

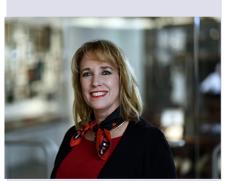




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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to SWIU members! I look forward to seeing you at the annual SWIU breakfast/business meeting held each year at the American Urological Association Annual Meeting. The meeting will take place at 6:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 14, 2017 in the Grand Ballroom C-E at the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel. At this meeting, following some brief reports, from the treasurer and secretary, on SWIU's activities over the past year, we will vote on the board membership candidates, as well as some proposed bylaws changes. In addition to a visit by AUA president-elect, Dr. J. Brantley Thrasher, Dr. Deborah Lightner will give a short presentation highlighting the career achievements of Dr. Ann Gormley, the first woman appointed to the AUA Board of Directors. The appointment of Dr. Gormley is a major milestone for women in urology and a testament to her strong leadership skills. Other highlights of the meeting include the annual presentation of the Elisabeth Pickett Research Award and the SWIU/SBUR Award for Excellence in Urological Research.

Our keynote speaker for the meeting is a physician-scientist, Kathleen Cooney, MD, FACP from the University of Utah, Department of Medicine, where she joined in 2015 as a Professor and Chair of Internal Medicine. She will present a lecture entitled, "Women in Urology: Changing the Statistics". Dr. Cooney is an oncologist specializing in prostate cancer care. Given her research interests in the genetics of hereditary prostate cancer and the epidemiology of prostate cancer, Utah's strong programs in the genetics of rare and common diseases should provide an ideal setting for her research. She is a visionary leader with a commitment to mentoring, teaching, research, and clinical care who will provide an excellent, inspiring lecture for our members. She certainly is a strong role model for us all!

The SWIU 2017 Winter Meeting was enjoyed by all. The hands-on lab sessions focused on surgical techniques using male and female cadavers, a dynamic session about the architecture of the pelvic floor, and various physical therapy programs designed to enhance function were great learning experiences. Our pelvises were definitely strengthened and our spirits energized after a very entertaining Zumba session lead by Jennifer Anger! Be sure to check out the photos on the SWIU website! For those of us encountering our first Zumba session, muscles were used that had been ignored for years! It was great fun and is likely something that will become an annual event at the Winter Meeting. Special thanks to Jennifer for orchestrating and leading this session – she was superb at all of the Zumba moves and certainly her exercise routine demonstrated that this was not her first Zumba session!

A focus throughout our winter meeting, organized by Dr. Suzette Sutherland, SWIU president-elect (in addition to superb didactic sessions this year,) was on why SWIU membership is important and benefits for our members. Our goal is

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

to provide opportunities for strong mentorship for women working in Urology at all stages of their career, whether they be in academics, private practice, industry, or government positions. There is support for not only women urologists, but also researchers and trainees. Strong role models are present at our meetings who can provide career and worklife balance guidance. We provided a "toolkit" for career success enabling women to function well as mentors and mentees and to appreciate the responsibilities and duties of each role. SWIU provides the opportunity for its members to network, allowing them to meet superb women leaders in urology and to establish connections that will be invaluable for career development. This is an important opportunity, because women (unlike men) often fail to connect with their colleagues when it comes to networking - a process mastered by many men. In urology, a woman's networking group perhaps can't promise to enable a woman to break into the "Old Boys' Club." Having our own "club" will hopefully one day negate the need to be in the Old Boy's Club! By the end of the SWIU 2017 Winter Meeting, we relished the opportunity to learn - not only be the best at what we do in urology - but also to give to our field as mentors and gain from the wisdom of our role models as mentees. Old friendships were renewed and new friendships formed.

This year, during my interviews with fellowship candidates for several subspecialties in urology, I asked all female applicants if they are SWIU members and whether they were planning to attend our meetings. I recognized several of these applicants, who were recipients of travel awards to the SWIU Winter Meetings (generously supported by our promotional partners, SWIU membership, a number of AUA regional sections, and in some years meeting support from the NIH), but I was surprised at how many of these outstanding female residents were seemingly unaware that they are given SWIU

membership during their residency, and many did not even know that SWIU existed. In this time where we are all so busy and over-committed it is easy to see how these oversights might occur, but it also speaks to the need for those of us in academics to reach out to our trainees to encourage them to join and participate at SWIU, as well as the need for us to continuously work to increase the visibility of women in our field of urology.

