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President's Message

By W. Darrin Clouse, MD

Dear Colleagues,

I am humbled and privileged to begin serving as the 2013-2014 President of the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society. Over the last several years, we've seen amazing expansion in our society's structure and voice. PVSS is dedicated to development and facilitation of vascular surgeons setting out in their career. It has been extremely rewarding to see our advocacy, camaraderie, and activities flourish. This has been particularly evident in leadership development, education, training, mentoring, academic enhancement, and practice improvement. I highly encourage everyone to become involved in PVSS, and to pursue your colleagues, fellows and residents.

What a great start to the 2013 it's been for PVSS! Through the thoughtful contributions of immediate-past president, **Dr. Ruth Bush**, our Annual Meeting was refocused to our winter venue. Thank you to all who attended the Annual Meeting at The Canyons, in Park City, UT and made it memorable and highly successful. I think all will agree the meeting was one of the best attended and stimulating meetings in recent memory. Congratulations to Program Chair, Ravi Veeraswamy, and his committee on a phenomenal job! The competitive scientific program was outstanding. The Cook Fellow Luminaries course began the meeting with 30 fellows attending, and touching on everything from contract negotiation and personal finances to vascular jeopardy! The inaugural Society for Military Vascular Surgery sessions at PVSS, including the annual Norman M. Rich Military Vascular Surgery Paper competition, was a hit! Thanks to **Dr. Chuck Andersen**, 5th PVSS president, for his care and insight in describing the relationship and potential future of PVSS and SMVS. Of course, the social and mountain activities with each other and our industry partners were unparalleled.

The PVSS sessions at the Vascular Annual Meeting will be held May 29, 2013 in San Francisco! Please plan to attend. Our relationship with SVS has never been stronger and several co-sponsored activities are in the works.

Let's be PVSS!!

Best,
Darrin



Annual (Winter) Meeting Re-Cap

For the more than 300 of you who recently returned from our Annual Meeting in beautiful Park City, Utah – welcome back to reality. Attendance at the meeting reached its highest number in many, many years. For those who did not – you missed an outstanding meeting!

Ravi Veeraswamy and his Program Committee selected a diverse and vigorous scientific program, which really reflected the current trends in peripheral vascular disease management.

Winter Program Committee

Ravi Veeraswamy – Chair
Ravi Rajani
Mark Conrad
Brian DeRubertis
Katherine Gallagher
Jean Bismuth

The meeting was kicked-off with the Fellows Luminaries Program on Thursday morning with 30 young trainees in attendance. To ensure the meeting was relevant to the audience, Dr. Veeraswamy selected several Fellows to develop the program with topics of interest. The ever-popular Vascular Jeopardy session, which included prizes, was met with enthusiasm. The Fellows Luminaries program is made possible through a generous grant provided by Cook Medical, Inc.

