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.

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
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 Analysis 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, Kimberly 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 Ultrasound 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 Ascending 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 During Percutaneous Lower Extremity Arterial interventions: Results 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
SAVS POSTGRADUATE COURSE

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
a. Hospital employment
b. Private practice
c. Group practice
d. University practice
e. Dealing with competition – cardiology

Legal Trends Affecting Vascular Surgeons
Mr. Joseph J. Blake, Jr.
a. Stark Laws and designated health services
b. Hospital affiliation and the law
c. The future of industry sponsored clinical trials
d. Compliance issues

Becoming the Freestanding Vascular Hospital: Lessons
Learned, Trends and Pitfalls
Russell Samson, MD
a. Maximizing designated health services (freestanding vascular lab, angiography, wound care center, etc.)
b. Specialty hospitals
c. Joint ventures
d. Regionalization

Governmental Trends in the Obama Era: How Will Vascular Surgeons Be Impacted?
Hugh Trout, MD
a. Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement
b. Healthcare reform
c. Governmental regulation/JACHO regulation
d. Pay-for-performance

Optimizing Reimbursement
Sean P. Roddy, MD
a. Coding
b. Freestanding versus provider base billing
c. Practice management optimization

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

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

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
Feasability 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

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. Indi-
viduals should register early using the Mock Oral Registration Form
found on the SAVS website:  www.savs.org.
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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

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.
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Social Events (included in Registration Fee)

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

TELEVISION 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.