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# LEADERSHIP & ADVOCACY SUMMIT

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS



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**2018 WSSS OFFICERS**

- President:**  
Jeffrey Johnson (WSUGS 1984)
- Vice-President:**  
Scott Davidson (WSU/GS 1990/96)
- Secretary-Treasurer:**  
Joseph Sferra (WSUGS 1991)
- Members-at-Large:**  
Pamela Johnson (WSU/GS 1984/89)  
Larry Narkiewicz (WSU/GS 2004/09)  
Bruce McIntosh (WSU/GS 1989/94)
- Resident Member:**  
Anna M. Knight (WSUGS 2019)

The American College of Surgeons (ACS) will host the eighth annual Leadership and Advocacy Summit, March 30–April 2, 2019, at the Renaissance Washington, DC Downtown Hotel. The Summit is a dual meeting offering comprehensive and specialized sessions that provide ACS members, leaders and advocates with topics focused on effective surgeon leadership as well as interactive advocacy training with coordinated visits to congressional offices. Young surgeon leaders are the future of the profession; the ACS helps these surgeons foster leadership skills that can take their careers and patient care to the next level.

The Leadership Summit offers compelling speakers addressing key topics in surgical leadership. A portion of the event will be dedicated to sharing ACS Chapter success stories and working to identify strategies to enhance and strengthen chapters.

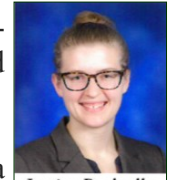
The Advocacy Summit will highlight several legislative priorities the College is pursuing on the behalf of our future surgeons and will bring together ACS members to develop their advocacy skills, learn about health policy priorities, and participate in meetings with members of Congress and their staffs.

This year’s annual meeting, Dr. Rohan Policherla and Dr. Jessica Pochedly. This is the second year in a row that one or more of our residents have been awarded this scholarship. Congratulations to both.

Dr. Kamara Maseray (WSUGS 2023) has been selected to be the Resident and Association Society-American College of Surgeons (RAS-ACS) liaison representative to the Surgical Volunteerism and Humanitarian Awards Workgroup for our WSU program at the Leadership and Advocacy Summit of the ACS. Dr. Maseray is looking forward to this opportunity and representing our program along the way.



Rohan Policherla



Jessica Pochedly



Kamara Maseray



Dr. Miquel Tobon (WSUGS 2020) has been elected Resident Representative Associate for the Michigan Chapter of the ACS. Below is the note he sent out regarding the Leadership & Advocacy Summit Meeting at the MCACS Annual Meeting in Grand Rapids, MI, May 8-10, 2019.



Miguel Tobon

Dear Colleagues,

I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself and extend an invitation for all Residents to actively participate in the different activities of the Michigan Chapter of the ACS.

This year we will have our annual meeting at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids from May 8-10/2019. We will have the traditional presentations as well as new opportunities to participate at the Surgical Skills competition and the surgical Jeopardy. There will be some interesting presentations directed mainly to residents. I would like to encourage all residents to attend and participate in the Meeting.

As Resident Representative to the Chapter, to allow better representation of our needs as well as involvement on the previously named activities, I would like to establish better communication between the residents and the board members.

It is important for us as residents to get involved with the American College of Surgeons and take advantage of all the benefits of the membership. The Resident and Association Society (RAS-ACS) serves to familiarize you with College programs and leadership. RASACS provides you with an avenue for participation in ACS affairs, fosters development and use of your leadership skills in organized surgery, and provides opportunities for your opinions and concerns as young surgeons and trainees to be heard by College leadership.

The RAS-ACS has different activities during the year for which we want to increase the participation of the local Residency programs. Please feel free to reach me via email at [mtobon@med.wayne.edu](mailto:mtobon@med.wayne.edu).

Sincerely yours,

Miguel Tobon, MD  
 Resident Representative Associate Michigan Chapter of the ACS  
 Wayne State University Surgery Resident



# REPORTS FROM THE OUTFIELD



# PRODUCTIVITY

Below are photos taken of our residents before the ABSITE Exam weekend, January 25 and 26, 2019. As always, there is a calm and jovial atmosphere amongst the residents—even with the in-training exam just hours ahead of them!



