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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our meeting this year will be held in the beautiful Arizona desert at the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort in Tucson. The resort is nestled in the Santa Catalina Mountain foothills above Tucson. The availability of world class amenities including two golf courses, lighted tennis courts, full-service spa, hiking/biking trails, horseback riding, and a playground for youngsters will add to enjoyment for the whole family. The average temperature in January is 51° with highs around 64° and lows around 39°.

The resort is 20 miles from the Tucson International Airport which represents a 35-40 minute drive. There are several options for transportation including a car service which the resort can provide.

The Program Committee, chaired by Dr. Greg Modrall, has organized an outstanding program. There are a wide variety of papers, two case report sessions, and a basic science session. Dr. Chip Sternbergh has assembled an excellent post-graduate course on Wednesday afternoon involving Business Practice Management. Recorder, Dr. Tom Huber, will continue to coordinate the Mock Oral Examinations which take place Wednesday morning. The Distinguished Guest Lecture will be presented by Dr. Fred Weaver who is Professor of Surgery and Chief, Division of Vascular Surgery and Endovascular Therapy at USC. Fred is an outstanding vascular surgeon and I know you will enjoy both his talk as well as his company.

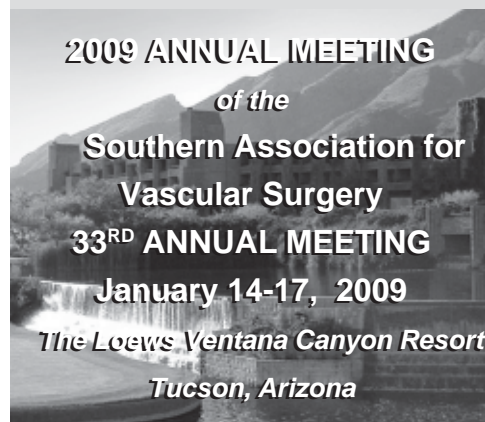
It has been an extraordinary honor for me to serve as President of the SAVS. It is a career milestone for me and something that I will cherish for the remainder of my life. I am proud of the outstanding scientific program and look forward to our 33rd Annual Meeting. The hard work by our Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Spence Taylor, makes this meeting possible and is deeply appreciated. His diligence in organizing the SAVS allows us to enjoy this educational and social opportunity.

I look forward to seeing you in Tucson.



Thomas C. Naslund, M.D.

About the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort...



Join the SAVS at the breathtaking Loews Ventana Canyon Resort for the 33rd Annual Meeting. In addition to an exceptional scientific program, the Resort offers a multitude of activities for you and your guests to enjoy this unique desert area. If you can tear yourself away from spectacular views of the Catalina Mountains, consider the many activities the resort has to offer.

A 7,000-square-foot, full-service spa offering a full range of treatments, recreation and fitness facilities and classes; two 18-hole, Fazio-designed PGA golf courses where you can perfect your swing amidst desert cacti and scenic canyons, the Canyon Course and the Mountain Course feature breathtaking views of the

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33rd Annual Meeting

January 14-17, 2009

Loews Ventana Canyon Resort

Tucson, Arizona

PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009

Scientific Session I

Presiding: J. Gregory Modrall, MD, Spence M. Taylor, MD

Atherosclerotic Renovascular Disease Among Hypertensive Adults
Improved Long-Term Outcomes following Temporary Vascular
Shunting for Wartime Vascular Injury: A Case Control Analy-
sis from the GWOT Vascular Initiative

Dynamic Geometry and Spatial Orientation of the IVC: Risk
Factors for Migration of Vena Caval Filters

Prediction of Long-term Change in Post-EVAR Aneurysm Sac
Size

The Effect of Gender on 30-day Outcomes for Endovascular
Repair of Abdominal Aortic and Iliac Artery Aneurysms

