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AAES SUMMER NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2013

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Sally E. Carty, MD

Welcome to the Summer AAES Newsletter! In this letter, I send best wishes to all our members, gratefully acknowledge the very hard work of numerous members, and update you about our society's goals and challenges for the coming year.

First off, however, I want to say how very honored I am to be the 34th AAES President. Our society is really growing - not only in size but also in depth and collaborative ties and each member has a great deal to be proud of. AAES is nationally and internationally recognized for adept correct care, integrity, and practical solutions to complex medical problems, and has become one of the most honorable and honored medical societies in the world. In part due to the work of our society, the US has an increasing number of surgical residency programs that have one or several specific endocrine surgery experts on their faculty. We take additional pride in our true enjoyment of each other's company; in AAES we laugh, greet, collaborate, hug - and mean it. Membership numbers continue to grow, and in several new and

exciting categories. Just as in recent years we successfully worked to involve surgical colleagues in related disciplines such as otolaryngology and urology, AAES Council is now considering a bylaws amendment to reach out to physician assistants, CRNPs, and affiliated caregivers. *It's a great time to be a part of this spectacular organization and to get more involved as a member!*

As President two years ago, Ashok Shaha introduced the theme of Endocrine Surgery Family, while last year's theme under Miguel Herrera was Quality and Outreach. It is a rarely seen proof of the vibrancy of our society that just as our senior members stay intimately, joyously, and kindly involved, our young candidate members enthusiastically offer their ideas, time, and verve to the society's goals. As President this year, I humbly hope to continue the senior tradition of advancing our field by honoring our young members with this year's theme which is Education: Teach to Reach.

Almost three quick months have passed since the 2013 AAES Annual Meeting in Chicago, which was truly wonderful due to the hard work of Local Arrangements Chair Peter Angelos. I am personally grateful for his time and trouble, and comments from the meeting attendees were outstandingly positive as well. Peter was assisted with incredible conscientiousness by Nancy Perrier, Mark Cohen, and Nonie Lowry's team from LP, Etc., to whom I am deeply thankful as well.

Since then, we've been very busy indeed! First off, in April 2013 in response to the changing needs of our growing organization, Miguel Herrera appointed a President's ad hoc Management Council, which worked very hard throughout May and June to responsibly identify, interview, and contract with our new society administration company, BSC

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

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Management, Inc. I want to thank Nancy Perrier, who made this happen with outstanding hard work, dedication, and flexibility, and the committee members themselves (Herb Chen, Jerry Doherty, David Farley, Miguel Herrera, Rich Hodin, Barry Inabnet, Carmen Solorzano, Cord Sturgeon, Geoff Thompson and Tracy Wang) for their responsive and very time-consuming work on this effort. BSC is led by Barbara Berci, and her professional, competent team offers great benefits for the society and the volunteer surgeons who serve on AAES' Executive Council and committees. Our new BSC "go to gal" is Executive Director Adeena Bleich and she is already a true and thorough pleasure to work with (please see her article on page 6).

No less importantly, on June 1, 2013 the formal AAES accreditation of endocrine surgery fellowship programs became a reality. Chaired by Barry Inabnet, the Accreditation Committee worked diligently last year to evaluate programs, resulting in accreditation of nineteen existing and five new endocrine surgery fellowship programs in the US, Canada, and Mexico. It's hard to believe how time flies but the *sixth* AAES Fellowship Match will take place next month, and as Chair of the Fellowship Committee, Tracy Wang worked very hard this year not only to initiate a new online application process, but also to spearhead a computerized matching process. Under the capable directorship of Martha Zeiger, the fifth annual Endocrine Surgery University for fellows in training will be held in 2014 in a new form, as a pre-meeting workshop at the AAES Annual Meeting in Boston, from Friday, April 25 to Saturday, April 26, 2014. I thank these Chairs and their committee members for their vision, attentiveness, and goodhearted collegiality on behalf of our society.

In other news, in the culmination of a truly tremendous amount of work this year, Barry Inabnet's CESQIP team is presently implementing the results of program beta testing, anticipating a CESQIP go-live date of Fall 2014. Implemented by the AAES Foundation, CESQIP is an innovative national quality outcomes project for AAES member use (please see Barry's article on page 14). Vice President Julie Ann Sosa has already managed rising numbers of requests for AAES endorsement, and some of the other issues on which we have been working over the summer include updating the AAES Policy & Procedures and Jobs Description documents, holding the annual summer Officers' Retreat (held as a teleconference for the first time!), and forming the brand-new AAES Community-Based Surgeons Committee (CBS) which will be Chaired by Cory Foster.

And when will we meet again? With tremendous vision and capability, Rich Hodin and his team are working very hard on the program and events of the next annual meeting, which will take place in Boston from Sunday, April 27 through Tuesday, April 29, 2014. In response to member suggestions, Rich has designed several creative programs that include a practical workshop on laryngoscopy and cooperative lectures integrated with the concurrent International Thyroid Oncology Group (ITOG) meeting in Boston. Our own Pat Numann, who has just completed her term as ACS President, will be an Historical Speaker, while Kepal Patel is chairing the Program Committee to select the highest quality oral papers and posters for the scientific program. After the traditional golf and tennis events (not to be missed) on Saturday, the educational program will begin Sunday morning, April 27, 2014. The formal scientific program will tentatively convene at noon on Sunday and will close on Tuesday at mid-day, per our usual format. Additionally, after a very successful inauguration last year in Chicago, the second annual Mock Oral examination session for fellows and interested attendees will again be organized by Quan Duh (details to follow). In short, as our annual meeting incorporates more innovative programs and events, the schedule does get fuller, so please plan to arrive by Saturday so as to enjoy and participate in as much as possible with your colleagues. Sites of future meetings will be Nashville with AACE in 2015, Baltimore in 2016, and Portland in 2017.

