Dear Colleague:

On behalf of our Society, I would like to invite you to participate in the 19th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Bariatric Surgery, June 24 – 29 in Las Vegas.

The general format of the meeting will be similar to the past, but please note that the traditional welcoming reception will take place on Tuesday with the plenary sessions Wednesday through Friday. As usual, the highlights of the plenary session will include the Edward E. Mason lectureship and other invited lectureships. Dr. Gleysteen, program committee chair, informed me that we received a record number of abstracts from which his committee has chosen a stimulating program of excellent papers. The pre-session courses including the Essentials, Masters’ Postgraduate and Allied Health Courses, will be held on Monday and Tuesday. A new course offered this year is the Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing Course.

We stand at the crossroads of a very exciting period of our development as the interest in bariatric surgery, the bariatric patient, and laparoscopic bariatric surgery have markedly increased over the past three years. We are besieged by problems of reimbursement and malpractice insurance issues, which will surely come up, if not in the plenary sessions, then in the pre-session courses and/or individual discussions amongst our colleagues.

We also have quite a surprise in store for you at the ASBS Foundation Event that will rival, if not surpass, last year’s “boat trip” up and down the Potomac, so we hope you will be able to participate.

Please join us, rekindle old friendships, sharpen your bariatric surgical knowledge, and meet the new members. We expect this to be our biggest and best meeting ever.

Sincerely,

Kenneth B. Jones, Jr. MD, FACS
President, ASBS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Paper presentations of the most current research and invited lectures promote the exchange of information and experiences between those practiced in bariatric surgery and newcomers to the field. The primary goal in this ongoing learning process is continual improvement in the risk-benefit ratio for the patient.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The conference is designed for all clinical and academic surgeons and support staff, including any health professional involved in the care of the morbidly obese patient, who wish to increase their knowledge of the surgical and peri-operative management of morbidly obese patients.

ACCREDITATION

The American Society for Bariatric Surgery (ASBS) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The ASBS designates the continuing medical education activity for up to 32.25 credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician’s Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. Each physician should claim only those hours he/she spent in the educational activity. Nursing credits up to 29.0 contact hours are provided by Taylor College, Los Angeles, California.
The primary purpose of this conference is education. Information presented, as well as publications, technologies, products, and/or services discussed, are intended to inform you about the knowledge, techniques, and experiences of bariatric surgeons who are willing to share such information with colleagues. A diversity of professional opinions exists in bariatric surgery, and the views of the conference’s faculty are offered solely for educational purposes. Faculty’s views neither represent those of the ASBS nor constitute endorsement by the Society. The ASBS declaims any and all liability for damages to any individual attending this conference and for all claims, which may result from the use of information, publications, technologies, products, and/or services of the meeting.

Faculty Disclosure Statements have been requested from the speakers and will be presented in the conference packets.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT STATEMENT**

The ASBS wishes to take those steps to ensure no individual with a disability is excluded, denied services, segregated, or otherwise related differently because of the absence of auxiliary aids and services identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any such services are necessary in order to participate in the Conference, please communicate your needs in advance.

**LOCATION AND LODGING**

Mention Las Vegas and one thinks of glitz, glamour and gambling. Although these are certainly part of the Vegas scene, the Vegas of today has evolved into a multidimensional resort destination. There is more entertainment in Las Vegas than in any other city in the world.

Mandalay Bay Resort, site of the 2002 ASBS meeting is known for its 11 acre tropical water environment in the image of exotic beaches of Southeastern Asia featuring sand-and-surf beach, a lazy river ride and tropical wave pool. There are also 15 restaurants, an elegant 30,000 square foot spa and of course, a casino. Our room block at a rate of $149 single or double will be held until May 1, 2002. After this date the room block rate will no longer be in effect and rooms may no longer be available. Please book early. You may call Mandalay Bay at 702-632-7000 or 888-632-7000 or fax the reservation form available in this brochure.

**TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION**

Delta Airlines and Continental Capers are the official carriers and agency for our meeting. You will receive a 10% discount off the lowest fare and 15% off the full fare if you book your flight 60 days prior to departure. After the 60 day deadline you can still take advantage of a 5% discount off the lowest fare and 10% off full fare. Fares good June 21 - July 1, 2002. To book your flight call Continental Capers at 800-446-0705 Monday through Friday (8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. EST). If Delta does not serve your city, Continental Capers will recommend an alternate carrier. Please identify yourself as a Bariatric Surgery conference participant.