January 25, 2019



January 26, 2019

GENERAL SURGERY  
ABSITE REVIEW







## REPORTS FROM THE OUTFIELD



# PRODUCTIVITY



Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma  
Advancing Science, Fostering Relationships, and Building Careers

Dr. Jonathan Martin (WSUGS 2020) presented his paper, "Early Insulin Therapy Abrogates Stress Associated Hyperglycemia Effects on the Glycocalyx-Endothelial Vascular Barrier," at the Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma (EAST) Annual Meeting which took place at the JW Marriott Austin in Austin, Texas, this past January 15-19, 2019. His co-authors were Mr. David Liberati and Dr. Lawrence Diebel (WSU/GS 1980/86). During his presentation, Dr. Martin was able to show that high sodium concentrations caused an impairment of endothelial function and of the glycocalyx barrier. After concluding the presentation of his paper, Dr. Martin answered questions many from the audience.



Dr. Jonathan Martin presenting his paper at the EAST Annual Meeting

Dr. Jonathan Martin answering the many questions asked by the audience



## REPORTS FROM THE OUTFIELD

# MENTORING

Each year, Dr. Charles Lucas and Dr. Anna Ledgerwood provide a mentoring session for the junior students who are interested in going into surgery. The mentoring session this year was provided on Wednesday, February 6, at Ristorante Giovanni's in Detroit. Present for the session were 20 junior students. Also attending the mentoring session were five senior students who gave advice and feedback to the junior students regarding their interview experiences, in addition to Drs. Lucas and Ledgerwood giving advice. Below are photos from the mentoring session.







## REPORTS FROM THE OUTFIELD

### *Holiday Greetings from Dr. Robert Wiencek*

Dr. Robert Wiencek (WSUGS 1988) has been a very busy cardiovascular surgeon in Las Vegas, Nevada. Each year, Bob and his patient care team celebrate the holiday season with a year-end party. Shown with Bob at the 2018 holiday party are two of the individuals that keep him out of trouble, namely, Ms. Lydia Nefedov, nurse practitioner, and Ms. Jin Lang, nurse practitioner. Bob and his family wish the best to the extended clan for 2019.



(Left to right) Ms. Lydia Nefedov, Dr. Robert Wiencek, and Ms. Jin Lang

### *Dr. Suresh Goyal Sends His Greetings*

Dr. Suresh Goyal (WSUGS/VS 1973/74) sends his best wishes to the extended surgical clan for 2019. Dr. Goyal is retired now and living in Staten Island, New York, close to his physician daughter. He thanks all of his teachers at WSU who taught him to be very well trained in the field of surgery and, thereby, have a very rewarding and long practice. Dr. Goyal identified the following "12 Blessings for a Surgeon" (JAMA 2018):

*May you take counsel before mask and gown.*

*May you measure twice but only sever once.*

*May your fingers feel what lies deep unseen.*

*May bleeding cease with practiced gentleness.*

*May your sutures hold the tissue true and fast.*

*May panic never strike when failure looms.*

*May you think clearly when you lose your way.*

*May you be decisive at the crucial time.*

*May you still be patient as the day wears on.*

*May you inspire courage when hope seems in decline.*

*May you acknowledge all who labored through the day.*

*May you love the art with your whole heart and mind.*





## REPORTS FROM THE OUTFIELD

### *Best Wishes from Dr. Steven M. Zoellner*

Dr. Steven M. Zoellner (WSUGS/PS 1987/89) feels very blessed to have a wonderful family. Patricia, his bride, actively works as a pediatric occupational therapist with special needs children. His son, Brandon, received his PhD and now works as a research and development chemist for Colgate Palmolive in New Jersey. His daughter, Morgan, was married this past summer. She works as a coordinator for a non-profit organization promoting health and wellness in school age children in Raleigh. His daughter, Alexa, is employed by GSK and will be starting Duke University's MBA program in May. His daughter, Kara, is



The Zoellner Clan (left to right): Steve, Kara, Alexa, Morgan, his bride Patricia, and their son Brandon

involved in a year-long internship in corporate communications with the Atlanta Braves. Finally, Steve states he continues to work to cover future wedding costs and because he really enjoys doing what he does (most of the time anyway). Steve remains in deep gratitude to the program and its educators as indicated in the letter below. He extends best wishes for the extended surgical clan for 2019.