In conclusion, I would like to express deep thanks to Peter Angelos for a terrific meeting in Chicago, to Nancy Perrier for her amazing hard work, cheerfulness, and vision, to Miguel Herrera for passing on the presidency in thoughtful shipshape order, and to Nonie Lowry for her dedication and adaptability as the society has grown. Please contact me anytime with ideas and questions at cartyse@upmc.edu. Summer is a time of health, relaxation, family, gardening, life, and rejuvenation, and I hope it's going well for you.



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Dedicated to the advancement of the science and art of endocrine surgery and maintenance of high standards in the practice of endocrine surgery.

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USERNAME

AAES Member #

PASSWORD

Last Name

(Case sensitive)

WHO WE ARE

Endocrine Surgery is the discipline of surgical management of endocrine disorders including the understanding of the disease process, technical mastery and comprehensive care of surgical endocrine disease of the neck and abdomen.



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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER



Nancy D. Perrier, MD

I hope that the summer has been as marvelous for all of you as it has been for me. Our family enjoyed a few fanciful weeks at the beach - complete with Vitamin D and time to relax and dig into a long awaited pile of books (happy to share my reading list). I rediscovered the wonderful luxury of rejuvenation! I continue to find great pleasure in serving as Secretary-Treasurer. With renewed energy and verve, it has been great to help establish an updated AAES filing system, protocols, templates and a business model that will hopefully outlive my time in office.

The year has been busy and productive with many exciting developments for the association. I have been busy at work earnestly to certify the bylaws and resolutions of the council and committees of the society. As such, our management council did an internal inventory and needs assessment to ensure that the business aspect of our association moves forward as our membership grows. I'd like to congratulate Nonie and her staff and the many members who have put forth countless hours of work into this society as it has grown. We are no longer a "mom and pop" organization and our need for advanced technologic support to maintain websites, fellowship matches, membership services, meeting organization, registration, teleconferences, fundraising, data services and outreach has expanded. As the business side of the AAES grows, our firm intent remains to maintain "the homegrown" essence of being a group that welcomes and embraces camaraderie and friendship. We love to know each other's professional work but we also love to celebrate each other's accomplishments out of the OR. We have members who are Oprah's selected "Women of the Year" (Tracy Wang); others voted into the River Falls Wisconsin Sports Hall of Fame (David Farley), others who have climbed the Himalayas (Janice Pasieka) and others with dynamic willingness to listen to the heart, close a thriving mainland practice and move to Hawaii (Stacey Woodruff).

These are exciting times for the AAES. With a finger on the pulse, I authentically palpate the themes of our past and current president taking shape as the "family grows, we outreach and educate". Membership and meeting registration is at its record high in our 34 year history. For the first time, we have representation on the American College of Surgeons Board of Governors. We have leadership collaborations with sister societies such as ATA, AACE, ITOG, WTC and the Endocrine Society. Representatives to the ACS, ABS and ATA Surgical Affairs Committee have been working on the society's behalf. Young members are attending other meetings and making AAES connections (WTC and ATA).

Five new training programs have joined our fellowship match (28 programs total) and we continue to see growth and interest from residents and affiliate

members. We are moving forward with a training accreditation process which offers rigor and consistent standards to fellowship training. As such, we have enhanced our management services. We are thrilled to announce Adeena Bleich as our Executive Director. We will now have, under one physical roof, services for IT, membership processes, fundraising, meeting planning and all agendas administrative protocols. We are creating an Association Master Calendar which will house all AAES activities, deadlines, reports, projects and agendas and will be readily accessible to officers and committee members. Better organization and tracking of membership, teams and service will be incorporated into our registration and dues process. A more sophisticated abstract submission process which delineates study design will continue to be refined to help the scientific review team easily identify the best, most original science for the podium. We continue to implement and enhance. We have listened to the member's needs survey. Notice that the website is updated with more patient education resources and surgeon resources such as videos and links. Outcomes teams, joint meetings and quality improvement programs such as CESQIP are underway. We have implemented biannual multidisciplinary teleconferences with participation of more than 24 sites from Canada to Mexico. Young surgeons are banning together with web based portals to discuss complex case scenarios with colleagues and other members.

We will continue to provide electronic feedback to our members. In addition, we are working with the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists to run an overlapping meeting in Nashville, TN in May 2015 and are exploring the possibility of a combined meeting with the British Association of Endocrine Surgeons in Baltimore in 2016.

We are certainly all about effort and we look for ways to improve our growing organization. Always open to ideas, suggestions, critiques, and feedback, please feel free to contact me at nperrier@mdanderson.org. I look forward to introducing all of you to our new Executive Director, Adeena and our dedicated team. She can be reached for all things administrative at adeena@endocrinesurgery.org.

