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For additional information regarding the STSA Inspiration Award, and all other STSA awards, visit www.stsa.org and click on “Awards.”

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 57th Annual Meeting in Orlando. The Orlando meeting was successful in many ways. It was a great meeting for socializing and enjoying the beautiful Florida landscape. We had over 1200 attendees, with more than 50% of attendees being residents and fellows, which indicates that the meeting was well attended by younger members of our Society. We also had a significant number of attendees from outside the Society, and many industry members joined with us, which indicates that meeting attendees had a successful and enjoyable meeting.

We are very optimistic that we will continue to plan the 58th Annual Meeting in the San Antonio Health Science Center. It was a great success for socializing and enjoying the beautiful San Antonio Hill Country. Our meeting takes place November 9th through the 12th at the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort, which my wife Kelly and I toured during a site visit to San Antonio.

We now turn our full attention to planning the 58th Annual Meeting in the San Antonio Health Science Center. We will have a great meeting, and we are confident that attendees will have a successful and enjoyable meeting.

The meeting was a great success! Attendance was fantastic, and results from the evaluation survey were very positive. The meeting attendees were very satisfied with the educational programming and enjoyed the unique social events that were offered.

We will be conducting a membership survey to determine the level of interest in the Society. We will be sending out a survey to all members, including those who are not members of the Society. We encourage you to complete the survey and return it. The results of the survey will be used to determine the level of interest in the Society.

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STSA Welcomes New Members

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A REMINDER TO NEW STS MEMBERS

Active status will not become effective, nor a certificate of membership presented with a membership certificate. Please refer to the enclosed pledge form.
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RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER!

As members, we know that CTs offer unique opportunities to participate in a truly unique program. Please also remember how truly important our members are to the mission and success of this program. We are a unique program for a unique specialty.

At the 2011 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, please join us on Friday and participate in the STSA’s annual Banquet where the STSA Life Membership Award will be given. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help recruit new members, please contact the Membership Committee chair: Dr. Reid Tribble, MD.

The Banquet will be held at the Marriott on Friday, November 11. Please join us at the Banquet and encourage them to apply for membership. The application form can be found on the STSA homepage. Please note members may nominate no more than one medical student.

The deadline for new member applications is September 15, 2011.

2010 STSA ANNUAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Osler Abbott Award, given annually to a member of the Association who exhibits the highest standards of professionalism, was presented to V帆n Theorom, MD, at the STSA Annual Meeting. This award recognizes the recipient’s open, frank and candid discussions with a healthy give and take among members, encouragement of the professional contributions to the society which are fundamental to its growth.

The Southern Thoracic Society Research Award, presented by the STSA Committee on the Scientific Program, was given to Peter J. Taylor, MD, for his paper and presentation titled, "Have Thoracic Endografting Outcomes Improved Since 2000?"

The STSA Innovation Award was presented to pre-doctoral residents at the 2010 STSA Annual Meeting in Atlanta. Kamal Mansour, MD, presented the project titled, "A Shoulder Lengthening Procedure to Treat Shortening of the Upper Extremity by Creating Synostosis of the Proximal Humerus to the Axillary Region by Using a Customized Plate.

The OSler Abbott Award is given to the individual who presents the best scientific paper at the Annual Meeting. This year’s recipient was Dr. Kevin Accola, MD, for his paper and presentation titled. "A New Technique for the Reconstruction of the Thoracic Outlet Syndrome with a Custom Prosthesis, an Experience of 10 Cases.

The Matthews–Graham Award was established in 2008 to recognize and honor a STSA member who has made important contributions to the STS-scientific program and has also uniquely presented the paper, question, or presentation in which he or she was the presenter. The recipient of the 2010 Matthews–Graham Award was Dr. John T. Zorniak, MD, for his paper and presentation titled, "Survival Following Surgery for Metastatic Testicular Nonseminomatous Tumors: A Single Institution Experience from the mentors of STSAA members, thus extending Dr. Brooks’ legacy.

The Inspiration Award is given annually to a member of the STSA who has made important contributions to the specialty. It is a meeting you won’t want to miss.