Avis Rent A Car System is the official car rental company for the 19th Annual Meeting. Discounted rental rates which include unlimited free mileage will be available from June 17, 2002 to July 5, 2002. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-331-1600 or online at https://www.avis.com/AvisWeb/html/meetings/webpage.html?1192. J991329 is the special discount number you will need to take advantage of this offer.

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**WELCOME RECEPTION**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**
Join us for the ASBS kickoff reception at Rumjungle. Mix and mingle with your colleagues in an exotic environment of fire, water and jungle and enjoy great food and drinks.
Guest tickets $35
You must present your tickets for admission to Rumjungle.
Supported by BioEnterics and KCI.

**RECEPTION IN THE EXHIBIT HALL**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 4:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.**
An opportunity to network with colleagues and visit the exhibits.

**RECEPTION AND DINNER DANCE**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 7:00 P.M. - 12:30 A.M.**
The Reception and Dinner Dance will be held in the South Pacific Ballroom at Mandalay Bay. Enjoy an evening of dining, fantastic live music and dancing.
Guest tickets $70
Supported by Ethicon Endo-Surgery.

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**5TH ANNUAL FOUNDATION EVENT**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 5:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.**  
*(SEE INSERT)*

**TOURS**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26**

1. **BLACK CANYON RIVER FLOAT TOUR**
   This is one of the most popular tours for groups in Las Vegas. Enjoy the serenity of the Colorado River on a scenic rafting trip along the Colorado River. Whether you want to snap lots of photos, scan the steep canyon walls for bighorn sheep or take in the beauty of nature’s grandeur, fresh air and gentle waters, the guide will help you get the most out of this trip. The raft will dock along the river’s edge for some time to stretch and enjoy a box lunch.
   5 - 6 Hour Tour
   Buses pick up at 8 A.M.
   Tickets: $92 each
(2) BALLY’S BACK STAGE TOUR
The tour begins in the Jubilee Theater where an actual cast member of the show will take you up onto the stage. You will see and learn about the stage, elevator system, lighting and sound systems and fly rail. Backstage you will see props, huge set pieces, the dressing area and memorabilia. This tour is a wonderful look at the glitz and glamour of old-time Las Vegas entertainment.

Then onto the Lutece restaurant in the Venetian Hotel featuring world class dining and witness a rare chef demonstration of one of the courses served at your luncheon.

4 Hour Tour
Buses pick up at 10 A.M.
Tickets: $115 each

THURSDAY, JUNE 27
(3) HOOVER DAM TOUR

** NOTICE: ALL INTERIOR TOURS OF THE HOOVER DAM ARE NOW OPEN!!.

Visit Hoover Dam, one of the greatest engineering, design building feats in the past century. This tour takes you through the picturesque landscape around Lake Mead, then deep into the canyons surrounding the dam. You will descend 500 feet into the canyon wall, and then proceed through a tunnel into the power plant to see working hydroelectric generators generating 133,000 kilowatts.

4-5 Hour Tour
Buses pick up at 8:30 A.M.
Tickets: $51 each

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**19TH ANNUAL MEETING OUTLINE**

**PRE/POST SESSION COURSES & MEETINGS**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23**

Registration

4:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

**MONDAY, JUNE 24**

Registration

7:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Allied Health Essentials/O.R. Nurses & Surgical Tech Course

8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing Course (AM)

8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing Course (PM)

1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Industry Educational Workshops

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Special Interest Group Meetings

5:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

Dietitians/ Support Groups/ Office Staff
PRE/POST SESSION COURSES & MEETINGS

continued

TUESDAY, JUNE 25
Registration
Committee Meetings
Exhibit Hall Open
Essentials in Bariatric Surgery
Allied Health General Session
Masters' Postgraduate Course
Welcome Reception

FRIDAY, JUNE 28
Industry Educational Workshops
ASBS Laparoscopic Cadaver Lab

SATURDAY, JUNE 29
ASBS Laparoscopic Cadaver Lab

PLENARY SESSION

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26
Registration
Committee Meetings
Exhibit Hall Opens
Poster Session
Plenary Session
Plenary Session/Videos
Special Interest Groups- Nurses/Psychologists
Allied Health Committee Meetings
Reception- Exhibit Hall
5th Annual Foundation Event