As always, I remain indebted to the professional friends who provide more than their share of guidance, advice, support, backing, camaraderie, laughs and unwavering sustenance, and most importantly friendship - especially to Sally, Herb, Julie Ann, Barry, Miguel and Janice - as I take my turn at steering the ship of this great society. Finally, as Secretary-Treasurer, it is my duty to remind you of some upcoming important dates, so please be aware of the happenings in the sidebar to the left.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

AAES Fellowship Match

Sept 9, 2013

AAES Teleconference

Sept 23, 2013

ACS Post Graduate Course in Endocrine Surgery

Oct 5-6, 2013

AAES Council meeting at ACS

Oct 8, 2013

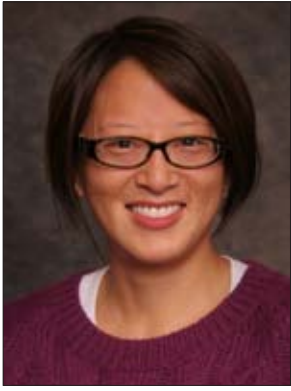
AAES Abstract deadline

Nov 15, 2013

Annual Meeting

April 27-29, 2014

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE



Tracy S. Wang, MD, MPH

The AAES is sponsoring the 2013 Match for clinical fellowship positions starting July 2014. This year, the application process was moved to a centralized electronic platform; the online application process was open from February 1-July 1, 2013 and applicants were contacted by the programs for interviews which were held from May to August this year. For

information about next year's 2014 Match for clinical fellowship positions starting in July 2015, please go to www.endocrinesurgery.org or contact the AAES Headquarters Office (match@endocrinesurgery.org) or Dr. Tracy Wang (tswang@mcw.edu).

2013 FELLOWSHIP MATCH IMPORTANT DATES

REGISTER ONLINE AT
endocrinesurgery.org

September 3, 2013 by 5PM CDT
Applicant and Program rank lists due.

September 9, 2013
Notification of match results.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE



Fiemu E. Nwariaku, MD

As the Membership Committee Chair, I want to say on behalf of the entire AAES leadership that we are excited to welcome all of our new members to AAES! We look forward to engaging with you and working towards continuing our organizational goals. All of our new members now know that becoming a member of AAES takes a great deal of work! We want each of our new members and all of the long timers to keep encouraging other appropriate candidates to join our vibrant organization. In order to help our members do just this, I wanted to refresh everyone's memory of the types of membership categories and some of the rules and deadlines for AAES membership:

AAES Membership Categories for Applicants (full detail on website):

1. Active Membership
2. Allied Specialist Membership
3. Corresponding Membership
4. Candidate Membership
5. Resident/Fellow Membership

To Apply for AAES Membership:

1. Review the current [AAES Bylaws](#) on the website to ensure that you meet the criteria.
2. Identify and contact a [Sponsor](#) who is currently an Active, Senior, Corresponding or Allied Specialist member.
3. Complete the [Online Membership Application](#) and upload all required documentation.
4. One must be in practice for two years to be eligible to apply.
5. Residents/Fellows and Candidates are encouraged to apply online for membership at anytime! Applications for these categories are reviewed and processed on an ongoing basis.
6. All other applications must be postmarked no later than January 31, 2014.

For complete membership information please visit our website at <http://www.endocrinesurgery.org/membership/join.html>. I look forward to working with all of you in continuing to help AAES grow and thrive. **I challenge senior and new members alike to identify at least 2 new qualified members and encourage them to join before we next get together in the Spring for the 2014 Annual Meeting. AAES Onward!**

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

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CURRENT TOTAL MEMBERS BY CATEGORY

Active Members	225
Allied Specialists	13
Corresponding	53
Resident/Fellow	69
Candidate	56
Senior	112
Honorary	10

TOTAL 538



Congratulations to AAES new members who received their certificates at the recent 2013 Annual Meeting in Chicago.

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Shalini Arora
Elmhurst, NY

Tobias Carling
New Haven, CT

Dina Elaraj
Chicago, IL

Elizabeth Grubbs
Houston, TX

Rachel Kelz
Philadelphia, PA

John Porterfield
Birmingham, AL

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Victoria van Fossen
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Kimberly Vanderveen
Denver, CO

Yi-Zarn Wang
New Orleans, LA

ALLIED SPECIALIST MEMBERS

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Snehal Patel
New York, NY

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Seoul, Korea

Dimitrios Moraitis
Athens, Greece

Ivan Paunovic
Belgrade, Serbia

Sam VanSlycke
Aalst, Belgium

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Adeena N. Bleich
AAES Executive Director

I am honored to be working with such a dedicated and collegial group as AAES in achieving the organizations goals. I look forward to meeting as many of the AAES members in person in Boston and other future meetings, but in the meantime, let me tell you a little about myself.

I have a unique combination of non-profit management, and civic and community leadership experience spanning 15+ years. I received my BA in Psychology, from Pitzer College and my Masters in Organizational Management, from Antioch University. In my four years at BSC Management, I have helped my clients with challenges and opportunities as an executive client manager.

