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Letter From the President



Kevin D. Accola, MD

The STSA 65th Annual Meeting is fast approaching. If you don't have a chance to pre-register by October 8, be sure to register on-site and make your hotel reservations as soon as possible as rooms are filling up quickly. This year's program reflects a new and exciting schedule and highly anticipated invited speakers, including Coach Lou Holtz and Dr. Wayne Sotile. Wednesday night programming has also been reincorporated into the schedule. The meeting will kick off in Amelia Island, FL on Wednesday, November 7 with the first half of the Postgraduate Program. Check in to the hotel, come as you are, and join your colleagues for a reception and wonderful program featuring complex case presentations and interactive discussions. The second half of the Postgraduate Program will take place on Saturday, November 10 and will include talks related to the past, present and future of cardiothoracic surgery from experts in the field.

I hope you are looking forward to another gathering of STSA members and colleagues this year. The 65th Annual Meeting promises to be another exceptional educational event. An Advance Program was mailed to you in July; please take a moment to review it and make a note of the many important sessions relevant to your patients and practice. Once you have experienced the collegiality, fun, and scientific value of an STSA meeting, you will understand why members return year after year.

This is also the time of year when STSA concludes its annual membership recruitment campaign. The deadline for membership applications was September 15. We all should thank Dr. Edward Savage, STSA Membership Chair, and the Membership Committee for their work in the recruitment of prospective members and their work still to be done in reviewing the applications. Thanks also to everyone who encouraged a colleague to apply and provided letters of support for these prospective members. If you are attending the Annual Meeting, plan to participate in the Annual Business Meeting on Friday, November 9 at 4:30 pm., when we will vote on candidates presented for membership.

I would like to close by saying what an honor it has been to serve as your President this year. I look forward to an outstanding 65th Annual Meeting in Amelia Island, FL, and spending time with you and our colleagues as we enjoy the fellowship and educational offerings of the STSA.

Kevin D. Accola, MD



**Register for the STSA
65th Annual Meeting
by October 8, 2018
to avoid on-site
registration fees.**

2018 Scholarship Recipients Announced

The 2018 STSA Scholarship Committee, Chaired by Dr. Michael Halkos, is pleased to announce the following STSA Brooks Scholarship recipients:

Medical Student Scholars

William Frankel, Baylor College of Medicine

Shawn Shah, University of Virginia

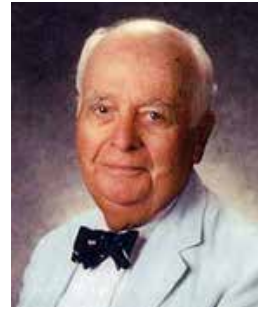
Walker Blanding, Medical University of South Carolina

General Surgery Resident Scholar

Alex Kossar, Upstate University Medical Center

Learn more about the STSA Brooks Scholarship at stsa.org/awards

Online Brooks Scholarship Donations Accepted



James W. Brooks, MD

STSA accepts online donations for the James W. Brooks Scholarship fund. The Brooks Scholarship was founded in 2010 to recognize and honor STSA Past President, Dr. Jim Brooks. Dr. Brooks was a lifetime supporter of the STSA and a great mentor to countless residents and students during his career at the Medical College of Virginia.

The Brooks Scholarship is given annually to medical students and general surgery residents in the STSA region who are interested in cardiothoracic surgery. Scholarship recipients receive funding to attend the STSA Annual Meeting and benefit from the guidance of STSA members.

Learn more about the Brooks Scholarship at stsa.org/brooksscholarship.

- [Make a Brooks Scholarship donation online.](#)
- [Download a Brooks Scholarship pledge form.](#)

STSA Welcomes WTS Carpenter Scholarship



STSA is always pleased to welcome a Women in Thoracic Surgery (WTS) Carpenter scholar at its Annual Meeting. The award, named for Dr. Andrea J. “Ajay” Carpenter, 63rd President of STSA, and former President and long-time leader with WTS, allows young women in medical school or surgical training with an interest in cardiothoracic surgery the opportunity to attend the STSA Annual Meeting, and to be mentored throughout the meeting by a WTS/STSA member.

(l to r) 2017 WTS Carpenter Scholar Dr. Kanika Kalra with STSA/WTS Members Drs. Shanda Blackmon and Mara Antonoff

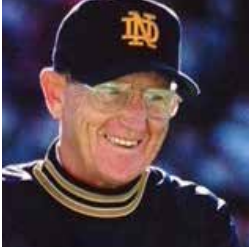
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Guest Speakers

STSA is excited to host a wonderful line of speakers, both guests and colleagues, at this year's STSA 65th Annual Meeting.

