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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The 36th annual meeting of the Southern Association for Vascular Surgery will take place at the Hyatt Regency Scottsdale Resort and Spa at Gainey Ranch, January 18-21, 2012. This is a simply spectacular property set on 27 acres in the Sonoran desert nestled into the foothills of the McDowell Mountains. You and your family will enjoy the world-class resort and the luxurious spa and fitness facilities. The resort offers a wide variety of planned educational and entertainment activities for kids of all ages that take full advantage of the desert flora and fauna including hot air balloon rides, hiking, biking, jeep tours, and outstanding shopping. Lacy always likes to remind me that Nordstrom offers "free" shipping! In addition, there is a 27 hole championship golf course on site, numerous swimming pools, excellent restaurants and bars. On Friday night, the Presidential Banquet will honor the past Presidents by reserving the dance floor for the first song.

I am particularly pleased to report that Roy Greenberg has agreed to present the first Jesse Thompson Distinguished Guest Lecture on the state of branched and fenestrated graft technology.

Of interest, the Annual Meeting of the SAVS in 1987 took place in Scottsdale under the leadership of Jesse Thompson, who served as the 9th President of our organization. Jesse was one of the pioneers in vascular surgery and founded the surgery group at Baylor in Dallas that has had a profound impact on our specialty.



John F. Eidt, MD

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About the Hyatt Regency Scottsdale at Gainey Ranch....

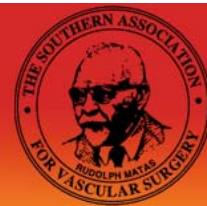
Explore the endless wonders of the 27-acre Scottsdale hotel resort. Set amidst flowering cactus and framed against the majestic McDowell Mountains, this remarkable hotel resort is minutes from a host of activities and miles from the ordinary. Enjoy breathtaking vistas blended with intriguing Native American culture. Discover the remarkable amenities, including:

- ✓ Championship Golf
- ✓ Spa Avania
- ✓ A 2.5 acre water playground
- ✓ Tennis
- ✓ Camp Hyatt Kachina

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36th Annual Meeting January 18-21, 2012



PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012

SCIENTIFIC SESSION I

Midterm Results of Percutaneous Treatment for Acute and Chronic Deep Venous Thrombosis
Endovascular Management of Acute Symptomatic Inferior Vena Cava Thrombosis: Efficacy and Outcomes
Catheter Directed Thrombolytic Therapy for Massive and Submassive Pulmonary Embolus: A Community Hospital Experience
Treatment of Congenital Vascular Malformations Using a Multidisciplinary Approach: Results of a Prospective Study
Contemporary Outcomes of Vertebral Artery Injury: A Ten Year Single Center Experience

FOUNDERS' AWARD PAPER

Carotid Endarterectomy is More Cost-effective Than Carotid Artery Stenting
Gregory D. Crenshaw, W. C. Sternbergh, III,
Taylor A. Smith, Hernan A. Bazan
Ochsner Clinic Foundation, New Orleans, LA

SCIENTIFIC SESSION II

Cerebral Embolization in Asymptomatic vs. Symptomatic Patients After Carotid Stenting
Contralateral Occlusion Is not a Clinically Important Reason for Choosing Carotid Artery Stenting for Patients with Significant Carotid Artery Stenosis
Early versus Delayed Carotid Endarterectomy for Symptomatic Carotid Stenosis: A Single-Institution Experience
Robotic Thoracoscopic First Rib Resection and Scaleneotomy For Treatment of Pagett-Schroetter Syndrome
Management of Unresolved, Recurrent, and/or Contralateral Neurogenic Symptoms in Patients Following First Rib Resection and Scaleneotomy

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012

ENDOVASCULAR CASE CONFERENCE

Moderator: Marc E. Mitchell
Panel: Charles B. Ross, Alan B. Lumsden, Michael B. Silva, Jr.

