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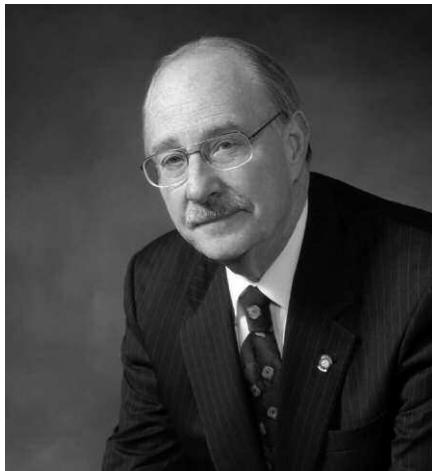
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A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDATION PRESIDENT



Frederick L. Greene, MD, FACS

Dear Member of the SAGES Family,

Since 2006 it has been my great honor to serve in the position of President of the SAGES Foundation. Much has occurred over the last three years due to the dedication of our Board, Advisors, and primarily the great work of our Executive Director, Teresa Chien, and her mentor, Barbara Berci. As we move into 2009, it is so valuable to always look back at our beginnings and to appreciate many of the faithful SAGES members who were instrumental in launching and supporting our SAGES Foundation initiative. We have tried to continue that momentum and to harness the energy of many within and outside the SAGES family.

Our Foundation strives to continue to achieve our vision that operative procedures should be accomplished with the least possible physical trauma, discomfort and loss of productive time for our patients. This lofty goal is driving our Foundation to support the best and the brightest in their research initiatives for 2009 and beyond. Similarly, we appreciate the role of SAGES as a leading organization in the promotion of global education and have embraced this need in our Foundation funding strategy.

During my tenure as Foundation president, I have benefited from the collective wisdom of many as we have initiated the concept of periodic retreats to plan the future strategy for the Foundation and to develop new concepts in fund-raising. In 2008, our retreat produced many exciting ideas that will necessitate an even greater commitment from our Board and able staff. The SAGES Foundation luncheon at the annual SAGES meeting has now become an important activity whereby our SAGES award winners and research recipients are recognized. I wish to thank our past and current SAGES Program Chairs and committees for allowing the Foundation to have this heightened visibility.

As this annual report exemplifies, we can only meet our goal through the generosity of all who share our vision. I am happy to report that we have met 90% of our original endowment goal for the Foundation, but we continue to strive for higher goals in the future. In this era of economic challenges when so many organizations are asking for our generous support, it is vital to understand the principles that guide individual foundations. Our goals are clear and relevant to everything we do. Our mission is to advance laparoscopic, endoscopic and other minimal access surgical methods by supporting reproducible scientific research and outcome studies, to enhance graduate and postgraduate education, to disseminate public information and to promote patient safety.

The dictum of William Osler is as meaningful and challenging today as when he espoused it over 100 years ago – diseases that harm call for therapies that harm less. Please join with me in assuring that the SAGES Foundation reaches our important goals.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frederick L. Greene MD".

Frederick L. Greene, MD, FACS
President, SAGES Foundation

BRUCE MACFADYEN TO RECEIVE PONSKY AWARD



We are pleased to announce that **Bruce V. MacFadyen, Jr., MD** has been selected as the inaugural recipient of the Jeffrey L. Ponsky Master Educator Award, to be presented at the SAGES Foundation Awards Luncheon in Phoenix on April 22, 2009, during SAGES 2009 Surgical Spring Week.

Two years ago the Ponsky Flexible Endoscopy Research Fund was established as a tribute to Dr. Jeff Ponsky for his outstanding contributions to endoscopy and surgical education, and also as a demonstration of gratitude for his profound influence in so many careers. This new award, named as a perpetual tribute to our esteemed colleague, will be presented annually to recognize a distinguished SAGES leader who exemplifies Dr. Ponsky's pioneer leadership spirit and his dedication to the development and teaching of surgical endoscopy.

The selection of Dr. MacFadyen was an easy task. Currently serving as Chief of Surgery at the Medical College of Georgia, he has earned a worldwide reputation as a leader to those who have been inspired and impacted by his volumes of seminal writings and scores of clinical presentations. Since joining SAGES in 1987, he has distinguished himself as a valued committee member and president, and as a key figure in the development and growth of the organization.

Drs. David Duppler and Jeffrey Marks, co-founders of the Ponsky Fund, concur in their praise of the honoree. "Bruce MacFadyen is an excellent choice to receive the first Ponsky Award for Surgical Education. An innovative teacher, mentor, leader, talented endoscopist and dedicated surgeon, he embodies what the award represents – a leader in the field of surgical education. He is a surgeon's surgeon and certainly a worthy award recipient."