I join with Dr. Sally Carty in commending Nonie Lowry and her team at LP Etc., for their dedicated work in growing AAES. I look forward to working with the AAES leadership to continue to manage and direct the necessary processes and tasks to achieve efficiency and success in project and event management, board and fund development, and of course having fun together while achieving the AAES mission!

Working with me to support the efforts of AAES is the phenomenal Erin Vanson, and together with the rest of our team, we look forward to seeing AAES continue to succeed. Please feel free to reach out to us for assistance or just to say hello by email at Adeena@endocrinesurgery.org or erind@endocrinesurgery.org or by telephone at 310.986.6452.

OFFICE OF THE RECORDER



Herbert Chen, MD

I would like to thank the 112 members of the AAES who reviewed manuscripts for the AAES issue of SURGERY. Their names are listed below:

Maria Albuja-Cruz	Clive Grant	James Lee	John Olson	Michael Singer
H. Richard Alexander	Raymon Grogan	Jeffery Lee	Sarah Oltmann	Allan Siperstein
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Adrian Barbul	Elizabeth Grubbs	Virginia LiVolsi	Sareh Parangi	Philip Smith
James Broome	Philip Haigh	Jennifer Marti	Kepal Patel	Samuel Snyder
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Glenda Callender	Avital Harari	David McAneney	Rodney Pommier	Julie Sosa
Denise Carneiro-Pla	Keith Heller	Robert McIntyre	John Porterfield	Cord Sturgeon
Sally Carty	Richard Hodin	Christopher McHenry	Christopher Raeburn	Sonia L. Sugg
John Chabot	James Howe	William Mendez-Latallad	Bryan Richmond	James Suliburk
Jovenel Cherenfant	David Hughes	Rosemarie Metzger	Steven Rodgers	David Terris
Orlo H. Clark	MaryBeth Hughes	Paolo Miccoli	Jennifer Rosen	Stanley Trooskin
Mark Cohen	William Inabnet	Mira Milas	Daniel Ruan	Robert Udelsman
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I would also like to remind AAES Poster Presenters to submit their manuscript to ANNALS OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY at the following link:

<https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/aso>

Please remember to select "AAES manuscript" from the dropdown menu. The first 10 submitted papers will **not have to pay** the manuscript submission fee.

I am always looking for members and endocrine surgery fellows to review manuscripts for both SURGERY and the ANNALS OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY.

Please email me at chen@surgery.wisc.edu if you would like to be an ad hoc reviewer.

Thanks for your support!

AAES STORE NOW OPEN

You may purchase AAES ties, scarves and patient education site business cards online at www.endocrinesurgery.org

Go to **Resources** and then **AAES Store** to make purchases

- AAES Tie - \$36
- AAES Scarf - \$41
- Business Cards (quantity = 250) - \$25

SUMMARY OF THE NEW YORK MASTERS COURSE

William B. Inabnet, III, MD & Herbert Chen, MD



Drawing upon the success of the 1st Annual New York Endocrine Surgery Course, hosted by Mount Sinai Medical Center in December 2012, an annual Masters in Endocrine Surgery Course series is being organized and supported by the American Cancer Society. This will be a series of four courses occurring in three different parts of the USA and in Mexico. Each course will draw upon local expertise with select guest faculty participation from outside the region. This CME activity will cover all aspects of endocrine surgery in detail, including disorders of the thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal, and pancreas as well as neuroendocrine tumors. Hosting locations and institutions include:

1. New York, NY (December 6-7, 2013)
Mount Sinai Medical Center
(William B. Inabnet, III, MD and
Steven Libutti, MD)*

2. Mexico City (March 28-29, 2014)
Venue TBA
(Course chairs TBA)*

3. Chicago, IL (June 13-14, 2014)
Northwestern
(Cord Sturgeon, MD and Herb Chen, MD)*

4. Durham, NC (Sept. 5-6, 2014)
Duke University
(Julie Ann Sosa)*

* *M.I.E.S., Course Chairs*

AAES JOB BOARD

Have a job to post or looking for a position?

We are excited to introduce our brand new AAES Jobs Board co-directors,
Wen T. Shen, MD and Eren Berber, MD

Job postings will now be included in the AAES newsletters (two per year)
For additional job postings, see our job board at www.endocrinesurgery.org



Wen T. Shen, MD



Eren Berber, MD

MEETINGS OF INTEREST

2013 Biannual Endocrine Surgery Multidisciplinary Educational Video-conference

SAVE THE DATE

September 23, 2013

For more information, contact Ashley
Kappes Cayo at AKCayo@mdanderson.org

Association for Academic Surgery (AAS) Fall Courses

October 4-5, 2013

Renaissance Washington, DC
Dupont Circle, Washington, DC

[http://www.aasurg.org/meetings/
fallcourses.php](http://www.aasurg.org/meetings/fallcourses.php)

International Advanced Thyroid Surgery Forum 2013

October 13-14, 2013

Celebration, FL

[https://www.nicholsoncenter.com/news-
events/events/international-advanced-
thyroid-surgery-forum-2013](https://www.nicholsoncenter.com/news-events/events/international-advanced-thyroid-surgery-forum-2013)