A New Tool for Extreme IVC Filter Removal
Managing Severe Upper Extremity Ischemia from Mobile Aortic Arch Thrombus: A Novel Approach Using Isolated Limb Perfusion with Tissue Plasminogen Activator

Novel Endovascular Approach to an Aortocaval Fistula Complicating a Ruptured AAA
Endograft Repair of Aortic Anastomotic Aneurysms

SCIENTIFIC SESSION III

Early Duplex Predicts Late Restenosis After Renal Artery Angioplasty and Stenting
Critical Analysis of Renal Duplex Ultrasound Parameters in Detecting Significant Renal Artery Stenosis
Advantages of Intravascular Ultrasound (IVUS) Guided Endografting for Aortic Pathologies From A 6-Year Experience

THE JESSE E. THOMPSON, M.D. DISTINGUISHED GUEST LECTURE

Roy K. Greenberg
Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

SCIENTIFIC SESSION IV

Endovascular Management of Inflammatory Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms
Preoperative Prediction of One-Year Mortality After Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Aneurysm Repair (TEVAR)
Survival Comparison of Patients undergoing Secondary Aortic Repair

CASE REPORT PANEL DISCUSSION

Moderator: Mohammed M. Moursi
Panel: Kenneth J. Cherry, Jr., John William Hallett
Eugene M. Langan, III

Spontaneous Expulsion of a Dacron Patch After Carotid Endarterectomy
Use of CT Angiography and CT Perfusion Imaging in the Selection of Hyperacute Stroke Patients to Undergo Emergent Carotid Endarterectomy Versus Intra-Cranial Thrombectomy
Aortoduodenal Fistula After Endograft Repair of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Secondary to a Retained Guidewire
A Rare Vascular Tumor Presenting As Persistent Pain At The Site Of A Chronic DVT

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

John F. Eidt
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Little Rock, AR

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2012

BASIC SCIENCE SESSION

Establishing Polymeric Transfection as a Non-Viral, Non-Toxic Method for Gene Therapy in the Prevention of Vascular Disease
Attenuation of Spinal Cord Ischemia -Reperfusion Injury with Treatment of Alpha-2 Agonist Dexmedetomidine
Adipose-Derived Stem Cells Versus Artery Explants as Sources of Autologous Smooth Muscle for Blood Vessel Bioengineering
Characterization of the Lung Endothelial Cell Injury Response During Ischemic Acute Kidney Injury: The Role of TNF Signaling

SCIENTIFIC SESSION V

CTA-Based Anatomic Evaluation Of Saphenous Vein Bypass Conduit: Utility And Correlation With Duplex Ultrasound
Disparity in Availability of Vascular Specialists in Florida and its Effect on Differential Rates of Major Lower Extremity Amputation
The Changing Face of Dialysis Access
Early Experience in the use of Stent Grafts to Convert Unusable Arteriovenous Fistulas into a Functioning Hemodialysis Access

SPECIAL TOPICS SESSION: DIALYSIS

Moderator: W. Charles Sternbergh
Panelists: David L. Cull, Amit Dwivedi

Axillary - Renal Arteriovenous Graft: A Viable Option For Dialysis Access In Patients With Central Venous Occlusion
Modified Use of the HeRO Device for Immediate Salvage of a Threatened Dialysis Graft
DRIL Procedure for Radial-Basilic Forearm Transposition Arteriovenous Fistula
Problems with Using a Covered Stent for Pseudoaneurysms of Autogenous Fistula

DEBATE: ANGIO OUTPATIENT CENTERS: THE WAVE OF THE FUTURE OR THE ROAD TO DISASTER?

Moderator: John F. Eidt
Panel: Stuart A. Harlin, John D. Martin, L. Richard Sprouse, II, Spence M. Taylor

SCIENTIFIC SESSION VI

Current Efficacy of Open and Endovascular Interventions for Advanced Superficial Femoral Artery Occlusive Disease
Iliac Artery Recanalization of Chronic Occlusions to Facilitate EVAR - Midterm Multicenter Results
Mortality in Patients with Premature Lower Extremity Atherosclerosis

Program details and online registration available at: www.savs.org

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2012

1:30 pm - 5:30 pm

POSTGRADUATE COURSE:

**Lower Extremity:
Curveballs and Controversies”**

SESSION I: CURVEBALLS

Sorting Through the Current Wound Care Products (when to use what)
Marc A. Passman
Hyperbaric Oxygen: William A. Marston
Recognizing and Dealing with Atypical Lower Extremity Ulcerations
Mitchell H. Goldman
A Practical Guide to Lipid Management: Bauer E. Sumpio
Anti-Coagulation for Lower Extremity Interventions
Russell H. Samson
A Practical Guide to Smoking Cessation: Mark G. Davies
Peripheral Arteriovenous Malformations: Glenn R. Jacobowitz

