FROM THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to formally invite everyone to the 38th Annual Meeting of the Southern Association for Vascular Surgery at the Breakers in Palm Beach from January 15 – 18th. The Breakers is among the nicest properties in the country and hardly needs much of an introduction. It is a very elegant hotel in a beautiful setting with all the upscale amenities and world-class shopping only a block away. It is an ideal setting to bring your spouses, significant others, and family for a few days of relaxation and fellowship. I am confident that the service, amenities, and recreational facilities will exceed the expectations of the membership and will contribute to another excellent meeting. Unfortunately, I can’t be quite so confident about the weather, but mid-January in southern Florida is usually nice and a pleasant diversion from the more northern regions of the country. The organization has set aside a large block of rooms to accommodate the anticipated demand, but I would encourage you to book your reservations early given the fact that the Breakers is a very popular destination.

The Program Committee under the guidance of Mo Moursi has put together another stellar program and I am thankful that everyone has continued to submit their best work to the Committee for consideration. The format of the program will be similar to past years and promises to be educational, timely, and engaging. Given the overwhelming success last year, we will again have a poster session, scheduled for Friday morning. This year, the top three posters will be given the opportunity to present at the podium during the Saturday morning session traditionally reserved for the basic science papers. Dr. Gerald Zelenock, the Chairman of Surgery at the University of Toledo and my mentor, will deliver the Jesse E. Thompson Distinguished Lecture and I trust that it will be well received.

I would encourage everyone to arrive a day early and attend the Postgraduate Course addressing both venous disorders and dialysis access. The Continuing Education Committee under the leadership of Greg Pearl has put together another excellent program that addresses some compelling, practical issues that we
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2014

SCIENTIFIC SESSION I

1. Critical Analysis of the Mid-term Results after Chimney EVAR: Cause for Concern
2. Contemporary Indications for Intervention in Patients with Critical Limb Ischemia Fail to Achieve Desired Patient Centered Outcomes
3. Radiation Skin Injury: More Frequent After Complex Endovascular Procedures?
4. "Off-the-Shelf" Devices for Complex Aortic Aneurysm Repair
5. The Utility of the ABI Value as a Screening Test for Disseminated Atherosclerosis

FOUNDERS’ AWARD PAPER

Systems Based Analysis of p27kip1 as the Driver for Pathologic Vein Graft Remodeling
Kenneth DeSart, Khayree Butler, Kerri O’Malley, Zhihua Jiang, Scott Berceli, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

SCIENTIFIC SESSION II

6. Intentional Left Subclavian Artery Coverage During Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair (TEVAR) for Traumatic Aortic Injury: A Quality of Life Study
8. Race and Gender Impact Early Outcomes of Lower Extremity Bypass
9. Upper Extremity Access for Fenestrated Endovascular Aortic Aneurysm Repair is not Associated with Increased Morbidity

THE JESSE E. THOMPSON, M.D.
DISTINGUED GUEST LECTURER
Gerald B. Zelenock
University of Toledo Medical Center, Toledo, OH

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014

MODERATED POSTER SESSION

SCIENTIFIC SESSION III

11. C-reactive Protein and Brain Natriuretic Peptide as Predictors of Adverse Events Following Lower Extremity Endovascular Revascularization
12. The Impact of Personality Type on Objective Ambulatory Measures in Patients with Intermittent Claudication
13. Optimizing Treatment for Chronic Mesenteric Ischemia: A Comparison of Open and Endovascular Repair in a Clinical Decision Model

SCIENTIFIC SESSION IV

14. Carotid Artery Stenting has Increased Risk of External Carotid Artery Occlusion Compared to Carotid Endarterectomy
15. Anatomic Characteristics and Natural History of Renal Artery Aneurysms During Longitudinal Imaging Surveillance
16. EVAR Conversion for Type 1a Endoleak is Not Associated with Increased Morbidity or Mortality Compared to Primary Juxtarenal Aneurysm Repair

CASE REPORT PANEL DISCUSSION

C1. Brachiocephalic Vein Bypass with Sternal Reconstruction for Symptomatic Occlusion
C2. Repair of Mycotic Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysm Following BCG Treatment
C4. Costs of Repair of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm with Different Devices: Results of a Multicenter Randomized Trial

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Professionalism and the Work-life Balance
Thomas S. Huber
University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Program Details and Online Registration available at: www.savs.org
Early Bird Deadlines: November 11 and December 17
SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2014