In two years, the Ponsky Fund has received \$81,000 in contributions and pledges. If you would like to honor the future legacy of Jeffrey Ponsky along with those below, you may make a donation to the SAGES Foundation in care of the Ponsky Fund. Your gift will pay tribute to others who make a significant impact in the education of surgical endoscopy. Please visit www.sagesfoundation.org for more information or contact the office at foundation@sages.org

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Many SAGES members love to start their day with a refreshing jog in the morning, so why not join your fellow surgeons and enjoy a casual run or walk around beautiful downtown Phoenix during the SAGES Annual Meeting? On April 23, 2009, from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m., the SAGES Education and Research Foundation (SERF) will hold a 3K Run/Walk to raise funds for research grants and educational courses held throughout the year. Thanks to our title sponsor, Ethicon Endo-Surgery, all participants will receive a T-shirt and a bottle of water to prepare them for the Run/Walk. The first three individuals to complete the 3K in either run/walk category will receive winning ribbons and kudos on the SERF website.

The benefits are twofold – you will be contributing to a good cause while contributing to your health as well. So lace up your running shoes and help yourself to a quick jolt of exercise before embarking on a day of meetings and presentations.

To register, contact the SAGES Foundation office at (310) 437-0544 x114 or include the Run/Walk in your SAGES meeting registration form. Entry fees for participants are \$75 and \$50 for those who want to support research and courses but would rather run the course in their dreams. If you would like to simply pledge someone else to run, pledges begin at \$25. Since this event will benefit the SAGES Foundation, all of your contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

GRANT AWARDS

PROJECT GRANTS

Fundamentals of Laparoscopic

Surgery (FLS) Update – In 2003, the SAGES Foundation provided one of the first grants to FLS, a comprehensive education module that teaches the physiology, fundamental knowledge, and technical skills required to perform basic laparoscopic surgery. Since then, a total of \$230,000 has been awarded to the program, and FLS has grown by leaps and bounds.

FLS is now part of 200 surgical residency programs, with more than 50 fellowships participating so far. In August 2008, the American Board of Surgery announced that all surgical residents seeking board certification in general surgery must successfully complete the FLS certification prior to their qualifying board exams. This new requirement will go into effect July 1, 2009 and applied to those completing a general surgery residency in the 2009-2010 academic year and thereafter. The program has also been integrated into the ACS/APDS national skills curriculum. To further assist faculty in teaching FLS to residents, a "Train-the-FLS-Instructor" session is planned for the 2009 SAGES Annual Meeting in Phoenix.

The SAGES Foundation is proud to have played a role in this educational success.

Minimally Invasive Pediatric Surgery

Trainers – Headed by medical researchers at Yale University, this program aims to advance minimally invasive surgical techniques and skills among pediatric surgeons. The goal is to develop a network of interchangeable minimally invasive surgical trainers and focus on specific skill sets needed to perform advanced neonatal and pediatric laparoscopic and thoracoscopic surgery.

Although there are many skilled pediatric surgeons, pediatric surgery has lagged behind the adult surgical field in its application of minimally invasive techniques. Most pediatric surgeons who regularly perform advanced minimally invasive surgery have gained experience from fellowship training or by working with a skilled surgeon experienced in those techniques. A fundamental barrier to wider adoption of minimally invasive approaches is the lack of opportunity for pediatric surgeons to gain the necessary skills to perform those operations. The Minimally Invasive Pediatric Surgery Trainers program seeks to be an opportunity for current and future surgeons and is designed specifically for surgical treatment of neonatal patients.

Support from the SAGES Foundation will help produce trainer modules that approximate the size and dimensions of

newborns, simulating neonatal procedures. The different spatial relations, feel of the smaller instruments, and the unique tissue characteristics of newborns will all be considered and taught as part of the training. There is potential that this project will result in accessibility to better-trained, skilled minimally invasive surgeons for thousands of children, contributing to a higher standard of care for pediatric surgical patients.

