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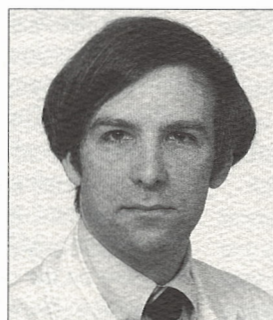
Set calendars for '92 Annual Meeting

It's the ideal setting for our next meeting—the Eighth Annual Meeting of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, Nov. 8-9. Located 18 miles (35 minutes) from Phoenix, Ariz., the Sheraton Scottsdale Plaza is a 40-acre luxury resort that promises 70 degrees in November, perfect weather for tennis, racquetball, swimming, or several rounds of golf at any of the 189 championship golf holes nearby.

Additional attractions include exclusive boutiques, fine shopping and terrific family excursions—horseback riding, jeep rides and hot air ballooning over the beautiful Arizona countryside.

As the 1992 Program Chairman, I encourage you to submit abstracts for the scientific and poster sessions, as well as the new "Audiovisual Theatre." Additional information on abstract submissions appears later in this issue and extra copies of the forms have been sent to all members.

Our scientific program promises to be just as intriguing. Scientific sessions will include peripheral nerve and brachial plexus reconstruction; free muscle, bone and soft tissue transfer; head and neck reconstruction; upper and lower extremity reconstruction; and a session on blood flow and vascular thrombosis. The sessions will cover both



Richard D. Goldner, MD

clinical and research topics.

In view of their popularity at the 1991 meeting, we will again offer instructional courses on various microsurgical techniques. These sessions will consist of videotape and slide presentations, in addition to expert commentary with ample time for discussion.

This year's meeting will also have a "President's Symposium" on reconstruction of bone

defects after trauma, tumor resection or osteomyelitis. The presentation will cover microsurgical treatment, including free bone transfer. Discussion will also focus on the advantages and disadvantages of the Ilizarov Method, which is now being used alone and with microsurgical techniques for extremity reconstruction.

In addition to taking part in a memorable scientific session, participants will welcome presidential guest Edgar Biemer, MD, from Munich, Germany as this year's Founders Lecturer.

Members and guests from around the world will meet at the opening reception on Sunday evening, Nov. 8. In keeping with the beauty of the Scottsdale landscape, a banquet will be held outdoors on Monday evening. Dress will be comfortable and informal.

All ASRM members will receive a preliminary program and registration information in May. Make plans now to attend and join us in Arizona this November for another successful annual meeting.

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Membership reflects growth in field

From the President

Since its founding in 1983, the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery has exhibited an impressive pattern of growth that parallels the development and advances in the field of reconstructive microsurgery. Our Society has an impact on many surgical disciplines and provides a forum for the exchange of information between surgeons from the fields of general surgery, plastic surgery and orthopaedic surgery. Our annual meeting has reflected this growth in terms of the number of papers, symposia and instructional courses presented. We now

have 281 members, a number which will most assuredly increase over the next several years. In fact, just last year we added 34 new members to our roster.

Since the Seventh Annual Meeting in Orlando this past September, the officers and Council members have been hard at work improving the organizational aspects of the Society. Many of you have agreed to serve on the various committees that are vital to the well being of our society. A list of these committees and the members who have agreed to serve on them appears on the next page.

We all owe a debt of gratitude to Michael Wood, MD, for his efforts on behalf of the Society as its president over the past year. Mike, with the able



Andrew J. Weiland, MD

assistance of William P. Cooney, MD, as program chairman, orchestrated an outstanding meeting in Orlando, which was highlighted by Dr. Alain Gilbert's superb Founders Lecture. Our international guests added much to the quality of the meeting.

Preparations are well underway for the Eighth Annual Meeting in

Scottsdale, Ariz., Nov. 8-9. Please be sure to mark your calendars. Dr. Edgar Biemer, of Munich, will deliver the Founders Lecture, and the Sheraton Scottsdale Plaza will provide the perfect setting for a wonderful meeting.

On behalf of your officers and Council, I wish you a happy season.

—Andrew J. Weiland, MD
President

Reconstructive Microsurgery

The mission of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery is to promote, encourage, foster and advance the art and science of reconstructive microvascular surgery; and to establish a forum for teaching, research and free discussion of reconstructive microsurgical methods and principles among members.

