



2008 Southern Neurosurgical Society Annual Meeting



Trade Winds in the Caribbean & the Winds of Change in Neurosurgery

Preliminary Program

February 6-9, 2008
El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino
Las Croabas, Puerto Rico





Dear Colleagues:

Marian and I would like to invite you and your families to the 59th Annual Meeting of the Southern Neurosurgical Society, taking place February 6-9, 2008 at El Conquistador Golf Resort and Casino in Las Croabas, Puerto Rico. This year's focus, ***Trade Winds in the Caribbean and the Winds of Change in Neurosurgery***, will address the wide range of issues and challenges facing the neurosurgical profession today.

Dr. Fernando Vale and the Scientific Program Committee developed a great program that focuses on the rapidly evolving practice of neurosurgery from a technological, scientific and socio-economic aspect. This year, with a continued focus on residents, we have arranged a special Resident Luncheon Seminar, *Preparing for a Neurosurgical Practice*. We are honored to have Dr. Jon Robertson, Professor and Chairman of the University of Tennessee Health Sciences as our R. Eustace Semmes Lecturer and Dr. Roberto Heros, Professor, Co-Chair and Program Director at the University of Miami as the distinguished William Henry Hudson Lecturer. With the leadership of Dr. Anil Nanda, we are proud to announce Richard Ford, Pulitzer Prize winner and the PEN/Faulkner Award winner, as our second annual Edward Downing Lecturer.

Dr. Ricardo Brau, our local host, has put together a spectacular social program. One of the highlights is an optional pre-meeting tour on Wednesday, February 6, that will take you to historic Old San Juan for a tour of the Bacardi Rum Factory or for a day of shopping in San Juan. This event will take place one day prior to the start of the Scientific Program and should be a great event for all to attend with their families. On Thursday evening after the Welcome Reception, kayak at Las Cabezas de San Juan, where you can touch the waters that glow with the single-celled flagellates organisms – only found in Puerto Rico. You can also choose to join in on El Yunque Rainforest Excursion, Horseback Riding in the Rainforest and the Surf & Turf Biking Adventure.

The meeting will be family-friendly as El Conquistador Resort has an array of activities for children, among which is a Sea Side Water Park located inside the property that the resort is currently in the process of completing. At the Final Banquet on Saturday evening, we plan to host a special event for those children who are too young to attend the banquet.

This is a meeting that you won't want to miss; we look forward to seeing you all in Puerto Rico!

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John A. Wilson MD, FACS".

John A. Wilson, MD, FACS
President, Southern Neurosurgical Society

Accreditation | Program Schedule

Continuing Medical Education Credit

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essentials and Standards of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the AANS and the Southern Neurosurgical Society (SNS). The ACCME accredits the AANS to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The AANS designates this educational activity for a maximum of 11.25 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*[™]. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Disclosure: Before the program, all faculty will disclose the existence of any financial intent and/or other relationship they might have with manufacturer(s) of any commercial product to be discussed during their presentation.

Claim CME Credit the Easy Way!

Attendees will self-report CME credit for the programs they attend by going online to MyAANS.org. Please have your username (e-mail address) and password handy during and after the meeting for convenient submission. Once logged in, click on "Self-Reporting" on the left and choose '2008 Southern Neurosurgical Society Annual Meeting'.

CME Credit for Posters

Physicians can earn *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*[™] for preparing a scientific/educational poster presentation, which is also included in the published abstracts for a live activity approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit*[™]. Physicians may claim Category 2 toward the *AMA PRA* for viewing scientific posters. To obtain credits for these activities, physicians must apply directly to the *AMA*.

Wednesday, February 6

1:00 - 5:00 PM	Meeting Registration & Hotel Check-in <i>Atrium Desk 4 - Main Lobby</i>
1:00 - 5:00 PM	Speaker Presentation Upload <i>Pablo Casals Ballroom</i>

Thursday, February 7

Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: Neurosurgery in the Tropics

Ricardo H. Brau, MD, FACS, will discuss the history of neurosurgery in Puerto Rico and our panel of experts will address topics on neurosurgical aspects of neurosurgery diseases, changing trends in socioeconomics and neurosurgical trauma care.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this symposium, participants should be able to:

1. Discuss the historical perspective on the development and evolution of an academic neurosurgical program in the Caribbean.
2. Apply the most advanced diagnosis and management of tropical diseases pertinent to a neurosurgical practice.
3. Describe the recent changes in federal healthcare policies and the impact on the delivery of neurosurgical care.
4. Identify the latest techniques of neurosurgical trauma care.

7:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Meeting Registration <i>Pablo Casals Foyer</i>
7:00 - 7:25 AM	Breakfast with the Exhibitors <i>Poinsettia Ballroom</i>
7:25 - 7:35 AM	Opening Remarks - Welcome to Puerto Rico <i>John A. Wilson, MD, FACS, Winston-Salem, NC</i> <i>Pablo Casals Ballroom</i>
7:35 - 9:00 AM	Special Symposium: Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: Neurosurgery in the Tropics
7:35 - 7:55 AM	Neurosurgery in the Tropics: History of Neurosurgery in Puerto Rico <i>Ricardo H. Brau, MD, FACS, San Juan, Puerto Rico</i>
7:55 - 8:05 AM	Distinguished Practitioner Award: Nathan Rifkinson, MD, San Juan, Puerto Rico <i>Ricardo H. Brau, MD, FACS, San Juan, Puerto Rico; John A. Wilson, MD, FACS, Winston-Salem, NC</i>
8:05 - 8:20 AM	Clinical Update: Tropical Diseases in Neurosurgery <i>Jaime Inserni, MD, San Juan, Puerto Rico</i>
8:20 - 8:40 AM	Socioeconomic Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: A Hurricane on the Horizon? <i>Troy M. Tippet, MD, Pensacola, FL</i>
8:40 - 9:00 AM	Trauma <i>Domenic P. Esposito, MD, FACS, Jackson, MS</i>
9:00 - 9:05 AM	Introduction of R. Eustace Semmes Lecture
9:05 - 9:40 AM	R. Eustace Semmes Lecture <i>Jon H. Robertson, MD, Memphis, TN</i>
9:40 - 10:10 AM	Morning Break with the Exhibitors <i>Poinsettia Ballroom</i>
10:10 AM - 12:30 PM	Oral Abstract Presentations <i>Pablo Casals Ballroom</i>
12:30 - 12:45 PM	Business Meeting <i>Pablo Casals Ballroom</i> <i>Robert E. Wharen Jr., MD, Ponte Verda Beach, FL</i>
5:30 - 7:00 PM	Welcome Reception <i>Trellises</i>

Program Schedule

Friday, February 8

Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: Minimally Invasive or Conventional?

Our panel of experts will contrast minimally invasive access and conventional techniques. They will debate controversies related to minimally invasive versus open lumbar fusion techniques and endovascular versus open surgery for carotid stenosis.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this symposium, participants should be able to:

1. Define the indications for the treatment alternatives of open and minimally invasive spinal fusion techniques.
2. Define the indications for the treatment alternatives of endovascular and conventional surgery for carotid stenosis.

7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Meeting Registration
Pablo Casals Foyer

7:00 - 7:30 AM Breakfast with the Exhibitors
Poinsettia Ballroom

7:30 - 9:00 AM **Special Symposium: Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: Minimally Invasive or Conventional?**
Pablo Casals Ballroom

7:30 - 8:15 AM Open vs. Minimally Invasive Spinal Fusion
Patrick R. Jacob, MD, Gainesville, FL

8:15 - 9:00 AM Carotid Disease: Surgery vs. Endovascular Treatment
Robert A. Mericle, MD, Nashville, TN;
Winfield S. Fisher III, MD, Birmingham, AL

9:00 - 9:30 AM **Presidential Address: Control Your Own Destiny or Someone Else Will: Taking Personal Responsibility for Healthcare Reform**
John A. Wilson, MD, FACS, Winston-Salem, NC

9:30 - 10:00 AM Morning Break with the Exhibitors
Poinsettia Ballroom

10:00 - 11:15 AM Oral Abstract Presentations
Pablo Casals Ballroom

11:15 - 11:20 AM Introduction of Edward "Ned" Downing Lecturer

11:20 AM - 12:20 PM **Edward "Ned" Downing Lecture**
Richard Ford, Pulitzer Prize winner & PEN/Faulkner Award winner

