Dear Colleague,

As President of the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association, it is my great pleasure to extend this invitation to you to attend the STSA 62nd Annual Meeting, November 4-7, 2015, at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club Resorts in Lake Buena Vista, Florida.

Please take a few minutes to review the educational sessions listed in this Advance Program. You will note the names of many top experts in the field. Again this year, we have an excellent Postgraduate Program that will include case presentations featuring mistakes and pitfalls in the OR, specialty-specific breakout sessions, and a special session presentation by Tirone E. David, MD. The Program Committee carefully considered the comments and suggestions received from last year’s attendees when creating the 2015 Program. The Scientific Sessions will again feature cardiac, thoracic, congenital, and transplant breakout sessions as well as special History and Coding presentations. All sessions have been scheduled to allow for plenty of opportunities for thoughtful discussion. There will also be time for attendees to enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship that is such a big part of the STSA Annual Meeting experience.

In addition to the educational sessions, please bring your whole family and enjoy the activities and entertainment offered at Disney. Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club is a beautiful and charming property, located just steps away from Epcot® and a short drive from Disney’s Magic Kingdom® and Universal Studios®. For those who bring children, there’s an onsite Sandcastle Kids Club and affordable baby-sitting options available. There will also be guest appearances by Mickey and his friends with plenty of photo opportunities. The President’s Mixer on Friday, November 6 will conclude at Epcot® – just in time for the fireworks display.

Annual Meeting attendees receive reduced room rates at Disney’s Yacht Club and exclusive Disney theme park ticket options. Refer to page 11 of this brochure for additional information and instructions for making your hotel reservations. Please make any dinner or special event registrations early. Disney restaurants book early and the best ones may tie up even months in advance – don’t get left out. There are several social activities planned for Saturday, November 7 that you won’t want to miss, including the always-popular golf and fishing tournaments. Learn more about these outings on page 12.

Finally, I urge everyone to attend the Awards Dinner & Dance on Saturday evening. We have a great band that will play songs all night long for us. We have shortened the award presentations to maximize the time to socialize and enjoy your friends at the STSA. Most of all, although black tie is always in fashion, feel free to come in your own costume (Superhero, Superwoman, Superman, Renaissance, Gatsby, etc., nothing is off limits) to compete for the best-dressed, most-original, or most-outlandish. And if your idea of black tie is more casual, that will be fine as well.

Please make plans now to join your Southern Thoracic colleagues this November. You can register at www.stsa.org. I look forward to seeing you in November at Disney’s Yacht & Beach Club!

Sincerely,

John H. Calhoon, MD
STSA President

Special thanks to the members of the Program Committee and Postgraduate Committee and all abstract reviewers who volunteered their time, energy, and expertise in developing the STSA 62nd Annual Meeting program.

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SCHEDULE**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015

7:45 pm - 10:00 pm
SURGICAL MOTION PICTURES

CME Credits Available: 2.25
Moderators: *Charles B. Huddleston and *Himanshu J. Patel

7:45 pm - 8:00 pm
1V. Resection of a Large Tracheal Tumor with Esophageal Involvement
Mark Shapiro, Benjamin Lee, Robert Korst
The Valley Hospital, Ridgewood, NJ

8:00 pm - 8:15 pm
2V. Repair of Transposition (TGA) with Absent Pulmonary Valve (APV) Using Pulmonary Artery Retrenchment Technique
Graham D. Ungerleider, K C. Jones, *Yoshio Otaki, Michael Walsh, *Ross M. Ungerleider
Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC

8:15 pm - 8:30 pm
3V. Repair of Both Severe Pectus Excavatum Deformity and Ascending Aortic Root Aneurysm
Erik A. Beyer, James Jowers, Erin Gautney
Baptist Health Little Rock, Little Rock, AR

8:30 pm - 8:45 pm
4V. The P.O.E.M. Procedure for Achalasia: From Outside to Inside in 100 years
Brian E. Louie, Andreas Schneider, Heather F. Warren, Ralph W. Aye
Swedish Cancer Institute, Seattle, WA

8:45 pm - 9:00 pm
5V. When the Bidirectional Glann Is an Unfavorable Option: Primary Extracardiac Inferior Cavopulmonary Connection as an Alternative Palliation
Children’s Heart Center, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS

9:00 pm - 9:15 pm
6V. Post-infarct Ventricular Septal Rupture: Surgical Repair, Pitfalls and Safeguards
Michael S. Halbreiner, Andres Kursbaum, Jose Navia
Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

9:15 pm - 9:30 pm
7V. Aortic Valve Reconstruction for Endocarditis
Domenico Mazzitelli, Christian Noebauer, *J. Scott Rankin, Christian Schreiber, Ruediger Lange
1German Heart Center Munich, Munich, Germany; 2BioStable Science and Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX

9:30 pm - 9:45 pm
8V. Half Pantaloon (“Florida-shaped”) Patch for Repair of Anomalous Left Coronary Artery from the Pulmonary Artery (ALCAPA)
Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC

9:45 pm - 10:00 pm
9V. Mediastinal Teratoma Causing Superior Vena Cava Compression
Joshua Sonett, Gopal Singh, Joe Costa, Marc Bessler, Frank D’Ovidio, Matthew Bacchetta, Lyall Gorenstein, Mark Ginsburg
Columbia University Medical Center, New York, NY

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015

7:00 am - 12:00 pm

STSA POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM

CME Credits Available: 4.5

GENERAL SESSION

Mistakes/Pitfalls Case Presentations
Moderator: *Kevin Accola

7:00 am - 7:22 am
Aortic Case Presentation
Presenter: *Anthony L. Estrera
University of Texas Houston Medical School, Houston, TX

7:22 am - 7:44 am
Adult Cardiac Case Presentation
Presenter: *V. Seenu Reddy
TriStar Cardiovascular Surgery, Nashville, TN

7:44 am - 8:06 am
General Thoracic Case Presentation: Recovery from Esophageal Disasters & Failure
Presenter: *Scott B. Johnson
University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, TX

8:06 am - 8:28 am
Transplant Case Presentation: Lung Transplantation
Pulmonary Venous Obstruction
Presenter: *Thomas C. Wozniak
Methodist Hospital of Indiana, St. Vincent Hospital of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN

8:30 am - 8:45 am
Break

ADULT CARDIAC BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Faisal G. Bakaeen and *Thomas M. Beaver

8:45 am - 9:12 am
Valve-sparing Root Replacement Techniques
*Edward P. Chen
Emory University, Atlanta, GA

9:12 am - 9:39 am
Minimally Invasive and Off-pump Placement of Durable VADS
*Simon Maltais
Vanderbilt Heart and Vascular Institute, Nashville, TN

9:39 am - 10:05 am
Current Management of Type A and B Acute Dissection
*Himanshu J. Patel
University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center, Ann Arbor, MI

GENERAL THORACIC BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Melanie A. Edwards and *John A. Howington

8:45 am - 9:12 am
Pancostumor Resection – Anterior Approach
*Garrett L. Walsh
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

9:12 am - 9:39 am
Robotic Thyromectomy: Tips, Pitfalls and Long Term Outcomes
*Richard K. Freeman
St. Vincent’s Health and Hospital System/Indiana Heart Institute, Indianapolis, IN

9:39 am - 10:05 am
POEM
TBA

CONGENITAL BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Carl L. Backer and *Robert J. Dabal

8:45 am - 9:12 am
AV Valve Repair in Single Ventricle Patients
*Paul J. Chai
Morgan Stanley Children’s Hospital of New York/Columbia University Medical Center, New York, NY

9:12 am - 9:39 am
Tricuspid Valve Repair
*Joseph A. Dearani
Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

9:39 am - 10:05 am
Body & Brain Protection During Arch Repair
*Jorge D. Salazar
University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS

10:05 am - 10:20 am
Break

GENERAL SESSION

Special Topics in Cardiothoracic Surgery
Moderators: *Daniel L. Miller and *Thomas C. Wozniak

10:20 am - 10:50 am
ECMO – Past, Present, and Future
Robert H. Bartlett
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

10:50 am - 11:20 am
Role of the Thoracic Surgeon in the ICU
Glenn J. R. Whitman
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

SPECIAL SESSION

11:20 am - 12:00 pm
Lifelong Observations on Heart Valve Surgery
Tirone E. David
Toronto General Hospital, Toronto, ON, Canada

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Break – Visit Exhibits

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
EXHIBIT OPENS

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
ETHICS DEBATE & PUBLIC REPORTING UPDATE

CME Credits Available: 1.0
Moderator: *Robert M. Sade

1:00 pm - 1:50 pm
Should Family Presence Be Allowed During Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation?
Pro: Karen J. Brasel
Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Public Reporting of Thoracic and Cardiac Surgical Outcomes with the STS Database: How & Why
*Jeffrey P. Jacobs
Johns Hopkins All Children’s Heart Institute, St. Petersburg, FL

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm
Use of Del Nido Cardioplegia in Adults Undergoing Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery
Gustavo E. Guajardo Salinas, Michio Kajitani, Michael Nolen, Roger Nutt
Arkansas Heart Hospital, Little Rock, AR

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm
Updated Outcomes for Coronary Reoperations: A 20-year Experience
Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm
Variation in Pulmonary Resection Practices: A Comparative Analysis of the STS and ESTS General Thoracic Surgery Databases
Christopher W. Seder1, Michele Salati2, *Benjamin D. Kozower3, Cameron D. Wright4, Pierre-Emmanuel Falcoz5, Alessandro Brunelli6, *Felix G. Fernandez7
1Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL; 2Ospedali Riuniti Ancona, Ancona, Italy; 3University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA; 4Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA; 5Nouvel Hopital Civil, Strasbourg, France; 6St. James’s University Hospital, Leeds, United Kingdom; 7Emory University, Atlanta, GA

