



WESTERN SURGICAL ASSOCIATION

Association are most appreciated. The new officers elected at this year's business meeting are:

President:	Wayne H. Schwesinger	San Antonio, TX
First Vice-President:	William H. Snyder	Temple, TX
Second Vice-President:	Mark M. Connolly	Chicago, IL
District Representative:	Peter W. T. Pisters	Houston, TX

The call for abstracts will be included in the March Newsletter. The deadline for abstract submission is early, June 1, to comply with the ACS/CME requirements.

Locations and dates for upcoming meetings are listed below. Be sure to mark the dates on your calendars and PC's, Blackberry's, iPhones, etc. Also, please check out the link on our web site soon to next year's site at the Westin La Cantera Resort in San Antonio, Texas. Local arrangements chair and past-president Art McPhee will make sure we have a Texas-large good time. Mark your calendars! It is a great venue for a meeting.

Future meeting plans at the present time include:

Westin La Cantera Resort	San Antonio, TX	November 8-11, 2009
The Drake Hotel	Chicago, Ill	November 7-10, 2010
Loews Ventana Canyon	Tucson, Az	November 6-9, 2011
The Broadmoor Resort	Colorado Springs, CO	November 4-7, 2012
The Grand America Hotel	Salt Lake City, UT	November 3-6, 2013

Please check out our website. The membership directory is very user friendly, and can be used to look up your fellow members as well as to update your own contact information. **Please be sure we have your correct e-mail address**, as our hope is to communicate more via e-mail, saving some postage costs. Also, dues payments can soon be made online, thanks to LP, etc. and the Treasurer's office updates. We will send out an e-mail with the link when it is up and running. Please keep an eye out for it towards the end of this month.

Please feel free to call or email me or my assistant, Lisa Querido, if there is anything we can do to support The Western.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory J. ("Jerry") Jurkovich, MD, FACS
Secretary, Western Surgical Association

NEXT ANNUAL MEETING: NOVEMBER 8-11, 2009 AT THE WESTIN LA CANTERA RESORT, SAN ANTONIO