12:20 - 1:30 PM **Resident Luncheon: Preparing for a Neurosurgical Practice**
Flamboyant
Craig A. Van Der Veer, MD, Charlotte, NC;
Domenic P. Esposito, MD, FACS, Jackson, MS;
Clarence B. Watridge, MD, Memphis, TN;
Harry van Loveren, MD, Tampa, FL

7:00 - 10:00 PM Family Night
Palomino Island

Saturday, February 9

Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: New Science, Technology and Techniques

Our panel of experts will update the audience on new science, technology and techniques on epilepsy management, spinal surgery, hemorrhagic stroke and cerebral metastasis.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this symposium, participants should be able to:

1. Describe and apply new technologies and techniques to the management of epilepsy.
2. Describe and apply new technologies and techniques to the management of spinal disorders.
3. Describe and apply new technologies and techniques to the management of non-aneurysm hemorrhagic stroke.
4. Define the options available for the management of cerebral metastasis and their appropriate indications.

7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Meeting Registration
Pablo Casals Foyer

7:00 - 7:30 AM Breakfast with the Exhibitors
Poinsettia Ballroom

7:30 - 9:00 AM **Special Symposium: Winds of Change in Neurosurgery: New Science, Technology and Techniques**
Pablo Casals Ballroom

7:30 - 7:50 AM Epilepsy Treatment Update
Fernando L. Vale, MD, Tampa, FL;
Selim R. Benbadis, MD, Tampa, FL

7:50 - 8:10 AM Spine Surgery Update
Domagoj Coric, MD, Charlotte, NC

8:10 - 8:30 AM Treatment of Hemorrhagic Stroke Update
B. Gregory Thompson Jr., MD, Ann Arbor, MI

8:30 - 8:50 AM Management of Cerebral Metastasis
Stephen B. Tatter, MD, PhD, Winston-Salem, NC

8:50 - 9:00 AM Discussion

9:00 - 9:05 AM Introduction of William Henry Hudson Lecture

9:05 - 9:40 AM **William Henry Hudson Lecture: Latin America: Current Problems and Their Roots**
Roberto C. Heros, MD, Miami, FL

9:40 - 10:10 AM Morning Break with the Exhibitors
Poinsettia Ballroom

10:10 AM - 12:25 PM Oral Abstract Presentations
Pablo Casals Ballroom

12:25 - 12:40 PM Closing Remarks
Robert E. Wharen Jr., MD, Ponte Verda Beach, FL

6:15 - 10:00 PM Final Banquet
Atlantic Terrace (Reception)
Grand Atlantic Salon 1 (Dinner)
Palomino Ballroom (Kids Night)

Agenda and faculty subject to change.

Recording or videotaping any portion of this medical meeting is strictly prohibited.



Social Events

All social events, excluding the Kid's Night, are included with your registration fee. (Please see suggested attire for each event on page 8).

Welcome Reception

Thursday, February 7 | 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Trellises, El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

Don't miss a memorable evening of cocktails and hors d'oeuvres while catching up with colleagues. Immediately following the Welcome Reception, join colleagues and friends on a kayaking tour to the Las Cabezas de San Juan Nature Reserve (please see the tour description listed on page 6 for further details). Dinner on your own.

Family Night

Friday, February 8 | 7:00 - 10:00 PM

Palomino Island, El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

Bring your entire family to this event, which includes dinner, entertainment and activities for the children. Please dress appropriately; all guests will be transferred by private catamaran (approximately 10 minutes) to El Conquistador's private island, Palomino. This event will take place on the beach.

Final Banquet

Saturday, February 9 | 6:15 - 10:00 PM (Black tie optional)

Cocktail Reception – Atlantic Terrace, El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

Dinner – Grand Atlantic Salon 1, El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

Enjoy a delightful evening reminiscing over your time spent in Puerto Rico and say good-bye to friends and colleagues until next year (Please no children under the age of 18).

Kid's Night

Saturday, February 9 | 6:00 - 10:00 PM (during the Final Banquet) | \$86 per child

**New
This Year!**

Palominito Ballroom, El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

While you are enjoying the Final Banquet, why not have your children enjoy an evening tailored for them. Designed for children between the ages of 4 and 15, there will be a variety of games, movies and arts and crafts for them to enjoy in addition to a dinner filled with foods children love. There is a 10 child minimum for this event to occur. (Babysitting services are available through the hotel for children under 4 years of age.)