*Dear Dr. Ledgerwood:*

*I have been reflecting on my 30 year anniversary for both my marriage (6/19/1987) and completion of my general surgery training from Wayne State (6/87). I have enjoyed exploring life each day with my spouse and have been blessed with 4 talented and caring children.*

*My General Surgery training provided the basis for a fulfilling plastic surgery career. In addition to my private practice in Pinehurst, North Carolina, I have had the opportunity to participate in a number of overseas medical mission trips, including living and operating on a hospital ship in the Dominican Republic for 3 months. Though I am indebted to all my surgical educators, you and Dr. Lucas set the gold standard for excellence as surgeons and how you cared for your patients. I have strived to deliver the best care to all my patients based on the principles you and Dr. Lucas taught and the example you both set. I have always tried to share these standards with other healthcare providers of the patient care team.*

*I want you to know how much I have appreciated your efforts as a surgical mentor. Thank you!*

*Sincerely,*

*Steven M. Zoellner, MD*



**WSU MONTHLY CONFERENCES  
2019**

**Death & Complications Conference  
Every Wednesday from 7-8**



**Didactic Lectures — 8 am  
Kresge Auditorium**

**Wednesday, February 6**

Death & Complications Conference

**“Topic to be Determined”**

**Moiz Dawood, MD, Chief Resident**

WSU Mike & Marian Ilitch Department of Surgery

**Wednesday, February 20**

Death & Complications Conference

**“Topic to be Determined”**

**Naresh Sundaresan, MD, Chief Resident**

WSU Mike & Marian Ilitch Department of Surgery

**Wednesday, February 27**

Death & Complications Conference

**“Management of Vascular Trauma”**

**Lindsay Reilley, MD, Chief Resident**

WSU Mike & Marian Ilitch Department of Surgery





Wayne State Surgical Society  
2018 Dues Notice

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Description	Amount
2018 Dues Payment _____ \$200	_____
My contribution for "An Operation A Year for WSU" _____	_____
*Charter Life Member _____ \$1000	_____
Total Paid _____	_____

Payment by Credit Card

Include your credit card information below and mail it or fax it to 313-993-7729.

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Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address of card (if different from above):

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

\*I want to commit to becoming a charter life member with payment of \$1000 per year for the next ten (10) years.

Send check made payable to **Wayne State Surgical Society** to:

Charles Lucas, MD  
Department of Surgery  
Detroit Receiving Hospital, Room 2V  
4201 St. Antoine Street  
Detroit, Michigan 48201

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

*Central Surgical Association*

*March 7-9, 2019*

*Innisbruck*

*Palm Harbor, Florida*

*American Surgical Association*

*April 11-13, 2019*

*Fairmont Dallas*

*Dallas, Texas*

*Michigan Chapter ACS*

*May 8-10, 2019*

*Amway Grand Plaza Hotel*

*Grand Rapids, MI*



**Please Update Your  
Information**

The WSUSOM Department of Surgery wants to stay in touch. Please email Charles Lucas at [clucas@med.wayne.edu](mailto:clucas@med.wayne.edu) to update your contact information.



## Missing Emails

Over the years the WSU Department of Surgery has lost touch with many of its alumni. If you know the email, address, or phone number of the following WSU Department of Surgery Residency Program graduates please email us at [clucas@med.wayne.edu](mailto:clucas@med.wayne.edu) with their information so that we can get them on the distribution list for the WSU Department of Surgery Alumni Monthly Email Report.