SESSION II: CONTROVERSIES

SHORT SEGMENT SFA OCCLUSION

Plain Balloon Angioplasty: Eugene M. Langan, III
Stent: Samuel R. Money
Atherectomy: Murray L. Shames

LONG SEGMENT MID SFA OCCLUSION

Plain Balloon Angioplasty: Karthikeshwar Kasirajan
Bare Stent: Mohammed M. Moursi
Covered Stent: Carlos H. Timaran
Atherectomy: L. Richard Sprouse, II
Bypass (vein vs prosthetic): John William Hallett

FLUSH OCCLUSION OF THE SFA

Endovascular: Alan B. Lumsden
Bypass: Kenneth J. Cherry, Jr.
(Hybrid) EG Semi Closed Endarterectomy: Eleftherios Xenos

TIBIAL LESION

Plain Balloon Angioplasty: Peter Richard Nelson
Cutting/Sculpting Balloon: Ravi Veeraswamy
Stent (Bare or Drug Eluting): Raghu Vallabhaneni
Atherectomy: Patrick A. Stone
Bypass: Christopher J. Kwolek

FAILED SFA STENT

Endovascular Treatment: George H. Meier, III
Open Treatment: Charles B. Ross

FLUSH INFRARENAL AORTIC OCCLUSION

Endovascular Treatment: Michael B. Silva, Jr.
Open Treatment: Charles A. West Jr.

STENOSIS AT ANASTOMOSIS OF BYPASS

Endovascular Treatment: Matthew A. Corriere
Open Treatment: Mark M. Levy

CHRONIC OSTEOMYELITIS OF METATARSAL WITH NORMAL ARTERIAL SUPPLY

Primary Amputation: Robert J. Feezor
Attempt at Antibiotics: Peter H. Lin

POPLITEAL ANEURYSM

Endovascular Treatment: Martin R. Back
Open Treatment: Joseph L. Mills

FROM THE PRESIDENT

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The Jesse Thompson Distinguished Guest Lectureship is made possible through the generosity of the friends of Jesse Thompson.

In addition to the distinguished guest lectureship, Will Jordan, and the Program Committee, have been putting the finishing touches on an outstanding scientific program that will include special sessions dedicated to the management of challenging endovascular cases, vascular access and outpatient angiography. Due to the popularity last year, he is preparing a debate session that promises to be exciting and controversial. On Wednesday, Dave Minion has organized a star-studded faculty for the Postgraduate Course on the treatment of lower extremity arterial disease entitled "Curveballs and Controversies". You won't want to miss this outstanding post-graduate course!

The SAVS Executive Council is committed to the two most important purposes of the organization: education and fraternity. For the first time this year, we will offer the option for members to receive self-assessment CME credit by taking an examination on the material presented at the meeting. As many of you know, the American Board of Surgery now requires 30 hours of annual CME that is relevant to your practice, and two-thirds must be "self-assessment". As in years past, we will offer a Mock Oral examination on Wednesday morning. The Mock Orals have become one of the signature educational initiatives of the SAVS and serve to distinguish us from other regional and national meetings.

So I invite all of you to put on your Cowboy boots (or hiking shoes) and head to the Hyatt Regency Resort and Spa at the Gainey Ranch in Scottsdale. The Annual Meeting of the SAVS promises to be fun and educational, and great way to meet new friends and connect with old pals. I look forward to seeing you all.

About the Resort *(continued from page one)*

Or find your own opportunity for adventure just minutes from the resort in Scottsdale. Scottsdale is a desert oasis and offers a unique blend of Southwestern charm and modern appeal. Often referred to as "the most Western town in the West," the city has a personality rooted in the traditions of cowboy settlers. In recent years, Scottsdale has continued to grow, with fine restaurants, an art scene known throughout the country and some of the best shopping in the Southwest. To experience all Scottsdale has to offer, you won't need a cowboy hat and boots, but you will need a Western explorer's sense of adventure. There's a treasure trove of discoveries to be found in the desert and Hyatt's here to help you uncover them all in Scottsdale.