Tours & Activities Information

Optional Tours

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled time of the tour at the main entrance of the hotel, unless otherwise stated.

Wednesday, February 6 | 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Old City Historical Walking Tour with Shopping or Bacardi Tour - \$67 per person

This full day tour will take you to Old San Juan where you will stroll through Old Spanish cathedrals and forts. Afterwards, you'll have the opportunity to do some shopping or take a tour of the Case Bacardi where you'll be taught the secrets of Bacardi rum making. (See back page for additional details.)

Thursday, February 7 | 1:30 – 5:30 PM

El Yunque Rainforest Excursion - \$55 per person

Named after the good Indian spirit, Yuquiyu, and shelter to the Carib Indians for 200 years, El Yunque is the only tropical rainforest in the U.S. National Forest System. Spanning 28,000 acres and reaching an elevation of 3,624 feet, the area receives over 100 billion gallons of rainfall each year. In El Yunque you will see many unique sights and hear many unique sounds unsurpassed by any of the natural wonders. Breathtaking views of feathery ferns, thick ropelike vines, white tuberose, ginger, miniature orchids and over 240 different species of trees are in abundance throughout the area. Home to the Puerto Rican parrot, El Yunque is also a bird sanctuary and you can hear the wondrous strains of these birds harmonizing with the tiny, inch-long coqui's prevalent to Puerto Rico. Please wear tennis shoes or hiking boots. Don't forget to bring along a towel and an extra T-shirt.

Thursday, February 7 | 8:00 – 10:00 PM (After the Welcome Reception)

Biobay Kayaking at Las Cabezas de San Juan Nature Reserve - \$67 per person

Do not let your trip end without exploring the best bioluminescent waters you have ever seen. The relaxing kayak tour will take you to the fascinating lagoon at Las Cabezas de San Juan. You will see the historical lighthouse of Fajardo, and also touch the waters that glow with the single-celled flagellates organisms that can only be found in Puerto Rico. You will receive a life jacket and a flashlight from an experienced tour guide that will guide you throughout the entire tour. Please meet at the marina.

Friday, February 8 | 1:30 – 5:00 PM

Golf Tournament - \$113 per player

This 72-par course is a golfer's dream! Participate in a fun, yet challenging 18-hole course with colleagues and friends. Throughout the game, enjoy beautiful views of the majestic El Yunque Rain Forest and breathtaking shots of the Atlantic Ocean.

Friday, February 8 | 2:00 – 5:00 PM

Horseback Riding by the Rainforest- \$110 per person

Enjoy a memorable horseback ride in a unique natural environment, one that you could not duplicate any place on earth. Ride gentle but spirited "Paso Fino" horses along the foothills of the world famous "El Yunque Rain Forest." Upon arrival you will receive brief instruction on how to ride, and will then be given a horse according to your riding experience.

Saturday, February 9 | 1:00 – 5:00 PM

Surf & Turf Biking Adventure - \$125 per person

If you are looking for the best nature lover's tour, start this excursion at the largest Mangrove forest left in Puerto Rico and bike your way to one of the most beautiful and isolated beaches in the city. You will bike for two hours along the northeast border of Puerto Rico in Pinones on the all new "Paseo de Pinones," a 7.75 mile bicycle and jogging boardwalk. At the end of your trail you will stop for snorkeling or time in the sun. Actual biking is 3.5 miles.

Additional Activities offered at El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino offers a myriad of adventure and relaxing activities over the Caribbean's largest and most complete destination resort. The Activities Center is located at the south end of the Main Pool Terrace and offers a wide range of complimentary activities.

Palomino Island

Palomino Island is the ultimate hideaway. Sail on a 10 minute catamaran ride on the same ocean the Spanish conquistadors once did. Palomino offers a one-of-a-kind experience; take a Jet Ski ride, gallop by the sea on horseback or simply lay back in the sun on the pristine, palm-fringed white sand beaches. (Location of Family Night)

Casino

Set on over 300 feet above the sea, you can feel the thrill of the action-packed games of fortune. Enjoy a world of excitement including Dice, Texas Hold'em, Roulette, Blackjack, Caribbean Stud Poker and over 200 slot machines.