Finally, it has been my privilege and honor to serve SWIU as president this past year. I am so grateful for the support of the entire SWIU Board, as well as the guidance and suggestions provided by past presidents and board members. I have met amazing trainees, urologists, researchers, and other individuals contributing so importantly to our shared missions in the support of women in urology. At the SWIU Winter Meeting, Dr. Hadley Wood held a Sunday morning workshop on gratitude that I found to be quite an enlightening experience. It is important for us to learn to be grateful for life's experiences and to bestow thanks for how we each have been enriched by these experiences. Practicing this skill can lessen the burden of our difficult days, and brighten not only our own lives, but those around us. So, thank you to all who have worked so hard for SWIU and to those who have benefited by their SWIU membership as this helps SWIU to realize our shared mission!

Sincerely,

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Dolores J. Lamb, PhD, HCLD, SWIU 2016 – 2017 President

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Cadaver Lab — A Unique and Educational Experience

By Amy Luckenbaugh, MD

This year we were fortunate to have a cadaver lab during our Annual Winter Meeting. The cadaver lab featured multiple stations aimed at teaching anatomy and techniques necessary for

surgically correcting female and male incontinence. There were several stations, such as transobturator and retropubic slings, mini-slings, male slings, artificial urinary sphincters, and anatomical dissection for sacrocolpopexy. The cadaver lab allowed for both practicing urologists and residents to practice their skills and learn new techniques.

For residents, this opportunity was truly a unique one and was one of the highlights of the meeting. Residents worked in small groups and learned the steps of performing each procedure from experts. The experience allowed for residents to perform difficult aspects of the procedure, such as trocar passage, in a safe, judgment-free environment. From a resident's perspective, the cadaver lab was a phenomenal experience. The opportunity to work with other residents and to learn the dissections and procedures from the faculty at the SWIU meeting was unique and memorable. The skills gleaned during this session will be carried with us as we proceed through residency and into our careers.



Physical Therapy Breakout Workshop was Insightful and Interesting By Teresa Beam, MD

As women urologists, we see many patients with varying medical conditions. Both men and women suffer from chronic pelvic conditions that negatively impact their quality of life, in some instances, to

the point of disability. Bladder/prostate pain, urinary/fecal incontinence, and painful intercourse/ejaculation afflict many of our patients. One of the treatment alternatives we can offer our patients is pelvic floor physical therapy. But exactly what do they do in those therapy sessions?

One of our breakout workshop sessions at this year's winter meeting was a wonderful interactive and didactic session on pelvic floor physical therapy run by Tina Allen and Kathryn Rice from Seattle, WA and joined by Heather Rader from Orlando, FL. These three very knowledgeable lady physical therapists instructed us on the assessment of the dynamic anatomy of the pelvic floor by using an interactive exercise in which we "reproduced" the pelvic floor using exercise bands and novel signs to represent muscles, bladder, rectum, clitoris, fascia, ligaments, and nerves as well as the perineal

body. They taught us to isolate and work on strengthening the transversus abdominis muscle to build up our core muscles by having us interact doing pelvic floor exercises under supervision. They also demonstrated the use of biofeedback to garner the desired reactions of our pelvic floor muscles.

We learned about the difference between "up-training" (for incontinence conditions) and "down-training" (for pelvic floor pain conditions). We definitely don't want our pain patients doing Kegel exercises! They need to learn to stretch and lengthen those pelvic floor muscles that are very tense/tight.

Lastly, we saw displays of "tools and tips," including useful handouts for exercises, vaginal dilators, personal lubricants, and books for home, self-directed programs, as well as patient education materials on incontinence, post-partum pelvic floor issues, and pelvic pain in both men and women.

Information was provided on how to refer a patient for pelvic floor PT as well as resources for finding a "pelvic floor rehab provider" in your local area. This was a very enjoyable and informative educational session! This was a useful session not only for our patients, but for personal use as well!



President's Banquet Speaker: Shelley Hammell

By Suzette E. Sutherland, MD, MS, FPMRS, president-elect, SWIU

For our Leadership Development sessions this year, we were thrilled to have Shelley Hammell, president of Sage Alliance, a Leadership Performance Company (www.

the sage alliance.com), share tips with us about professional presence, effective, and powerful communication, and the importance of personal "branding."