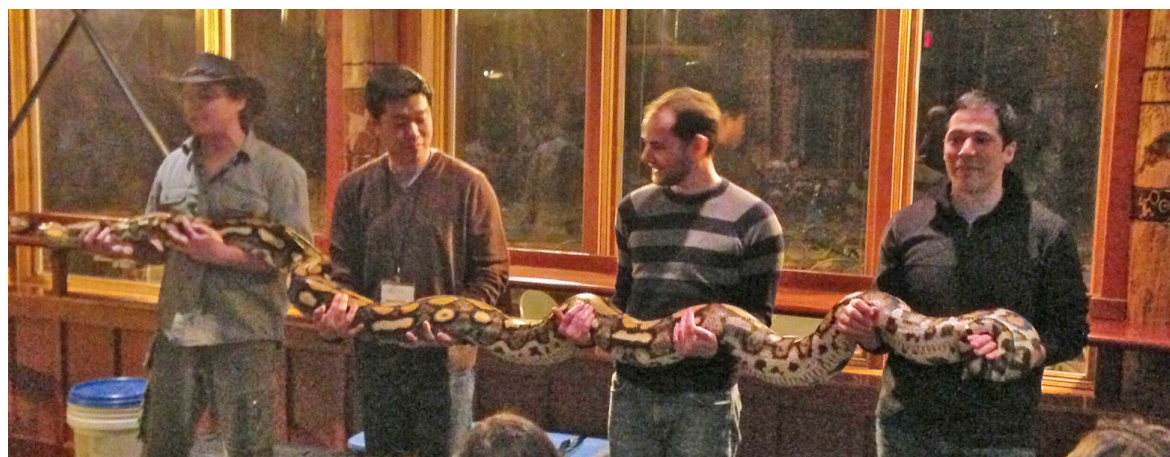
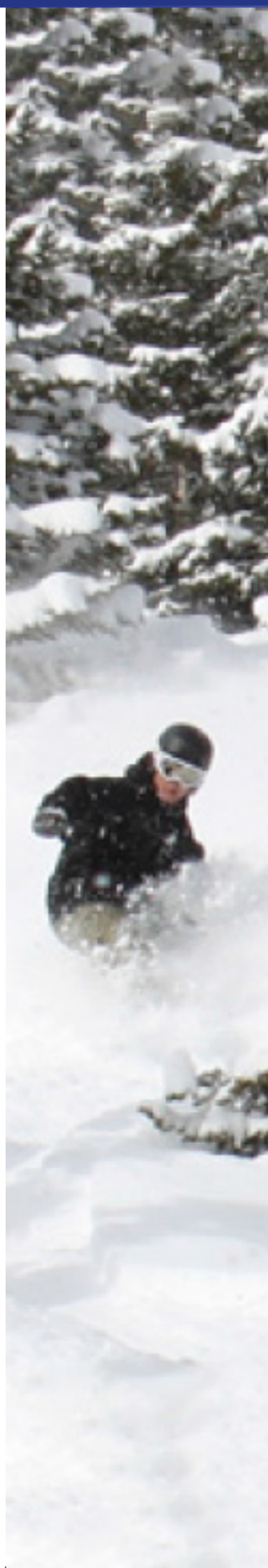
Dr. Charles (Chuck) Andersen of Milton, Washington was the featured luncheon speaker for the Society of Military Vascular Surgery session who spoke of the history of the society and its long-standing connection to PVSS. Hosting the SMVS session was a pilot program this year, but certainly seemed very well-received and we look forward to discussing future collaborations with SMVS.

Morning and afternoon scientific sessions were packed (standing room only in some sessions), and the discussions were lively. President Ruth Bush's address at this year's annual meeting was a captivating account of her ongoing work in Haiti with medical missions.

The President's Dinner was held at the Red Pine Lodge midway up the mountain and was a "sold-out" event. Kids of all ages were entertained during the reception by "Scales and Tails", featuring live boa constrictors, tarantulas, tortoises, iguanas and more...Dinner was a Western BBQ and a terrific local DJ kept the music going throughout the night.

For the skiers in the group, and there were many, conditions were nearly perfect!

As previously reported, PVSS has now officially changed its "Annual Meeting" to the winter venue, with a unanimous By-Law amendment vote by the membership. Previously, the annual meeting took place during the spring meeting. Since we became affiliated with the SVS/VAM meeting a number of years ago, the sheer number of competing social and collegiate events resulted in an over-shadowing of the PVSS activities. Beginning with our 2013 meeting at the Canyons and going forward, the election of officers, the election of new members, the Member Business Meeting, the Presidential Address and President's Dinner will all occur at the winter meeting.



