127th Annual Meeting of the American Surgical Association

Dates and Location
The 127th Annual Meeting of the American Surgical Association will be held at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, Colorado from April 26-28, 2007. The Committee on Arrangements, chaired by Dr. Frederick L. Grover, is planning the agenda to provide ample opportunities to enjoy this historic hotel and the breathtaking scenery of this location.

Annual Meeting Program
The Program Committee, chaired by Dr. Lawrence Y. Cheung, will meet in January to review the submitted abstracts and to select the scientific program for the 127th Annual Meeting. Preliminary Program information will be mailed in early 2007 and will be available on the ASA Website: www.americansurgical.info.

Meeting Registration
You may register for the meeting on the ASA Website: www.americansurgical.info. For Fellow and Guest Physicians, an early bird discount registration fee is available to those who register by the early bird deadline of March 9, 2007. The early bird fee for Fellows is $425 and for Guest Physicians is $475. All fees increase by $50 on March 10, 2007, so we urge you to register now. The registration fee for Fellows and Guest Physicians includes the cost of the Annual Banquet (black tie preferred).

Hotel Reservations
Hotel Registration forms will be mailed in early 2007 or make your reservations directly from the ASA Website: www.americansurgical.info. We encourage you to make your hotel reservations now. For best availability, we strongly recommend that you make your reservations before the end of February.

The ASA reservation deadline is March 7, 2007.

Receive Updated Information
Send us your email address to ensure that you receive meeting updates and program information as soon as details are available. Send your name and email address to asa@prri.com.
Guests at the Annual Meeting

Each Fellow may invite one or more guest physicians to attend the Annual Meeting, including the Annual Banquet. Please remember that your guest must register as a participant of the meeting and must submit a registration fee. If you wish to take advantage of this privilege, please send your guest’s full name and address by January 3, 2007, to:

Michael W. Mulholland, M.D., Secretary
American Surgical Association
900 Cummings Center, Suite 221-U
Beverly, MA 01915
Fax: (978) 524-8890
An invitation will be forwarded accompanied by the appropriate registration information. Residents are welcome when a Fellow extends their guest privilege.

You may also use the "Invite a Colleague" option available on the ASA website: www.americansurgical.info.

The Discussion of Papers

Fellows are reminded of the following guidelines regarding discussion of papers during the meeting:

1. Each paper will have one official discussant, identified by the presenting author.
2. The discussant will be limited to 3 minutes. No slides are allowed.
3. All other discussion will be entertained from the floor and will be limited to two minutes per discussant.

2008 ANNUAL MEETING
April 24-26, 2008
The Waldorf Astoria Hotel / New York, New York

The Broadmoor
in the heart of Colorado Springs

Known as the “grande dame of the Rockies,” The Broadmoor has been the vacation destination of hundreds of presidents, statesmen, foreign potentates and many entertainment and sports celebrities. It has been providing visitors with the perfect spot to work, relax, or enjoy a myriad of recreational possibilities for over 80 years. Located in Colorado Springs at the foot of the Rockies, The Broadmoor provides an environment of unparalleled beauty and luxury surrounded by the mountains and centered by Cheyenne Lake.

There are many recreational activities to enjoy at The Broadmoor including three championship golf courses, nine plexi-pave tennis courts and an award-winning spa. With 11 restaurants, there are ample choices of culinary experiences, including the award-winning Charles Court.

The Broadmoor is not the only attraction in Colorado Springs. Founded in 1871 by General William Jackson Palmer, Colorado Springs is the second largest city in Colorado. Over six million people visit Colorado Springs each year to enjoy the moderate climate and natural beauty of the Pikes Peak region. There are miles of beautiful walking, hiking and biking trails at the resort that lead you around Cheyenne Lake into Cheyenne Canyon and on to wondrous destinations like nearby Seven Falls. The Pikes Peak region is renowned for its outdoor/adventure offerings including white-water rafting, rock climbing and fly fishing. Outdoor adventures abound from the majestic Garden of the Gods to Cave of the Winds to the nearby Royal Gorge Bridge. Or take a trip up Pikes Peak on the world’s highest cog railroad, the Manitou and Pike’s Peak Railway.

Nearby Manitou Springs and Old Colorado City are home to hundreds of artisans and businesses offering visitors a wide variety of shopping and dining experiences.
ASA MEMBERSHIP

The vitality and continuity of the American Surgical Association is dependent upon the active and continuous participation of young members of the surgical community with a diversity of backgrounds. In an effort to increase the involvement of young leaders from a variety of surgical specialties, we encourage you to propose your colleagues for ASA Membership. Information on how to propose a candidate for ASA membership is noted below.

Candidates for Membership

The name of a candidate proposed for membership may be read at the April 2007 Annual Meeting only if the application is complete in every detail and has been received by the Secretary by March 15, 2007. Proposal for Membership forms may be obtained from Michael W. Mulholland, M.D., Secretary, through the Administrative Office in Beverly, Massachusetts or go to the ASA website www.americansurgical.info and click on Membership. The requirements are:

1. Applications shall be completed and signed by three Fellows.
2. Supporting letters from each of the three Fellows shall accompany the application.
3. One copy of a complete curriculum vitae in required format to include a bibliography in Index Medicus form.
4. Reprints of each of the three most outstanding contributions to surgery (listed on the application form) shall be included with the application.

Visit the ASA Website!

The American Surgical Association invites you to visit the Website. Members may use the website as a significant resource for Association information, including:

◆ 127th Annual Meeting Program and Registration Information
◆ Electronic Abstract Submission
◆ Latest News from the Association and the ASA Foundation
◆ Foundation Giving Opportunities
◆ Award Information, Applications & Recipients
ASA Foundation Needs Your Support

The American Surgical Association has fostered advancement in surgical procedures for 125 years. Over the past two decades we have witnessed extraordinary advances in surgery, advancements that have transformed surgery and greatly enhanced the treatment and recovery of our patients. Research and education programs are paramount to maintaining and even accelerating these advances in the years ahead.

Over twenty years ago the ASA established the American Surgical Association Foundation to serve as the ASA’s fund raising arm and, more importantly, insure that our research award programs would have the financial wherewithal to support new and exciting initiatives that would lead to further advancements. Thanks to the generous support of the ASA members, the Foundation has built an impressive record of accomplishment and has accelerated its levels of research since its founding.

Since 1982, the Foundation has awarded 25 Research Fellowships to truly gifted, remarkable surgeon-scientists. Many of these recipients have been elected to ASA membership. All have received peer-reviewed funding. Their academic and professional accomplishments have been impressive. Our return on investment in these surgeon-scientists has been significant.

We need to insure that the ASA will continue to make these types of wise investments in the future of surgery and in better care for our patients. The Foundation Board of Trustees asks you to consider two ways in which you can play an important role in the future of surgery. First, support the Foundation through a donation to the Annual Campaign. Make a donation to the ASA Foundation now.

Second, consider a planned gift to the ASA Foundation, if not now then in the future. A wide variety of planned giving opportunities exist that will allow you to make a very substantial donation to the ASA Foundation with little or no impact on your disposable income. For information on planned giving, or to make an immediate gift to the Foundation, contact Joe Webber (jwebber@prri.com), Director of Development, at the Foundation offices.