- ✓ Shopping
- ✓ Scottsdale Waterfront
- ✓ Old Town Scottsdale
- ✓ Art Galleries
- ✓ Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art
- ✓ Heard Museum
- ✓ Tomcar Tours
- ✓ Canyoneering
- ✓ Horseback Riding
- ✓ Sedona and Grand Canyon Adventures

2012 Annual Meeting Schedule at a Glance

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2012

6:30 a.m.	-	6:30 p.m.	Registration
7:00 a.m.	-	1:00 p.m.	Mock Oral Exams
10:00 a.m.	-	6:30 p.m.	Speaker Ready Room
1:30 p.m.	-	5:30 p.m.	Postgraduate Course
3:00 p.m.	-	6:00 p.m.	Executive Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.	-	7:30 p.m.	Welcome Reception

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012

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.	-	11:00 a.m.	Exhibits
7:00 a.m.	-	8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
7:30 a.m.	-	8:00 a.m.	Welcome & Introduction
8:00 a.m.	-	12:15 p.m.	Scientific Sessions
9:00 a.m.	-	12:00 p.m.	Hospitality Suite
10:00 a.m.			Women's Tennis Open Play
10:05 a.m.	-	10:35 a.m.	Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
1:00 p.m.			Hike & Sporting Clays
6:00 p.m.	-	7:30 p.m.	General Reception

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012

6:30 a.m.	-	7:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
6:30 a.m.	-	7:30 a.m.	Womens Networking 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.	Endovascular Case Conference
8:00 a.m.	-	11:15 a.m.	Scientific Sessions
9:00 a.m.	-	12:00 p.m.	Hospitality Suite
9:45 a.m.	-	10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
11:15 a.m.	-	12:15 a.m.	Case Report Panel Discussion
12:15 a.m.	-	12:45 p.m.	Presidential Address
1:15 p.m.			Golf Tournament
1:15 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 21, 2012

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 Session
9:20 a.m.	-	10:20 a.m.	Special Topic Session - Dialysis
8:00 a.m.	-	10:00 a.m.	Hospitality Suite
9:00 a.m.	-	12:50 a.m.	Scientific Sessions
10:20 a.m.	-	10:50 a.m.	Coffee Break – Visit Exhibits
10:50 a.m.	-	11:50 a.m.	Debate
12:50 a.m.	-	1:30 p.m.	Annual Business Meeting <i>(members only)</i>

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

2012 ANNUAL MEETING

The 36th Annual Meeting of The Southern Association for Vascular Surgery will be held January 18-21, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency Scottsdale at Gainey Ranch, Scottsdale, Arizona. 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 18 and will feature an update on lower extremity diseases. Two formats will be used, the first portion will consist of lectures, the second portion will be a fast-paced session focused around case vignettes in which a panel of “experts” will describe why particular approaches should be taken. Please contact the SAVS office at (978) 927-8330 or email: savs@pri.com for further details.

Mock Oral Board Examinations

Mock oral board examinations will be offered to individuals preparing for the Vascular Surgery Certifying Examination on Wednesday, January 18. Examinees should reside in the states comprising the SAVS region. Interested individuals should contact Dr. Matthew S. Edwards at (366) 716-9502 or medwards@wfubmc.edu.

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) 323-6346x243 / 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*.

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 after 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, Eric D. Endean, MD, Department of Surgery, University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center, 800 Rose Street, Lexington, KY 40536-0293, (859) 323-6346x243 / edende0@uky.edu.

THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION FOR VASCULAR SURGERY

Proposed BYLAW Changes

The following bylaw changes will be presented to the SAVS membership for approval at the Annual Business on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at 12:50 pm.

ARTICLE I (as amended through January 2010)

Section I. 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. Active members shall automatically become senior members of the Association when they have held membership for 15 years or have reached the age of 60. Senior members shall have all the privileges of active members. Honorary members shall be elected from time to time, but shall not be eligible for election as officers or councilors. Candidate and corresponding members also shall not be eligible for election as officers or councilors.

Section 2. Qualifications of Membership.