PVSS Welcomes New Members – 2013

Candidates Members

Matthew Allemang, MD – Cleveland, Ohio
Dean Arnaoutakis, MD, MBA – Baltimore, Maryland
Humayun Bakhtawar, MD – Albany, New York
Andrea Barker, MD – Jackson, Mississippi
Gabriel Bietz, MD – Lexington, Kentucky
Danielle Campbell, MD, BS – Ann Arbor, Michigan
LeAnn Chavez, MD – Sacramento, California
Sara Clark, MD – Hershey, Pennsylvania
Jason Comeau, MD – Albany, New York
Jeffrey Crawford, MD – Portland, Oregon
Gavin Davis, MD – Tampa, Florida
Benjamin Eslahpazir, MD – Cleveland, Ohio
Justin Galovich, MD – Torrance, California
Lindsay Gates, MD – New Haven, Connecticut
Lorena Gonzalez, MD – Houston, Texas
Arsalla Islam, MD – Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Keith Jones, MD – Albany, New York
Strey Ram Kuy, MD, MHS – Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Jeontaik Kwon, MD, MSc – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Kathleen Lamb, MD – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Jesus Matos, MD – Houston, Texas
Mark O'Donnell, MD – Phoenix, Arizona
Noah Scherrer, MD – Louisville, Kentucky
Asad Shah, MD – Durham, North Carolina
Mathew Wooster, MD – Tampa, Florida
Chin-Chin Yeh, MD – Albany, New York

Active Members

Francis Caputo, MD – Camden, New Jersey
Dmitri Gelfand, MD – Roseville, California
Marlene Grenon, MD – San Francisco, California
Rebecka Hultgren, MD – Stockholm, Sweden
Misty Humphries, MD – Sacramento, California
Shang Loh, MD – Stonybrook, New York
Louis Nguyen, MD – Boston, Massachusetts
Atol Rao, MD – Brooklyn, New York
Melissa Shah, MD – Albany, New York
Susanna Shin, MD – Washington, DC
Sumona Smith, MD – Jackson, Mississippi
Desarom Teso, MD – Vancouver, Washington
Margaret Tracci, MD – Charlottesville, Virginia
Timothy Williams, MD – Davis, California

2013 Slate of New Officers

President – W. Darrin Clouse, MD
President-Elect – Vikram S. Kashyap, MD
Treasurer – Peter R. Nelson, MD, MS
Councilor-at-Large – Matthew Corriere, MD

Society Representatives

ACS Board of Governors – Erica Mitchell, MD
SVS Executive Committee – Martin Back, MD
SVS Young Surgeons Advisory Committee – Jason T. Lee, MD
SVS Gov. Council of Training Section – Misty Humphries, MD

PVSS Spring Meeting – May 29, 2013 Plan to join us in San Francisco for the 38th Spring Meeting of the Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society

Held in conjunction with Society for Vascular Surgery – Vascular Annual Meeting, the all day PVSS Scientific Program will be held on Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at the Moscone Convention Center (West) in San Francisco, CA

Abstracts were reviewed and scored by a joint Program Committee consisting of members from each society. Twenty-four outstanding abstracts were selected for the PVSS session.

San Francisco is a vibrant city with scenic beauty, cultural attractions and world-class dining options. The city is dotted with landmarks like the Golden Gate Bridge, cable cars, Fisherman's Wharf, Union Square, Chinatown – so there are plenty of options to explore. Cultural attractions abound with theatre, opera, symphony and ballet and Broadway-bound shows.

On-line Meeting Registration and
Hotel Reservations open on March 5, 2013
Register: www.vascularweb.org
Housing Bureau: svs@wyndhamjade.com
[2013 PVSS Spring Program Committee](#)

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Mike Singh
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Government Grant Opportunity

The Peripheral Vascular Surgery Society would like to alert its membership that the Department of Defense is issuing a Program Announcement to solicit and fund research on the topics of vascular injury and hemorrhage control. To learn more about this announcement, one should access the grants.gov website found at the following link:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/basic.do>

Search funding opportunity: "W81XWH-13-CCCJPC6-FSERC" or use search term "Endovascular" to find the specific announcement. Solicitations for research and technology related to vascular and endovascular surgery are relatively new within the Department of Defense and are an indication that the military recognizes the unique potential for this specialty area to reduce morbidity and mortality from vascular trauma and hemorrhage.

**Membership is almost
1000 members-strong...
Are there colleagues
in your practice or
institution who would
benefit from PVSS
membership? Pass it on!**

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