Founders' Award Paper

***Restenosis Following Renal Artery Angioplasty and
Stenting: Incidence and Risk Factors***

Matthew A. Corriere, Matthew S. Edwards, Jeffrey D. Pearce,
Jeanette S. Andrews, Randolph L. Geary, Kimberley J.
Hansen, *Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center*

Scientific Session II

Presiding: J. Gregory Modrall, MD, Spence M. Taylor, MD

Long-term Safety of Renal Vein Division and Ligation to Expedite
Complex Abdominal Aortic Surgery

Should the Standard Duplex Velocities Criteria for the Diagnosis of
Carotid Stenosis be Changed After Carotid Endarterectomy
with Patch Closure: Results from Randomized Carotid Trial

Outpatient Management of Venous Reflux with Radiofrequency
Closure of Incompetent Perforator Veins in a Clinical Practice

Endoleak after Endovascular Aneurysm Repair: Duplex Ultra-
sound is Better than CT at Determining the Need for Intervention

Is Clinical Success After Lower Extremity Revascularization for
Ischemic Tissue Loss Affected by Method of
Revascularization?

Distinguished Guest Lecture

Endovascular Navigation of the Aorta

Fred A. Weaver, MD, FACS
University of Southern California

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2009

Case Reports Panel Discussion I

Moderator: Alan B. Lumsden, MD

Panelists: Samuel R. Money, MD,

Marc E. Mitchell, MD, Marshall E. Benjamin, MD

Management of a Thoracic Endograft Infection Through As-
cending to Descending Extra-Anatomic Aortic Bypass and
Endograft Explantation

Endovascular AAA Repair in Patient with Persistent Sciatic
Artery

Endovascular Treatment of Segmental Renal Artery Aneurysm
Using Neurovascular Technique

Endovascular Repair of a Blunt Traumatic Avulsion of the
Axillary Artery

A Unique Exposure of the Profunda Femoral Artery to Repair a
Popliteal Artery Aneurysm

Spontaneous Splanchnic Dissection: Application and Timing of
Therapeutic Options

Scientific Session III

Presiding: Randolph L. Geary, MD, Spence M. Taylor, MD

Combined Carotid Endarterectomy and Coronary Artery Bypass
Grafting vs. Sequential Procedures: A Retrospective Review
of Outcomes at Our Institution

Incidence and Clinical Significance of Distal Embolization Dur-
ing Percutaneous Lower Extremity Arterial interventions: Re-
sults in 1218 Consecutive Lesions

Predicting Blood Pressure Response after Renal Artery Stent
Placement

Scientific Session IV

Presiding: Randolph L. Geary, MD, Spence M. Taylor, MD

Carotid Angioplasty and Stenting in Anatomically High Risk
Patients: Safe and Durable, Except for Radiation-induced
Stenosis

Mid-Term Durability of a Selected Treatment Algorithm for
Proximal Attachment Site Failure After EVAR

Effect of Hospital Volume on in-Hospital Mortality for Renal
Artery Bypass

Program details and online registration available on the SAVS website: www.savs.org

DEADLINE FOR PRE-REGISTRATION: DECEMBER 15, 2008

Case Reports Panel Discussion II

Moderator: William D. Jordan, MD
Panelists: Karthikeshwar Kasirajan, MD,
Sheila M. Coogan, MD, Stuart A. Harlin, MD

Endovascular Repair of Ruptured Thoracic Aortic Aneurysm with Right Sided Aortic Arch
The Sutureless Anastomosis: A Technique for the Treatment of Circumferential Calcification
Cystic Adventitial Disease of the Popliteal Vein Presenting as a DVT: A Case Report
Successful Repair of a Ruptured Acute Type B Aortic Dissection during Pregnancy
Endovascular Repair of Traumatic Aortic Injury in a Pediatric Patient
Aberrant Vascular Anatomy Contributing to Mesenteric Ischemia

Presidential Address

Thomas C. Naslund, MD *Introduced by: Bruce A. Perler, MD*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2009