BETYSDA REVISION TO BE PRESENTED AT ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING IN SAN ANTONIO

As an important revision to the STS Bylaws will be voted on at the Annual Business Meeting in San Antonio-2011. The STS Council recently approved, for consideration of the members, a new STSA Resident Membership category that would allow residents matched or enrolled in a specific surgical residency program in the United States to apply for Resident Membership. After completion of their residency training and obtaining a Board certification, residents may qualify for full membership to the STSA.

This is a great opportunity to support our Resident Membership category that would allow residents matched or enrolled in any cardiothoracic surgery residency program in the United States to apply for Resident Membership. After completion of their residency training and obtaining a Board certification, residents may qualify for full membership to the STSA.

In the coming weeks, we will forward the specific changes being voted on. The 2011 Annual Meeting will be held from November 9-12, 2011 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas. Make plans now to attend with your whole family! With an outstanding lineup of educational and social activities, you will want to make sure you experience all the STSA has to offer in San Antonio this year. This is a meeting you won’t want to miss.

On Friday, November 11, 2011 there will be a special reception at the Tiki bar where our members and friends can socialize in a relaxed setting. The Tiki Bar is located in the Marriott’s Ballroom level with a fantastic view of the river. Please join us so you may meet and greet some of our STSA members. The Tiki Bar will be open from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort and Spa.

For more information about the 2011 Annual Meeting, please visit www.stsa.org. STSA members and friends are invited to attend with their families. For more information about the 2011 Annual Meeting, please visit www.stsa.org. STSA members and friends are invited to attend with their families.

A REMINDER TO NEW STSA MEMBERS

Active status will not become effective unless a member is certified by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery. New members should contact the Membership Committee at the American Board of Thoracic Surgery to receive further information. Enrolled status in the Resident Membership category may be granted to new members who are certified by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery and who apply for Membership. After completion of their residency training and obtaining a Board certification, residents may qualify for full membership to the STSA.

The 2011 Annual Meeting in San Antonio will be held at the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort and Spa. This world-class facility is situated along the San Antonio River, offering 25 acres of patios during their recent site visit to San Antonio. Make plans now to attend with your whole family! With an outstanding lineup of educational and social activities, you will want to make sure you experience all the STSA has to offer in San Antonio this year. This is a meeting you won’t want to miss.

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STSA PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

In 2010, 69 outstanding papers were selected and an exceptional program was developed. In 2011, the Program Committee will meet in San Antonio to select the 58th Annual Meeting program. With an outstanding lineup of educational and social activities, you will want to make sure you experience all the STSA has to offer in San Antonio this year. This is a meeting you won’t want to miss.

The 2011 Program Committee will meet on Thursday, November 10 from 6:00-9:00pm to develop the 2012 Annual Meeting program. The Program Committee will consist of Dr. Joseph Coselli, MD (Chair), Dr. Andrew Ryan, MD, Dr. Kevin Accola, MD, Dr. Peter Castigliano M. Bhamidipati, DO, Dr. Frank Robicsek, MD, and Dr. Geoffrey A. Answini, MD (Co-Chair).

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JAMES W. BROOKS MEDICAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The STSA Broocks Medical Student Scholarship is named in honor of Dr. James W. Brooks and his mentorship. The Scholarship will provide financial support to medical students who are interested in cardiothoracic surgery.

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2010 STSA ANNUAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS

The John Abbott Award, given annually to a member of the Association who shows all of the qualities of a distinguished thoracic surgeon, was presented to Vincent Weaver, MD, at the 2010 Annual Meeting. This award recognizes the incorporation of open, frank and factual discussions with a healthy give and take among members, as well as exemplifying the values of the Association to which we have been dedicated throughout its existence.

Peter S. Michaud, MD, and C. Andrew Potts, MD, received the Council of the Past President’s Award in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the STSA and thoracic surgery.