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Society issues call for abstracts

The Program Committee for ASRM's Eighth Annual Meeting has issued a call for abstracts. Paper abstracts for the scientific session are due Wednesday, Feb. 5. Submissions for the poster session are due Wednesday, April 15. Applicants will receive notification from the Program Committee acknowledging receipt of their abstracts and information regarding the status of abstracts will be mailed by April 1. Notification of poster acceptance will be mailed by May 15.

Members have been sent copies of the abstract form, which can be copied for additional submissions. When completing the forms, remember to:

- Indicate which author is the presenter and which is to receive all correspondence.
- Type the abstract within the margins of the box marked on the form. Abstracts larger than the box will be returned.
- Print abstracts using a typewriter or a letter-quality printer.

American Society For Reconstructive Microsurgery
Eighth Annual Meeting
November 8-9, 1992
Scottsdale, Arizona
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Deadline for review: Wednesday, February 5, 1992

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For additional information, contact Elaine Larkin-Leighton at the ASRM Executive Office, 444 East Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005, (708) 228-9717.

Membership applications due March 31

Individuals applying for ASRM membership in 1992 must have their applications completed and received by March 31. Requests for application forms and guidelines should be sent to ASRM, 444 East Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005. Completed applications should be sent to:

Graham D. Lister, MD
Div. of Plastic and
Reconstructive Surgery
50 North Medical Drive, #3C 127
Salt Lake City, UT 84132

ASRM to meet with AAHS in 1995

ASRM members who attended the annual business meeting in Orlando, Sept. 29, 1991, voted to plan a joint meeting with the American Association for Hand Surgery in early 1995. Our Society will not hold a fall meeting in 1994.

The decision represents a departure from ASRM's current meeting format in two ways. First, since the society's founding, the annual meeting has been held in conjunction with the American Society for Surgery of the Hand, representing a relationship that has served both societies well and remains extremely close today.

The second change involves switching the meeting date from fall to winter. This decision eliminates the difficulty

some members have faced with the sequential meetings of ASRM and ASSH.

The proposed combined 1995 meeting with AAHS is expected to be held in a temperate location within the continental United States; however, the precise date and location have not been determined. Robert C. Russell, MD, of ASRM, and William Swartz, MD, of AAHS, have been designated as liaisons to plan the event.

ASRM annual meeting logistics beyond 1995 have not been determined yet and will undoubtedly reflect the desires of the membership. We look forward to this event in 1995, as well as our more immediate annual meetings in 1992 and 1993.

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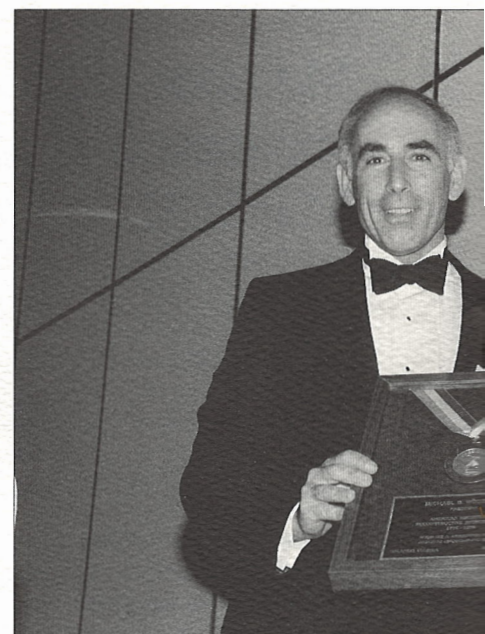
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ASRM 1991 President Michael B. Wood, MD, and his wife, Marilee, enjoy an elegant evening at the Society's annual banquet and reception in Orlando, Sept. 29.



ASRM 1992 President Andrew J. Weiland, MD, pre for his contributions as president in 1991.

Highlights from Orlando . . .

Featuring a combined symposium with the international microsurgical societies of Europe and South America, ASRM's Seventh Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla., Sept. 28-30, 1991, drew 314 registrants, including more than 50 international guests.

The meeting opened with five scientific sessions dealing with peripheral nerve injuries; brachial plexus reconstruction; free muscle transfer; free flap transfer; and osteocutaneous tissue transfer. International guests served as session moderators and contributed to the lively discussions on many outstanding papers. The day ended with an international reception sponsored by ASRM. More than twenty countries were represented at the day's events.

