ohsu.edu
**Access Restrictions** There are no restrictions on access. This collection is open to the public.
**Languages** English

Historical Note

Now an internationally recognized contact and occupational dermatologist, Frances Storrs came to her profession almost by chance -- and by following the example of her parents, who were family physicians in Spokane, WA.

"They set high expectations and asked only that I be self reliant. There was no pressure to be a physician, and I wasn't sure I wanted to become a doctor. But I was one of only seven women in medical school, and I decided I was going to succeed in medicine."

Succeed she did, blazing a trail as the first female resident to be accepted in the Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) dermatology program. On the strength of her passion and dedication, she became a prominent member of the medical faculty and expert in her field, contact dermatitis. As a clinician she has been hailed for discovering new workplace allergens and new ways of treating contact dermatitis.

As Professor Emerita of Dermatology at OHSU, Storrs is distinguished among generations of medical students for her unwavering commitment to their education.

Nominated her as a Local Legend of Medicine, Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR), praised Storrs for her "dedication as a mentor and educator of medical students, dermatology residents and physicians. Her
enduring allegiance to ethical behavior, her industrious challenge of what is known and her unmatched enthusiasm makes her a true Local Legend."

Among the more than 30 awards Storrs has received over her career are the American Academy of Dermatology's (AAD) Master Dermatologist Award, the OHSU Humanism in Medicine Award, the City Club of Portland's Citizen of the Year, the American Contact Dermatitis Society's Alexander Fisher Lectureship Award, and the AAD's highest honor, the Gold Medal.

In recognition of her lifetime in dermatology, including helping to found its mentorship program, the Women's Dermatology Society bestowed its most prestigious honor, the Rose Hirschler Award, on Storrs. The society's mentorship program has since become a model for similar mentorship programs in dermatology.

Widely published and a sought-after lecturer on contact dermatitis, Storrs focuses particularly on mentoring residents and students in medicine. In addition to her countless contributions to medicine as a teacher and clinician, Storrs has been dedicated to bettering the Portland community, and has served as president of the City Club of Portland.

"I would like to be remembered for my research in allergens and my teaching and mentoring in medical school," she commented. "But mostly I'm more pleased than anything that I've been able to have a professional life that worked well with my private life. It's given me a chance to put my family first. And they remain central to my life."

MILESTONES 1968 Appointed Fellow in Dermatology (1968), Professor of Dermatology (1981), Professor Emerita of Dermatology (1997), Oregon Health & Science University, Portland, OR

1980 President, Oregon Dermatology Society

1984 Member, American Academy of Dermatology Board of Directors (1984-1987; Executive Committee, 1985--1987)

1995 President, American Contact Dermatitis Society

2001 Named Citizen of the Year by City Club of Portland

2003 Receives American Academy of Dermatology Master Dermatologist Award

2008 Receives American Academy of Dermatology’s Gold Medal (highest award)

BORN 1939

MEDICAL SCHOOL Cornell Medical College, New York, NY

SPECIALTY Dermatology

Sub Specialty Contact Dermatitis

LOCATION Oregon

Website: http://www.nlm.nih.gov/locallegends/Biographies/Storrs_Frances.html ; accessed 2011-8

Content Description

This collection is unprocessed. Please contact HC&A to inquire about the contents.
Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

OHSU Historical Collections & Archives (HC&A) is the owner of the original materials and digitized images in our collections, however, the collection may contain materials for which copyright is not held. Patrons are responsible for determining the appropriate use or reuse of materials. Consult with HC&A to determine if we can provide permission for use.

Preferred Citation

Frances J. Storrs dermatological lantern slide collection, Collection Number 2011-009, Oregon Health & Science University, Historical Collections & Archives

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Frances J. Storrs, MD transferred the materials to the OHSU Historical Collections & Archives in July of 2011.

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms:
Dermatology

Form or Genre Terms:
lantern slides

Karen Peterson
2011

http://creativecommons.org/publicdomain/zero/1.0/

About Creative Commons Licenses in Archives West:
http://archiveswest.orbiscascade.org/cc-zero.shtml