Tours & Activities Information

Golden Door Spa

The 26,000 square foot Golden Door Spa offers an array of tropical rituals, Asian-inspired massage modalities, award-winning fitness classes from spinning to you-chi (fusion of yoga & tai chi) and personal training sessions. All hair, nail, waxing, massage and facial services are available from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday through Saturday, and 12:00 - 7:00 PM on Sunday for both men and women.

The resort offers a complimentary 2 to 3 mile powerwalk class daily at 7:00 AM through the grounds of El Conquistador Resort. The group meets in front of the Golden Door Spa.

To view a complete listing of services offered at the Golden Door Spa, please visit www.elconresort.com or call today to guarantee your service at (800) 468-8365.

Game Room

For the latest video entertainment visit the Game Room in the lobby across from the Casino.

Arthur Hills Championship Golf Course

An 18-hole, 6,600 yard, 72-par championship golf course surrounds the resort and allows you to take in the breathtaking views of El Yunque Rainforest and the Atlantic Ocean. The golf course is consistently rated as the best conditioned and manicured facility in the Caribbean.

Swimming Pools & Water Park

The main pool complex includes a pool with a Jacuzzi and swim-up bar, a lap pool with swimming lanes and an activity pool featuring a water slide and water volleyball court. There are a total of six freshwater pools available. Let your children take advantage of the state-of-the-art water park that is located oceanfront in the resort, featuring pools, slides, a lazy river, sunbathing deck and more. This water park is scheduled to open in late 2007.

Tennis

There are four lighted tennis courts, which allow a novice or pro to perfect their game in a tropical paradise setting.

Dining

There are 21 on-site restaurants and lounges from casual to formal dining. Options include:

- Blossoms offers Pan-Asian cuisine, including a sushi bar, teppanyaki tables and Chinese specialties
- Café Caribe offers sandwiches, traditional American dishes and Caribbean specialties
- Otello's Ristorante Italiano offers Northern Italian dishes and an extensive wine list
- Sting-Ray Café specializes in Caribbean dishes and seafood (open for dinner only)
- The Strip House is the trademark of America's favorite steakhouse
- Café Bella Vista offers fare including pizza, sandwiches and salads
- Las Brisas Restaurant is a casual indoor and outdoor dining spot where breakfast is served daily from 7:00 – 11:30 AM
- Room service is also available 7 days a week, from 6:00 AM – 1:00 AM

Meeting Registration

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE | December 14, 2007

The early bird registration deadline is December 14, 2007. Registrations received on December 15, 2007 or after will be charged full price.

Hotel Reservations

HOTEL RESERVATIONS DEADLINE | January 4, 2008

The Southern Neurosurgical Society has negotiated a special rate at El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino for attendees of the meeting who make their reservations on or before January 4, 2008. Please refer to the enclosed Housing Reservation Form for additional information. Additional reservations will be taken on a space available basis only.

If you are bringing your entire family to the meeting, take advantage of Las Casitas. Las Casitas are individual town homes (1, 2 and 3 bedroom properties) where your entire family can stay in one location. Please call El Conquistador Resort at (787) 863-6580 for details and reservations, regarding Las Casitas only. (Prices begin at \$575 per night).

We encourage you to make your hotel reservations early.

General Information

Climate and Time Zone

February is a perfect time to visit Puerto Rico. The average temperature in Puerto Rico in February is between 72 and 83 degrees Fahrenheit. The time zone for Puerto Rico is Atlantic Standard Time.

Transportation

El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino is approximately 30 miles away from the San Juan Airport and will take approximately one (1) hour transfer time. El Conquistador Resort provides an airport transportation service for all guests. You may call the Concierge Desk at (787) 863-6040 of the resort at least 24 hours ahead of time to secure transportation to and from the airport. The fee for this service is \$33 per person, each way.

Taxis are also available at the airport and at the resort. Transfers to and from each are approximately \$125 each way.

Enterprise Rent-A-Car is located in the lobby of El Conquistador Resort and is open daily from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Please allow at least two hours to arrive and transfer to El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino and at least three hours for transfer time and check-in for your departure flights.