President's Invited Lecturer



2018 President's Invited Lecturer, Coach Lou Holtz

Couch Lou Holtz has established himself as one of the most successful college football coaches of all time. He is the only coach in history of college football to take six different teams to a bowl game, win five bowl games with different teams, and have four different college teams rank in the final Top 20 poll. For many years, Coach Holtz has been considered among the greatest speaking legends in America today. He speaks on overcoming seemingly impossible challenges by setting goals

and working to achieve them. He has built a reputation as a motivator, a demanding disciplinarian, and someone who relishes challenges and hard work. Coach Holtz's must-see lecture, "Reflections on Leadership," will take place on Thursday, November 8 at 10:45 am.

Kent Trinkle Education Lectureship Panel

This year, a panel of experts and the audience will address the topic, "New Paradigms in Residency Education: Insights on Current Challenges and Surgical Training." STSA is honored to have **John Calhoun, MD**, Professor and Chair of Cardiothoracic Surgery at University of Texas San Antonio, and **John Kern, MD**, Professor of Surgery at University of Virginia, share their perspectives on resident education. This valuable session will be moderated by **William Baumgartner, MD**, Vincent L. Gott Professor of Surgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital and national leader of CT surgery education. Attend this session and share your thoughts on this topic on Friday, November 9 at 10:30 am.

Special General Session Presentation



Invited Lecturer, Jerrold H. Levy, MD

Jerrold H. Levy, MD, Professor of Anesthesiology at Duke University Hospital, will discuss anticoagulants to start Friday's afternoon programming. Dr. Levy's talk, "Managing the New Anticoagulants: Surgical Perspectives and Strategies," will take place on Friday, November 9 at 1:30 pm.

Postgraduate Program Invited Speakers



2018 Postgraduate Program Invited Speaker, Wayne Sotile, PhD

During the Saturday morning Postgraduate session, "The Past, Present and Future," STSA will feature invited guest, **Wayne Sotile, PhD**, discussing the topic of physician resilience. Dr. Sotile is a pioneer in the fields of health psychology, resilience, and work/life balance for high performing individuals. He is one of the world's most seasoned clinicians specializing in life coaching for physicians. His solution-focused life coaching process emphasizes practical applications of evidence-based findings from the combined fields of resilience,

positive psychology, marriage/family systems, and adult developmental psychology. Attendees and their spouses and guests are encouraged to attend "Choosing Resilience: The Key to Thriving Through Change" on Saturday, November 10 at 8:00 am.



2018 Postgraduate Program Invited Speaker, Alec Patterson, MD

Alec Patterson, MD will be the focus of the presentation "A Conversation with a Legend" on Saturday, November 10 at 8:45 am. Dr. Patterson, Joseph Bancroft Professor of Surgery at Washington University School of Medicine, is an innovator and leader in thoracic surgery. He is highly experienced in lung transplantation, esophageal cancer, lung cancer, and lung volume reduction, and is a national leader in cardiothoracic surgery education. Dr. Patterson is also Editor of *The Annals of Thoracic Surgery*.



2018 Postgraduate Program Invited Speaker, David Shahian, MD

David M. Shahian, MD, Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School, and Vice President of the Mass General Center for Quality and Safety at Massachusetts General Hospital, will close the Postgraduate Program at 9:20 am on Saturday, November 10, with the special presentation, "Surgeon Performance Metrics: Why, What, and When?"



STSA 65TH ANNUAL MEETING

Join us at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort, November 7-10, 2018

Review a detailed program at stsa.org/65thannual. If you are unable to register by October 8, 2018, attendees must register on-site and there will be an additional \$50 fee.