Basic Science Session Moderator: Raul J. Guzman, MD

Inflammation and Diminished Omega-3 Fatty Acids Characterize Unstable Carotid Plaques
Implications of the Patterns of G-Protein Expression Induced in Murine Vein Grafts
Suprarenal Aortic Clamping and Reperfusion Above the Superior Mesenteric Artery (SMA-SRACR) and Not Below the SMA (Renal-SRACR) Induces Early Renal Apoptosis
Bioreactor Preconditioning of Endothelium for Bioengineered Vascular Constructs

Special Topics Session

Current Issues in the Treatment of Infringuinal Arterial Occlusive Diseases

Moderator: Scott L. Stevens, MD

Mechanical Thrombectomy and Thombolysis: The Latest Tools and Their Utility for the Vascular Surgeon

Ross L. Milner, M.D.

Stenosis and Restenosis: Prevention and Treatment in the Endovascular Era

Joseph Mills, M.D.

Open and Endovascular Revascularization: What are the Data and Do They Matter?

John F. Eidt, M.D.

MOCK ORALS

Wednesday, January 14 (7:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon)

The format will include three half hour sessions and is based upon that used for the actual Certifying Examination. The Mock Orals are open to the current Vascular Surgery Residents from the programs comprising the geographic regions of the SAVS. Individuals should register early using the Mock Oral Registration Form found on the SAVS website: www.savs.org.

Scientific Session V

Presiding: Scott L. Stevens, MD, Spence M. Taylor, MD

Contralateral Internal Carotid Occlusion Does Not Increase the Periprocedural Risk of Carotid Stenting
Endovascular Management of iliac Rupture During Endovascular Aneurysm Repair: A Single Center's Experience
Feasibility of Office Based Endovascular Practice

Scientific Session VI

Presiding: Scott L. Stevens, MD, Spence M. Taylor, MD

Iatrogenic Injuries of the Common Femoral Artery (CFA) and External Iliac Artery (EIA) During Endograft Placement: An Underdiagnosed Entity
The Impact of Isolated Tibial Disease on Outcomes in the Critical Limb Ischemic Population
Dialysis Access Outcomes in the Era of the Fistula First Initiative
Contemporary Safety Profile of Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis

SAVS POSTGRADUATE COURSE

Practice Management for the Vascular Surgeon
Wednesday, January 14 (12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

W. Charles Sternbergh, III, MD, Presiding

Physician Employment Models For Vascular Surgeons in 2009:

Tips, Trends, and Pitfalls

Jerry R. Youkey, MD

- Hospital employment
- Private practice
- Group practice
- University practice
- Dealing with competition – cardiology

Legal Trends Affecting Vascular Surgeons

Mr. Joseph J. Blake, Jr.

- Stark Laws and designated health services
- Hospital affiliation and the law
- The future of industry sponsored clinical trials
- Compliance issues

Becoming the Freestanding Vascular Hospital: Lessons

Learned, Trends and Pitfalls

Russell Samson, MD

- Maximizing designated health services (freestanding vascular lab, angiography, wound care center, etc.)
- Specialty hospitals
- Joint ventures
- Regionalization

Governmental Trends in the Obama Era: How Will Vascular Surgeons Be Impacted ?

Hugh Trout, MD

- Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement
- Healthcare reform
- Governmental regulation/JACHO regulation
- Pay-for-performance

Optimizing Reimbursement

Sean P. Roddy, MD

- Coding
- Freestanding versus provider base billing
- Practice management optimization

About the Resort (continued from page one)

Sonora Desert landscape; two swimming pools with Jacuzzis; eight lighted tennis courts, hiking, bicycle rentals, croquet court, ping-pong, and basketball.

Mother Nature presents the best late-night entertainment around with her astounding nightly display of stars and planets. Gaze up into Tucson's clear night skies from the comfort of your room, or venture out to experience the beauty of the desert firsthand.