*Indicates STSA Member
3:15 pm - 3:30 pm
4. Mortality Trends in Pediatric and Congenital Heart Surgery: An Analysis of the STS Congenital Heart Surgery Database
1 Johns Hopkins All Children's Heart Institute, St. Petersburg, FL; 2 Duke Clinical Research Institute, Duke University, Durham, NC; 3 Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard University, Boston, MA; 4 University of Louisville, Louisville, KY; 5 Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; 6 Florida Hospital for Children, Orlando, FL; 7 C. S. Mott Children's Hospital, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI; 8 University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX; 9 The Children's Heart Clinic at Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN; 10 The Society of Thoracic Surgeons, Chicago, IL; 11 Massachusetts General Hospital, Department of Surgery and Center for Quality and Safety, Harvard University, Boston, MA

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm
5. The Society of Thoracic Surgeons Lung Cancer Resection Risk Model: Higher Quality Data and Superior Outcomes
1 Emory University, Atlanta, GA; 2 Duke University, Durham, NC; 3 St. Luke's University Health Network, Bethlehem, PA; 4 Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY; 5 Northwestern University, Chicago, IL; 6 University of Washington, Seattle, WA; 7 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA; 8 Memorial Sloan Kettering, New York, NY; 9 St. Luke's Health Network, Bethlehem, PA; 10 University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD; 11 University of Colorado, Aurora, CO; 12 University of Rochester, Rochester, NY; 13 University of Texas, San Antonio, TX; 14 University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA; 15 University of Colorado, Aurora, CO; 16 University of Rochester, Rochester, NY; 17 University of California, San Francisco, CA

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm
1 Duke University, Durham, NC; 2 University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA; 3 Columbia University, New York, NY; 4 Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH; 5 University of Washington, Seattle, WA; 6 Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC; 7 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA; 8 Harvard University, Boston, MA; 9 University of Texas, San Antonio, TX; 10 University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA; 11 University of Colorado, Aurora, CO; 12 University of Rochester, Rochester, NY; 13 University of California, Ontario, AB, Canada

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm
7. Cardiac Transplantation for Adults With Congenital Heart Disease: An Analysis of the UNOS Registry
Dipesh K. Shah, Salil V. Deo, Salah Altarbasheh, Sachin Kumar, Jeffery Teuteberg, Soon J. Park, Robert L. Kormos, Harold Burkhart, Victor Morell
1 University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA; 2 University Hospitals, Cleveland, OH; 3 Heart and Vascular Institute, UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA; 4 Queen Alia Heart Institute, Amman, Jordan; 5 University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City, OK; 6 Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

4:15 pm - 4:45 pm
8. Predictors of Major Morbidity or Mortality After Resection for Esophageal Cancer: A Society of Thoracic Surgeons General Thoracic Surgery Database Risk Adjustment Model
1 Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH; 2 Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL; 3 Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA; 4 COR Speciality Associates, Dallas, TX; 5 Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC; 6 Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; 7 Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN; 8 Memorial Sloan Kettering, New York, NY; 9 St. Luke's Health Network, Bethlehem, PA; 10 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI; 11 Northwestern University, Chicago, IL; 12 SUNY Upstate Medical Center, Syracuse, NY; 13 Emory University, Atlanta, GA; 14 University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, VA

4:30 pm - 4:45 pm
9. The Influence of Pulmonary Hypertension on Outcomes After Conventional and Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement in a Population Based Analysis
*Himanshu J. Patel, Morley A. Herbert, Andrew Pruitt, Patricia F. Theurer, Richard Prager
1 University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center, Ann Arbor, MI; 2 Southwest Data Consultants, Dallas, TX; 3 Spectrum Health Center, Grand Rapids, MI; 4 St. Joseph Mercy Health System, Ann Arbor, MI

4:45 pm - 5:00 pm
10. A Decade of Transapical Aortic Valve Implantation: Lessons Learned and First Data on Valve Behavior Beyond Eight Years
Nestoras Papadopoulos, Rainer Wenzel, Stephan Fichtlscherer, Marlene Thudt, Andres Beiras, Anton Moritz, Andreas Zierer
Goethe University Hospital, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
6:45 am - 11:30 am
EXHIBITS OPEN

7:00 am - 7:50 am
BASIC SCIENCE FORUM

CME Credits Available: 0.75
Moderators: *Chadrick E. Denlinger and *Jennifer S. Lawton

7:00 am - 7:08 am
1B. Dendrimer Nanotherapy for Brain Injury in a Canine Model of Hypothermic Circulatory Arrest
Joshua C. Grimm1, Trent Magruder1, Fan Zhang1, Manoj Mishra1, Mary E. Blue1, Sujatha Kannan1, Mary A. Wilson2, Chris M. Sciorino2, Michael V. Johnston1, Rangaramanujam M. Kannan1, *William A. Baugartner1
1Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; 2Kennedy Krieger Institute, Baltimore, MD

7:08 am - 7:16 am
2B. Adenosine A2B Receptor Antagonism Attenuates Lung Ischemia-reperfusion Injury
Mary E. Hueter1, Ashish Sharma2, *Irvling L. Kron2, Victor E. Laubach2
1University of Illinois, Chicago, IL; 2University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