BASIC SCIENCE/POSTER PRESENTATIONS SESSION
B1. Hormonal Regulation of Lysyl Oxidase in Vascular Remodeling
B2. Third Ranked Poster
B3. Second Ranked Poster
B4. First Ranked Poster

ENDOVASCULAR CASE CONFERENCE
E1. Branched Endograft Repair of an Aortic Stump Aneurysm
E2. Hybrid Repair of an Isolated Left Subclavian Artery Aneurysm Associated with a Right-Sided Aortic Arch
E3. Novel Transcatheter AngioVac Utilization and Endovascular Stent Graft Placement for the Treatment of Symptomatic Primary Thoracoabdominal Mural and Floating Intra-Aortic Thrombus
E4. Coil Embolization of a Ruptured Gastroduodenal Artery Pseudoaneurysm Presenting with Hemosuccus Pancreaticus

SCIENTIFIC SESSION V
17. Selective Endovascular-First Approach for Critical Limb Ischemia Carries Minimal Cost of Worsening Long-Term Outcomes
18. A Multi-institution Series of Hypogastric Preservation During Endovascular Repair of Aneurysms Involving the Common Iliac Artery
19. Role of Cardiac Evaluation Prior to Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair

SCIENTIFIC SESSION VI
20. Retrograde Pedal Access for Patients with Critical Limb Ischemia: Feasibility and Outcomes Over a Three-Year Period
21. The Incidence and Outcome of DVT after Endovenous Laser Ablation
22. Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair for Intramural Hematoma: Safe and Effective Treatment Promoting Aortic Remodeling
23. The Impact of Congestive Heart Failure on the Acute Post Operative Outcomes in Patients Undergoing Lower Extremity Revascularization

POSTGRADUATE COURSE:
Current Therapies for the Treatment of Venous Disease and Dialysis Access
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2014
12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

MOCK ORALS
Wednesday, January 15, 2014

The format will include three half hour sessions and is based upon that used for the actual Certifying Examination. Individuals should register early using the Mock Oral Registration Form found on the SAVS website: www.savs.org.
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all deal with on a daily basis in our clinical practices. I am particularly impressed with the spectrum of topics and the national reputations of the presenting faculty. The Postgraduate Course has evolved into a truly spectacular educational effort that has nicely complemented the traditional meeting program.

The social and sporting program promises to be everything that we have come to expect from our organization. Although the educational programs are spectacular, I think it is the fellowship and the fraternity of the organization along with the social events that sets our group apart from the other vascular societies. The evening receptions should allow time to catch up on old friendships while establishing new ones. There are a variety of nice restaurants associated with the hotel in addition to a number of equally spectacular venues in Palm Beach. This year’s Presidential Dinner will be “black tie optional”, in keeping with the upscale nature of the hotel, so I would encourage you to pack your formal wear.

I have treasured the opportunity to serve as your President this past year and I am committed, along with the Executive Committee, to make this one of the best annual meetings. Our organization has enjoyed a tremendous amount of success in terms of the quality of the annual program, the engagement of the membership, and the commitment of the leadership. Furthermore, we have received a record number of applications for new membership and I am confident that the future of the organization remains very bright. I look forward to seeing everyone in January at the Breakers and am happy to help facilitate another successful meeting in any way possible.

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PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE

The Constitution and ByLaws Committee, with support of the Executive Council, has proposed a change to the ByLaws that will eliminate the restriction placed on the number of Candidate Members allowed. This change will be voted on by the membership at the Annual Business meeting. Copies of the change will be made available at the Annual Meeting. The proposed change is as follows:

ARTICLE I
Section 1. Membership. The membership shall consist of active, senior, honorary, candidate and corresponding members.

Active membership shall be open to 200 members.
Candidate membership shall be open to 100 members.
Corresponding membership shall be limited in number to 25% of the active membership.