RESEARCH GRANTS

Project: "Validation of a Modified Skills Station for Single Site Laparoscopic Surgery"

Researcher: Andrew Wright, MD

Institution: University of Washington

Project: "Spatial Alignment between Images, Hands, and Tools in Single Port Access Surgery: Problems and Solutions"

Researcher: Bin Zheng, MD

Institution: University of British Columbia

Project: "Deconstruction of NOTES for Training and Simulations Development"

Researcher: Edward Auyang, MD

Institution: Northwestern University

NEW RECURRING GIFTS PROGRAM

Many of you manage your bills and finances through online bill payment services. Why not manage your donations and pledge payments the same way? Simply go to your bank's online bill pay feature and enter the SAGES Foundation name and address as you would when paying a bill online. Check the appropriate box if you would like your donation to re-occur monthly, quarterly, or yearly, then submit your request. Simple as that! No stamps, envelopes, check-writing, or trips to the post office. A paper check will be received by the SAGES Foundation in three to five days under your name, and you will be acknowledged as usual for all gifts.

This is an especially critical year for the SAGES Foundation as we reach the final stretch of our campaign. With only \$1 million left to complete the campaign, we ask that all SAGES members consider a gift of at least \$120 this year. If all members gave just \$10 per month for at least one year, we will easily reach goal by the end of 2009. So help us bring the campaign home and make your recurring gift today. For questions on how to set up your recurring gift or pledge payments, please contact your bank's customer service or the SAGES Foundation at foundation@sages.org.

VISION

The SAGES Foundation was created with the vision of a healthcare world in which all operative procedures are accomplished with the least possible physical trauma and discomfort, and with the greatest quality of care and safety for the patient.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the SAGES Foundation is to advance endoscopic, laparoscopic, and emerging minimal access surgical methods and to maintain the highest possible quality of care by supporting reproducible scientific research, graduate and postgraduate education, and public information.

ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

Good news spreads like wildfire. Although 2008 was only the second year in which the SAGES Foundation Awards Luncheon was held, the event was wildly successful on all counts. In an extended program last year, new awards were added to the usual honors which included the Career Development Award and the Gerald Marks Rectal Cancer Award. The full docket of honorees attracted a record number of twelve industry sponsors and another five that purchased tables in honor of the award recipients. The luncheon attracted so many guests, both industry representatives and SAGES members, that the room had reached maximum capacity! In total, the event helped to bring in \$61,000 to benefit future minimally invasive research and educational opportunities.

Replicating the kind of success seen last year seems possible again, especially with this year's roster of honorees and committed sponsors so far. With an expected attendance of more than 230 guests and sponsorship support from **Adolor**, **Applied Medical**, **Atrium Medical**, **Karl Storz Endoscopy**, **Simbionix**, and **Stryker Endoscopy** already confirmed, the event will highlight the following awards:

- The George Berci Lifetime Achievement Award – Jeffrey Ponsky, MD**
- The SAGES Pioneer in Endoscopy Award – Robert Croce**
- The Distinguished Service Award – Lee Swanstrom, MD**
- The Young Researcher Award – Michael Rosen, MD**
- The Karl Storz / IRCAD Fellowship Award – Timothy Kennedy, MD**
- The Jeffrey L. Ponsky Master Educator Award – Bruce MacFadyen, MD**
- The SAGES Education and Research Foundation Grant Awards**
- Industry Research Awards**

The 2009 Awards Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, April 22, from 12:00 - 1:00 pm. To attend the event and show your support of the honorees and the SAGES Foundation, tickets can be purchased online through the SAGES Annual Meeting online registration. Each ticket is \$125 each and tables of ten are available for \$1,100. On-site registration is limited by available seating, so please register in advance. A portion of your purchases is tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. For more information, contact the Foundation office at foundation@sages.org or visit www.sagesfoundation.org.

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Many SAGES Foundation donors wish to contribute more but do not consider themselves to be major donors or in any position to give "a lot" of money. But many giving options are available now that allow donors to give as generously as possible without feeling financially strapped – such as charitable remainder trusts (CRT).

CRTs are trusts that provide for two beneficiaries. The first beneficiaries are the income beneficiaries, usually yourself or a family member, who receive a set percentage of income from the trust. You and your loved ones will be taken care of for their lifetimes. When all income beneficiaries have passed, the principal of the trust will then be donated to the SAGES Foundation, the second beneficiary. Simple as that.

Those who establish a CRT receive tangible benefits such as reduced estate taxes, elimination of capital gains, and income tax deductions, all while knowing that they have full control over where their funds will be applied charitably. So the next time you are thinking about financial planning for the present and future, consider a CRT and the SAGES Foundation. For more information, contact the office at foundation@sages.org.

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The number of people who give to the SAGES Foundation grows a little every year. The Foundation experienced ups and downs in 2008 but managed to remain stable thanks to the loyalty of old friends and the introduction of some brand new supporters. The board of the Foundation thanks everyone for their donations and encourages their continued support as we march into 2009.

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