American Airlines - Take advantage of a 5% discount on the lowest published airfare when you travel to/from the 2008 SNS Annual Meeting from February 3 – 13. Mention A6528AQ as the promotional code when making reservations online at www.aa.com or by phone at (800) 433-1790.

Travel Regulations

Travelers are asked to arrive at the airport in plenty of time to allow for security procedures. Take advice on specific times from the airline you are traveling. Security checkpoints and airline check-in locations require proof of plans to travel. In general, this could include a boarding pass, an e-ticket itinerary and receipt or paper ticket.

Please check the Transportation Security Administration Web site at www.tsa.gov or by phone at (866) 289-9673, for the most current travel guidelines.

Please note: U.S. citizens do NOT need a passport to travel to Puerto Rico.

Americans with Disabilities Act

The SNS wishes to take those steps to ensure that no individual with a disability is excluded, denied services, segregated or otherwise treated differently than other individuals because of the absence of auxiliary aids and services. If you require any of the auxiliary aids or services identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act in order to attend any SNS program, please contact the Education & Meeting Services Department at (847) 378-0531.

About El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

Room Amenities

Each guest room of El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino provides breathtaking views of the ocean or golf course and sunsets behind the mountains.

Each room features a VCR and/or DVD player and stereo with CD player, telephone with data port and high-speed Internet access, in-room safe and ironing set.

Attire

Resort attire ranges from beachwear and casual to elegantly casual and formal, depending on the place and the occasion. The resort requests that shirts and cover-ups be worn over bathing suits in the lobby area. To help maintain the ideal ambiance after sunset, they suggest gentlemen wear slacks or dress shorts and shirts with collars and women wear fashionable skirts, dresses or pant suits.

The attire for each event of the program is listed below:

Educational Program Business Casual

Welcome Reception Resort Casual (i.e. slacks or dress shorts for men; sun dresses, skirts or capris for women)

Family Night Casual (this event will take place on the beach, all guests will be standing on sand and transferred by ferry to Palomino Island, women should not wear heels)

Final Banquet Black tie optional

Child Care

Babysitting services are available for children of all ages in the privacy of your own room, provided by outside services. Please allow 24 hours to coordinate these arrangements by calling the Concierge Desk at (787) 863-6040.

Please see the specially-arranged "Kid's Night" (page 5) that will be offered during the Final Banquet.

Camp Coqui (Children's Activity Center)

Camp Coqui is an exciting, supervised activities program for children ages 4 – 12 and is designed for parents and kids to enjoy their stay to the fullest. Camp Coqui is located at the north side of the main pool and the playground is next to the La Marina Pool. They offer many recreational and educational activities from snorkeling and nature walks to arts and crafts and challenging team events, all under the watchful eye of carefully selected counselors. You may sign up for Camp Coqui by 9:00 AM each day; reservations are not required.

Shopping

There is a wide variety of elegant shops at El Conquistador Resort including: La Riviera (fine selection of jewelry and watches); Conversation Piece (a selection of art and fine gifts); Tropical Togs (unique casual wear boutique); Travel Traders (includes newspapers to toiletries to souvenirs); Fantasy Flower Shop; Tropical Tots (children clothing); Sunglass Hut; Tropical Footprints (footwear boutique); and La Casa del Mar Dive Shop (diving and snorkeling equipment rentals).

Meeting & Tour Registration Form

Meeting Registration [Early Bird Registration Deadline – Friday, December 14, 2007]

First Name	Last Name	Suffix	
Organization			
Address			
City	State	Zip	Country
Phone	Fax		
E-mail Address			
Mailing ID			
Spouse/Guest First Name	Last Name		
Child's First Name	Last Name		
Child's First Name	Last Name		
Child's First Name	Last Name		
Child's First Name	Last Name		

Meeting Registration Fees

	Registration received on or before 12/14/07	Registration received 12/15/07 or after
Member Neurosurgeon (101)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$600
Non-Member Neurosurgeon (102)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$600	<input type="checkbox"/> \$700
Resident (103)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300
Nurse (104)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$450
Allied Health Personnel (105)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$525	<input type="checkbox"/> \$625
Total Medical Registrant Fees \$ _____		

Spouse/Guest Registration Fees

Spouse (150)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250
Guest (151)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 x _____ (Quantity) \$ _____
Total Guest/Spouse/Children Fees \$ _____	

