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Special thanks to ASPS for their continued support!

Next year’s meeting promises to be very exciting; incoming MAPS President, Dr. Antony and Program Chair/ VP Dr. Poore look forward to see you again in 2016! Please mark your calendars for the 56th Annual Meeting, which will be held on:

Saturday April 15, 2017 in Chicago


We look forward to seeing you there!

To receive meeting information and MAPS updates, sign up to be included on our email listserv by contacting Abigail Galvin at agalvin@cmsdocs.org.

MAPS Newsletter Editors: Dr. Mohammed Alghoul and Abigail Galvin

MAPS 2016 was a combination of talented people, great ideas, and exciting presentations all taking place in downtown Chicago. With keynote lecture, scientific panels and eight sessions with over 60 abstracts presented, the Midwestern Association of Plastic Surgery meeting has continued to excel in its continued quest to provide members and attendees with up-to-date cutting edge information in plastic surgery.

Thank you to all those who attended the 55th Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Association of Plastic Surgeons, which was held Saturday, April 30, 2016 in Chicago, Illinois at the Northwestern Feinberg Pavilion.

Pictured above: A snapshot from the conference. From right to left, Dr. W. Thomas Lawrence (Chairman, Univ of Iowa), Dr. Paul Cederna (Chair, Univ of Michigan), Dr. Maria Siemionow (Professor, UIC), Dr. Thomas Mustoe (Professor, Northwestern), and Dr. Susan Mackinnon (Chair, Washington Univ).
The keynote lecture was “Modern Nerve Transfer” by Susan Mackinnon, MD, who shared her career journey with peripheral nerve surgery, a field that she was instrumental in advancing over the years.

This year’s plenary program consisted of outstanding panel discussions including: 1. “Innovation in Peripheral Nerve Reconstruction” by Drs. Susan Mackinnon, MD, Samuel Poore, MD, PhD, & Paul Cederna, MD. 2. “Challenges in Breast Reconstruction” by Drs. Daniel Liu, MD, Anuja Antony, MD, & Julie Park, MD. 3. “Difficult Cosmetic Face and Neck Cases” by Drs. Thomas Mustoe, MD, James Zins, MD, & Foad Nahai, MD.

During the meeting, scientific sessions spanned a range of topics from medical practice, hand, microsurgery, reconstruction, technology, breast, nerve, craniofacial and cosmetic.

CME was provided by The Chicago Medical Society with a live activity maximum of 8 AMA PRA Category 1 credits. We wish to acknowledge our moderators and speakers for this year’s scientific sessions/panels listed below:

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The keynotes and panels highlighted advancements in peripheral nerve surgery and breast reconstruction, challenges in cosmetic face and neck cases, and the importance of innovation in peripheral nerve reconstruction.

The James F. Dowd Memorial Fund

The James F. Dowd Memorial Fund was established through the generosity of Dr. Dowd in order to secure funding and financial security for MAPS in future years. Dr. Dowd presided over MAPS in 1964 during the early years of its formation. A portion of the income from the Fund may be used by MAPS annually for distribution in the form of awards for excellence. Ideally the Dowd fund would be a perpetual fund, using only the interest from the fund for official MAPS business and awards.

This year disbursements from the James F. Dowd Memorial Fund were used at the 2014 MAPS Meeting for keynote speaker Honoraria and cash awards to Resident and Student presenters. In this manner, the Fund helps ensure the highest quality presentations in all categories now and in the future. The MAPS Board, Officers, Members, and Staff recognize, and are sincerely grateful for, the James Dowd Memorial Fund contributions to MAPS and continue to use distributions from the fund responsibly.
Drs. Alan Chen, MD & W. Tom Lawrence, MD provided the lunchtime lecture to students and residents, “Career Choice, Academic vs Private Practice”.

While the residents and students attended the lunchtime lecture, MAPS members gathered for the Annual MAPS Business Meeting. Reports of the President, President Elect, Vice President & Program Chair, Treasurer and Secretary were given. Leadership took a vote for the incoming Secretary to MAPS from the Members at Large. Congratulations to our newly appointed Secretary Dr. Mohammed Alghoul and Member at Large Dr. Grant Kleiber!

MAPS Leadership welcomes any further suggestions or comments from its members. Please send any requests to Abigail Galvin, Society Coordinator at (312) 670-2550 Ext 326 or at agalvin@cmsdocs.org. To receive a copy of the MAPS Annual Business Meeting Minutes, please send your request to Abigail Galvin.

MAPS remains committed to providing educational content to the Plastic Surgeons of the Midwestern region with the intent of providing new information on topics relevant to today’s practice and assist its members with providing better care for their patients. The target audience includes practicing plastic surgeons and plastics surgeons in training (residents and students).

In addition to its education missions, MAPS wishes to sponsor collegiality and community among plastic surgeons within the Midwest region. To this effect, a cocktail reception was held which was well attended with excellent food, drinks and company. The cocktail reception provided an opportunity for networking with plastic surgeons from MAPS states. Attendees traveled from across the Midwest from Kansas, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, and Wisconsin.

Chicago provides an exciting meeting location to visit. Chicago boasts numerous restaurants, nightlife and entertainment. Meet up with old friends or new colleagues while taking advantage of the Windy City after the meeting. We are pleased to continue the one-day format in 2017.
The following institutions were represented in the Resident presentations: Mayo Clinic, Medical College of Wisconsin, University of Illinois College of Medicine, Michigan State University, University of Wisconsin, Northwestern University, Rush University, Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, University of Illinois at Chicago, University of Michigan, Loyola University, University of Iowa, University of Kansas, and University of Chicago.

Top residents and medical students were recognized for their outstanding work by the Program Committee:

**First Place Basic Science:**
Jennifer L. McGrath, MD; Northwestern

**Second Place Basic Science:**
Tulsi Roy, MD; University of Chicago

**First Place Clinical:**
Jenny T. Chen, MD; University of Wisconsin

**Second Place Clinical:**
Mauricio De la Garza, MD; Southern Illinois University

**First Place Student:**
Stefani C. Fontana, PhD; University of Kansas

**Second Place Student:**
Jonathan Butts; University of Illinois Chicago

We will be accepting abstracts for the 2017 MAPS meeting beginning in the Fall of 2016.

Dr. Michael Bentz, MD (AAPS President) and Dr. Paul Cederna, MD (PSF President-Elect) discussed policy updates with the attendees concerning AAPS and ASPS.

Over 130 practicing plastic surgeons, residents and medical students attended the conference. MAPS 2017 President Dr. Anuja Antony and Program Chair/Vice President Dr. Samuel Poore and the MAPS leadership invite you to submit your abstracts in the fall for next year’s meeting and mark your calendars for Spring 2017 in Chicago!