83rd Annual Meeting of the American Thyroid Association

October 16-20, 2013

Sheraton Puerto Rico Convention Center
Hotel and Casino

San Juan, Puerto Rico

[http://www.thyroid.org/events/83rd-
annual-meeting-of-the-ata/](http://www.thyroid.org/events/83rd-annual-meeting-of-the-ata/)

2014 84th Annual Meeting of the American Thyroid Association

October 29-November 2, 2014

Hotel del Coronado
Coronado, California

<http://www.thyroid.org/>

For more information, visit
[www.endocrinesurgery.org/
resources/meetingint.html](http://www.endocrinesurgery.org/resources/meetingint.html)

SAVE THE DATE



Richard A. Hodin, MD

Mark YOUR calendar NOW for the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons 35th Annual Meeting, April 27-29, 2014 in Boston, MA. The 2014 Annual Meeting will be held at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel.

There is nothing like springtime in New England! We have an exciting format planned for the meeting with the formal program beginning as usual on Sunday midday and lasting until Tuesday midday. The conference will be held at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel, located right in the heart of the Back Bay, adjacent to the Boston Common, the oldest city park in the USA. The hotel is within easy walking distance to great shopping on Newbury Street and Copley Place and many wonderful restaurants. The welcome reception will be on Sunday evening with the annual banquet Monday evening. The program committee is certain to assemble an excellent scientific program of

oral and poster presentations. Our president, Dr. Sally Carty, is putting together an outstanding historical symposium with top-notch invited speakers. We are planning a variety of great social events including golf, tennis, yoga, and a run along the Charles River. We encourage you to arrive on Friday evening or early Saturday so that you can fully enjoy Boston and participate in the fun events. Depending on schedules, you may even be able to take in a Red Sox game at the one and only Fenway Park. All of my colleagues in the MGH Endocrine Surgery Unit, along with the many other AAES members in Boston, are looking forward to welcoming you to our great city.

Call for abstracts deadline: November 15, 2013

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ENDOCRINE SURGEONS



2014 Annual Meeting

April 27-29, 2014

Boston, Massachusetts
Boston Park Plaza

PROGRAM COMMITTEE



Mark S. Cohen, MD

On behalf of this year's program committee, I would like to thank everyone for participating in this year's annual meeting, making it one of the best scientific meetings to date. This year the abstract deadline was moved up to November 15th and allowed for abstract decisions to be completed in mid December before the holiday rush. The program committee graded 202 abstracts, leading to an exceptional program with 37 oral presentations and 49 poster presentations. In addition to record attendance, the scientific program also set a record with 26 resident/fellow oral papers in the competition for the Best Basic Science and Best Clinical Paper Resident/Fellow awards, up from 18 papers last year.

Competition for the Best-Paper awards was intense as there were many excellent presentations by our residents and fellows at the meeting. The program committee expanded the grading criteria for the Best Paper awards in order to improve the quality and fairness of the grading. As such, the winner of the **Paul LoGerfo Clinical Research Award** for Best Paper by a Resident/Fellow was **Kai-Pun Wong, MD** from the University of Hong Kong for his paper "A Prospective Evaluation of Surgeon-Performed Transcutaneous Laryngeal Ultrasonography in Assessing Vocal Cord Function Before and After Thyroidectomy." The **Basic Science Award** for Best Paper by a Resident/Fellow went to **Scott K. Sherman, MD** from the University of Iowa for his paper "Gastric Inhibitory Polypeptide Receptor: A Future Alternative to Somatostatin Type 2 Receptor Imaging and Treatment in Neuroendocrine Tumors?" Also, the Poster Competition run by Dr. Rebecca Sippel was a notable success, with many of our Past Presidents judging the posters. From this group, the top 5 posters were

presented in a special oral poster session on Tuesday morning and the **Poster Competition Award Winner** was **Sara Murray, MD** from the University of Wisconsin for her poster titled "Timing of Symptom Improvement After Parathyroidectomy." Other highlights from the program included Historical Lectures by Carlos Viesca, Wen Shen and Orlo Clark, an invited lecture on Quality Control by Anders Bergenfelz, a successful ACS Thyroid and Parathyroid Ultrasound Skills-Oriented Course run by Cord Sturgeon and Mira Milas, an introduction to CESQIP and Outcomes in Endocrine Surgery, a Mock-Oral Session for the Endocrine Fellows, a special Panel Session on "The Patient's Voice - Is There More to be Heard?" moderated by Sally Carty, and an outstanding Interesting Case session run by Dr. Allan Siperstein. The winner for the **Best Interesting Case** was **Hyunsuk Suh, MD** from Boston University Medical Center for his case titled "Massive Mediastinal Mass in Graves' Disease". Also new this year was the integration of the real-time audience response system (ARS) through a collaborative effort with the IT committee. This was piloted to poll the audience at times during the scientific meeting and during the Interesting Case Session, which helped to stimulate great discussion of the cases and overall was well received. The ARS will likely be expanded in the program next year in Boston.

It has truly been an honor to serve as Program Committee Chair this year and I would like to personally thank all of the members of both the program committee and the executive committee for their hard work in making the Annual Meeting Program in Chicago an overwhelming success.

ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

William B. Inabnet, MD & Tracy Wang, MD

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The Accreditation Committee has had a busy Spring. Over the last year, the AC worked to create a comprehensive application process to accredit endocrine surgery fellowship programs. The accreditation process aims to assure that programs have the essential elements in place to provide adequate fellowship training in Endocrine Surgery. The proposed application was presented to and ultimately approved by the Executive Council at the 2013 Annual Meeting of the AAES. Working on an incredibly tight timeline to accredit programs in time to participate in the 2013 fellowship match, the Accreditation Committee received and reviewed applications

during the month of May. The Accreditation Committee is pleased to announce that all 19 existing programs and 5 new programs have been officially accredited by the AAES for fellowship training. There are now 27 AAES-accredited clinical fellowship positions at 24 institutions across the United States, Canada and Mexico. Each program will undergo an annual review to assure that the accreditation standards are being continually met. The creation and implementation of the Endocrine Surgery fellowship accreditation program demonstrates the maturation of endocrine surgery training and is an excellent investment in the future of our beloved specialty.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2013 ANNUAL MEETING AWARD WINNERS!



Resident/Fellow Best Paper – Paul LoGerfo Clinical Research Award

Kai-Pun Wong, MD

University of Hong Kong

“A Prospective Evaluation of Surgeon-Performed Transcutaneous Laryngeal Ultrasonography in Assessing Vocal Cord Function Before and After Thyroidectomy”



Resident/Fellow Best Paper – Basic Science Award

Scott K. Sherman, MD

University of Iowa

“Gastric Inhibitory Polypeptide Receptor: A Future Alternative to Somatostatin Type 2 Receptor Imaging And Treatment in Neuroendocrine Tumors?”



Poster Competition Award Winner

Sara Murray, MD

University of Wisconsin

“Timing of Symptom Improvement After Parathyroidectomy”



Interesting Case Award Winner

Hyunsuk Suh, MD

Boston University Medical Center

“Massive Mediastinal Mass in Graves’ Disease”



2013 Paul Logerfo Research Award

Jason D. Prescott, MD

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine

“Development of a High Throughput in Vivo Screening System for Small Molecule Activators of Thyroid Differentiation: In Search of Novel Agents for Treatment of Undifferentiated Thyroid Cancer”



iPad Raffle Winner

Christopher McHenry, MD

MetroHealth Medical Center

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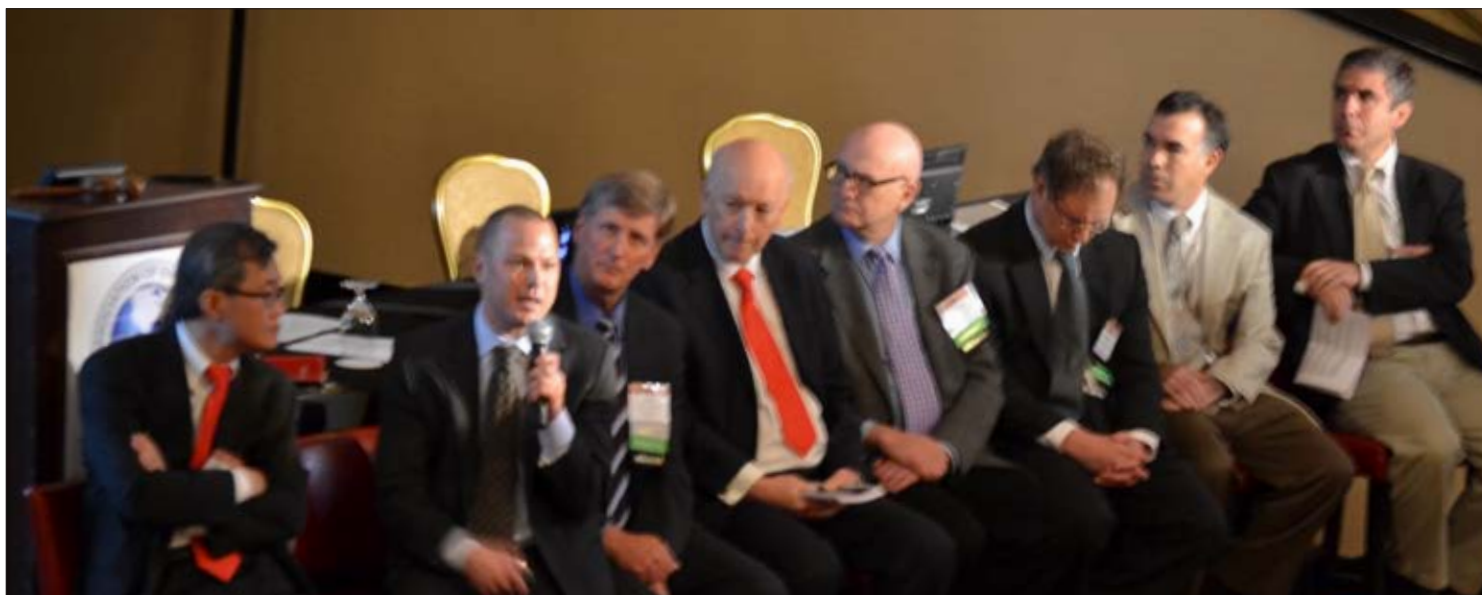
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Geoffrey B. Thompson, MD

The AAES Foundation is off to an excellent start. Since its inception one year ago, we have accrued nearly a quarter of a million dollars, with an additional \$80,000 in pledges. Thus, we are one-third of the way toward our ultimate goal of \$1,000,000 in order for us to better support education and research within the AAES. The function of the Foundation will be to primarily support young investigators carrying out endocrine (surgical) research.