The Executive Council shall judge the qualifications of the applicants for active membership in the Association but all ~~peripheral~~ vascular surgeons of good moral and ethical standing may be eligible for membership. The membership shall consist 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, D.C. No more than 10% of the active membership shall reside outside of the region of The Southern Association for Vascular Surgery. ~~The candidate membership shall consist of those general surgery residents accepted into accredited vascular surgery programs, vascular fellows in accredited vascular surgery programs and practicing vascular surgeons who do not meet the requirements for active membership recommended by the board from the above states. Candidate members who move outside the region of the Southern Association for Vascular Surgery shall cease to be candidate members. Candidate membership shall have a maximum term of 5 years following completion of training. Members who have paid their dues and now practice in states or countries outside the area comprising the Association membership, and honorary members as tendered by the Association will be regarded as members with all the duties and privileges thereto pertaining, except as herein otherwise provided.~~ Whenever the membership of any person in the Association terminates by resignation, death or in any other manner, all rights and privileges in the Association of such persons and the representatives of their estates shall automatically terminate.

Section 3. Applicants for Membership.

A member in good standing of the organization who wishes to sponsor a new active, corresponding, or candidate member should obtain an application from the office of the Secretary. Applications will not be given to the applicant. The application for active or corresponding membership must be signed by the sponsor and must be accompanied by letters from the sponsor and two endorsers. ~~for applicants for active and corresponding membership.~~ The endorsers must be members in good standing of the organization. It is required that one of the three letters be from the applicant's state unless he/she is from outside the

Association's geographical boundaries ~~that are~~ described under Section 2. If the applicant for active or corresponding membership is not elected, he/she may be considered the following year. New letters of sponsorship and endorsement should be submitted to the Secretary's office. An applicant for active or corresponding membership in the Association shall be dropped from the roster if the applicant has not been elected after 3 consecutive years of consideration by the Executive Council. An interim waiting period of 2 years shall transpire before reapplication shall be considered. Letters from the vascular surgery program director or one member from the candidate applicant's state must accompany the application for candidate membership. Candidate members shall not automatically become active members and must apply for active membership.

Section 4. The Right to Accept or Reject Application for Membership.

The Executive Council shall have the right to accept or reject any application for membership in the Association. If approved by the Executive Council, each application shall be signed by the Secretary of the Association.

Section 5.

(a) Active Members.

Active membership shall be conferred upon physicians who have a major interest and an active practice in ~~peripheral~~ vascular surgery as documented by performing at least 50 major ~~peripheral~~ vascular reconstructive procedures in each of the three years preceding application, exclusive of residency, and following training. No one shall be eligible for nomination for a period of three years following residency and fellowship. Applicants for active membership in The Southern Association for Vascular Surgery must be certified by the American Board of Surgery and/or the Board of Thoracic Surgery. Fellowship in the American College of Surgeons is required. With rare exception, applicants must be graduated from approved vascular training programs and hold ~~Certification~~ a primary certificate in Vascular Surgery from the Vascular Surgery Board of the American Board of Surgery. Individuals with such certification shall not be required to document the aforementioned 50 major peripheral vascular reconstructive procedures for each of the 3 years preceding application.

Active members who have paid their dues and now practice in states or countries outside the area comprising the Association membership, and honorary members as tendered by the Association will be regarded as members with all the duties and privileges thereto pertaining, except as herein otherwise provided.

(b) Honorary Members.

Honorary membership may be conferred by the Executive Council upon surgeons who have distinguished themselves by outstanding achievement. There will be a limit of 50 living honorary members. Honorary members may not hold office.

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(c) Senior Members.

Senior members are those 60 years of age or with over 15 years in the Association or whom for reasons of health or other just cause, the Council recommends for classification in this category. They shall not be bound by the requirements for attendance at meetings.

(d) Candidate Members.

Candidate membership shall be conferred upon general surgery residents accepted into accredited vascular surgery training programs, vascular surgery fellows in accredited vascular surgery training programs and vascular surgery physicians graduated from accredited vascular surgery training programs ~~that who~~ do not yet meet qualifications for active membership. The candidate members shall not be eligible for nomination for election as officers or directors. The candidate members shall not be bound by the requirements for payment of dues and attendance at meetings. Candidate members who move out of the region of the Southern Association for Vascular Surgery shall cease to be candidate members. Candidate membership shall have a maximum term of 5 consecutive years following completion of training.

(e) Corresponding Members.

Corresponding membership shall be conferred upon physicians residing outside the United States of America; who meet the requirements for active membership as described in Article I, Section 5(a), Paragraph 1. Applicants for corresponding membership in The Southern Association for Vascular Surgery must have had specific training in vascular surgery. Certification in Vascular Surgery from the American Board of Surgery or its equivalent is highly desirable. Fellowship in the American College of Surgeons is not required. Corresponding members shall be bound by the same annual dues and annual meeting requirements as active members.