7:16 am - 7:24 am
3B. Short-term Unloading by Left Ventricular Assist Device After Acute Myocardial Infarction Attenuates Left Ventricular Remodeling and Dysfunction Through Inhibition of MMP-2-mediated Apoptosis
Charlie Evans1, Tieluo Li1, Xiaofeng Wei1, Pablo Sanchez1, Shuying Li1, Zhongjun Wu1, *Barley P. Griffith1
1University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio, San Antonio, TX; 2Cryolife, Kennesaw, GA; 3DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine, Cumberland Gap, TN

7:24 am - 7:32 am
4B. Partial False Lumen Thrombosis Results in an Increase in False Lumen Blood Pressure in an Ex Vivo Porcine Model of Type B Aortic Dissection
Apoorna Girish1, Muralidhar Padala1, Kanika Kalra1, Ravi K. Veeraswamy1, *Edward P. Chen1, Manoj Mishra1, Sujatha Kannan1, Mary A. Wilson2, *Bartley P. Griffith1
1Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; 2Kennedy Krieger Institute, Baltimore, MD

7:32 am - 7:40 am
5B. Characterization of Indeterminate Pulmonary Nodules Using a Novel Algorithm Incorporating Clinical, Radiographic and Serum Biomarker Profiles
David D. Shersher1, Christopher W. Seder1, Palmi Shankar2, Maria D. Martin1, Ravi Pithadia1, Sanjib Basu1, Christina Fhied1, Gary W. Chmielewski1, William Warren1, Michael J. Liptay1, Jeffrey A. Borgia1
1Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL

7:40 am - 7:48 am
6B. Understanding Pulmonary Valve Architecture and Variation: Implications for the Ross Procedure
Hayden Joseph1, Conner Ryan1, William N. Fancher2, Lauren C. Kane1, Nitan A. Das3, S. Adil Husain3, William Northrup1, *John H. Calhoon1
1University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio, San Antonio, TX; 2Cryolife, Kennesaw, GA; 3DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine, Cumberland Gap, TN

7:50 am - 8:00 am
Break – Visit Exhibits

8:00 am - 10:00 am
SECOND SCIENTIFIC SESSION

CME Credits Available: 2.0
Moderators: *Jeffrey P. Jacobs and *Stephen C. Yang

8:00 am - 8:15 am
11. Minimally Invasive Mitral Valve Surgery Has Superior Outcomes to Conventional Sternotomy Without Increased Costs
1University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA; 2NOVA Heart and Vascular Institute, Falls Church, VA; 3Virginia Cardiac Surgery Quality Initiative, Richmond, VA

8:15 am - 8:30 am
12. One Hundred Planned Robotic Segmentectomies: Early Results, Technical Details and Preferred Port Placement
Caroline C. Watson1, *Robert J. Cerfola1, Sandra Calloway1, *Douglas Minnich1, *Benjamin We1, University of Alabama, Birmingham, AL

8:30 am - 8:45 am
13. Anomalous Aortic Origin of the Coronary Arteries: The Impact of Major Associated Congenital Cardiac Lesions
*James St. Louis1,2
Children’s Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, MO

8:45 am - 9:00 am
14. Impact of Sublobar Resection on Pulmonary Function: Long-term Results From ACOSOG Z4032 (Alliance), A Randomized Phase III Trial
Hiran Fernando1, Sumithra Mandrekar2, Rodney J. Landreneau2, Francis Nichols1, Thomas DiPetrillo4, Bryan Meyers2, Michael Kent1, Dwight Heron2, David Jones1, Angelina Tan1, Sandra Starnes5, Joe Putnam10
1Boston University, Boston, MA; 2Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA; 3Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; 4Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, RI; 5Washington University, St. Louis, MO; 6Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital, Boston, MA; 7University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA; 8Alliance Statistics and Data Center, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; 9University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH; 10Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN

9:00 am - 9:15 am
15. Outcomes of Re-intervention on the Left Venricular Outflow Tract Following Ross Procedure
Neeraj Bansal, S. Ram Kumar, Winfield J. Wells, Vaughn A. Starnes
University of Southern California Children’s Hospital, Los Angeles, CA

9:15 am - 9:30 am
16. The Future of the Academic Cardiothoracic Surgeon: Results of the TSRA/TSDA In-training Exam Survey
Elizabeth H. Stephens1, Asad A. Shafi1, Michael P. Robich2, Dustin Walters1, Walter DeNino1, Muhammad Altafi1, Vakhntang Tchantchaleishvili1, Amanda Eilers1, Robert Rice2, Andrew Goldstone2, Ryan Shelstead2, Tarek Malas2, Marisa Cevasko2, Erin Gillaspie2, David Odell2, Damien J. LaPar2
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9:30 am - 9:45 am
17. Cerebral Oximetry in Cardiac Surgery: Can We Trust It?
Daniel C. Lee1, Douglass S. Pfeil2, Harry L. Graber2, Daqing Piao1, Lei Ding3, Han Yuan1, Donald E. Stowell1, Marvin Peyton1, Harold Burkhart1, Randall L. Barbou1
1University of Oklahoma College of Medicine, Oklahoma City, OK; 2State University of New York Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY; 3Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK; 4University of Oklahoma College of Engineering, Norman, OK