Child Registration Fees

Children – 18 and over (152)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200 x _____ (Quantity) \$ _____
Children – 12 – 17 (153)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100 x _____ (Quantity) \$ _____
Children – Under 12 (154)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 50 x _____ (Quantity) \$ _____
Kid's Night	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 86 x _____ (Quantity) \$ _____

(Please see description on page 5)

Total of all Registration Fees \$ _____

2008 SNS Annual Meeting February 6-9, 2008 El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

Registration Fee Includes:

Medical Registration Includes:

- Admittance to Meeting
- Continental Breakfasts
- Coffee Breaks
- Welcome Reception
- Family Night
- Final Banquet

Spouse/Guest Registration Includes:

- Continental Breakfasts in the Hospitality Suite (Club Lounge of El Conquistador Resort)
- Welcome Reception
- Family Night
- Final Banquet

Child Registration Includes:

- Continental Breakfasts in the Hospitality Suite
- Welcome Reception
- Family Night
(No children under 18 may attend the Final Banquet)

Ways To Register

Completed Registration Forms with credit card details can be submitted via online, faxed or mailed to the SNS Registration Department. The SNS online registration form is the most immediate and secure method of registration.

■ **Online:** www.southernneurosurgery.org

■ **Fax:** (800) 713-6911 (U.S.)
(847) 297-5086 (International)

■ **Mail:** SNS Registration Department
c/o Conference Technology
Enhancements
PO Box 2686
Des Plaines, IL 60018

For wire transfers, please contact the SNS Registration Department at (800) 713-0774 (U.S.), (847) 759-4258 (International) or e-mail aansns@cteusa.com.

Meeting & Tour Registration Form (Continued)

Tour Registration

Wednesday, February 6

		# of People	Price/Person	Total
Pre-Meeting Tour: Old City Historical Walking Tour with <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping or <input type="checkbox"/> Bacardi Tour (please select one)	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	___@	\$67	\$_____

Thursday, February 7

El Yunque Rainforest Excursion	1:30 – 5:30 PM	___@	\$55	\$_____
Biobay Kayaking at Las Cabezas de San Juan Nature Reserve	8:00 – 10:00 PM	___@	\$67	\$_____

Friday, February 8

Golf Tournament	1:30 – 5:00 PM	___@	\$113	\$_____
Horseback Riding by the Rainforest	2:00 – 5:00 PM	___@	\$110	\$_____

Saturday, February 9

Surf & Turf Biking Adventure	1:00 – 5:00 PM	___@	\$125	\$_____
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Total of all Tour Fees \$_____

Total of all Registration and Tour Fees \$_____

Method of Payment

Visa Mastercard American Express Check

Please make checks payable in U.S. dollars, drawn on a U.S. bank, and mail to:
Southern Neurosurgical Society
c/o Conference Technology Enhancements
PO Box 2686
Des Plaines, IL 60018

Please Note: Do not send this form via Federal Express, UPS, or Airborne, the only overnight service that will deliver to this address is the U.S. Postal Service.

Check Number _____ Amount Paid _____

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Print name as it appears on credit card _____

Signature (I agree to pay above total according to card issuer agreement) _____

Confirmation

All registrants will receive a confirmation letter by e-mail, fax (if no e-mail is provided) or mail (if no e-mail or fax number is provided) confirming their enrollment within 48 hours of receipt of registration forms. You will receive one confirmation for registration and one for housing. If you have any questions after reviewing your confirmation letter, please call the SNS Registration Department at (800) 713-8130 (U.S.) or (847) 759-4258 (International) or e-mail aanssns@cteusa.com.

Cancellation Policy

Requests for registrant cancellation must be submitted **IN WRITING** to:

SNS Registration Department
c/o Conference Technology Enhancements
PO Box 2686
Des Plaines, IL 60018
Fax: (800) 713-6911 (U.S.) /
(847) 297-5086 (International)
E-mail: aanssns@cteusa.com

All refunds will be processed and mailed following the meeting. Refunds will be made in accordance with the following schedule:

- Cancellations received on or before **Friday, December 14, 2007**, will receive a full refund less a \$50 service fee.
- Cancellations received between **Saturday, December 15, 2007** and **Tuesday, February 5, 2008** will receive a full refund less a \$100 service fee.
- No refunds will be granted if received on or after **Wednesday, February 6, 2008**.

