



Transitions

Thriving Amidst Change

2014 AWS Fall Conference
October 26 – October 28
San Francisco, CA

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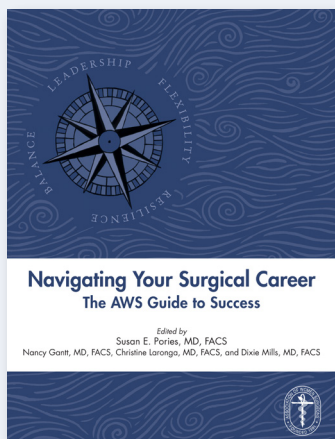
Sunday, October 26, 2014

Westin St. Francis

335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA

Welcome

The Association of Women Surgeons warmly invites you to our 2014 Conference and networking events. Our conference theme is “Transitions”– the challenges we face as our careers and personal lives evolve and new opportunities present themselves. Join us for a motivational day of personal and professional development – planned by women for women. This years’ AWS events will provide opportunities to make connections with peers and mentors to last a lifetime.



All 2014 conference registrants will receive a FREE download of AWS’ newest publication – *Navigating Your Surgical Career: The AWS Guide to Success*.

(Coming soon: This eBook will be available in Fall 2014!)

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

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6:30AM – 8:00AM

Registration Open,
Continental Breakfast &
Corporate Partners

6:45AM – 7:30AM

Sunrise Scientific Session

Moderator: Celeste Hollands, MD, FACS, FAAP, *St. John's Children's Hospital, University of South Alabama*

Co-Moderator: Lois A. Killewich, MD, PhD, *The University of Texas Medical Branch*

- Exemplary oral abstract presentations from the top American Journal of Surgery (AJIS) submissions
- Ethicon Fellowship Presentation from Heather Yeo, MD, a Surgical Oncology Fellow/Clinical Instructor, and a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical scholar at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center/Cornell New York Presbyterian, Clinical Trial on the efficacy of sacral neuromodulation (SNM) with Interstim for fecal incontinence following surgery for low rectal cancers with sphincter preservation

6:45AM – 8:00AM

Medical Student and Resident Starr Poster Presentations & AWS Green Solutions for the OR Presentations

8:00AM – 8:05AM

Welcome and
Program Introduction

Danielle Walsh, MD,
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8:05AM – 8:45AM

Keynote Presentation: Challenges to Leadership in Surgery

Introduction: Danielle Walsh, MD, FACS, FAAP, *East Carolina University*

Presenter: Nancy Ascher, MD, FACS, *Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery Division of Transplant Surgery Isis Distinguished Professor in Transplantation Leon Goldman, MD, Distinguished Professor in Surgery, University of California, San Francisco*



Dr. Ascher has risen to the pinnacle of her profession in a field where women constitute a disproportionately small number of academic leadership positions relative to their male counterparts. She will discuss her journey and the challenges women surgeons face breaking the "glass ceiling" to reach their desired career goals. Insights and strategies including networking, leadership skill acquisition, acquiring mentors and personal coaching will be discussed. From her unique perspective, Dr. Ascher will provide her vision of future opportunities for women in surgery.

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8:45AM – 9:20PM

The Changing Face of US Healthcare: How to Optimize Your Career

Presenter: Patrick Bailey, MD, FACS, *Medical Director for Advocacy, American College of Surgeons*

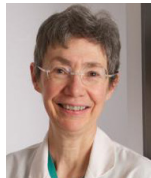


Health care delivery in the United States is undergoing dramatic transformations. Mandates of the Affordable Care Act continues to evolve, challenging both practicing surgeons and those in training to make effective career decisions. At the same time we face serious work-force issues in surgery without a clear view of how training for additional surgery residents will be funded. Advocacy at the state and national level by surgeons is essential to facilitate legislative decisions to provide access to quality care, however many surgeons lack the skills and/or confidence to successfully advocate for their patients and profession. From his vantage point with the American College of Surgeons, Dr. Bailey will provide up-to-date information and strategies to succeed professionally and effectively promote change.

9:25AM – 10:00AM

The Challenge: Transition to a Healthier You

Presenter: Carol E.H. Scott-Conner, MD, FACS, *University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine*



Successfully balancing personal and professional demands can seem impossible, especially as the circumstances on one's life and career evolve. Armed with a wealth of personal experience, Dr. Scott-Conner will discuss techniques and resources required to avoid "burnout," achieve personal wellness and balance the demands of home, childbearing and career.

10:00AM – 10:30AM

Networking Break with
Corporate Partners

10:30AM – 10:40AM

Starr Poster Contest & Green Solutions for the OR Winners Announcement

Presenter: Danielle Walsh, MD, FACS, FAAP, *East Carolina University*

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10:40AM – 12:30PM

Transitions and Resilience: Growing and Thriving Throughout Your Life and Career

Presenter: Janet Bickel, MA, *Janet Bickel & Associates, LLC*



Neither medical training nor practice teaches professionals how to continue to thrive, especially amidst constantly evolving constraints and opportunities. Instead, the 'tyranny of the urgent' interferes with self-care, learning from your own experiences, imagining and experimenting with alternatives, and finding synergies among the critical domains of your life.