Peter K. Smith, MD, STSA President and Chair of the Annual Meeting Program, received the 2010 STSA Award for leadership in the planning and coordination of the Annual Meeting. He has been instrumental in promoting the aims of the Association to the younger generation of thoracic surgeons.

The STSA Inspiration Award was presented to introductory students at the 2010 STSA Annual Meeting in Orlando. Kendall Hansen, MD, and Frank Rebrovich, MD, the underwriting committee, presented the award to members of the STSA who have shown exceptional leadership and who have contributed to the mission of the Association.

Kevin H. Meakin, MD, 2007 recipient of the John Abbott Award, was given the Annual Meeting Award for his outstanding contributions to the STSA and thoracic surgery.

The E. H. Beach Club is the latest addition to the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association (STSA). It is a subscription-based program that allows members to attend the Annual Meeting at a discounted rate. The program was established to encourage younger members to attend the Annual Meeting and to promote lifelong learning.

The 2010 STSA ANNUAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS

Kendall Hansen, MD (left) receives the Inspiration Award from Vincent Weaver, MD, at the Annual Meeting.

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JAMES W. BROOKS MEDICAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The James W. Brooks Medical Student Scholarship is awarded annually to a medical student in the STSA region who shows promise in the field of cardiothoracic surgery. The recipient is chosen on the basis of originality and creativity in the field of cardiothoracic surgery.

Applications are currently being accepted until August 1, 2011, for the 2011 James W. Brooks Medical Student Scholarship. For more information, please visit www.stsa.org or contact Reid Tribble, MD, the Membership Committee.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE SAN ANTONIO HILL COUNTRY!

The 2011 STSA Annual Meeting will be held at the Hotel Valencia in San Antonio, Texas, from May 10 to 13, 2011. The meeting will feature a variety of educational programs, including lectures, workshops, and hands-on learning experiences. The Hotel Valencia is located in the heart of the city, with easy access to downtown San Antonio attractions.

The meeting will also feature a comprehensive scientific program, including lectures, workshops, and hands-on learning experiences. The program will be led by leading experts in the field of cardiothoracic surgery, and will cover a wide range of topics, including surgical techniques, clinical outcomes, and patient care.

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STSA PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

The STSA Program Committee met in Chicago on May 13, 2011, to discuss the 58th Annual Meeting at the STSA Annual Meeting. The meeting was attended by 69 outstanding papers were selected and an exceptional program Committee. The meeting was held from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Chicago Marriott Downtown/ Magnificent Mile.

The 2011 Program

The 2011 Program included presentations on the latest research in cardiothoracic surgery, as well as discussions on current trends and future directions in the field. The meeting was well attended, with over 600 participants in attendance.

The 2011 Program also featured a special session on the future of cardiothoracic surgery, which was led by leading experts in the field. The session included discussions on the latest research in the field, as well as projections for the future of cardiothoracic surgery.

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NOMINATIONS FOR THE STSA INSPIRATION AWARD NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Stimulating the profession, encouraging participation, and recognizing excellence, the STSA is now accepting nominations for the 2011 STSA Annual Meeting. Recommendation letters should outline the specific merits of the nominee and his or her contributions in a clinical and research setting. Nominations should be submitted to the President of the STSA by November 1, 2011. Nominations will be considered for the award for the 2012 STSA Annual Meeting.

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STSA will be conducting a membership survey this fall to better understand the needs of its members. In the coming months you can expect to receive a complete list of 2011 email contacts. If you have not received an email request to take the brief 10-minute online survey, you will have the option to take the survey at the STSA Web site. The survey will help us better understand our membership and will assist in tailoring future membership offerings. A summary of your responses will be shared with the STSA membership.

STSA FUTURE MEETINGS

November 9 – 12, 2011
JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort
San Antonio, Texas

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Naples Grande Beach Resort
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November 9 – 10, 2014
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TEXAS TUXEDO DINNER DANCE

The Saturday Night Awards Dinner has been a tradition of the STSA Annual Meeting for many years. At this year’s meeting in San Antonio, the Saturday night events will be held at a new venue! To accommodate the large number of attendees, the dinner will be held in the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort. For a Texas Tuxedo theme, participants are encouraged to wear suits and dresses. Please note that due to the large number of attendees, dinner seating arrangements are not available, but are encouraged. Ladies, gentlemen, strap on your cowboy hats and come to enjoy live music and dancing, all while enjoying the unique Texas culture!