9:45 am - 10:00 am
18. Isolated Tricuspid Valve Surgery: Outcomes, Trends and Identification of Low-risk Clinical Criteria in the Contemporary Surgical Era

10:00 am - 10:30 am
Break – Visit Exhibits
10:30 am - 12:00 pm

GENERAL SESSION

CME Credits Available: 1.5

10:30 am - 10:50 am

Kent Trinkle Education Lectureship
*John S. Ikonomidis
Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC

10:50 am - 11:20 am

President's Invited Lecturer
David A. Fullerton
University of Colorado Denver, Aurora, CO

11:20 am - 12:00 pm

Presidential Address
*John H. Calhoun
University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, TX

12:00 pm

ALL ATTENDEE LUNCH

Dessert served in the Exhibit Hall from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

EXHIBITS OPEN

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

THIRD SCIENTIFIC SESSION A

Simultaneous Adult Cardiac, General Thoracic, and Congenital Breakout Sessions
CME Credits Available: 1.5

ADULT CARDIAC BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Richard L. Lee and *Tom C. Nguyen

2:00 pm - 2:15 pm

19. Equivalent Operative Risk with Improved Mid-term Survival in the David V Valve Sparing Root Replacement Compared with Mechanical Valve Conduits for Aortic Root Aneurysms

1University of Rochester, Rochester, NY; 2University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2:15 pm - 2:30 pm

20. Long-term Results Following Pericardial Patch Augmentation for Incompetent Bicuspid Aortic Valves: A Single Center Experience
Marlene Thudt, Nestoras Papadopoulos, Andreas Zierer, Anton Moritz
University Hospital Frankfurt Main, Germany, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm

21. Learning Alternative Access Approaches for TAVR: Implications for New TAVR Centers
Washington University School of Medicine, Barnes-Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, MO

2:45 pm - 3:00 pm

22. Valve Selection in End Stage Renal Disease: Should it Always Be Biological?
*Matthew Williams, Joseph E. Bavaria, Michael Acker, Nimesh D. Desai, Prashanth Vallabhajosyula, Walter C. Hargrove, Pavan Atluri, Wilson Y. Szeto
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

2:00 pm - 2:15 pm

Emory University, Atlanta, GA

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm

24. Reinforcing Atrial P2 Stitch May Reduce Dehiscence in Undersized Mitral Annuloplasty
Dawn Hui, Jack Chen, *Richard Lee
St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm

25. Outcomes of Major Lung Resection After Induction Therapy for Non-small Cell Lung Cancer in Elderly Patients
Duke University, Durham, NC

2:15 pm - 2:30 pm

26. Recurrence and Survival After Segmentectomy in Patients With Prior Lung Resection for Early Stage Non-small Cell Lung Cancer (E-NSCLC)
Lisa M. Brown, Brian E. Louie, Nicole Jackson, Alexander S. Farivar, Ralph W. Aye, Eric Vallieres
Swedish Cancer Institute, Seattle, WA

2:45 pm - 3:00 pm

27. The Influence of Reconstructive Technique on Perioperative Outcomes Following Chest Wall Resection
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm

*Elizabeth A. David1,2, Yingjia Chen3, David T. Cooke1, Rosemary Cress1
1UC Davis Medical Center, Sacramento, CA; 2David Grant Medical Center, Travis AFB, CA; 3UC Davis School of Medicine, Davis, CA; *Cancer Registry of Greater California, Sacramento, CA

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm

29. Robotic versus Thoracoscopic Resection for Lung Cancer: Early Results of a New Robotic Program
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm

30. Time Is Money: Hospital Costs Associated with VATS Lobectomies
Emory University, Atlanta, GA

CONGENITAL BREAKOUT

Moderators: *James A. Quintessenza and *James D. St. Louis

2:00 pm - 2:15 pm

George M. Alfieris1, Michael Swartz1, Juan Lehoux2, *Edward Bove3
1University of Rochester, Rochester, NY; 2University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI; 3University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX

2:15 pm - 2:30 pm

32. Pulmonary Valve Repair for Patients With Acquired Pulmonary Valve Insufficiency
Sameh Said, *Richard D. Maimanwaring, Michael Ma, Theresa Tacy, Frank L. Hanley
Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA

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3:00 pm - 3:15 pm
35. Outcomes of Redo Pulmonary Valve Replacement for Bioprosthetic Pulmonary Valve Failure in 61 Patients With Congenital Heart Disease
Cheul Lee1, Chang-Ha Lee2, Jae Gun Kwak2
1Seoul St. Mary’s Hospital, College of Medicine, The Catholic University of Korea, Seoul, Korea (the Republic of); 2Sejong General Hospital, Bucheon, Korea (the Republic of)

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm
36. Intervention for Right Ventricular Outflow Tract Obstruction Following the Arterial Switch Operation at a Single Center
Joseph Nellis, Benton Ng, Osamah Aldoss, Diane Atkins, *Joseph Turek
Carver College of Medicine, Iowa City, IA