Section 6. Membership Certification.

Members shall be certified by the Association and their certificates signed by the President and Secretary. Those certificates shall designate active, honorary or corresponding membership members. Membership in the Association is activated by attendance at the first Annual Meeting following election. Individuals elected to membership who fail to attend one of the three Annual Meetings following election shall forfeit their membership. Certificates will not be issued until membership is activated. Candidate members shall be issued certificates when/ if they become active members. Honorary members shall be issued certificates when approved as honorary members.

Section 7. Suspension.

Any member who is suspended from his/her local medical society or who is otherwise disqualified for any good and sufficient reason shall forfeit his/her membership in the Association. Active and corresponding members must attend at least one of three consecutive annual meetings. Members who fail to attend three consecutive annual meetings to do so without just cause as judged by Executive Council shall forfeit their membership in the Association.

ARTICLE II

Section 1. Annual Meeting.

The Association shall hold an Annual Meeting of not more than three

days. The time and place for holding the Annual Meeting shall be determined by the Executive Council.

Section 2. Registration.

Each member in attendance at the Annual Meeting shall register with and secure a badge from the Secretary or a representative designated by him/her to perform his/her duty. All other persons attending the Annual Meeting ~~except guest speakers, hospital residents and interns~~ shall register and secure an admission badge.

Section 3. Executive Session Business Meeting.

During the Annual Meeting, there shall be a Business Meeting for the membership in order to elect officers and councilors and transact other business that may come before the Association. The time and place of this meeting shall be announced in the program. The election of officers and councilors shall be the last order of business.

Section 4. Guests.

Physicians interested in vascular disease may attend the Annual Meeting as guests, by invitation of a member or by contacting the Secretary-Treasurer for registration information. Guests shall be given the privilege of the floor ~~by the President~~ but shall not attend the Business Meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. Executive Council.

The Executive Council is the governing body of the Association. It shall authorize the purchase of property, stocks, bonds, securities, make loans and authorize and supervise the expenditure of the funds of the Association, except the payment of current expenses such as salaries, supplies, etc.

The Executive Council shall consist of the President, the President-Elect, the Secretary-Treasurer, the Recorder, the three immediate past presidents and three Councilors-at-Large.

Section 2. Meetings.

The Executive Council shall meet during the Annual Meeting of the Association and as often during the year as may be deemed necessary to perform its duties. It shall be subject to called meetings at any time the President may elect or on petition of five (5) members of the Executive Council.

Section 3. Presiding Officer.

The President of the Association shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Council and in his/her absence the President-Elect shall preside. In the event of the absence of the President and the President-Elect, the Executive Council shall elect a presiding officer. Five (5) members of the Executive Council shall constitute a quorum. Vacancies in the Executive Council shall be filled by appointment of the President of the Association.

Section 4. Executive Council Membership.

The Executive Council shall consist of the President, the President-Elect, the Secretary-Treasurer, the Recorder, the three immediate past

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~~Section 5~~**Section 2. Nominations.**

Prior to the first meeting of the Executive Council during the Annual Meeting of the Association, the President shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of the three immediate Past Presidents. In case a member of the nominating committee cannot serve, ~~for whatever reason,~~ the President will fill this vacancy by appointing the next available Past President. This committee shall report its deliberations to the Meeting of the Association. Nothing in this section is to be construed as preventing additional nominations being made from the floor by a member of the Association.

~~Section 6~~**Section 3. Report of the Board Executive Council.**

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Association shall submit a report of the Executive Council's deliberations to the ~~fellows-members~~ at the Annual Meeting of the Association for confirmations or changes as may be feasible.

~~Section 7. Representative to The Society for Vascular Surgery.~~

~~The Association shall select one active member to serve for a three year term on the Executive Council of the Society for Vascular Surgery. The member will be proposed by the nominating committee and elected at the Annual Business Meeting.~~

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. Officers.

The Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a President-Elect, a Secretary-Treasurer, and a Recorder. The President-Elect shall be elected for a term of one year at each Annual Meeting. At the expiration of his/her term as President-Elect, he/she shall become President and shall serve for one year or until his/her successor is elected and qualified. If the President and President-Elect die, resign, or become otherwise disqualified, the Association shall elect both a President and a President-Elect at the next Annual Meeting. The President and President-Elect may serve for more than one term, but such terms may not be consecutive.