What IS professional presence, and how do we achieve it? We all want our competence and skill to be conveyed and to be taken seriously. But there are other important elements to successful communication that need to be considered and perhaps require even more of our attention. In fact, the three C's of successful communication do include credibility

(10 percent), but also confidence (40 percent), and character (50 percent) as well. Credibility refers to our knowledge, skill, experience, competence, and honesty. Confidence refers to how we present ourselves in a physical sense. Character refers to our sense of being: trustworthy, warm, and genuine. As one can see, character and confidence are vitally



important for effective communication Shelley Hammell

and are seemingly even more important than competence. Our professional presence is therefore defined best by how we communicate. Verbal communication, non-verbal communication, and unconscious behaviors frequently serve as unintended detractors. First impressions are about trust, respect, and character – Can I TRUST this person? Can I RESPECT this person? – and those impressions are made within the first few seconds of an encounter. Surprisingly, 70 percent are accurate. So, how we portray ourselves, and how others perceive us, truly matters.

Which brings us to the importance of personal branding. What's your "Brand," and how can you leverage this brand to achieve your goals? Shelley shared with us her seven-point plan for taking control of your brand ... and your career.

1. Increase Self-Awareness

This is the FIRST step in the branding process: self-reflection and self-awareness. Get to know yourself, inside and out. Do a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) analysis of yourself. The best leaders are self-aware and continually look for ways to leverage their strengths and close the gaps in their own development areas.

2. Develop a Consistent Image

Everything you do contributes to your brand: your verbal and non-verbal cues, the way you dress, your attitude, the way you "show up." Ensure your image is consistent in everything you say and do.

3. Get Feedback

"If there is any one secret of success, it lies in the ability to get the other person's point of view and see things from that person's angle as well as your own," Dale Carnegie. Be proactive to understand current perceptions about you and your brand. Solicit feedback from those around you – how do others perceive you?

4. Focus!

Good brands focus on filling a specific need. Don't try to be all things to all people. Know your strengths. What is it that people come to YOU for?

5. Differentiate Yourself

Brand versus Bland. Be memorable! What is unique about YOU? How do you stand out?

6. Develop your Elevator Speech

No matter who you are talking to, you need to be able to communicate your personal mission – your brand: who you are and what you stand for.

7. TAKE ACTION

Promote yourself! Create your own "marketing plan." What steps will you take to close any gaps in your own brand?

And finally, as we embark on setting new goals for ourselves, Shelly reminds us that all goals should be SMART – Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time Bound – to be achievable and make an influential impact on your career. Happy Branding!

Thank You to our Resident Travel Award Contributors

SWIU thanks the generous donors whose contributions and support made it possible for 11 outstanding female urology residents to attend the 6th Annual Winter Meeting. Their generosity and commitment promotes the continuing success of women in urology. The SWIU Resident Travel Award subsidizes the travel expenses for a female urology resident to attend the SWIU conference. Awardee(s) also receive complimentary registration to all conference events.

Special thanks to our corporate and member support for the 2017 Resident Travel Awards:

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What the Resident Travel Award Meant to Me



Dr. Mimi Zhang, PGY-4 Indiana University, Department of Urology

In a winter punctuated by the gray skies of the Midwest, traveling to Fort Lauderdale to attend the Society of Women in Urology Winter Meeting was a respite and revival. While listening to lectures may not sound exciting to most, I felt very engaged at the meeting. I learned about the science behind mesh and tried, mostly unsuccessfully, to do pelvic floor physical therapy. The highlight of the meeting was the cadaver lab and the one-on-one

teaching. I am better for the time I spent there. Not only do I feel more confident about pelvic anatomy and sling placement, I have a new appreciation for the struggles my patients face.

More importantly, I have been given the tools to continue to better myself. The people I met at the meeting, both other residents and practicing physicians, were happy to share experiences and advice about topics as diverse as careers or vacations. I turned 30 on Saturday; though many people questioned my decision to furlough a big celebration, I am convinced I made the right decision. This meeting is truly self-perpetuating. For the junior residents and medical students, I was able to hear their stories and give advice. For the residents in my year, I was able to empathize and affirm

myself. For the physicians ahead of me, I was able to feel their encouragement and to continue on this path.



Dr. Kristen McAlpine, PGY-2 Division of Urology, The Ottawa Hospital

Thank you to the SWIU Board of Directors and the Northeastern Section of the AUA for the opportunity to attend the Annual Winter Meeting with the support of a Resident Travel Award. The chance to meet so many successful women within our field was an exceptional opportunity I am grateful and honored to have had.

Beyond the academic content of the meeting, the mentoring from leaders in urology and interactions with upper-year female residents from across the continent

was remarkable. The friends and mentors I met during the weekend in Fort Lauderdale will be contacts that move forward with me, and I look forward to reconnecting at various meetings over the course of our careers.