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Break – Visit Exhibits

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
GENERAL THORACIC BREAKOUT

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm
40. Contemporary Evaluation of Selective Primary Aortic Root Replacement With and Without Hemiarch Repair
*Joseph S. Coselli1, *Durania Preventza2, Kim I. de la Cruz1, Susan Y. Green1, Matt D. Price1,2, *Scott A. LeMaire1
1University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Houston, TX; 2Memorial Hermann Heart & Vascular Institute, Texas Medical Center, Houston, TX

4:45 pm - 5:00 pm
43. Outcomes of Redo Pulmonary Valve Replacement With and Without Hemiarch Repair
*John I. de la Cruz1,2, *Habib Rehman1,2, *Anita S. Dhillon1, John J. Kappel1,2, 3
1University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL; 2UAB Health System, Birmingham, AL; 3University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL

CONGENITAL BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Daniel J. DiBardino and *Jeffrey P. Jacobs

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm
45. Use of Extracellular Matrix for Repair of Congenital Defects in Pediatric Patients
Erin Harvey, Eri C. Roselli, Gosta Pettersson, Jahanzaib Idrees, *Robert Stewart
Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH

4:15 pm - 4:30 pm
46. Comparison of Right Ventricle Function After Repair of Tetralogy of Fallot Using CorMatrix versus Bovine Pericardial Patch
TK Sushheel Kumar, Ronak Naik, Jason Johnson, *Christopher J. Knott-Craig
Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital, Memphis, TN

4:30 pm - 4:45 pm
47. Delayed Sternal Closure in Infant Heart Surgery - The Importance of Where and When: An Analysis of the STS Congenital Heart Surgery Database
Kristen Nelson McMillan, Christoph Hornik, Xia He, *Laura Viscellia, *Jeffrey P. Jacobs1,2, Kevin D. Hill1,2, Sara K. Pasquale1, Diane Alejo1, *Duke Cameron1,2, Marshall L. Jacobs1
1Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; 2All Children’s Hospital, St. Petersburg, Fl.; 3Duke University, Durham, NC; 4University of Michigan Heart Center, C S Mott Children’s Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI

4:45 pm - 5:00 pm
48. Early Extubation Following Repair of Tetralogy of Fallot and the Fontan Procedure: An Analysis of The Society of Thoracic Surgeons Congenital Heart Surgery Database
1Johns Hopkins All Children’s Heart Institute, St. Petersburg, Fl.; 2Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA; 3Emory University, Atlanta, GA; 4Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; 5Duke Clinical Research Institute, Durham, NC; 6Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA; 7Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, CT; 8University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI; 9University of Louisville, Louisville, KY; 10Duke University, Durham, NC

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
STSA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
Members Only

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2015

7:00 am - 8:00 am
CODING, RUC & SGR UPDATE

CME Credits Available: 1.0
Moderator: *Jeffrey P. Jacobs

7:00 am - 7:20 am
Coding Update
*Jeffrey P. Jacobs
Johns Hopkins All Children’s Heart Institute, St. Petersburg, FL

7:20 am - 7:40 am
RUC Update
*Peter K. Smith
Duke University, Durham, NC

7:40 am - 8:00 am
SGR Update
*Alan M. Speir
Fairfax Hospital, Falls Church, VA

8:00 am - 9:00 am
FOURTH SCIENTIFIC SESSION
Simultaneous Adult Cardiac, General Thoracic, Congenital, and Transplant Breakout Sessions
CME Credits Available: 1.0

ADULT CARDIAC BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Bradley G. Leshnower and John M. Stulak

8:00 am - 8:15 am
49. Intensive Glucose Management in Non-diabetics Improves Resource Utilization in Patients with Perioperative Hyperglycemia Undergoing CABG: A Prospective Randomized Trial
Emory University, Atlanta, GA

8:15 am - 8:30 am
50. Is There a Model to Predict Postoperative Pneumonia Following Isolated Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting?
Raymond J. Strobel1, Qixing Liang1, Min Zhang1, Mary A. Rogers1, Patricia F. Theurer1, Astrid B. Fishstrom1, Steven D. Harrington2, Alphonse DeLucia1, Gaetano Paone1, *Richard L. Prager1, Donald S. Likosky1
Michigan Society of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons Quality Collaborative1
1University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI; 2Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, MI

8:30 am - 8:45 am
51. Close Follow-up and Early Office Evaluation Reduces the Most Common Causes of Readmission After Cardiac Surgery
Cleveland Clinic Florida, Weston, FL

8:45 am - 9:00 am
52. Malperfusion Syndromes in Acute DeBakey I Aortic Dissection: Open Repair With Concomitant Antegrade Stent Grafting of the Descending Thoracic Aorta
*Prashanth VallabhaJosyula, Jean Paul Gottret1, Zara Abbas1, Matthew Kramer1, Rohan Menon1, Aaron Pulsipher1, *Alberto Pochettino2, Kariana Milewski1, *Wilson Y. Szeto1, *Joseph E. Bavaria1
1University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA; 2Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

