Creating a Dynamic Chapter Meeting

Chapter Officer Leadership Program
March 30, 2019 – 7:15 am – 12:30 pm
Renaissance Downtown Hotel, Washington, D.C.
A bit of history…

• **Resident Jeopardy**
  – Fun
  – Great engagement
  – Perception that it was “rigged”
  – Social vs. Economic value

• **Surgical Skills Competition™**
  – Modeled after “Top Gun” competitions
  – Seizes on surgeons “competitive nature”
  – Utilizes game theory as a teaching tool
  – Strengthen relationships with industry partners
  – Generates economic and social value
  – Planning, planning, planning → *It’s not easy*
  – Often imitated, never duplicated!
Where it began...

- 2008 – year one – nimble and humble
- Leveraged in-house resources
  - Sim Man - Trauma Scenario
  - Ultrasound Station
  - FLS Training Station: Peg Transfer
  - FLS Training Station: Task Two: Simple Suture with Extracorporeal Knot
  - ABSITE Written Exam
  - Colonoscopy Trainer
Stations Over the Years

- Cholecystectomy (SILS)
- Operation Game on the daVinci
- Excise Partial Pumpkinectomy (R4/5)
- Fascial Closure & Ostomy Maturation
- FLS on single-port simulation
- Hand assisted laparoscopic colectomy
- Harmonic scalpel meat carving and suture closure
- Laparoscopic side to side anastamosis of bowel
- Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair

- Nissen Fundoplication Simulation
- Old School Videogames
- Open Intestinal Anastamosis
- Open Vascular Anastamosis
- SILS Station
- Sim Man Trauma Simulation
- The VAC-O-Lantern
- Thoracoscopic Stapling
- Ultrasound
- Vascular Anastamosis
Key Success Factors

- Started small – grow continuously
- Dedicated Skills Program Chairs
- Highly Engaged Industry Partners
- Cool Prizes
  - Highly coveted trophy
  - Loupes for the intern
  - Books, etc. for the team
- Good Food
  - Prevents “hangry” competitors
  - Sets a social and fun tone

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✓ Stopped publishing station names in 2012
  ✓ Better vendor engagement with residents on the hunt for station

✓ Innovative stations each year
  ✓ Getting harder over time but we try to throw in new and different challenges to keep it fresh

✓ DaVinci Robot

✓ Adding residencies
  ✓ Ob/Gyn team now participates
  ✓ Continue to reach out to neighboring states

✓ Tee Shirts and Banners

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Long Term Benefits

- Keeps the annual meeting fresh and fun
- Supports our mission to educate
- Led to significant resident involvement
  - 50-65 papers annually
  - Active Resident Committee
  - Local ABSITE review day
  - Legislative engagement
- Expansion of medical student participation
- Engaged Council
- Funding for Chapter meeting
- Increased resident participation at Clinical Congress
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Enhancements

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