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STSA Annual Business Meeting Announcement

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Note: There is a proposed change to the STSA Bylaws that will be voted on at this meeting. See reverse side for details.

Visit www.stsa.org to learn more about the 58th Annual Meeting, November 9-12, 2011, at the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort and Spa.
STSA Constitution & Bylaws
Proposed Revisions

Shaded and Underlined text indicates a proposed change that would be added to the Bylaws.

Article IV:
SECTION 1: Membership

There shall be four (4) categories of members: Active, Senior, Resident and Honorary Member. Members shall be individuals who support the purpose of the Association and who agree to comply with the Association's rules and regulations. Active and Senior members shall be entitled to hold office and shall have voting privileges. Active and Senior Members must be board certified by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery or its foreign equivalent. If an Active Member moves from the designated membership geographical area outlined in SECTION 2, he or she may retain membership as long as all other requirements for membership are satisfied. Members whose practices have been limited because of disability, or who have reached the age of 65 years, may apply for Senior Membership. Honorary membership can be bestowed upon a worthy recipient upon recommendation of the Council and ratification by a two-thirds majority of the votes at the annual meeting. Honorary Members are welcomed at all scientific and business meetings of the Association, but have no obligations or responsibilities in the organization. Resident Members must be matched or enrolled in a thoracic surgery educational program, accredited by the Residency Review Committee for Thoracic Surgery under the authority of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, that is within the STSA region provided for in SECTION 2. Resident Members may retain membership up to three years following the completion of their thoracic surgery training. Resident members who have been certified in thoracic surgery by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery may, upon written request to the Association and with approval of the Membership Committee and the Council, transition directly, with no initiation fee applied, to Active Membership. If no such official request is forthcoming, Resident Membership will be terminated and reinstatement will be dependent upon a formal application for Active Membership, with its associated requirements, including initiation fee and approval by the full membership; Honorary and Resident Members do not have voting privileges, nor may they hold office.

SECTION 2: Applicants

An applicant for Active Membership must at the time of acceptance reside, or have previously practiced cardiothoracic surgery for at least two consecutive years, or have completed a thoracic residency program, or have completed a thoracic or cardiovascular research or clinical fellowship for at least twelve consecutive months in one of the following states or regions: Alabama; Arkansas; Florida; Georgia; Kentucky; Louisiana; Maryland; Mississippi; Missouri; North Carolina; Oklahoma; South Carolina; Tennessee; Texas; Virginia; West Virginia; District of Columbia; the U.S. territories and commonwealths in the Caribbean. An applicant for active membership must be certified by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery (ABTS). Applicants who meet the practice requirement above but whose training has been in countries other than the United States of America, and who are certified as proficient in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery by appropriate authorities in their home country, may apply. At least seventy-five percent of the practice of the applicant must be devoted to the field of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, which may include research and peripheral vascular surgery. If an applicant is unsuccessful in obtaining membership in two successive years, an interval of two years must elapse before he/she may reapply. The Membership Committee and the Council may recommend acceptance of foreign training and certification by stating that, in their opinion, it represents equivalent status. The Membership Committee and Council may recommend acceptance of individuals who, despite not meeting membership criteria regarding training, practice or research in the STSA region, have demonstrated significant involvement with the organization through their participation in the annual meeting, contributions to the scientific program, and service to the organization. Applicants so approved by the Membership Committee and the Council may become Active Members upon election by the membership at an annual meeting.

An applicant for Resident Membership must at the time of acceptance be matched or enrolled in a thoracic surgery educational program accredited by the Residency Review Committee for Thoracic Surgery under the authority of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education in one of the following states or regions: Alabama; Arkansas; Florida; Georgia; Kentucky; Louisiana; Maryland; Mississippi; Missouri; North Carolina; Oklahoma; South Carolina; Tennessee; Texas; Virginia; West Virginia; District of Columbia; the U.S. territories and commonwealths in the Caribbean. Individuals who have completed their education in one of the above programs and are in the process of acquiring certification in thoracic surgery by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery are eligible to apply for Resident Membership.