CONGENITAL BREAKOUT

Moderators: *Elizabeth A. David and *Daniela Molena

8:00 am - 8:15 am
57. Current Outcomes of Surgical Management of Aorto-pulmonary Window and Associated Cardiac Anomalies
Emory University, Atlanta, GA

8:15 am - 8:30 am
58. Repair of a Large Aortopulmonary Window in a 13-month Old
K C. Jones, Graham D. Ungerleider, *Yoshio Otaki, Michael Walsh, *Ross M. Ungerleider
Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, NC

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8:30 am - 8:45 am
59. Repair of Partial Atrioventricular Septal Defect: Age and Outcomes
Paul J. Devlin, *Carl L. Backer, Osama Eltayeb, Michael C. Monge, Amanda Hauck, John M. Costello
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago, Chicago, IL

8:45 am - 9:00 am
60. Intentional Delay versus Usual Management for Low Birth Weight Newborns With Congenital Heart Disease
Joanne W. Ho, Aaron Lemieux, Daniel Sisti, Florin Vaida, John Lamberti, *Daniel J. DiBardino
University of California, San Diego, San Diego, CA

8:00 am - 8:15 am
Salil V. Deo1, Dipesh Shah2, Shannon Dunlay3, Sachin Kumar1, Salah Altarabsheh3, Basar Sarreyupoglu1, Benjamin Medallion1, Jon Kobashigawa2, Biswajit Kar1, Robert Kormos2, Soon J. Park1
1University Hospitals, Cleveland, OH; 2University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA; 3Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; 4Queen Alia Heart Institute, Amman, Jordan; 5Cedars Sinai Heart Institute, Los Angeles, CA; 6Memorial Hermann Health System, Houston, TX

8:15 am - 8:30 am
62. Timing and Frequency of Unplanned Readmissions After Lung Transplant Impacts Long-term Survival
Entela B. Lushaj, Walker Julliard, *Shahab Akhter, Satoru Osaki, James Maloney, Keith Meyer, Nilo DeOliveira
University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

8:30 am - 8:45 am
63. Unconventional Institutional Volume-outcome Associations in Adult Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation in the U.S.
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

8:45 am - 9:00 am
64. Does Donor Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Time Affect Heart Transplantation Outcomes and Survival?
Allen Cheng, Jaimin Trivedi, *Mark Slaughter
University of Louisville, Louisville, KY

9:00 am - 9:30 am
Break

9:30 am - 9:50 am
HAROLD URSCHEL HISTORY LECTURESHIP
CME Credits Available: 0.25
Moderator: *John W. Hammon
65. C. Walton Lillehei – His Trials, His Triumphs, and the 200% Solution
*Erle H. Austin1,2
1University of Louisville, Louisville, KY; 2Kosair Children’s Hospital, Louisville, KY

9:50 am - 12:00 pm
RECOGNITION & MANAGEMENT OF CARDIOTHORACIC SURGICAL MISADVENTURES
CME Credits Available: 2.0
Moderators: *Andrea J. Carpenter and *Richard L. Prager
66. Atrial-esophageal Fistula Repair After Transvenous Radiofrequency Ablation for Atrial Fibrillation
Erik A. Beyer, James Jowers, Erin Gautney
Baptist Health Little Rock, Little Rock, AR
MEETING LOCATION
Disney's Yacht & Beach Club Resorts
1700 Epcot Resorts Blvd.
Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830
407.934.7000

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A block of rooms will be held at Disney's Yacht Club until October 5, 2015 at a special group rate of $255 per night (plus tax), single or double occupancy. Guest rooms at the group rate are limited, and are offered on a first-come, first-served basis; book early to secure your room at the reduced group rate. After October 5, reservations will be taken on a space-available basis. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m.; check-out time is 11:00 a.m.

There are two ways to make your hotel reservations at the group rate:

- **Online:** Visit www.stsa.org/62ndannual and click on the housing link to book your room.
- **Telephone:** Call the hotel group reservations department office at 407.939.4686. To obtain the special group rate, be sure to mention that you are part of the STSA meeting. Group reservations hours of operation are as follows: Monday-Friday: 8:30 am - 6:00 pm; Saturday and Sunday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

**Hotel Deposit:** One night's deposit plus tax will be required for each reservation. The deposit is refundable if reservations are cancelled at least five days prior to the date of arrival.

**Reservation Confirmation, Modification, and Cancellation Policy:** If you book your hotel room online, you will receive an immediate e-mail stating that your room request has been received. Within five business days, you will receive a second e-mail providing you with a confirmation number. Your room is not confirmed until you receive this confirmation number.

Any modification or cancellation to your reservation must be made by calling the group reservations department at 407.939.4686 after the confirmation number is received. Please note that you will only be able to book your reservation for the nights of Tuesday, November 3 through Saturday, November 7 if booking online. To inquire about availability for an extended stay, please call group reservations at 407.939.4686.

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**
Register online at www.stsa.org/62ndannual and complete and return the enclosed registration form. Early registration is available until October 13, 2015. After this date you must register on-site at the Annual Meeting.

Please note that there will be an additional $50.00 charge for attendees registering on-site.