In addition to the numerous on-site activities at our doorstep, other nearby attractions include:

Stroll the resort's own ½ mile paved nature trail and learn the wonders of the

Sonoran Desert.

Over 200 signs line the trail and identify the plants and animals indigenous to the area. On your way around the trail, don't miss the 80-foot waterfall that flows into a babbling brook that joins the major water feature on the golf course.



The legendary **Arizona Sonora Desert Museum** has loaned the resort a permanent display of the rocks, geodes and minerals natural to the Southern Arizona environment. Discover the geometric shapes, colors and textures of minerals like wulfenite, pyrite, and azurite.

Just minutes from the resort is **Sabino Canyon**, an intricate trail system with adventures for all skill levels. Take a trip up to Seven Falls and enjoy the waterfalls or hike the Phoneline trail with breathtaking views of the city below.

In the historic El Presidio District in downtown Tucson, the **Tucson Museum of Art** features original and traveling exhibitions including Art of the American West, Art of the Americas as well as modern and contemporary art.

Shopping opportunities include: **Old Town Artisans** through the downtown historical Presidio feature shops that reflect the area's cultural arts and history. **Plaza Palomino** offers wonderful boutiques, salons and restaurants. **4th Avenue** shopping district features over 100 restaurants and shops. **La Encantada**, an elegant and upscale outdoor mall, is just minutes away.



2009 Annual Meeting Schedule at a Glance

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Mock Oral Exams
12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Postgraduate Course
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Executive Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Welcoming Reception

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009

6:30 a.m.	5K Fun Run
6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Registration
7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Exhibits Open
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Welcome & Introduction
8:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Scientific Sessions
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Spouses/Guest Hospitality
9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Women's Tennis Tournament
10:05 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.	Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Distinguished Guest Lecturer
1:00 p.m.	Hike
1:30 p.m.	Sporting Clays
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	General Reception

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2009

6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Registration
6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Exhibits Open
6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Case Report Panel Discussion I
8:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Scientific Sessions
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Spouses/Guest Hospitality
9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Case Report Panel Discussion II
11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Presidential Address
1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Annual Golf Tournament
1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Men's Tennis Tournament
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	President's Reception
8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	President's Banquet

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2009

6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Registration
6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Exhibits Open
6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Basic Science Session
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Special Topics Session
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Spouses/Guest Hospitality
9:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	Scientific Sessions
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
11:50 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.	Annual Business Meeting

The SAVS reserves the right to change the program at any time.

2009 ANNUAL MEETING

The 33rd Annual Meeting of The Southern Association for Vascular Surgery will be held January 14-17, 2009 at the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson, Arizona. We encourage you to make your airline reservations early in order to secure the best possible fares and itinerary to this beautiful resort.

Postgraduate Course

A postgraduate course will be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 and will focus on Business Practice Management. Registration will be limited. Please see previous page or visit www.savs.org for further details.

Mock Oral Board Examinations

SAVS will again offer Mock Oral Board Examinations during the 33rd Annual Meeting on Wednesday, January 14. The format will include three half hour sessions and is based upon that used for the actual Certifying Examination. The Mock Orals are open to the current Vascular Surgery Residents from the programs comprising the geographic regions of the SAVS. Additionally, any recent graduates from the same programs that have not completed the requirements for Board Certification are welcome to participate. The cost of the examination is \$100, but this fee will be waived for Candidate Members of the SAVS. The Examinations will be limited to 18 participants so any interested individuals should register early using the Mock Oral Registration Form found on the SAVS website: www.savs.org. Any SAVS Members interested in participating in the process as Examiners should contact the Recorder, Thomas S. Huber, MD, thomas.huber@surgery.ufl.edu.

Guests

Members who wish to invite non-member physicians as their guests should contact the office of Spence M. Taylor, MD, Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center, Academic Department of Surgery, 701 Grove Road, Greenville, South Carolina 29605, (864) 455-5795 / staylor2@ghs.org. Invited guests will receive a letter of invitation and the necessary reservation forms, as well as meeting information.

