

Fall 2016 Newsletter



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WSA Secretary

Dear Colleagues:

The 2016 Annual Meeting will be held at the Loews Coronado Bay Resort. Please plan to join us Saturday evening for the Welcome Reception, and you won't want to miss the Presidential Reception and Banquet (black tie optional) on Monday.

The scientific program promises to be superb with 27 Oral Podium Presentations, 6 Quick Shots, and 37 ePosters including presentations by new members competing for the J. Bradley Aust Award. Again, this year, the WSA will be offering self-assessment CMEs for attendees interested in maintenance of certification by the American Board of Surgery.

Early registration is well on pace, and the WSA hotel room block is now sold out. The Loews Coronado Bay Resort currently has limited availability, so I urge you to reserve your room and air transportation as soon as possible by calling 619.424.4000.

We have a strong list of candidates for membership this year, which have been reviewed by our Membership Committee, and we are looking forward to welcoming xx new members at this year's Annual Meeting.

The San Diego, CA local arrangements chair, Raul Coimbra, MD, and I look forward to seeing you in Coronado, California for what promises to be a meeting you won't want to miss!



Raul Coimbra, MD
*WSA 2016 Local
Arrangements Chair*

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Loews Coronado Bay Resort in November. It promises to be another great meeting for the Western Surgical Association, especially with everything the local area has to offer. Sunday activities range from golf at the Coronado Municipal Golf Course rated as one of the best public golf courses in the nation to a guided wildlife kayak tour (no experience necessary). The resort has a beautiful pool, full service spa (discount for WSA attendees & guests), and a fitness center. The diverse local attractions offer something for everyone including USS Midway Museum, Balboa Park, SeaWorld San Diego, and of course the San Diego Zoo.

Local entertainers, the four piece Brokers Band, will have us dancing to a great variety of music at the President's Dinner Dance (black tie optional) on Monday evening.

For further details, the [Advance Program](#) is available at westernsurg.org.

Western Surgical Association 125th Scientific Session

2017 ANNUAL MEETING

November 4–7, 2017 Paradise Valley, Arizona
Montelucia Resort and Spa



2015 NEW MEMBERS

To be welcomed at the 2016 Annual Meeting

Nicolas Ajkay	University of Louisville
Christopher Anderson	University of Mississippi
Matthew Mutch	Washington University School of Medicine
Yun Shin Chun	Abbott Northwestern Hospital
Bryan Clary	University of California San Diego
James Davis	University of California San Francisco
Mark Dobbertein	US Navy
C. Neal Ellis	Texas Tech University
Melanie Goldfarb	John Wayne Cancer Institute
Stephen Haggerty	University of Chicago
Kamran Idrees	Vanderbilt University
Benjamin Jarman	Gundersen Health System
Bellal Joseph	University of Arizona
Krista Kaups	University of California San Francisco
Scott Kelley	Tri-Health Ohio
Anil Kotru	Geisinger Medical Center
Eric Ley	Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Michele Ley	University of Arizona
Julie Margenthaler	Washington University School of Medicine
Erin Maynard	University of Kentucky
Carlos Rodriguez	Spectrum Health Medical Group
Christina Roland	M.D. Anderson Cancer Center
Martin Schreiber	Oregon Health & Science University
Charles St. Hill	University of Nevada School of Medicine
Erica Sutton	University of Louisville
Eleni Tousimis	Georgetown Lombardi Cancer Center
Gary Vercruysse	University of Arizona
Gary Vitale	University of Louisville
Jason Wellen	Washington University School of Medicine
Paul Wise	Washington University School of Medicine
Chip Woodall	Cox Health