The Twenty-First Annual
Ulrich Ollendorff, MD
Lecture

5 p.m. | Thursday, March 29, 2018

Guest Speaker
Paul Sternberg, Jr., MD
Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

Edward S. Harkness Eye Institute
Gloria and Louis Flanzer Amphitheatre, 7th Floor

Past Ollendorff Lecturers

1998 | William Tasman, MD
1999 | Sheffer Tseng, MD, PhD
2000 | Stephen M. Drance, OC, MD
2001 | Neil R. Miller, MD
2002 | Burton J. Kushner, MD
2003 | Harry Flynn, Jr., MD
2004 | Richard K. Parrish, II, MD
2005 | Hilel Lewis, MD
2006 | Elias L. Traboulsi, MD
2007 | Bartly J. Mondino, MD
2008 | David W. Parke, II, MD
2009 | David Huang, MD, PhD
2010 | Emily Y. Chew, MD
2011 | William Aylward, FRCS, FRCOPHTH, MD
2012 | Paul A. Kaufman, MD
2013 | Leonard A. Levin, MD, PhD
2014 | Carmen A. Puliafito, MD, MBA
2015 | Stanley Chang, MD
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The Ulrich Ollendorff, MD Lectureship was established in 1997 to honor this physician’s remarkable career as an eye doctor in Washington Heights. The annual lectureship was endowed by a gift from his son, Stephen, and his daughter-in-law, Bjorg.

Dr. Ollendorff was a German refugee who came to the United States with his family in 1939 when the Nazi regime forced him to leave academia. He had graduated from Medical School and had become professor of ophthalmology at the University of Breslau (now the University of Wroclaw, Poland). After restoring his professional credentials in the United States, Dr. Ollendorff opened an Ophthalmology practice in Washington Heights that became legendary for its quality of care. He held admitting privileges at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital and at Wadsworth Hospital, where he performed eye surgery several times a week. At the time, Jewish doctors did not practice at Columbia-Presbyterian.

Dr. Ulrich Ollendorff retired in 1986 at the age of 80 after treating more than 300,000 grateful patients. Everyone in Washington Heights knew my father, recalls his son, Stephen Ollendorff, “He generated enormous respect within his community.” Dr. Ollendorff died on December 29, 1998 at the age of 92.

PROGRAM

“Patient Satisfaction and Clinical Professionalism: New Priorities in Practice Management”

4-4:30p.m. Refreshments
John M. Wheeler Library,
Eye Institute, 8th floor

4:30-5p.m. Resident Case Presentations
Gloria and Louis Flanzer Amphitheatre,
Eye Institute, 7th Floor

5-6p.m. Guest Speaker’s Presentation
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Paul Sternberg, Jr., MD
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Assistant Vice Chancellor for Adult Health Affairs
Chief Patient Experience and Service Officer
Chief Medical Officer, Vanderbilt Medical Group

Dr. Sternberg is the G. W. Hale Professor of Ophthalmology and Chairman of the Vanderbilt Eye Institute in Nashville, Tennessee. He is a renowned retinal specialist, who maintains an active academic and research program, studying the pathogenesis of age-related macular degeneration. He has authored more than 250 scientific articles and 30 book chapters, and received research funding from the NIH, numerous foundations, and industry. Dr. Sternberg was recruited to Vanderbilt in 2003, after 18 years on the faculty at Emory University. In 2009, he was named Vanderbilt’s Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs and Chief Medical Officer. In 2014, he was also named Chief Patient Experience Officer.

Dr. Sternberg has a long history of leadership in ophthalmology, highlighted by serving as President of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, President of the Macula Society, and is the incoming Chair of the Board of Governors for the ARVO Foundation.

Dr. Sternberg is married to Gloria Sternberg, and they have two sons, Matthew and Zachary. Dr. Sternberg is the past Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Cheekwood Botanical Garden and Museum of Art in Nashville and serves on the Board of Trustees for Leadership Nashville.