ACTIVE, CANDIDATE, AND CORRESPONDING MEMBERSHIPS

If you wish to sponsor a colleague for SAVS membership, application forms must be requested from the Secretary-Treasurer by the *sponsoring member*.

Qualifications for Active Membership

1. The active membership consists of those surgeons recommended by the Executive Council from the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, DC; 2. Applicants must be certified by the American Board of Surgery and/or the American Board of Thoracic Surgery, with Fellowship in the American College of Surgeons; 3. Applicants must document at least fifty (50) major peripheral vascular reconstructive procedures in each of the three years preceding application, exclusive of residency and fellowship training; 4) The application must be accompanied by letters of sponsorship (1) and endorsement (2) by three members in good standing of the Association. One of these members must be from the Applicant's home state.

Qualifications for Candidate Membership

1. The candidate membership consists of Fellows in approved Vascular Surgery training programs, General Surgery residents accepted into approved Vascular Surgery training programs, or Vascular Surgeons who do not yet meet the requirements for active membership within the region of the SAVS; 2. A letter of sponsorship is required from either the applicant's Program Director or a member in good standing of the Association from the applicant's home state; 3. Candidate membership has a maximum term of five years following completion of training.

Qualifications for Corresponding Membership

1. Corresponding membership consists of those surgeons residing outside the United States recommended by the Executive Council. 2. Applicants must meet the requirements for Active Membership in Article I, Section 5(a) of the bylaws. 3. Certification in Vascular Surgery from the American Board of Surgery or its equivalent is highly desirable. 4. The application must be accompanied by letter of sponsorship (1) and endorsement (2) by three members in good standing of the Association.

All application materials should then be returned to the office of the Secretary-Treasurer, Spence M. Taylor, MD, Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center, Academic Department of Surgery, 701 Grove Road, Greenville, South Carolina 29605.

33RD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SAVS

January 14-17, 2009 / *Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson, Arizona*

Social Events (included in Registration Fee)

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, January 16 / 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Women's Tournament - Thursday, January 15 / 9:30 a.m.

Men's Tournament - Friday, January 16 / 1:00 p.m.

Open to all skill levels, this fun event is a perfect way to mingle with colleagues. Registration is complimentary but required. Please sign up for the tournaments on the registration form.

5K FUN RUN

Thursday, January 15 / 6:30 a.m.

What a better way to start your day than a fun 5K run along the grounds of the beautiful Loews Ventana Canyon Resort. The run will start at 6:30 am in the Sculpture Garden. Enjoy cool refreshments and pick up your official Fun Run T-shirt after you cross the finish line.

HIKE

Thursday, January 15 / 1:00 p.m.

Enjoy the afternoon by hiking up the Ventana Canyon trail and enjoying views of the Santa Catalina Mountains. The Hike will leave from the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort at 1:00 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to wear jeans, boots, and bring a day pack with them.

SPORTING CLAYS

Thursday, January 15 / 1:30 p.m.

Sporting Clays will be held at the Tucson Trap & Skeet Club. Transportation will be provided to and from the Club and participants will receive lunch.

WELCOME RECEPTION

Wednesday, January 14 / 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The Welcome Reception offers a chance to renew old acquaintances and unwind in the Croquet Court and Canyon Cafe located outside the back entrance of the resort.

GENERAL RECEPTION

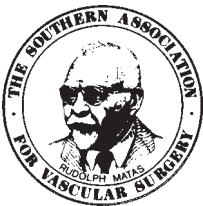
Thursday, January 15 / 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Don't miss the mechanical bull and some great food as we unwind in the Coyote Corral, Wild West style!

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION & BANQUET

Friday, January 16 / 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Please join us for the 2008 President's Reception and Banquet. The evening will begin with a one-hour cocktail reception on the Kiva Patio, followed by a seated dinner and dancing in the elegant Kiva Ballroom.



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