THURSDAY, JUNE 27
Registration
Exhibit Hall Open
Poster Session
Plenary Session
ASBS Business Meeting and Lunch
Annual Dinner/ Dance

FRIDAY, JUNE 28
Registration
Exhibit Hall Open
Poster Session
Plenary Session
Special Interest Groups are break out groups designed for specific practitioners and clinicians to network about their unique needs within their disciplines. (No CME credits or Contact Hours are available for these meetings)

**DIETITIAN**
(Monday, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.) This group is designed for those individuals who council, interact and oversee the unique dietary needs of the bariatric surgical patients in the clinic or hospital setting.

**SUPPORT GROUP**
(Monday, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.) This group is designed for those individuals who are responsible for coordinating, facilitating or planning on beginning a support group. (Susan Champion)

**OFFICE SUPPORT STAFF**
(Monday, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.) This group includes a variety of office personnel including insurance billers, coders and authorizers as well as receptionists and patient coordinators. (Tina Napora)

**NURSING**
(Wednesday, 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.) This group is targeted for the nursing personnel who are clinically involved in the care of the bariatric surgical patient in the hospital or clinic setting. (Becky Mudgett, RN)

**PSYCHOLOGICAL**
(Wednesday, 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.) This group is designed for psychologists or psychiatrists interacting with the bariatric patient pre-and post-operatively. (Cathy Reto, PhD)

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**INDUSTRY EDUCATION WORKSHOPS**
*(These workshops are not planned by the ASBS and therefore are not accredited by the ASBS)*

There is no charge for Annual Meeting Participants

**WORKSHOP I: COMPREHENSIVE BARIATRIC PATIENT MANAGEMENT**
presented by **KCI**

This course will cover the unique challenges the bariatric patient presents to nursing and rehab staff and how to address these challenges with proper technique and equipment. Specific information regarding transfers and the importance of early mobilization will be presented. A “Transfer Equipment Key” and a “Bariatric Care Pathway” will be presented to assist in equipment selection and patient care planning. A brief overview of PE/DVT, including causes and prevention, will also be discussed.

Refreshments will be served

**WORKSHOP II: BARIATRICS REIMBURSEMENT OVERVIEW**
presented by **Ethicon-Endo Surgery**

This workshop will provide:
2. An Overview of Surgical Coding Issues (General CPT Codes, Coding Surgical Complications, Advantages/Disadvantages of Modifiers, Use of unlisted codes, Coding multiple procedures)
3. Coding Ancillary Allied Health Services (Psychological Evaluation, Preoperative/Postoperative/Support Groups, Dietary/Nutritional Assessment and Follow-up, Physical Therapy/Exercise Physiology)
4. Claims Submissions and Claims Denials
5. Working with Payer Community (Positioning, Negotiating, Carve-outs)

Refreshments will be served
WORKSHOP III: ADJUSTING TO THE FUTURE OF BARIATRIC SURGERY
Building your practice with the Lap-Band® System presented by BioEnterics Corporation

Laparoscopic procedures are an increasingly popular option for the treatment of serious obesity. The recent approval of the Lap-Band® System in the US provides bariatric surgeons with an opportunity to expand their practices and offer this minimally invasive procedure to patients. The Program Chairperson, Barry Fisher, MD, FACS, from the University of Nevada School of Medicine, and other distinguished faculty will discuss their clinical experience with the Lap-Band® System and how to build a bariatric practice with this procedure.

Lunch will be served.

WORKSHOP IV: TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE GASTRO-JEJUNOSTOMY IN LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY presented by United States Surgical

The techniques for forming the gastro-jejunostomy in laparoscopic gastric bypass surgery will be presented and discussed featuring the transgastric and transesophageal circular stapled anastomotic approach, and the linear stapled anastomotic approach using hand or instrument assisted intracorporeal suturing.

Lunch will be served.

ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC SUTURING COURSE
Monday June 24

8:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON (morning course)
1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. (afternoon course)
** Each course is limited to 12 participants **

Director: J. Kenneth Champion, MD

This course is intended to provide instruction in laparoscopic suturing techniques for surgeons performing bariatric surgery. Techniques for extracorporeal and intracorporeal suturing will be demonstrated, with both interrupted and continuous suture. A didactic lecture will provide instruction on techniques to improve laparoscopic suturing skills. This is a hands-on course with the goal of being able to perform a hand sewn two layer closure at the end of the lab. (Up to 4.0 CME credits are available.)