The Secretary-Treasurer and the Recorder may be elected for a term of one year; at each Annual Meeting; and may be re-elected to serve a maximum of five consecutive terms.

ARTICLE V

Section 1. President.

The President shall preside at the meeting of the Executive Council, ~~and~~ may preside over Scientific Sessions and the Annual Meeting, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him/her as such. He/she shall be an ex-officio member of all other committees.

He/she shall appoint special committees with or without the approval of the Executive Council.

The President may, at his/her discretion, call a meeting of the Executive Council or any committee for the consideration of such business as may be properly brought before it. If a member of the Executive Council is unable to complete his/her term of office, the President shall appoint a successor. The President may, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, relieve any member of any committee of his/her duties. When a member appointed to serve on any committee is unable to complete his/her term of duty, the President shall appoint a successor to complete the term. ~~The President shall preside at all Executive Council meetings and appoint the Nominating Committee as herein provided. Vacancies in the Executive Council shall be filled by appointments by the President.~~

Special committees shall be appointed as needed by the President as the need for such committees arises either during the Annual Meetings or at other times.

Section 2. President-Elect.

The President-Elect shall serve as a member of the Executive Council. With the approval of the Executive Council, the President-Elect shall designate:

- A. The Chairman of the Program Committee.
- B. The Chairman of the Membership Committee.
- C. The Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee.

Section 3. Secretary-Treasurer.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall be a member of the Executive Council and shall record the minutes of its meetings. He/she shall receive and care for all records and papers belonging to the Association. He/she shall keep a master record of the Association documents and bylaws and shall record amendments properly.

He/she shall make and keep a roster of all the members of the Association, noting of each his/her correct name, address, place and date of graduation and other pertinent data. He/she shall submit to the Executive Council at each Annual Meeting a brief report of the transactions and business of the Association for the preceding year.

The Secretary-Treasurer is an ex-officio member of all Committees except when designated as a regular member of a specific committee.

The salary paid for these services shall be determined by the Executive Council.

The Secretary-Treasurer, under the direction of the Executive Council, shall collect from the members all monies due. He/she shall demand and receive all funds due the Association together with bequests and donations. He/she shall be custodian of all monies, securities and deeds belonging to the Association which may come into his/her possession and shall hold the same subject to the direction and disposition of the Executive Council.

He/she shall present an abstract of his/her annual report; of financial condition; to the members of the Association at their annual Business Meeting, and he/she shall submit to the Executive Council the complete financial report, stating in full all monies, stocks, bonds, securi-

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ties and other properties belonging to the Association, and the several amounts paid out during the year, to whom and on what account. He/she shall transfer none of the monies, stocks, bonds, securities or other property of the Association; except upon written order signed by the President showing that the Executive Council has taken action thereon.- He/she shall, under the direction of the Executive Council, sell or lease property belonging to the Association. He/she shall subject his/her accounts to such examination as the Executive Council may order. All funds from whatever source shall be deposited in an approved bank to the credit of the Association, and the amount deposited shall be reported each year to the Executive Council.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall be bonded by the Association for the faithful performance of this trust. The amount of said bond shall be determined by the Executive Council.

Section 4. Recorder.

The Recorder shall be a member of the Executive Council. He/she shall receive all manuscripts of presentations to be presented to the Society at the Annual Meeting. The Recorder and the Program Committee will evaluate all submitted manuscripts for their merit for possible publication.

Section 5. Councilors-at-large.

The Councilors-at-Large shall serve staggered terms and one Councilor-at-Large will be elected each year. The term of each Councilors-at-Large shall be three years. A Councilor-at-Large may be elected to succeed himself but for only one additional term or a total of six years

Section 6. Representative to The Society for Vascular Surgery.

The Association shall select one active member to serve for a three year term on the Executive Council of the Society for Vascular Surgery. The member will be proposed by the nominating committee and elected at the Annual Business Meeting

ARTICLE VI

Section 1. Standing Committees.

Standing Committees appointed by the President-Elect shall consist of three members each who may or may not be members of the Executive Council. Members of the Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President-Elect to serve staggered terms of three years with one member being appointed each year. The most senior members of each standing committee shall be the Chairman of that Committee. An annual report shall be submitted by each Committee to the Executive Council in writing and shall become part of the minutes of said Executive Council meeting. A summary of their findings shall be included in the Executive Council's report at the Annual Meeting of the Association.