We now have nearly 20 Norman Thompson Fellows. These individuals have pledged \$10,000 or more to be members of this elite group. Once the pledge is made, the person becomes a Norman Thompson Fellow, and

it is the expectation that the remainder of the pledge will be paid out over time. This has been a particularly successful part of the campaign, generating much revenue for the Foundation. We are so pleased and honored that Dr. Norman Thompson, himself, has donated \$10,000 to the Foundation. He is the founder and father of our organization, and what better way to honor this individual who has given so much to the field of endocrine surgery and to the AAES. I hope that all of you will consider becoming a Norman Thompson Fellow. For more information, you can contact AAES or myself at thompson.geoffrey@mayo.edu. Please help us achieve our ultimate goal. I thank you in advance for this consideration.

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CESQIP UPDATE



William B. Inabnet III, MD

The Collaborative Endocrine Surgery Quality Improvement Program (CESQIP) is taking shape. CESQIP aims to create a culture of data collection and outcomes tracking in the AAES to improve the quality of endocrine surgery. Participants will meet meaningful use and other regulatory requirements that are being woven into the fabric of the medical profession. In February, the CESQIP Committee began to beta test the CESQIP cloud-based outcomes registry, which is the cornerstone of this important quality improvement program. During the beta test phase, the CESQIP Committee worked closely with the CESQIP vendor, ArborMetrix, to improve the work flow, to fine tune the data definitions and to establish the standards for outcomes reporting. Though there were some initial bugs in the software, the CESQIP platform has stabilized and is nearing readiness for the general rollout. The registry is user friendly, sophisticated, and offers an incredibly powerful tool for the end user to better



understand his/her outcomes for commonly performed endocrine surgery procedures. The CESQIP Committee would like to emphasize that only the end user has access to his/her data and outcomes; these data will not be shared with the public or 3rd party payers. Aggregate data may be available to a CESQIP champion from each institution or program to permit collaborative tracking of outcomes. CESQIP was formally introduced to the AAES membership at the Annual Meeting in Chicago during the Sunday Outcomes Session and was received enthusiastically. The opportunity to participate in CESQIP will be made available to all AAES members this Summer. For more information about CESQIP and how to sign up, please visit the CESQIP website at www.cesqip.org.

ULTRASOUND COURSE UPDATE

Cord Sturgeon, MD and Mira Milas, MD

A full day, pre-meeting American College of Surgeons exported course on Thyroid and Parathyroid Ultrasound was given on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago. There were 40 attendees, including endocrine surgery fellows, endocrinologists, and surgeons. The faculty was comprised of an international panel of 14 recognized experts in the field of thyroid and parathyroid ultrasound. The objective of the course was to introduce the practicing physician to the basics of office-based ultrasound examination of the thyroid and parathyroid glands and related pathology. The course covered the principles and physics of ultrasound, the anatomy of the

neck, ultrasound evaluation of thyroid and parathyroid disease, fine needle aspiration biopsy, and the examination of cervical lymph node basins. In addition, didactic and hands-on skills stations allowed participants to learn ultrasound-guided FNA techniques using phantom models. Medical student volunteers from Northwestern University served as models to provide hands-on experience with ultrasound to complement the didactic learning. Participants received level III verification of knowledge and skills from the ACS, 7 hours of category 1 CME credit, and the self-assessment activity satisfied the ABS requirements described for MOC part 2. Additional advanced ultrasound topics

were covered as part of a separate advanced curriculum. Included in the Advanced Topics Course were lectures on the logistics of developing office-based ultrasound and FNA, ethanol ablation, sonographic predictors of malignancy, DNA mutation analysis, laryngeal ultrasound, and a live ultrasound demonstration. We are pleased to report that, based on the feedback received, the course was highly successful. This was due, in no small part, to the efforts of our outstanding AAES volunteer faculty. We hope to offer these ultrasound courses again at future AAES meetings.



Endocrine surgery fellows, endocrinologists, and surgeons were observed by faculty while medical students acted as models in hand-on simulations.



Attendees participate in hands-on skills stations during the Ultrasound Course in Chicago.

ULTRASOUND COURSE FACULTY

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Postgraduate Course in Endocrine Surgery

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October 5th and 6th (Sat/Sun)
8:30-4PM

The Postgraduate Course in Endocrine Surgery covers the breadth of thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal, and pancreatic disease, including a discussion of guidelines, controversies, and video presentations of surgical techniques. The faculty is comprised of some of the best and brightest in the field. The course promises to be an extensive review, exciting update on the state of the art, and a lively debate on controversies in endocrine surgery. As part of the registration fee, participants will receive a comprehensive summary of each talk to use as a reference in their practice. 12 CME credits.