2018 Annual Meeting Highlights

- The Ethics Debate, “The Devoted Grandma: Social Indication for TAVR,” will be held Thursday, November 8 at 7:00 am.
- Running concurrent to the Ethics Debate is the Basic Science Forum, which will include six abstracts.
- Coach Lou Holtz will present, “Reflections on Leadership” on Thursday, November 8 at 10:45 am.
- Kevin Accola, MD will deliver his Presidential Address, “Reflections on a Career in Cardiothoracic Surgery: Maintaining Humanistic Values in a Changing Environment,” on Thursday, November 8 at 11:20 am.
- Join your colleagues at the All Attendee Luncheon on Thursday, November 8 immediately following Dr. Accola’s Presidential Address.
- Don’t miss a chance to catch up with your colleagues at the President’s Mixer on Thursday, November 8 at 7:00 pm.
- Cardiothoracic surgeons 1-10 years in practice will be invited to attend the Early Practitioners Luncheon to be held on Friday, November 9 at 12:00 pm.
- Pouya Hemmati, MD will present the Harold Urschel Lectureship, “One Hundred and Counting: Dr. Dwight C. McGoon’s Enduring Legacy,” on Friday, November 9 at 2:15 pm.
- The STSA Dinner Gala will feature musical entertainment, this year’s awards presentation, and plenty of time to socialize with fellow meeting attendees and their families.
- The Saturday morning Postgraduate Program will feature special presentations from Wayne Sotile, PhD, Alec Patterson, MD, and David Shahian, MD, who will address the past, present and future of cardiothoracic surgery.
- Scientific oral presentations and subspecialty-specific breakout sessions are scheduled throughout the meeting.
- **New!** Be sure to check out interactive surgeon-submitted video presentations in the Exhibit Hall during the meeting’s break times.



STSA Adds Video Presentations in Exhibit Hall to Annual Meeting Schedule

STSA is pleased to announce that due to the overwhelming number of video abstract submissions received for the STSA 65th Annual Meeting, four additional video presentations will be presented in the Exhibit Hall during specified break times. These video abstract presentations will begin approximately ten minutes after the scheduled break time has begun. Each presentation is allotted eight minutes followed by another five minutes of discussion. Don’t miss this opportunity to hear from these knowledgeable presenters and join the discussion with your fellow colleagues. (*Video presentations are not eligible for CME credit.*)



Annual Meeting Program Book and App Coming Soon

The STSA 65th Annual Meeting Program Book will be available online at stsa.org/65thannual, and as an app, in the coming weeks. Attendees are strongly encouraged to use the STSA Annual Meeting app to access up-to-date meeting information.

STSA Dinner Gala to include Live Entertainment

Make sure to secure your tickets to the Friday, November 9 Dinner Gala, complete with dinner, awards and entertainment. This year's event will include a local band that will provide easy listening during the dinner hour. Reduced-price tickets are available for children. Although black tie is always in fashion, attendees are welcome to wear cocktail attire. Be comfortable and have fun!

Purchase tickets by downloading this [registration form](#) or register online at stsa.org/65thannual. Call STSA Headquarters at 312-202-5892 with questions or to purchase tickets.



STSA members enjoy the Dinner Gala at the 2017 STSA Annual Meeting.



STSA Council Chair Dr. David Jones (right) passes the STSA Presidential gavel to Dr. Kevin Accola (left) at the 2017 STSA Business Meeting.

STS to Host Resident Jeopardy Competition During STSA Annual Meeting

The Society of Thoracic Surgeons will host a Cardiothoracic Surgery Resident Jeopardy Competition during the STSA 65th Annual Meeting. The Competition schedule is as follows:

- Rounds #1 and #2: Thursday, November 8, 5:30 pm-6:30 pm
- Final: Friday, November 9, 5:15 pm-5:45 pm

The European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery (EACTS) will hold its Jeopardy Competition at their Annual Meeting in October. The North American team that wins the Competition during the STSA 65th Annual Meeting will face off with the EACTS winning team during the Jeopardy Championship at the STS 55th Annual Meeting, January 27-29, 2019 in San Diego, CA.

This cognitive skills competition draws a large crowd. Come watch cardiothoracic surgery residents test their knowledge!



Cardiothoracic surgery residents compete in the STS Jeopardy competition at the 2017 STSA Annual Meeting.

Plan to Attend the Annual Business Meeting on Friday, November 9, 4:30 pm

The Annual Business Meeting will take place on Friday, November 9 from 4:30 pm-5:15 pm at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort in Amelia Island, FL. Plan to attend this meeting to vote on new member applicants, hear updates from STSA committee members, and vote on the 2018-2019 STSA leadership slate.

STSA 65TH ANNUAL MEETING

Activities & Entertainment

The STSA 65th Annual Meeting will be an event for your whole family to enjoy. The Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort is an ideal destination for the STSA Annual Meeting. Make plans for your family to participate in the following activities and outings:

Hospitality Suite

Thursday, November 8 – Friday, November 9
8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Saturday, November 10
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

STSA is providing a hospitality room for your spouse or guest to mingle with other spouses and guests and to make plans for exploring Amelia Island.

Residents Reception

Thursday, November 8
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Cost: Complimentary for Residents and Medical Students

Residents and medical students are encouraged to attend this function to meet other residents and students, and network with leaders in the field.

President's Mixer

Thursday, November 8
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Cost: Complimentary

Gather with fellow meeting attendees for an evening of networking and fun. Attendees receive two tickets with registration. Additional tickets may be purchased for \$25.