Active Membership status will not become effective, nor a certificate of membership presented, unless and until such elected applicant registers at one of the next four annual meetings following his/her initial election to membership. Resident Membership status will not become effective, nor a certificate of membership presented, unless and until such elected applicant registers for and attends an annual meeting following his or her election to membership. Exception for this requirement may be granted by a majority vote of the Council. Failure to comply with this procedure will require reapplication for membership.
SOUTHERN THORACIC SURGICAL ASSOCIATION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Full Name [include degree(s)]

Spouse’s Name

Office Address

Birthdate

City

State

Zip

Birthplace

Office Phone

Office Fax

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Certificate Number

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CURRENT PRACTICE

Percentage of Current Practice:  _____ General Surgery  _____ Thoracic Surgery  _____ Broncho-Esophagology

_____ Cardiac Surgery  _____ Vascular Surgery  _____ Other

Type of Current Practice:  _____ Private Practice  _____ Full Time Academic  _____ Part Time

Academic: (check those that apply)  _____ Regular Military  _____ Veterans Adminis.  _____ Other

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MEMBER SPONSORS (2 REQUIRED)

Sponsor 1: ___________________________ Letter of Recommendation  [ ] Enclosed  [ ] Pending

Name

Sponsor 2: ___________________________ Letter of Recommendation  [ ] Enclosed  [ ] Pending

Name

*Please include a current copy of your curriculum vitae and bibliography with your application materials.
BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership in the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association shall be limited to thoracic surgeons practicing or having previously practiced in the southern regions of the United States of America or who have completed a thoracic residency training program in the STSA region.

Applicants for active membership must at the time of acceptance reside, or have previously practiced cardiothoracic surgery for at least two consecutive years, or have completed a thoracic residency training program, or have completed a thoracic or cardiovascular research or clinical fellowship for at least twelve consecutive months in one of the following states or regions: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, the District of Columbia, or the US territories and commonwealths in the Caribbean. Such residence must be current at the time of acceptance during the annual meeting of the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association.

Applicants who meet the practice requirement above but whose training has been in countries other than the United States of America and who are certified as proficient in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery by appropriate authorities in their home country may apply.

2. Applicants must be certified by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery. Equivalent foreign training and certification may be acceptable following review by the Membership Committee and Council.

3. At least 75 percent of the applicant’s practice must be devoted to the field of thoracic and cardiovascular surgery which may include research and peripheral vascular surgery. Applicants for whom thoracic and cardiovascular surgery comprises less than 75 percent of their practice may be required to submit a list of all cases performed for the previous two years.

4. Active status will not become effective, nor certificate of membership presented, until the applicant attends one of the next four annual meetings following initial election to the membership. Failure to comply with this procedure will require reapplication for membership.

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS

1. Review the requirements for membership and complete the application.

2. Provide a current copy of your Curriculum Vitae and bibliography.

3. Have two members of the Southern Thoracic Surgical Association (sponsors) read the completed application, review the requirements, and submit a letter of recommendation. Only one sponsor may be a partner or associate of the applicant.

4. Mail or E-mail the completed application (with letters of recommendation if they have been supplied to you) to the address below.

5. The deadline for consideration of any application is September 15. Applications received after September 15 will be deferred to the following year’s committee.

6. Sponsors should be familiar with the applicant’s current practice.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SPONSORS

1. Review the requirements for membership with the applicant.

2. If you believe the applicant fulfills the basic requirements and would be a desirable member, send a letter of recommendation. This letter may be mailed or e-mailed to the address below or accompany the application. Include any reservations that you may have concerning the applicant’s fulfillment of the basic requirements. If you have a limited or inadequate knowledge of the applicant’s current practice, please also indicate the extent of this knowledge.

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