2014 Annual Meeting Schedule at a Glance

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2014
6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Registration
7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Mock Oral Exams
1000 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Speaker Ready Room
12:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Postgraduate Course
2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Coffee Break
4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Executive Council Meeting
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Welcome Reception

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014
6:30 a.m. 5K Fun Run
6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. New Members Breakfast
6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Registration
6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Speaker Ready Room
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Exhibits
7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Welcome & Introduction
8:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Scientific Sessions
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Hospitality Suite
10:00 a.m. Women’s Tennis Open Play
10:05 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. Jesse E. Thompson, MD Distinguished Guest Lecture
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. General Reception

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014
6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m Exhibits
6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Registration
6:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Speaker Ready Room
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Moderated Posters
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Scientific Sessions
9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Hospitality Suite
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Case Report Panel Discussion
11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Presidential Address
1:00 p.m. Golf Tournament
1:00 p.m. Men’s Tennis Open Play
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. President’s Reception
8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. President’s Banquet
10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. President’s After Party

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2014
6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Registration
6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Speaker Ready Room
6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Exhibits
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Basic Science/Poster Session
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Endovascular Case Conference
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Hospitality Suite
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. Adjourn
11:50 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. Annual Business Meeting (members only)

The SAVS reserves the right to change the program at any time.
The 38th Annual Meeting of The Southern Association for Vascular Surgery will be held January 15-18, 2014 at The Breakers, Palm Beach, Florida. Details regarding the meeting and hotel registration information may be found online (www.savs.org). We encourage you to make your airline reservations early in order to secure the best possible fares and itinerary.

**Postgraduate Course**
A Postgraduate Course will be held on Wednesday, January 15. The Postgraduate Course will focus on clinically pertinent topics in the areas of venous disease and vascular access. The format will feature expert speakers and panel discussions. The program has been designed to provide the practitioner with practical information that can be applied and used in practice. Registration will be limited. The full program is online at www.savs.org.

**Mock Oral Board Examinations**
Mock Oral Board Examinations will be offered to individuals preparing for the Vascular Surgery Certifying Examination on Wednesday, January 15. Examinees should reside in the states comprising the SAVS region. Interested individuals should visit the SAVS website: www.savs.org.

**Guests**
Members who wish to invite non-member physicians as their guests should contact the office of Eric D. Endean, MD, Department of Surgery, University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center, 800 Rose Street, Lexington, KY 40536-0293, (859) 323-6346 x 243 / edende0@uky.edu. 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, an application form must be requested from the Secretary-Treasurer by the sponsoring member. Completed applications must be received by the Secretary-Treasurer’s office by October 1, 2014 in order to be considered at the January 2015 Annual Meeting. Please note the qualifications for membership as outlined below.

**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 have been in practice for three years, be certified by the American Board of Surgery (ABS) and/or the American Board of Thoracic Surgery, with Fellowship in the American College of Surgeons, and, with rare exception, be graduated from an approved vascular surgery training program and be certified by the Vascular Surgery Board of the ABS;
3. Applicants not certified by the Vascular Surgery Board of the ABS 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 letters 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, Eric D. Endean, MD, Department of Surgery, University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center, 800 Rose Street, Lexington, KY 40536-0293, (859) 323-6346 x 243 / edende0@uky.edu.
WELCOME RECEPTION  
Wednesday, January 15 / 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
The Welcome Reception offers a chance to renew old acquaintances and unwind. Join us on the Odean Lawn. *(Resort Casual)*

5K FUN RUN  
Thursday, January 16 / 6:30 am  
What a better way to start your day than a fun 5K run, with morning temperatures in the 60s. The run will start at 6:30 am. Enjoy cool refreshments and pick up your official Fun Run T-shirt after you cross the finish line.

TENNIS OPEN PLAY  
Women’s Tennis Open Play  
Thursday, January 16 / 10:00 am  
Men’s Tennis Open Play  
Friday, January 17 / 1:00 pm  
Held on the Tennis Courts and open to all skill levels, this fun event is a perfect way to mingle with colleagues.

GENERAL RECEPTION  
Thursday, January 16 / 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Don’t miss the chance to enjoy a cocktail after a day of scientific sessions. Held in Ponce DeLeón 1-3.

GOLF TOURNAMENT  
Friday, January 17 /1:00 pm  
The Golf Tournament will be held at the Ocean Course. A fee will be charged. Please sign up when you register.

PRESIDENT’S RECEPTION & BANQUET  
Friday, January 17 / 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm  
The Reception will be held in the Mediterranean Courtyard and the Banquet will be held in Venetian Ballroom. *(Black Tie Optional)*

PRESIDENT’S AFTER PARTY  
Friday, January 17 / 10:00 pm – 1:00 am  
Continue the celebration and unwind after a night of dancing, with a nightcap in the Mediterranean Courtyard.