Thank you again for this opportunity. It was certainly an experience that broadened my appreciation of career opportunities, and I look forward to attending SWIU meetings in the future.



Dr. Carrie Mlynarczyk, PGY-2 Columbia University

I am so appreciative for receiving the SWIU Resident Travel Award to attend the SWIU meeting. The winter meeting was the first SWIU event I attended. It was an incredible educational opportunity and a wonderful experience all around. I was able to meet women urologists from around the country in all areas and types of practice. Hearing how they made the decision to pursue their specific career provided me with a new perspective that I had not seen through medical school and residency to this point.

The lectures and presentations were all perfectly planned to present a comprehensive and clear curriculum. Pairing that with the hands-on sessions created a unique experience. Finally, the opportunity to present my research in front of a supportive group was ideal, and the questions from the group helped design a possible future project. I am very grateful to the SWIU members and board for providing me with the opportunity to come to this conference, and I am excited to attend future events and continue meeting and learning from the other women in urology.



Katie Theisen, PGY-4 University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Inspirational. This is the first word that comes to mind when I reflect on the SWIU meeting this year. I must admit, this is a sentiment I was not expecting. I initially had the desire to attend the SWIU meeting because of the program content and educational sessions. The topics were focused on both male and female reconstructive and pelvic surgery, which are compatible with my fellowship interests. Indeed, the educational content of the weekend delivered everything I had hoped for. From lectures and break-

out sessions to a cadaver lab, I was continuously engaged. However, the more impressive aspect of the meeting was the amazing female role models I met and with whom I formed relationships. Each day I interacted with women who are not only highly skilled clinicians in the field of urology, but who are also mothers, wives, scientists, advisors, and advocates. They all seemed to wear so many "hats" and yet they do so while maintaining a sense of calm confidence that was palpable. These women further serve as great mentors because they are willing to share their own struggles, pitfalls, and insecurities as well as provide tools and tips for success in both personal and professional aspects of life.

This meeting provided so much more than strong educational content. It instilled in me a sense of admiration for the females in urology and inspired me to continue to strive to become a strong female leader in the field. I am so grateful for the generosity of those who made the SWIU travel scholarship possible and look forward to helping return this favor in the future.



Madeline Cancian, PGY-3 Rhode Island Hospital, Division of Urology

I want to thank SWIU travel award contributors for the generous support they provided that allowed me to travel to the 2017 Annual Winter Meeting. In a field where it is not uncommon to be the only woman in the room, it was heartening to be surrounded by other women. More than this, the camaraderie among all the participants made the meeting feel like a safe space both to learn about urology but also to learn techniques to thrive in a male dominated field.

I come from a program with a few female attendings and a large female contingent among the residents. Despite this exposure, seeing a group of women in a formal professional setting was eye opening. Naming the common issues we all deal with simply because we are women was refreshing. I look forward to attending future meetings and to one day mentor female residents.



Ilana Jacobs, PGY-4 UT Southwestern, Urology

I had a wonderful experience at my first SWIU meeting in Fort Lauderdale. I am a chief resident and will be going out to private practice, and I appreciated the opportunity to talk to female urologists already out in practice about a whole slew of topics from childbearing and marital topics to female urology subjects. As one of three women in my program, it was refreshing and invigorating to meet so many female urology residents and share experiences from our respective residency

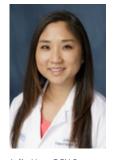
programs. Finally, the cadaver lab was invaluable and learning from female mentors is an experience I will not soon forget. I am most appreciative of having received the travel award and look forward to coming back for years to come.



Mashrin (Lira) Chowdhury, PGY-4 Detroit Medical Center

Thank you so much to SWIU for this travel award! The opportunity to attend this meeting has opened so many doors for me. It truly is inspiring connecting with others in the same shoes as me and not to mention a nice weekend getaway from the wintery Detroit weather! I have made friends in other residency programs with whom I continue to stay in touch with, and I met so many talented women who I can call mentors.

As I sat in the lectures and learned about Dr. Fourcroy, I reflected on all the advances women have made in the world. It is truly remarkable to hear stories of women in generations just before mine and the journey they have made through their medical career. Their discoveries, and even struggles, have allowed us to be where we are today. The number of women in urology is growing rapidly, and I am very thankful to be part of it. I am looking forward to becoming an avid member of this society and continue to watch this organization grow!