International Day, Sept. 29, featured presentations by members of the European Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery. Subjects included thumb and finger microsurgical reconstruction, free tissue transfer for craniofacial reconstruction, replacement of large skin deficits, repair of unilateral facial palsy and a special session on peripheral nerve reconstruction. Elegant presentations



Marcus Castro-Ferreira, MD, president of the South American Microsurgical Society addresses members and guests.

were also given on microsurgical repair of obstetric paralysis, composite fibula-soleus transfers and sequential reconstruction after sarcoma tumor resection.

At the close of the second day, members attending the annual banquet and reception witnessed the passing of the presidential gavel from Michael B. Wood, MD, to Andrew J. Weiland, MD. International representatives and guests

helped make the evening a gala affair.

Other meeting highlights included instructional courses on surgical techniques in microsurgery, as well as videotape and slide presentations demonstrating precise surgical techniques for lateral arm and radial forearm flaps, rectus and latissimus flaps, peripheral nerve reconstruction, brachial plexus and head and neck reconstruction. Two "Meet the Professor" sessions posed challenging cases to internationally renowned microsurgeon Harold Kleinert, MD, and former ASRM president Berish Strauch, MD, who generously gave of their time and energies.

The meeting's final session on Monday consisted of papers on the hand, head and neck, blood flow and microsurgery, and vascular thrombosis. The overall quality of papers and presentations lead to lively debate during each of the open discussions.

A total of 76 paper presentations, eight instructional courses and 20 poster exhibits ranked this meeting among the best educational events of 1991.

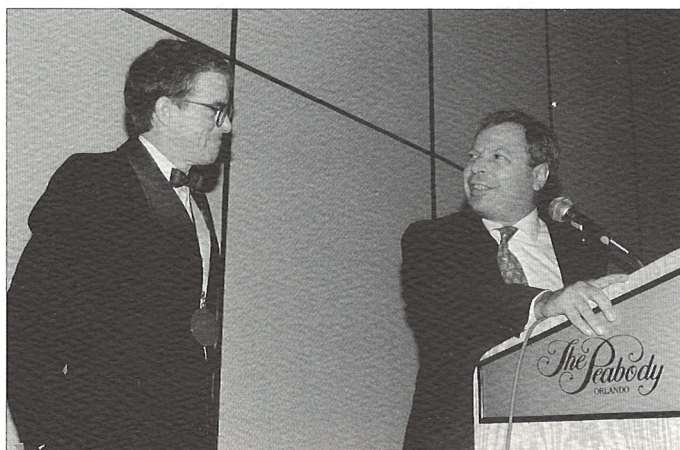
—William P. Cooney, MD
Program Chairman, 1991



sents Michael B. Wood, MD, with the presidential plaque



Enrique Pener, MD, (second from left) of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and his wife Ana Lilian (far right) enjoy a conversation with Tsue-Min Tsai, MD, and his wife Fu-Mei.



Michael B. Wood, MD, (at left) welcomes presidential guest speaker Alain Gilbert, MD, president of the European Microsurgical Society.



Michael B. Wood, MD, (center) visits with international guests J. Patricio, MD, (left) of Portugal, and Guillermo Loda, MD, of Buenos Aires.



Dr. and Mrs. Algimantas Narakas, (center) of Switzerland, speak with Mrs. Elynor Castro-Ferreira (left), of Brazil, and Mrs. Rena Strauch, of the U.S.



Vaughan Bowen, MD, (left) of Toronto, visits with (l-r) Mr. Martyn Webster, of England; Julia Terzis, MD, of the U.S.; and Manfred Frey, MD, of Germany.

ASRM, PSEF sponsor tissue-transfer symposium

Focusing on the general principles and technical advances in microsurgery, "Current Concepts in Microsurgical Tissue Transfer" will be held March 18-22 at the Ritz-Carlton in St. Louis, MO. The symposium, chaired by Drs. Robert Russell and Roger Khouri, is sponsored by the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery and the Plastic Surgery Educational Foundation.

"No other aspect of reconstructive surgery has grown as fast as free-tissue transfers. There are currently more than

200 types of this procedure now being performed," says Dr. Russell. "This innovative program provides plastic and orthopedic surgeons, as well as residents, with the opportunity to ask the experts what techniques they use to perform free-flap surgery."

The first day of the program will be devoted to technical advances, flap anatomy, free-bone transfer, patient monitoring and thrombosis. The following two days will examine the effects of trauma and methods of reconstruction of

the upper-and-lower extremities, head and neck, and breast.

