Dear SVM Members,

I hope you are well and enjoying the (delayed) arrival of spring. The dogwood and daffodils are blooming in my front yard, and my son Joe and I just ran a 5K this past weekend – hopeful signs that the thaw from the longest winter ever is here. There is much happening at SVM right now, and I am pleased to announce the launch of two new programs:

First, the online SVM Vascular/Endovascular Medicine Board Review course (BRC) is now available for purchase. Please spread the word to your colleagues and trainees, including those preparing for certification or recertification from the American Board of Vascular Medicine (ABVM) later this year. This program was archived at our live BRC last summer in New Orleans, and the speakers with terrific. Thank you to Herb Aronow, Aditya Sharma, and Greg Piazza for their leadership of this program, as well as to all of the speakers.

Secondly, I am thrilled to announce that the Pulmonary embolism (PE) Toolkit is now on-line. This website, developed with support of Janssen Pharmaceuticals, provides tools for outpatient management of acute pulmonary embolism and is a complement to the DVT toolkit we launched a few years ago. There are materials (algorithms, assessment tools, references) online for frontline VTE providers, including emergency medicine physicians, as well as vascular specialists, and there are also patient-focused educational materials. Please visit mypulmonaryembolism.com and email the link to your colleagues and referring physicians. Kudos to Jerry Bartholomew, Jay Bishop, Greg Piazza, and Aditya Sharma for their work on this high quality toolkit…let’s all now spread the word and put it to good clinical use.

In addition to other SVM updates below, please see a recap from the SVM networking event held in Orlando, Florida last month and hosted by the #SVMNextGen committee led by Christina Fanola and Yogen Kanthi. I am hoping we will have at least two such social events per year during larger national meetings to allow our SVM community a chance to connect. If you would like to organize an SVM networking event at a specific meeting venue, please contact me (gornikh@ccf.org) with your ideas.

If you haven’t done so already, please register for #SVM18. Dr. Raghu Kolluri and his team have planned a spectacular program. Please try to fly in on Wednesday, June 13th, to participate in various SVM Committee meetings and attend the Early Career Session (open to all) sponsored by Women In Vascular Medicine and #SVMNextGen. I am intrigued by the description of this Wednesday night session which will incorporate lessons learned from Improv into enhancing one’s professional presence and presentation style. The Scientific Sessions kick off on Thursday, June 14th and continue through Saturday, June 15th. Our SVM member breakfast and
business meeting will be on Friday morning at 6:30 am... we will be voting on updates to our Society bylaws. Details will be forthcoming, but we need a robust quorum of our membership. Please plan on being there.

I hope to see all of you in Chicago in June at #SVM18.

All the best,

Heather Gornik, MD, FSVM

**SVM NEXT GENERATION, MARCH, 2018 NETWORKING EVENT**

On Saturday, March 10, 2018 during the American College of Cardiology Scientific Sessions, the Society of Vascular Medicine’s Next Generation Committee hosted its first annual Networking Event in Orlando, Florida at Tapa Toro. There was a high turn-out of professionals in vascular medicine, cardiology, pharmacology, and vascular surgery coming together to discuss scientific progress in the field of vascular disease, as well as ways to increase training opportunities and collaborations between individuals within the field and in other specialties. Several key faculty members from the Society of Vascular Medicine were in attendance, including Drs. Naomi Hamburg, Geoffrey Barnes, Nick Leeper, Robert Eberhardt, and James Froelich. This was a successful kick-off event organized by Next Generation Committee Co-chairs Drs. Christina Fanola and Yogen Kanthi, and will be the start of many more to come at upcoming scientific meetings.

**#SVM18 EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE APPROACHING**

You’re coming to the meeting. You know that. So get the lowest rate and register today. Rates go up May 8 for the 29th Annual Scientific Sessions in Chicago, IL. The interactive schedule is up on the website so you can start to plan your week. The free conference app will be released a couple weeks before the meeting and then you’ll be able to create a customized schedule, set alerts, connect with other attendees and much more.

Learn more

**SPECIAL EVENT AT #SVM18, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13**

All SVM registrants are invited to attend the Wednesday night reception hosted by Women in Vascular Medicine and SVM’s new committee, Next Generation. An improv presenter from ImprovEdge will provide an interactive talk, *IMPROVe Your Presentation and Presence*, on how to improve your presentations skills and your presence utilizing tools from the field of Improv. This is sure to be an entertaining and informative session!

View the full schedule

**BOOK YOUR HOTEL**

All activities at the 29th Annual Scientific Sessions will take place at the Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park in Chicago, IL. Book your room early to ensure your reservation.

Reserve your room

**#SVM18 SCHEDULE**

An interactive schedule for the 2018 Annual Scientific Sessions is on the SVM website. Start viewing the session topics and planning your schedule.

View the schedule
The SVM Pulmonary Embolism Toolkit provides free information for patients including a PE explanation, symptoms, treatment and more. It also includes important information for health care providers including diagnosing, patient assessment, anticoagulation prescriptions, cost reduction strategies, a patient handout and more.

Visit the PE Toolkit

SAVE THE DATE FOR 2018 SVM FELLOWS COURSE

The SVM Fellows Course is returning for a 4th year and will be held at the Westin Atlanta Airport, December 2-3, 2018. Registration information will be available mid-summer.

See pictures and details from last year's course

BOARD REVIEW COURSE

The 2018 SVM Board Review Course (BRC) will be available mid-May! If you'd like to be notified as soon as it becomes available, fill out the short form on the SVM website and we'll make sure you stay up-to-date. The BRC is an important resource preparing physicians for the American Board of Vascular Medicine certification examinations in general vascular medicine and endovascular interventions.

View more details

SVM JOB BANK

Looking for a job in vascular medicine? Looking to fill one? Check out the new and improved SVM job board where you peruse openings, post your resume, or post a job opening. New features and discounts for SVM members for job posting are now available.

Visit the job board

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