Julia Han, PGY-3 University of Florida

The travel award gave me the opportunity to go to a conference that provided a truly unique and special experience. In addition to the educational component, I believe the conference provided something far more valuable. There was a multitude of intangible experiences and lessons learned that helped me critically reflect on myself as a resident as well as envision the future practicing urologist I would like to become. The intimacy of the conference also

promoted meeting fellow residents from across the country. I hope these interactions will lead to future friendships with colleagues that I can discuss both work and life related things

with. Furthermore, it was a special and inspiring opportunity to meet with women urologists who currently practice and have fulfilling careers while juggling their busy personal and family lives. I look forward to attending next year's conference!



Rosa Park, PGY-4 Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical

On the weekend of January 20, I was able to attend the Annual Winter Meeting of the SWIU. It was a wonderful experience meeting accomplished women urologists who have paved the way for me and my fellow residents. I had the opportunity to learn from the experts in FPMRS and male incontinence, to listen to resident presentations, and to participate in a cadaver course.

Center Most importantly, I am thankful to have spent time with other women in urology, to share our experiences, and to develop camaraderie with other female residents. SWIU accomplished its mission to support our professional development and career advancement, and I recommend other female residents to attend this meeting. I am grateful to the Mid-Atlantic Section of the AUA for their generous support in my participation.



Mindfulness and Zumba Sessions Receive Uniformly Positive Feedback By Kathleen Kieran, MD

Although health, wellness, and self-care are underlying themes of all SWIU meetings, this year's meeting in Fort Lauderdale was the first to explicitly dedicate meeting time to holistic wellness. Early Saturday morning,

certified Zumba instructor Jennifer Tash Anger, MD, took a dedicated group of 35 early-risers through a 30-minute Zumba class overlooking the water. Many attendees had never taken a Zumba class before, and while Dr. Anger's class was geared to beginners, participants uniformly raved that the workout was challenging, yet engaging, and above all, FUN. What better way to start the day than sweating to great music while watching the sun rise over the water?

On Sunday morning, Hadley Wood, MD, facilitated a two-hour program on mindfulness and gratitude. Mindfulness embodies the concept of being fully present in the moment, regardless of distractions and competing demands. Gratitude encourages us to be respectfully grateful for what we have and the work we do, however imperfect. Several participants commented that their positive experience in this short mindfulnesss course had prompted them to consider enrolling in the daylong (or even multiweek) mindfulness courses offered at their home institutions. One attendee commented, "I had been thinking about (attending) these courses, but I just don't have time with everything else going on. This course showed me that maybe I can actually be more productive, calmer, and happier if I had the skills to be more aware of my surroundings and my response to them."

Based on the uniformly positive feedback from course participants about the new health and wellness offerings, SWIU looks forward to including content with a focus on mental, emotional, and physical well-being at future meetings.



Society of Women in Urology 2017 Winter Meeting Resident and Fellow Podium Winners By Anne Pelletier-Cameron, MD

This year was another successful round of podium presentations at the annual SWIU Winter mentoring meeting in sunny Fort Lauderdale Florida, There was stiff

competition with 40 abstracts submitted and ten chosen to present. That is tougher than the AUA! Residents and fellows presented topics from incontinence, oncology, pediatrics, medical education, and issues specific to women urologists.

A novel part of this program is that presenters not only get questions on the science behind their work, but later in small group sessions, they receive feedback on their slides as well as the oral presentation. The goal is to prepare young women for scientific sessions in more high pressure situations.

Given the high quality of abstracts and the high number of applicants, the SWIU board has decided to expand the number of abstracts accepted and is planning to offer a poster session along with the podiums to give more women the opportunity to present.

This is a great opportunity for younger investigators to present their work at a national meeting and, in attending the meeting, making great research collaborations. Look for our announcement next fall and submit your work for the 2018 Winter Meeting!



Have News to Share?
Email info@swiu.org to include your news in the next edition of the newsletter.

Remembering Jean L. Fourcroy-Behr, MD, PhD, MPH: Our Fearless Founder

A memorial celebration was held for Jean L. Fourcroy-Behr, MD, PhD, MPH at the historic Cosmos Club in Washington DC January 28. Friends, family, and colleagues from her many associations gathered to remember her numerous pioneering efforts and academic achievements during her remarkable career. Representatives from George Washington University, Walter Reed, and the US Navy spoke of her dedication, expertise, and barrier-breaking work at these prestigious institutions where she trained, worked, and taught for many years, paving the way for women in urology and becoming a role model for all urologists. The AMWA leaders discussed her hard work and inspiring leadership that has left an enduring legacy. The American Society of Andrology and the US Anti-Doping agency colleagues remember her unique contributions, outstanding expertise, and passion for her important work with athletes and anabolic steroid research. The terms icon, leader, mentor, and friend were used by so many speakers to describe our fearless founder.