**Registration Cancellation Policy:** Cancellation requests must be submitted in writing prior to October 13, 2015; unfortunately, we are unable to honor any subsequent requests. Refunds are subject to a $50.00 administrative fee.

**GETTING TO THE RESORT - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**
Orlando International Airport (MCO) is approximately 21 miles from the resort. Cab fare is estimated at $65.00 one-way. There are several additional ground transportation options available to and from the airport:

- **Private Car Service:** Private car service is available through Mears Transportation. Service begins at $85.00 one-way. Reservations can be made online at MearsTransportation.com or by phone at 855.463.2776.
- **Disney's Magical Express Complimentary Shuttle Service:** Disney's Magical Express offers complimentary airport transportation to those with a confirmed room reservation at a Disney hotel. It is recommended that you make shuttle reservations 30 days in advance of your arrival. You cannot book this service upon arrival at the airport. The shuttle service will pick you up at the Disney Welcome Center on Level 1 of Main Terminal B at the Orlando International Airport. The trip takes approximately 45 to 75 minutes. The day prior to departure, passengers will receive a notice under their door indicating pick-up time for returning to the airport.

Please note that this time will be three hours before your flight. To arrange for Disney's Magical Express, call 407.827.6777.

**CAR RENTAL**
A special car rental rate has been negotiated for STSA meeting attendees through Hertz. For reservations in the U.S. and Canada call 800.654.2240. From all other locations, call 405.749.4434. Reservations can also be made online at www.hertz.com. Use the discount code Convention Number (CV#) 04XS0003 when making reservations to secure the special car rental rate. Please note advance reservations are recommended, as cars are subject to availability.

**ADDITIONAL DISNEY ACTIVITIES & INFORMATION**
**Getting around Disney:** Walt Disney World® Resorts offers complimentary bus service that runs continuously from the Yacht & Beach Club Resorts to most Disney locations, including Magic Kingdom® Park. Buses can be boarded at the front of the resort and depart approximately every 30 minutes. Epcot® is a short 10-minute walk from the hotel and can be accessed by way of the International Gateway. Disney Hollywood Studios® is a 20-minute walk from the resort. Epcot® and Hollywood Studios® are also accessible by water taxis, which leave from the dock area behind the resort.

**Disney MagicBand, Theme Park Tickets, and Dining Reservations:** Disney guests now receive wristbands on arrival that replace traditional hotel room keys. In addition to hotel room entry, Disney MagicBands allow you to enter theme parks (valid ticket required); book dining reservations; charge food, merchandise, and recreation purchases to your room; access FastPass+ selections; and more! You may begin adding activities to your account any time prior to arrival and may have your MagicBand mailed to your home if you prefer. Visit www.MyDisneyExperience.com or download the My Disney Experience app to get started. For questions regarding the MagicBand program, please contact the Hotel Concierge at 407.934.7000.

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Golf clubs and a limited number of golf shoes are available for rental if needed. Clubs may be rented for $20.00 plus tax, and shoe rental is complimentary. Confirmed golfers will be contacted after advance registration closes on October 13 to collect rental needs.

**WILD AFRICA TREK**

**Saturday, November 7**

**Time:** 1:15 pm - 4:15 pm

**Cost:** $240.00 (Price includes transportation, souvenir water bottle, and photos.)

**Participation Requirements:** Children must be accompanied by paying adult and must be at least 8 years-old. Minimum height is 48 inches, minimum weight is 45 pounds.

The Wild Africa Trek is an immersive experience at Disney’s Animal Kingdom® Theme Park that gives guests a unique opportunity to enjoy unexplored areas of the Harambe Reserve and have an up-close-and-personal experience with intriguing African wildlife species.

This three-hour experience led by specially-trained guides begins in the Safi River valley where expedition harnesses will allow Guests to cross precarious rope bridges and enjoy up-close views of Nile hippos and crocodiles. The journey continues along the edge of a magnificent, wide-open African savannah, where Guests board a specialized vehicle to enjoy an exclusive safari, including a stop at a private safari camp for premium animal viewing and African-inspired food samplings.

Advance registration by October 13 required. Subject to cancellation if registration is insufficient. Registrants will be notified in advance and refunds will be issued if this event is cancelled.

**ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER & DANCE**

**Saturday, November 7**

**Reception:** 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Dinner:** 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

**Cost:** $100.00 per adult / $40.00 per child

Conclude your 62nd Annual Meeting experience with the always-memorable Annual Awards Dinner & Dance. Join fellow meeting attendees and their families for an evening of dining and dancing. Advanced registration is recommended. A limited number of tickets will be sold on site.

We have a great band – comprised of several STSA members and friends – that will play songs all night long. Award presentations will be shortened this year to maximize the time to socialize and enjoy your friends at the STSA. Although black tie is always in fashion, feel free to come in your own costume (Superhero, Superwoman, Superman, Renaissance, Gatsby, etc., nothing is off limits) to compete for the best, most originally, or most outlandishly-dressed. And if your idea of black tie is more casual, that will be fine as well. The important thing is to be comfortable and have fun. It will be the perfect finale to a great meeting.