Dinner Gala

Friday, November 9

Reception
7:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Dinner
7:30 PM – 10:00 PM

Cost: \$125 per adult / \$40 per child (ages 12 and younger)

Advanced registration recommended. A limited number of tickets will be sold on site.

Join fellow meeting attendees and their families for the always-memorable Dinner Gala, complete with a cocktail reception, dinner, awards and musical entertainment. A local band has been added to this year's program and will provide easy listening during dinner. Although black tie is always in fashion, you are welcome to wear cocktail attire. Be comfortable and have fun!



The Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort offers luxurious oceanfront accommodations and countless activities.

STSA 65TH ANNUAL MEETING

Activities & Entertainment *(continued)*

Golf at Amelia Island's Oak Marsh Golf Course

The Oak Marsh Golf Course is one of the truly classic Pete Dye-designed golf courses in the world. The course, built in 1972, is noted for its tight fairways and small greens, meandering along serpentine salt marsh creeks and through the moss draped heritage oaks for which Amelia Island is famous. At par 72, this 6,500-yard course has 14 holes with water hazards and numerous bulk-headed greens. A variety of bunkers are placed throughout the course to add to the challenge, and a natural approach has been maintained as well with the use of coquina shell cart paths, native plant life and preserved habitats for the local wildlife.

Discounted individual golf play is available to STSA 65th Annual Meeting attendees. Rental clubs are available and include one sleeve of golf balls. Contact the golf shop at 904-491-4801 to reserve a tee time according to your schedule. Be sure to mention you're an STSA attendee to receive the group discount.



Resort Activities and Local Excursions

The Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort features a long list of exciting and rejuvenating on-property activities. On arrival, guests will be provided with a Resort Guide outlining the week's activity schedule, as well as available excursions and dining options. The resort is situated directly on the beach, and offers two swimming pools, a splash park, full service spa, two fitness centers including state-of-the-art Racquet Park Health Club, a championship golf course, and world-renowned tennis facilities. Spend your free time exploring the surrounding maritime forests on rented bicycles or segways, stroll through the Shops of Amelia Island Plantation and pick up souvenirs, or reserve a private cabana on the beach for you and your family. Visit www.omnihotels.com/hotels/amelia-island-plantation or contact the Concierge team at 904-432-1467 for more information.



Camp Amelia

Camp Amelia gives guests from ages 4–10 the chance to explore the resort and discover nature, science, salt life, and much more! Interactive learning excursions are offered with full-day themed sessions available. Campers will construct a unique craft and create lifelong memories with an award-winning recreation department. Participants must be fully toilet trained. Pre-registration is required. Camp Amelia is conveniently located adjacent to the pool deck. Please call 904-432-1451 for more information and reservations, or [visit the hotel website](#) for additional details.

Childcare Services

The Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort recommends the following childcare provider:

Amelia Island Nanny

904-742-3481

www.ameliaislandnanny.com

Say Goodnight to Hunger

The Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort has partnered with Feeding America for the campaign, Say Goodnight to Hunger. Through the campaign, Omni will provide one meal per actualized hotel reservation. Over 48 million Americans struggle with putting food on the table. By booking your room for the STSA 65th Annual Meeting, you not only get a sensational meeting, but you can also help make a meaningful difference in local communities. To learn more please visit the [Omni hotel website](#).

65TH ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM OUTLINE

Schedule of Events (subject to change)

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of The Society of Thoracic Surgeons and The Southern Thoracic Surgical Association. The Society of Thoracic Surgeons is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Society of Thoracic Surgeons designates this live activity for a maximum of 17.50 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018		
Times	Topics	Location
3:30 PM – 6:00 PM	Registration	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Postgraduate Program Welcome Reception	Cumberland Ballroom Foyer
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Postgraduate Program Session 1 <i>I Wish I Could Have Done That Case Over: Complex Case Presentations and Interactive Discussions</i>	Cumberland Ballroom B-C
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018		
Times	Topics	Location
6:30 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
6:30 AM	Continental Breakfast	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
7:00 AM – 7:50 AM	Basic Science Forum	Cumberland Ballroom B-C
7:00 AM – 7:50 AM	Ethics Debate <i>The Devoted Grandma: Social Indication for TAVR</i>	Cumberland Ballroom A
8:00 AM – 10:30 AM	First Scientific Session	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Exhibits Open	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
10:45 AM – 11:20 AM	President's Invited Lecturer Coach Lou Holtz <i>Reflections on Leadership</i>	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
11:20 AM – 12:00 PM	Presidential Address Kevin D. Accola, MD <i>Reflections on a Career in Cardiothoracic Surgery: Maintaining Humanistic Values in a Changing Environment</i>	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
12:00 PM	All Attendee Luncheon	Magnolia Garden
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Exhibits Open	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Dessert Served in the Exhibit Hall	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Second Scientific Session	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
*3:10 PM – 3:23 PM	Video Abstract Presentation in Exhibit Hall	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
3:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Third Scientific Session	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
5:30 PM – 6:30 PM	2018 Cardiothoracic Surgery Jeopardy Competition Rounds 1 & 2	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Residents Reception	Sunrise Terrace
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	President's Mixer	Magnolia Garden