The comments by Jean's family and friends described a multi-talented woman who had diverse interests outside of her medical career. She helped friends obtain advanced degrees and shared her home with extended family members. Gratitude was expressed to her family for sharing her when it meant long hours away from home. Jean inspired several friends to play the piano and learn to paint as her talent as a watercolorist developed. Her ability to accomplish so many things was attributed to her mastery of the one hour nap and her indomitable humor was the one quality that endeared everyone. The loving relationship shared with her husband Armin and his dedication to her throughout her career and during her declining years is something none of us will ever forget.

The overwhelming theme noted by attendees of Jean's memorial service was the depth and profundity of one life dedicated to the service of others. It is difficult to express in a short article the accomplishments of this remarkable woman. In prior newsletters, Jean's obituary, awards, and extensive affiliations were published. Without the tenacity, perseverance, leadership, and singular vision of Jean Fourcroy, it is my belief that our organization would not have materialized as a recognized, incorporated society of the AUA. Her huge, generous heart was filled with respect, understanding, and support of all women who chose urology as their specialty, wanting to empower all of us to succeed in our profession. We need to remember her ability to effect change with knowledge, extreme intellect, dedication, and passion for everything she was involved in while maintaining humility and a sense of humor before her remarkable brain was ravaged by dementia. The early history of women in urology was important to Jean as evidenced by her publications and the establishment of our research and mentoring awards. We need to recognize her history, not only as the founder of SWIU, but as a champion of our entire specialty whose legacy assured our continued success. She is deeply cherished and will be profoundly missed.

-Brenda Kinard, MD, former SWIU president

SWIU AT THE AUA

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SWIU Networking Reception

Saturday, May 13, 2017 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Westin Boston Waterfront Adams Room

Everyone is welcome!

This is a great opportunity to meet with other urologists to discuss issues in the field of urology, as well as other medical issues.

In addition, SWIU will announce the Christina Manthos Mentor Award winner. Christina Manthos was an extraordinary young urologist whose life and career were sadly curtailed by breast cancer. As a means of perpetuating the flame of her inspiration and honoring her memory, SWIU established an annual award to recognize those men or women who demonstrate extraordinary mentoring skills in supporting the career of a female urologist.

We look forward to this great networking opportunity every year and hope to see you there!

AUA Research Forum "Showcasing Early Career Investigators"

The 2017 AUA Research Forum: Early Career Investigators Showcase is the only venue at the AUA Annual Meeting dedicated to highlighting the work of early-career investigators. The Showcase will be held on Sunday, May 14, 2017 in Room 210-C of the Boston Convention Center, beginning with a poster session at 3:00 p.m. SWIU is proud to have member Dr. Lysanne Campeau participate in this year's Showcase. Dr. Campeau will present a poster in the Showcase poster exhibit area as well as give a podium talk on her research topic "The role of the succinate receptor in the treatment of voiding dysfunction associated with metabolic syndrome." Congratulations Dr. Campeau!

Will you be presenting at AUA2017? Let us know! info@swiu.org

*Annual Breakfast Meeting

Sunday, May 14, 2017 6:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Westin Boston Waterfront Grand Ballroom C-E *Not CME Accredited

Keynote Speaker: Kathleen Cooney, University of Utah department of medicine chair

6:30 a.m. Breakfast Buffet

6:45 a.m. President's Welcome

Dolores J. Lamb, PhD, HCLD Baylor College of Medicine 2016 – 2017 SWIU President

6:50 a.m. AUA Update

J. Brantley Thrasher, MD, FACS University of Kansas Medical Center

AUA President-Elect

7:00 a.m. Women in Urology: Changing the Statistics

Kathleen Cooney, MD University of Utah

8:00 a.m. SWIU Award Presentations

Elisabeth Pickett Research Award Presentation SWIU/SBUR Award for Excellence in Urological

Research Presentation

8:20 a.m. Recognition of E. Ann Gormley, MD

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Mayo Clinic

8:25 a.m. Annual Business Meeting

8:45 a.m. Networking



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Annual Breakfast Meeting Sunday, May 14, 2017

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