Mohammad Ali (1973)

David B. Allen (1992)

Tayful R. Ayalp (1979)

Juan C. Calzetta (1982)

Kuan-Cheng Chen (1976)

Elizabeth Colaiuta (2001)

Fernando I. Colon (1991)

David Davis (1984)

Teoman Demir (1996)

Judy A. Emanuele (1997)

Lawrence J. Goldstein (1993)

David M. Gordon (1993)

Raghuram Gorti (2002)

Karin Haji (1973)

Morteza Hariri (1970)

Abdul A. Hassan (1971)

Rose L. Jumah (2006)

R. Kambhampati (2003)

Aftab Khan (1973)

Samuel D. Lyons (1988)

Dean R. Marson (1997)

Syed A. Mehmood (2007)

Toby Meltzer (1987)

Roberto Mendez (1997)

Mark D. Morasch (1998)

Daniel J. Olson (1993)

David Packer (1998)

Y. Park (1972)

Bhavik G. Patel (2004)

Ami Raafat (1998)

Kevin Radecki (2001)

Sudarshan R. Reddy (1984)

Renato G. Ruggiero (1994)

Parvid Sadjadi (1971)

Samson P. Samuel (1996)

Knavery D. Scaff (2003)

Steven C. Schueller (1974)

Anand G. Shah (2005)

Anil Shetty (2008)

Chanderdeep Singh (2002)

D. Sukumaran (1972)

David G. Tse (1997)

Christopher N. Vashi (2007)

Larry A. Wolk (1984)

Peter Y. Wong (2002)

Shane Yamane (2005)

Chungie Yang (2005)

Hossein A. Yazdy (1970)

Lawrence S. Zachary (1985)



February 18<sup>th</sup>

## Wayne State Surgical Society

*The Wayne State Surgical Society (WSSS) was established during the tenure of Dr. Alexander Walt as the Chairman of the Department of Surgery. WSSS was designed to create closer contact between the current faculty and residents with the former resident members in order to create a living family of all of the WSU Department of Surgery. The WSSS also supports department activities. Charter/Life Membership in the WSSS is attained by a donation of \$1,000 per year for ten years or \$10,000 prior to ten years. Annual membership is attained by a donation of \$200 per year. WSSS supports a visiting lecturer each fall and co-sponsors the annual reception of the department at the annual meeting of the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Brian Shapiro (WSU/GS 1988/93) passed the baton of presidency to Dr. Jeffrey Johnson (WSUGS 1984) at the WSSS Gathering during the American College of Surgeons meeting in October 2018. Members of the WSSS are listed on the next page. Dr. Johnson continues in the hope that all former residents will become lifetime members of the WSSS and participate in the annual sponsored lectureship and the annual reunion at the American College of Surgeons meeting.*



*Members of the Wayne State Surgical Society  
Charter Life Members*

Ahn, Dean	Colon, Fernando I.	Grifka Thomas J. (Deceased)	Ledgerwood, Anna M.	Rose, Alexander	Walt, Alexander (Deceased)
Albaran, Renato G	Conway, W. Charles	Gutowski, Tomasz D.	Lim, John J.	Rosenberg, Jerry C.	Weaver, Donald
Allaben, Robert D. (Deceased)	Davidson, Scott B.	Herman, Mark A.	Lucas, Charles E.	Sarin, Susan	Whittle, Thomas J.
Ames, Elliot L.	Dujon, Jay	Hinshaw, Keith A.	Malian, Michael S.	Shapiro, Brian	Williams, Mallory
Amirikia, Kathryn C.	Edelman, David	Holmes, Robert J.	McIntosh, Bruce	Smith, Daniel	Wilson, Robert F.
Auer, George	Francis, Wesley	Huebl, Herbert C.	Missavage, Anne	Smith, Randall W.	Wood, Michael H.
Bassett, Joseph	Flynn, Lisa M.	Johnson, Jeffrey R.	Montenegro, Carlos E.	Stassinopoulos, Jerry	Zahriya, Karim
Baylor, Alfred	Fromm, Stefan H.	Johnson, Pamela D.	Narkiewicz, Lawrence	Sullivan, Daniel M.	
Bouwman, David	Fromm, David G	Kovalik, Simon G.	Nicholas, Jeffrey M.	Sugawa, Choichi	
Cirocco, William C.	Galpin, Peter A.	Lange, William (Deceased)	Novakovic, Rachel	vonBerg, Vollrad J. (Deceased)	
Clink, Douglas	Gayer, Christopher P.	Lau, David	Ramnauth, Subhash	Washington, Bruce C.	
	Gerrick Stanley		Rector, Frederick		

