

Semi-Annual Meeting
of the
TEXAS SURGICAL SOCIETY
October 6 – 8, 2017
San Antonio, Texas

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

- Golf Tournament:** (Kent Van Sickle and Russ Woodard) **Friday, October 6, 2017**– The golf tournament will take place at the **Palmer Course at La Cantera**. Players will gather in the lobby at 7:00am to carpool. Shotgun start at 8:00am. Included are golf cart, range balls, green fees, breakfast tacos and a boxed lunch.
- Shooting:** (Boyce Oliver) **Friday, October 6, 2017** – Sporting Clays will be at **National Shooting Complex**. Meet in lobby at 7:30a to carpool. Shooting starts at 8:30a and will conclude around 11:00a. The National Shooting Complex will provide ammunition, loaner guns (you may also bring your own), eye/ear protection, and drinks.
- Tennis:** (Lillian Liao and Sherri Stewart) **Friday, October 6, 2017** – Meet in hotel lobby at 8:30a to walk over to the tennis courts at **La Cantera Resort & Spa**. Play will begin at 9:00a. Light lunch/brunch at 11:00am. Players will return to hotel lobby at 12:45p. Players provide shoes and racket.
- Jogging:** (Dan Dent) **Friday, October 6, 2017** (please note it is **FRIDAY**) – Meet in hotel lobby at 9:00a and enjoy a scenic 3 mile run or walk on the grounds of the La Cantera Resort & Spa, one of the highest points in all of San Antonio. Included are drinks.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Cocktail Buffet Dinner:** (Patrick Nguyen) **Friday, October 6, 2017**– Cocktail Buffet will be at the **La Cantera Resort & Spa Plaza San Saba & Esparza Lawn**. Please note **the event is outdoors**. Attire will be business casual, coat is optional. Event will start at 6:30p and end at 10:30p. Plaza San Saba is the resort’s central gathering area and the ideal setting to enjoy San Antonio’s more than 300 days of sunshine each year. It is lined by native plants and vegetation, a reflecting pond, and a grand natural rock sculpture along with fire and water features. Enjoy the scenic vistas overlooking the Texas Hill Country, the emerald fairways and sparkling pools while enjoying a wonderful cocktail buffet with fellow members, spouses, and guests. Duo Pena, a San Antonio based Violin and Classical Guitar Duo, will be on hand to entertain guests.

Women in Surgery Brkfst: Saturday, October 7, 2017 – 6:30a in the San Jose & Terrace room of the hotel.

- Spouse Activity:** (Nga Tran and Elizabeth Balli) **Saturday, October 7, 2017 – 9:30a** in the hotel lobby. We will be taking a shuttle to La Villita, south of the River Walk in downtown San Antonio. La Villita was originally settled 300 years ago as one of San Antonio’s first neighborhoods. In 1939, La Villita Historic Arts Village was established and the neighborhood adapted into a center for teaching regional arts and crafts. Today, nearly 30 shops and galleries offer distinct handcrafted items by artists from San Antonio and surrounding areas. You will find paintings, folk art, textiles, sculptures, copper wares, jewelry and more. At 11:15am a shuttle will transport guests to Boudro’s Texas Bistro, cited by Esquire Magazine as one of the 50 best restaurants in the U.S. Guests will enjoy lunch on a barge while floating on the San Antonio River Walk. Registration will be limited to the first 20 registrants due to the space limitation in the barge.

Member- Guest Luncheon: The luncheon will be held **Saturday, October 7, 2017** at noon in the La Cantera Ballroom 3 & 4. There will be no speaker.

President’s Cocktails & Banquet: **Saturday, October 7, 2017** – The cocktail reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the foyer of La Cantera Ballroom Foyer and Patio and will be followed by dinner and the banquet address at 7:15 p.m. Dr. Ross Reagan will be giving his presidential address entitled, “Economic Burns.”

Kids Movie Night: **Saturday, October 7, 2017** – We will be offering dinner and a movie for those of you who will be bringing children (aged 4 to 14) to the meeting. This will begin at 6:00p and end at 10:30p. Dinner will consist of pizza, popcorn, and cookies. Chaperones will, of course, be provided. The room location will be hospitality suite 3223.

Ethics Breakfast: **Sunday, October 8, 2017 - 8:00a** in the San Jose room in the hotel. The ethics talk will be given by Ruth Berggren, MD. She is the Medical Director of the Center for Medical Humanities & Ethics at the UT Health San Antonio School of Medicine. She is board certified in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases. She has lectured widely on her experiences in Global Health and Relief Efforts as well as disaster preparedness. Her title will be "Dealing with Complications".