(a) Program Committee. The duty of this Committee is to arrange the scientific program for the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Secretary-Treasurer and Recorder shall be members of the Committee.

(b) Membership Committee. The duty of this Committee is to review the applications of applicants prior to the presentation to the Executive Council. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be a member of this Committee.

(c) Budget and Finance Committee. It shall be the duty of this Committee to review the yearly budget for operation of the Association and to propose the amount of the annual membership dues and

initiation fees; commensurate with the requirements of the Association for the ensuing year.

(d) Special Committees. Special Committees shall be appointed by the President as the need for such committees arises, either during the Annual Meeting or at any other time.

(e) Archives Committee. The duty of this ~~committee~~ Committee is to maintain the archival records of the Association. It shall consist of an Archivist appointed by the President for a period of three to five years and the three most recent Past-Presidents who have completed their service on the Executive Council.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1. Exempt Members.

Honorary and retired members are exempt from annual dues.

Section 2. Annual Membership Dues.

Annual membership dues for active members, for corresponding members, and for senior members, until they retire from active practice, shall be determined yearly by the Association in its Business Meeting, based upon the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee as approved by the Executive Council.

Section 3. Unpaid Dues.

Any member whose dues remain unpaid for a period of one year shall be dropped from membership; ~~provided, however, that he/she~~ He/she shall be notified of his/her default at least two months in advance of being dropped. He/she may be reinstated upon payment of such dues both current and in arrears.

Section 4. Payment of Dues.

Membership dues for each year shall be payable in advance, shall become due on November 1 of each year, and shall become delinquent on January 1 of the year to which they apply.

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1. Robert's Rules.

All meetings of the Association shall be governed by parliamentary usage as contained in Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE IX

Section 1. Amendment.

These Bylaws may be amended at the Business Meeting of the members during the Annual Meeting of the Association, ~~by two-thirds vote of the members voting. provided, however, that~~ A copy of the proposed amendment shall be furnished at least one day in advance.

Section 2. Amendment of Articles Incorporation.

The Association, at any Business Meeting, during an Annual Meeting may amend the Articles of Incorporation by a two-thirds vote of the members voting, ~~providing that a~~ A copy of the proposed amendment will be furnished to each voting member of the Association sixty days in advance of the Annual Meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have the duty of furnishing copies of the amendment to the membership of the Association.



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Social Events

WELCOME RECEPTION Wednesday, January 18 / 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
The Welcome Reception offers a chance to renew old acquaintances and unwind on Terrace Court.

5K FUN RUN * Thursday, January 19 / 6:30 am
What a better way to start your day than a fun 5K run. The run will start at 6:30 am outside of Spa Avavania. 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 19 / 10:00 am
Men's Tennis Open Play Friday, January 20 / 1:15 pm
Held on the Tennis Courts and open to all skill levels, this fun event is a perfect way to mingle with colleagues.

CAMELBACK MOUNTAIN HIKE Thursday, January 19 / 1:00 pm
Be sure to bring your hiking boots, daypack and water. Transportation will depart from the front entrance of the hotel for Camelback Mountain. Although there is NO charge for the hike, registration is required. Please sign up when you register.

SPORTING CLAYS Thursday, January 19 / 1:00 pm
Sporting Clays will be held at the Rio Salado Sportsman's Club. A fee will be charged. Please sign up when you register.

GENERAL RECEPTION Thursday, January 19 / 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Don't miss the chance to enjoy a cocktail after a day of scientific sessions in the exhibit hall, Vaquero ABC.

GOLF TOURNAMENT Friday, January 20 / 1:15 pm
The Golf Tournament will be held at the Gainey Ranch Golf Club. A fee will be charged. Please sign up when you register.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION & BANQUET Friday, January 20 / 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm
The SAVS is bringing tradition back to the Banquet. Be sure to bring your dancing shoes to dance the evening away to one of Arizona's best local bands, The Hamptons.

PRESIDENT'S AFTER PARTY Friday, January 20 / 10:00 pm – 1:00 am
Continue the celebration and unwind after a night of dancing, with a nightcap in the Desert Garden.

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