Questions?

If you have questions, contact the SNS Registration Department at (800) 713-8130 (U.S.) or (847) 759-4258 (International) or e-mail aanssns@cteusa.com.

Housing Reservation Form

Housing [Deadline – Friday, January 4, 2008]

First Name	Last Name	Suffix	
Organization			
Address			
City	State	Zip	Country
Phone		Fax	
E-mail Address		Sharing with (if applicable)	

Guest Accommodation Rates

Please check one: I am a Medical Registrant Exhibitor

El Conquistador Golf Resort & Casino

- Standard Room \$349* (Single) / \$379* (Double) + tax and service charge per night

El Conquistador Resort also has Las Casitas available. Las Casitas are finely furnished one, two and three-bedroom villas, with luxurious living rooms, kitchens finished with all the necessities of home, private balconies and/or spacious terraces. Please call (787) 863-6580 for rates and availability.

** A portion of the room rate will be utilized to cover the cost of the online registration and housing services.*

Room Type Requested

- Single (one bed, one person) Triple
- Double (one bed, two people) Special Needs
- Double/Double (two beds, two people) Other _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Number of Adults _____ Number of Children _____

- A deposit equal to one (1) night's stay is required to hold each individual's reservation.
- Upon check-in you will be required to present a credit card for payment. If you use a corporate credit card number, you will need to provide a copy of the front and back of the credit card and an authorization letter from the credit card holder.

Method of Payment

- Visa MasterCard American Express

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Print name as it appears on credit card _____

Signature (I agree to pay above total according to card issuer agreement) _____

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Ways to make a hotel reservation

Completed Housing Reservation Forms with credit card details can be submitted via online, faxed or mailed to the SNS Registration Office. The SNS online reservation form is the most immediate and secure method of registration.

Online: www.southernneurosurgery.org

Fax: (800) 713-6911 (U.S.)
(847) 297-5086 (International)

Mail: SNS Registration Department
c/o Conference Technology
Enhancements
PO Box 2686
Des Plaines, IL 60018

A confirmation will be sent to you via e-mail or fax (if no e-mail address is supplied) or via mail (if no e-mail or fax number is supplied) within 48 hours of receipt of your reservation. You will receive one confirmation for housing and one for registration.

Reservation Information

Only one room may be requested on each form. If you are sharing a room, send only one form with the names of the persons who are sharing; be sure to include all names and the earliest arrival and latest departure date. Rates are available until January 4, 2008 or when the contracted block is filled, whichever comes first. Additional reservations will be taken on a space available basis only. Every effort will be made to reserve a room at the rate requested – if a room is not available, the next available rate will be reserved.

Accommodation

Every effort will be made to accommodate room/bed types, connecting rooms, specific locations, but can not be guaranteed. All requests are subject to availability upon arrival.

Cancellation Policy

Each deposit is refundable providing each reservation is cancelled with the hotel at least 72 hours prior to day of arrival and a valid cancellation number is provided. Thereafter, the deposit will be applied to the final night's reservation and will be forfeited. Any reservation that has not been cancelled by or for an individual who does not arrive will automatically be billed for one night's room and tax. An early departure fee of one (1) night's lodging plus taxes will be billed to guests who check out prior to the originally scheduled departure dates. Revisions to departure dates may be made up to and including point of check-in to avoid payment of penalty.



Optional Pre-Meeting Tour

New
This Year!

Wednesday, February 6

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Old City Historical Walking Tour with Shopping
or Bacardi Tour – \$67 per person**

This full day tour is designed for those who are culture and history enthusiasts. Knowledgeable guides will take you to Old San Juan—the oldest city in the U.S. There, you'll be able to stroll through Old Spanish cathedrals and forts such as San Cristobal, where you'll see and learn how the Spanish built and defended their city. Afterwards, you'll have an opportunity to do some shopping or take a tour of the Casa Bacardi. At the Casa Bacardi you'll be guided through seven exquisitely designed and historically accurate rooms created to engage you as you experience the sight, smell and taste of Bacardi rum. Learn the secrets of Bacardi rum making, including the secret strain of yeast isolated in 1862 and still used today. Take advantage of this tour with your spouse before the scientific program begins!

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