Register at www.facs.org

Day 1		
Session 1	Endocrinopathies	
	Primary Hyperparathyroidism Presentation/Diagnosis Parathyroid imaging (sestamibi, USG, 4D CT, selective venous sampling) Hyperthyroidism: Graves' Disease/Toxic Nodules Functional PNETs Insulinoma/Zollinger Ellison/Glucagonoma Cushing's Syndrome Panel Discussion	Fiemu Nwariaku Sonia Sugg Martha Zeiger Geoff Thompson Becky Sippel
Break		
Session 2	Guidelines	
	Work-up and management of thyroid nodules (ATA guidelines/Bethesda Classification) ATA Guidelines for well-differentiated and medullary thyroid cancer Adrenal Incidentaloma (AAES-AACE and NIH Guidelines) NIH Consensus Statement for Parathyroidectomy: Are they too strict? Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors Panel Discussion	Chris McHenry Tracy Wang Miguel Herrera Cord Sturgeon John Chabot
Lunch		
Session 3	Controversies in Thyroid Cancer	
	Lobectomy or Total Thyroidectomy for Small Papillary Thyroid Cancers Molecular profiles in thyroid cancer Prophylactic Central Neck Dissection: Pro Prophylactic Central Neck Dissection: Con Radioactive Iodine (Thyrogen vs withdrawal, Should we be more selective?) Panel Discussion	Tina Yen Sally Carty Clive Grant Allan Siperstein Ralph Tufano
Break		
Session 4	Hereditary Syndomes and the genetics behind them...	
	MEN 1 MEN 2 Pheochromocytoma-Paranglioma Syndromes (vHL, sdh-B,C,D) Familial Medullary Thyroid Cancer and Familial Papillary Thyroid Cancer Hereditary forms of Hypercalcemia (familial, BFHH) Panel Discussion	Steve Libutti Michael Demeure Electron Kebebew Marybeth Hughes Michael Yeh

Day 2		
Session 5	Surgical Techniques- Thyroid and Parathyroid Video based	
	Thyroid USG and fine needle biopsy Technique of minimally invasive parathyroidectomy Minimally invasive thyroid surgery Technique of lateral neck dissection Nerve monitoring Panel Discussion	Mira Milas Jacob Moalem Barry Inabnet Kepal Patel Peter Angelos
Break		
Session 6	Surgical Hypertension and Adrenalectomy	
	Pheochromocytoma/Paranglioma Primary Hyperaldosteronism Laparoscopic transabdominal adrenalectomy Laparoscopic retroperitoneal adrenalectomy Surgical Therapy of Adrenocortical Cancer and Metastases to the Adrenal Gland Panel Discussion	John Olson Carrie Lubitz Quan Duh Nancy Perrier Jeff Lee
Lunch		
Session 7	Controversies In Endocrine Surgery	
	Parathyroidectomy - Focused vs Bilateral Neck Exploration Non-traditional Approaches to Thyroidectomy-Should we consider them? Normocalcemic Hyperparathyroidism and "Mild" Primary Hyperparathyroidism Laparoscopic Adrenalectomy For Large Adrenal Tumors Management of Anaplastic Thyroid Cancer Panel Discussion	Herb Chen David Terris Rich Hodin Wen Shen Julie-Ann Sosa
Break		
Session 8	Surgical Techniques and Challenges in Endocrine Surgery	
	Parenchyma-sparing Pancreatic Surgery: Enucleation and Central Pancreatectomy Formal Pancreatic Resections: Whipple and Distal Pancreatectomy Small Bowel NETs Challenges of Thyroid Surgery Challenges of Parathyroid Surgery Panel Discussion	John Allendorf Doug Evans Gerry Doherty Tom Fahey Rob Udelsman

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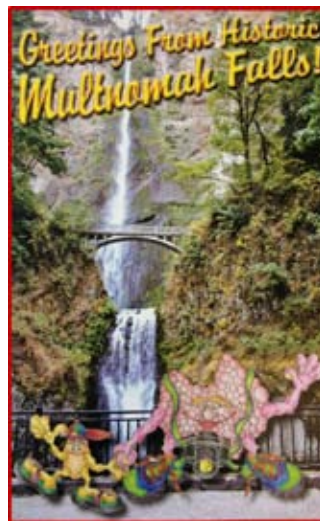
2015

Nashville, Tennessee
Carmen C. Solorzano, MD*
May 17-19, 2015



2016

Baltimore, Maryland
John A. Olson, Jr., MD*
April 10-12, 2016



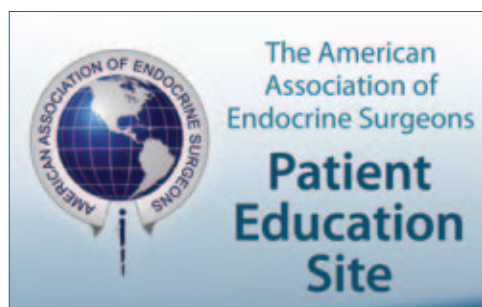
2017

Portland, Oregon
Mira Milas, MD*
Date TBA

Artwork done for the Portland meeting by Heidi Erickson*, a papillary thyroid cancer survivor and grateful patient of AAES member Mira Milas, MD, who skillfully and compassionately removed her thyroid and parathyroid. In doing so, Dr. Milas helped retire Erickson's cartoon characters Thomas (a thyroid) and Cal (a parathyroid) to a wonderful life of leisure.

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