This highly interactive seminar will enhance attendees' abilities to:

- Picture what success means to them now and make reflective choices regarding their priorities
- Identify assumptions and competing commitments interfering with their continuing growth
- Discern possibilities for achieving greater satisfaction from integration among the domains of their lives
- Commit to a resilience-promoting change

12:45PM – 1:45PM

*AWS Luncheon &
Annual Business Meeting*

1:45AM – 3:00PM

Directed Networking Sessions: Tools for Personal Success

Moderators: Stephanie Bonne, MD, FACS, *Washington University in St. Louis*; Robin Williams, MD, FACS, *Tennessee Breast Specialists*

These sessions will allow AWS members to meet informally and discuss important personal and professional topics with other women surgeons. Bring your greatest challenges, life experiences and best advice to the table as we build networks and friendships. For planning purposes, please select the 2 topics of greatest interest to you and indicate your selection on the registration form. Changes on the day of the conference will be permitted! Each topic will run for about 30 minutes, and repeat.

- Strategies for Family Planning
- Work/life Balance; Success Under Stress
- Financial and Retirement Planning
- Private Practice: Navigating a Successful Career
- Social Media "How-tos"
- Alternate/Non-traditional Career Paths
- Successful Negotiation Strategies
- Mentorship and Career Advancement

AWS Foundation Awards Dinner

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AWS Foundation Awards Dinner



6:00PM – 7:30PM

Reception for Women Surgeons and Guests

The American College of Surgeons' Women in Surgery Committee is sponsoring a reception for women surgeons attending the Clinical Congress and their guests. All AWS members are encouraged to attend and network. AWS Members wishing to attend the reception, but unable to stay for the AWS banquet, are asked to designate attendance on the reservation panel to assist with planning.

7:30PM – 10:00PM

AWS Foundation Awards Dinner

Please join us for the 2014 AWS Foundation Awards Dinner as we celebrate another year of progress and success for women in surgery. AWS President, Danielle Walsh, MD, FACS, FAAP will lead the recognition of individuals nominated by their peers and teachers for outstanding effort. Recipients of the Nina Starr Braunwald Award, the Olga Jonasson Distinguished Member Award, the AWS Past Presidents' Honorary Member Award, the Hilary Sanfey Outstanding Resident Award and the Patricia Numann Medical Student Award will all be recognized and honored for their efforts and contributions to surgery. Attire is semi-formal.

Individual dinner tickets – \$150/\$175

Sponsor a RESERVED Table of 10 – \$3,000

The funds raised from table sponsorships go toward support of the mission, programs and services of the Association of Women Surgeons Foundation. Table sponsorships (minus the cost of dinner) are tax deductible.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Hotel Information

Reserve your hotel room using the ACS Clinical Congress materials. The ACS Website at www.FACS.org contains all the information you need to reserve your hotel room.

Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be received in writing by October 1, 2014 and will be refunded less a 20% processing fee (of total amount paid). Refunds will not be issued after this date.

Attire

Attire for the AWS Conference and Networking Breakfast is business casual. Attire for the AWS Awards Dinner is semi-formal.

2014 AWS Conference

AWS Networking Breakfast

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Nordstrom Café, Nordstrom San Francisco Centre
865 Market Street, San Francisco, CA

8:00AM – 10:00AM

AWS Networking Breakfast

Members and non-members are invited to a complimentary breakfast on Tuesday morning. Take this opportunity to meet and network with peers and mentors. Register for this event by checking the box on the registration form.

4:00PM – 6:00PM

ACS Women in Surgery Committee's Networking and Shopping Event

Please join the ACS Women in Surgery Committee for a special evening of networking and shopping to be held at St John's Boutique on Tuesday October 28th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. It is located one block from the Convention Center. There will be a 20% discount open to all attendees during the event and for the entire time of the College meeting. All are welcome.



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2014 AWS Fall Conference Registration Form

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Date _____

Badge Name _____

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First Name _____

Last Name _____

MD PhD FACS Other _____

Affiliation _____

Surgical Specialty _____

Address _____ City _____

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Number of Awards Dinner Guests _____

Names of Guests _____

Directed Networking (Please select two topics)

- Strategies for Family Planning Work/life Balance; Success Under Stress Financial and Retirement Planning Private Practice: Navigating a Successful Career
 Social Media "How-tos" Alternate/Nontraditional Career Paths Successful Negotiation Strategies Mentorship and Career Advancement

CONFERENCE FEES

Early Bird | Regular (After October 3, 2014)

Sunday, October 26, 2014

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AWS Member | \$225 \$250 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AWS Non-Member | \$270 \$295 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resident* | \$135 \$150 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student* | \$75 \$75 | \$ _____ |

*Includes an annual membership. If you are a current member, your membership will be increased by 12 months.

- YES, I am planning on attending the Luncheon and Annual Business Meeting immediately following the morning presentation (Lunch is included in the registration fee).

Special Dietary/Accessibility Needs

- Vegetarian Kosher Other _____

AWSF Awards Dinner

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Ticket(s) \$150 x _____ # of Dinner Attendees | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Ticket(s) \$175 x _____ # of Dinner Attendees
(After October 3, 2014) | \$ _____ |

Sponsor a RESERVED table of 10 for \$3,000 For sponsorships: \$ _____
include separate check made payable to AWS Foundation for tax purposes.

The names of your dinner guests must be submitted to the AWS Office no later than Thursday, October 17, 2014. The funds raised from table sponsorships go to support the mission, programs and services of the Association of Women Surgeons.

- YES, I will attend the Monday night reception ONLY Complimentary

The American College of Surgeons' Women in Surgery Committee is sponsoring a reception for women surgeons attending the Clinical Congress and their guests.

Networking Breakfast

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

- YES, I am planning on attending the AWS Networking Breakfast Complimentary

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