In addition to innovative presentations and panel discussions by the faculty, two free paper sessions have been included in the program to allow for more participation by attendees. A videotape theater will also be offered in the evenings.

The five-day symposium has been approved by ASPRS for 24 hours of Category I continuing medical education credit. For more information, contact the registrar, 708-228-7440.

Audiovisual Theatre planned for Arizona

ASRM's Audiovisual Committee is preparing a new "Audiovisual Theatre" for the Society's Eighth Annual Meeting, Nov. 8-9, in Scottsdale, Ariz.

The Committee invites members to submit written abstracts describing presentations they have videotaped that address any aspect of microsurgery, including new procedures, instruction on basic microsurgical techniques, basic science research, post -microsurgical rehabilitation etc.

Abstracts should be no longer than 250 words and must be received by Wednesday, April 15. Members will be notified when their presentations have been accepted.

The Committee is also interested in developing a library of instructional course videos. Individuals who have presented instructional courses or made instructional technique presentations at any of the annual meetings are invited to contribute their audiovisual materials to the library.

Submissions to either the theatre or the library can be made using the Audiovisual Theatre abstract form included with this issue of the newsletter. All audiovisual forms should be sent to:

Richard S. Idler, MD
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Members vote on bylaws changes

At the recent business meeting of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, 12 bylaw changes were proposed by the Bylaws Committee. Nine proposals passed and three failed.

The Society voted to support the recommendation that active members need to provide documented evidence of either their continuing practice in clinical reconstructive microneurovascular surgery, or their continuing involvement—the majority of their working time—in the research and teaching of microneurovascular surgery. This amendment provides a category of membership for individuals with medical degrees who are devoting their time to research and teaching rather than clinical work.

Members also voted to require that both active and associate members attend at least one Society meeting prior to application. In addition, it was determined that an active member may

sponsor no more than three candidates for active or associate membership, and one candidate for corresponding membership in a given year.

The term of office for Secretary was set at one year, with the option for individuals to serve one additional term. The same term was set for Members at Large.

Finally, it was voted that the Membership Committee be required to circulate the names of proposed members to all active members at least 30 days prior to the annual business meeting.

Amendments to eliminate the requirements for active and associate members to attend at least one out of every three annual meetings failed. Also, the amendment designating the term of office for Treasurer was returned to the Bylaws Committee and Council for further review.

—John S. Gould, MD, Chairman
Bylaws Committee 1990-91

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Associate Membership

John David Fowler, DVM
Saskatoon, Canada

Microsurgery calendar...

March 2-6

Microsurgery Advanced Workshop, Salt Lake City, Utah. Contact: Maria Siemionow, MD, PhD, Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, University of Utah Medical Center #3c127, Salt Lake City, Utah 84132.

March 18-22

Current Concepts in Microsurgical Tissue Transfer, Ritz-Carlton, St. Louis, Missouri. Contact PSEF, (708) 228-7440; 444 East Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005. Sponsors: ASRM and PSEF.

June 21-27

11th Congress of the International Microsurgical Society, Rhodes, Greece. Contact: Panayothis Soucacos, MD, Chairman, Euro Conference Center, Tower of Athens, Bldg B, Office No. 604, 2-4 Messogion Ave., GR 115 27 Athens, Greece.

June 28-July 3

World congress for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Congress Exhibition Palace, Madrid. Contact: Secretariat of the 10th Congress, 455 10 88, Central de Congresos S. A., Avenue General Peron, 26, 28020, Madrid, Spain. Sponsor: International Confederation for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

September 17-20

American Association for Hand Surgery Annual Meeting, Capitol Hilton, Washington, DC. Contact: Robert Becker, (708) 699-9702; P.O. Box 567, Rosemont, Illinois 60018.

September 20-25

ASPRS/PSEF/ASMS Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. Contact: ASPRS, (708) 228-9900; 444 East Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005.

November 8-9

American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery Eighth Annual Meeting, Scottsdale Plaza Resort, Scottsdale, Arizona. Contact: ASRM, (708) 228- 9717; 444 East Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005.

November 11-14

American Society for Surgery of the Hand 47th Annual Meeting, Convention Center, Phoenix, Arizona. Contact: Paula S. Scheid, (303) 755-4588; ASSH, 3025 south Parker Road, Suite 65, Aurora, Colorado 80014.

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