65TH ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM OUTLINE

Schedule of Events *(continued)*

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2018		
Times	Topics	Location
6:30 AM – 4:45 PM	Registration	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
6:30 AM	Continental Breakfast	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
7:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Fourth Scientific Session A – Simultaneous Subspecialty Breakout Sessions	
	Adult Cardiac Breakout	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
	Thoracic Breakout	Cumberland Ballroom A
	Congenital Breakout	Cumberland Ballroom B-C
7:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Exhibits Open	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
*8:40 AM – 8:53 AM	Video Abstract Presentation in Exhibit Hall	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Fourth Scientific Session B – Simultaneous Subspecialty Breakout Sessions	
	Adult Cardiac Breakout	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
	Thoracic Breakout	Cumberland Ballroom A
	Congenital Breakout	Cumberland Ballroom B-C
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
*10:10 AM – 10:23 AM	Video Abstract Presentation in Exhibit Hall	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
10:30 AM – 10:50 AM	Kent Trinkle Education Lectureship Panel <i>New Paradigms in Residency Education: Insights on Current Challenges and Surgical Training</i>	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
10:50 AM – 11:00 AM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Fourth Scientific Session C – Simultaneous Subspecialty Breakout Sessions	
	Adult Cardiac Breakout	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
	Thoracic Breakout	Cumberland Ballroom A
	Congenital Breakout	Cumberland Ballroom B-C
	Surgical Transcatheter Interventions Breakout	Ossabaw A
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Grab ‘N Go Lunch	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
	Early Practitioners Luncheon	Ossabaw B
12:45 PM – 3:30 PM	Exhibits Open	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
1:30 PM – 2:15 PM	<i>Managing the New Anticoagulants: Surgical Perspectives and Strategies</i> Jerold H. Levy, MD	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	Harold Urschel History Lectureship Pouya Hemmati, MD <i>One Hundred and Counting: Dr. Dwight C. McGoon’s Enduring Legacy</i>	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
2:45 PM – 3:30 PM	Break & Visit Exhibits	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
*3:10 PM – 3:23 PM	Video Abstract Presentation in Exhibit Hall	Magnolia Ballroom A-C
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Fifth Scientific Session	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
4:30 PM – 5:15 PM	STSA Annual Business Meeting <i>STSA Members Only</i>	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
5:15 PM – 5:45 PM	2018 Cardiothoracic Surgery Jeopardy Competition Final Round	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
7:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Dinner Gala	Magnolia Ballroom D-G

65TH ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM OUTLINE

Schedule of Events *(continued)*

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018		
7:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Registration	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
7:00 AM	Postgraduate Program Breakfast Buffet	Magnolia Ballroom Foyer
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Postgraduate Program Session 2 <i>The Past, Present, and Future</i>	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
8:00 AM – 8:45 AM	<i>Choosing Resilience: The Key to Thriving Through Change</i> Wayne Sotile, PhD	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
8:45 AM – 9:10 AM	A Conversation with a Legend: Dr. Alec Patterson	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
9:10 AM – 9:20 AM	Open Discussion	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
9:20 AM – 9:50 AM	<i>Surgeon Performance Metrics: Why What, and When?</i> David Shahian, MD	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
9:50 AM – 10:00 AM	Open Discussion	Magnolia Ballroom D-G
10:00 AM	Program Adjourns	

*Please note: Video abstract presentations will begin approximately ten minutes after the scheduled break time has begun to allow for attendees to transition from the general session rooms into the Exhibit Hall. Actual presentation start times may vary. Each presentation is allotted eight minutes followed by another five minutes of discussion.

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STSA FUTURE MEETINGS

November 6-9, 2019

JW Marriott Marco Island
Beach Resort
Marco Island, FL

November 4-7, 2020

Loews Royal Pacific Resort at
Universal Orlando™
Orlando, FL

November 3-6, 2021

Loews Atlanta
Atlanta, GA

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