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. List the appropriate equipment for laparoscopic suturing
2. Describe set up for laparoscopic suturing
3. Demonstrate extracorporeal and intracorporeal suturing techniques

PROGRAM
- Principles of laparoscopic suturing and instrumentation
- Extra-corporeal suturing
- Intra-corporeal suturing
- Continuous suturing and anastomotic techniques

CORPORATE SUPPORT
- Jarit Surgical Instruments
- Ethicon Endo-Surgery
This course provides an overview of the fundamentals of bariatric surgical practice management. It is designed primarily for allied health personnel new to the field but is also a great review for the experienced allied health professional. (Up to 8.25 Contact Hours are provided by Taylor College.)

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. Describe the disease of morbid obesity.
2. Identify appropriate bariatric surgical candidates.
3. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of bariatric surgical procedures.
4. Identify postoperative metabolic deficiencies and discuss treatment.
5. Discuss the management of postoperative metabolic complications.
6. Discuss the role of support groups and exercise for bariatric surgery patients.
7. Explain the importance of a multidisciplinary bariatric program.
8. Interpret insurance and authorization issues.
9. Describe practice planning and marketing strategies.

8:00 A.M.  The Disease of Morbid Obesity.
            Tracy Owens, RN, BSN

            Alan C. Wittgrove, MD

9:15 A.M.  BREAK

9:30 A.M.  Patient Education and Informed Consent.
            Tracy Owens, RN, BSN

10:00 A.M. Post Op Care.
            Leslie Jester, RNP

11:15 A.M. Nutrition/Vitamin Therapy.
            Leslie J. Jaroch, MS, RD, LD, CNSD

12:00 P.M. LUNCH
Role of Exercise and Support Group.
            Barbara Metcalf, RN

1:00 P.M.  Patient Follow-up.
            Leslie Jester, RNP

2:00 P.M.  Psychological Support.
            Melodie Moorehead, PhD

3:00 P.M.  BREAK

3:15 P.M.  Insurance and Surgical Access.
            Walter Lindstrom, Esq.

4:00 P.M.  Practice Planning and Marketing.
            Aimee Johnston, MBA

4:45 P.M.  Evaluations and Post Test
5:00 P.M.  Adjourn

ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. Describe peri-operative positioning and protection for the MO patient.
2. Identify the special needs equipment required for bariatric surgery.
3. Identify the instrumentation needed for laparoscopic surgery.
This course covers a variety of topics related to the pre- and post-op care of the bariatric surgery patient and although it is designed with the allied health professional in mind, it serves as an update in practice management for the physician. (Up to 6.75 Contact Hours are provided by Taylor College.)

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:

1. The participant will recognize that Pediatric Morbid Obesity is a problem.
2. The participant will describe the simplicity of the Moorehead Ardelt QOL questionnaire.
3. The participant will verbalize the impact of bariatric surgery with hypothyroid patients.
4. The participant will be able to name three venues for marketing the bariatric practice.
5. The participant will be able to list the CPT codes for bariatric surgery.
6. The participant will be able to identify one herbal supplement that interferes with post surgical healing.
7. The participant will describe tension-gathering changes that may affect surgical outcomes and weight loss.

8:00 A.M. Welcome Address
Tracy Owens, RN, BSN

SESSION ONE
MODERATOR: Leslie Jester, RNP

8:15 A.M. ASBS Distinguished Guest Speaker
Pediatric Morbid Obesity
Victor Garcia, MD
Cincinnati Children’s Hospital
Cincinnati, OH, USA

9:00 A.M. 1. Prader-Willi and Behavioral Disorders Program
Linda M. Gourash, MD, William F. Gourash, MSN, CRNP

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Mervyn Deitel, MD, Ruth Bandong, BSc Agnieszka Mroszczyk, BA

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Joanna P. Hathaway, Director, Debbie C. DeFoe, Exec. Assistant, Robert T. Marema, MD
Lindsey Bocchieri, MA, PhD, Mart Meana, Barry L. Fisher, MD

12:00 P.M. 11. The effects of laparoscopic gastric bypass on diabetes mellitus type II, six months to seven years follow-up.
Alan C. Wittgrove, MD

