

Chapter news

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2007 Leadership Conference

The next Leadership Conference for chapter leaders and young surgeons will be held June 3–5, 2007, at the Washington Court Hotel in Washington, DC. The first portion of the conference will be devoted to issues related to young surgeons and chapter leaders, and the second half will include an update on current health policy issues.

The 2007 Leadership Conference will conclude with visits to Capitol Hill. For more information, call the chapter hotline at 888/857-7545.

Management changes for two chapters

In early fall, two chapters announced new managers. The South Texas Chapter has contracted with Ms. Janna Pecquet as Executive Director; Ms. Pecquet also serves in a similar capacity for the Louisiana Chapter. In addition, the Oregon Chapter announced that Ms. Sue Lentz, who also manages the Washington State Chapter, will serve as Executive Director.

Hawaii Chapter holds education program

The Hawaii Chapter conducted its annual summer meeting August 11–12. Thomas R. Russell, MD, FACS, the College's Executive Director, served as a keynote speaker. Another speaker, Harry Sax, MD, FACS, spoke on What Can Surgery Learn from Aviation on Team Training? In addition, the program featured a residents' competition (see photo, below).

Chapter anniversaries

Month	Chapter	Years
November	Arkansas	54
	Chile	55
	Florida	53
	Indiana	55
	Kentucky	54
	Michigan	55
	Nebraska	55
	Bronx, New York	55
	Southwest Pennsylvania	54
	December	Argentina
Missouri		40



Hawaii Chapter, left to right (all MD, FACS, except Dr. Lye, who tied for first place in the competition): Whitney Limm, Past-President; Kenric Murayama, Executive Council; Dr. Russell; Eric Matayoshi, President; Nancy Furumoto, President-Elect; Danny Takanishi, Secretary-Treasurer; and Kevin Lye, MD.

Chapter meetings

For a complete listing of the ACS chapter education programs and meetings, please visit the ACS Web site at <http://www.facs.org/about/chapters/index.html>.

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Date	Chapter	Location/contact information
January 2007		
January 12–14	Louisiana (CS)	Location: Ritz Carlton Hotel, New Orleans, LA Contact: Janna Pecquet, 504/733-3275 ACS Representative: Thomas R. Russell, MD, FACS
January 18	South Florida (CS)	Location: Pier 66, Ft. Lauderdale, FL Contact: Bill Bouck, 305/687-1367 ACS Representative: Josef E. Fischer, MD, FACS
January 19–21	Southern California (CS)	Location: Santa Barbara Biltmore Hotel, Santa Barbara, CA Contact: C. James Dowden, 323/937-5514
February 2007		
February 15–17	Puerto Rico	Location: San Juan Hotel and Casino, San Juan, PR Contact: Aixa Velez-Silva, 787/277-0674 ACS Representatives: Paul E. Collicott, MD, FACS, and Mary H. McGrath, MD, MPH, FACS
February 23–24	North Texas (CS)	Location: City Place Conference Center, Dallas, TX Contact: Mark Watson, MD, FACS, 214/645-0500
February 24	Metropolitan Washington (CS)	Location: Georgetown University Conference Center, Washington, DC Contact: Ebony Harris, 202/337-2701
April 2007		
April 12–14	Alabama	Location: University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL Contact: John Hooton, 205/776-2106
April 13	Japan	Location: Osaka, Japan Contact: Susumu Eguchi, MD, 81-95-849-7316
April 13	New York (CS)	Location: Sagamore Resort on Lake George, Bolton Landing, NY Contact: Amy Clinton, 518/283-1601 ACS Representative: Edward M. Copeland III, MD, FACS
May 2007		
May 2–5	Chile	Location: Hotel Sheraton, Santiago, Chile Contact: Carlos Lizana, MD, FACS, 562/264-1878
May 10–12	South Carolina (CS)	Location: Marriott Hotel, Myrtle Beach, SC Contact: Heather Black, 803/798-6207
May 10–12	West Virginia (CS)	Location: The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, WV Contact: Sharon Bartholomew, 304/598-3710 ACS Representative: Ajit K. Sachdeva, MD, FACS, FRCSC