*Members of the Wayne State Surgical Society—2018 Dues*

Ali, Abubaker	Dente, Christopher	Joseph, Anthony L.	Masood, M. Faraz	Schwarz, Karl W.	Thomas, Gregory
Alpendre, Cristiano	Dittenbir, Mark	Kaderabek, Douglas	McAlpin, Glenn M.	Sferra, Joseph	Vasquez, Julio
Babel, James B.	Dolman, Heather	Klein, Michael D.	Moehn, Earl G.	Silbergleit, Allen	Ziegler, Daniel
Bambach, Gregory A.	Dulchavsky, Scott A.	Kline, Gary	Mueller, Michael J.	Siegel, Thomas S.	Zoellner, Steven M.
Bloch, Robert S.	Engwall, Sandra S.	Kosir, Mary Ann	Perrone, Erin	Spotts, Josette	
Bradley, Jennifer	Field, Erin	Leibold, Walter	Phillips, Linda G.	Tarras, Samantha	
Bucci, Lorenzo	Gallick, Harold	Lopez, Peter P.	Porter, Donald	Taylor, Michael G.	
Busuito, Michael J.	Horness, Mark D.	Mansour, Roozbeh	Resto, Andy	Tennenberg, Steven	
Dawson, Konrad L.	Jabbar, Furrukh	Marquez, JoFrances Jr.	Sankaran, Surya	Thom, Norman W.	

*Operation-A-Year  
January 1—December 31, 2018*



The WSU department of Surgery has instituted a new group of alumni who are remembering their training by donating the proceeds of one operation a year to the department. Those who join this new effort will be recognized herein as annual contributors. We hope that all of you will remember the department by donating one operation, regardless of difficulty or reimbursement, to the department to help train your replacements. Please send you donation to the Wayne State Surgical Society in care of Dr. Charles E. Lucas at Detroit Receiving Hospital, 4201 St. Antoine Street (Room 2V), Detroit, MI, 48201.

Albaran, Renato G.	Gayer, Christopher P.	Holmes, Robert J.	Ledgerwood, Anna	Nicholas, Jeffrey M.	Sugawa, Choichi
Cirocco, William C.	Gutowski, Tomasz D.	Johnson, Jeffrey R.	Malian, Michael	Novakovic, Rachel L.	Sullivan, Daniel M.
Davidson, Scott	Herman, Mark A.	Johnson, Pamela D.	Missavage, Anne	Shapiro, Brian S.	Whittle, Thomas J.
Dujon, Jay	Hinshaw, Keith A.	Joseph, Anthony L.	Narkiewicz, Lawrence	Smith, Randall A.	Wood, Michael H.

**WSU SOM ENDOWMENT**

The Wayne State University School of Medicine provides an opportunity for alumni to create endowments in support of their institution and also support the WSSS. For example, if Dr. John Smith wished to create the “Dr. John Smith Endowment Fund”, he could donate \$25,000 to the WSU SOM and those funds would be left untouched but, by their present, help with attracting other donations. The interest at the rate of 4% per year (\$1000) could be directed to the WSSS on an annual basis to help the WSSS continue its commitment to improving the education of surgical residents. Anyone who desires to have this type of named endowment established with the interest of that endowment supporting the WSSS should contact Ms. Lori Robitaille at the WSU SOM> She can be reached by email at [lrobitai@med.wayne.edu](mailto:lrobitai@med.wayne.edu).