12:15 P.M. Introduction of New Chair

12:20 P.M. New Chair Address

12:30 P.M. LUNCH

SESSION THREE
MODERATOR: Barbara Kayes, CRFNP

1:30 P.M. Voting on New Chair Elect

1:45 P.M. ASBS Distinguished Guest Speaker
Protein Sparing Diets and Long-term Weight Management
William Raum, MD, Louisiana State University
New Orleans, LA, USA

Shmuel Avital, MD, Samuel Szomstein, MD, Oscar Brasesco, MD, Mark Liverman, MD, Raul Rosenthal, MD

2:30 P.M. 13. Outcome of patients lost to follow up after gastric bypass.
Ginny St. John, CAPPM, Donna Benway, RN, Laurie Spaulding, MD

Whitney M. Wilhide, RN, Teresa L. Eaton, RN, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD, Robert T. Marema, MD

3:00 P.M. BREAK

SESSION FOUR
MODERATOR: Cathy Reto, PhD

3:30 P.M. 15. Outcome of gastric bypass surgery for patients with and without binge eating.
Ann E-C Smith, MA, Maureen Dymek, PhD, Daniel le Grange, PhD, Scott Pytluk, PhD, John Alverdy, MD

Ronette L. Kolotkin, PhD, Ted Adams, PhD, Michael Strong, MD, Robert Pendleton, MD, Ross D. Crosby, PhD

4:00 P.M. 17. Validation of the new improved Moorehead-Ardelt quality of life questionnaire.
Melodie K. Moorehead, PhD, Elisabeth Ardelt, PhD

4:15 P.M. Closing Remarks

4:25 P.M. Allied Health Committee Reports

4:45 P.M. Adjourn
This course provides an overview of the surgical approach to the management of the morbidly obese patient. It is designed primarily for surgeons new to the field but is also a great review for the experienced bariatric surgeon. (Up to 7.5 CME credits are available.)

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:

1. Describe the disease of morbid obesity and the physiologic basis of surgery in its treatment.
2. Identify appropriate bariatric surgical candidates.
3. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of bariatric surgical procedures.
4. Recognize and describe the management of common complications.
5. Explain the importance of a multi-disciplinary bariatric program.
6. Identify areas of malpractice liability exposure.
7. Discuss professional liability insurance coverage issues.
8. Interpret insurance and authorization issues.

SESSION ONE - BACKGROUND
MODERATOR: Latham Flanagan, Jr., MD

7:45 A.M. The Disease of Morbid Obesity and Evolution of Surgical Treatment.
Henry Buchwald, MD, PhD

8:15 A.M. Questions and Answers (5 min.)

8:20 A.M. Pre-Op Assessment, Screening, and Pre-op Management of Co-morbidities.
Ninh T Nguyen, MD

8:50 A.M. Questions and Answers (5 min.)

8:55 A.M. Peri-Operative Issues (DVT prophylaxis, gall-bladder management, antibiotic prophylaxis).
Scott A. Shikora, MD

9:25 A.M. Questions and Answers (5 min.)

9:30 A.M. BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL

SESSION TWO - SURGICAL TECHNIQUES
MODERATOR: J. Kenneth Jones, MD

10:00 A.M. Gastric Restrictive Procedures (VBG and LapBand®).
Richard Rubenstein, MD

10:40 A.M. Questions and Answers (5 min.)

10:45 A.M. Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass.
J. Kenneth Champion, MD

11:25 A.M. Questions and Answers (5 min.)

11:30 A.M. Malabsorptive Procedures.
Donald J. Booth, MD

12:10 P.M. Questions and Answers (5 min.)

12:30 P.M. LUNCH

SESSION THREE - COMPLICATIONS
MODERATOR: Robert Brolin, MD

1:30 P.M. Peri-operative Complications and Management.
Harvey Sugerman, MD

1:50 P.M. Post-op Follow and Nutrition Management.
Robert E. Brolin, MD

2:10 P.M. Role of Endoscopy in Bariatric Surgery.
Bruce Schirmer, MD

CASE STUDIES (WITH X-RAYS AND VIDEOS)
MODERATOR: Alan C. Wittgrove, MD

2:30 P.M. Lap Contraindications and Intraop Complications.
Alan C. Wittgrove, MD

2:45 P.M. Postop Leaks and Bleeds.
Philip R. Schauer, MD

3:00 P.M. Small Bowel Obstructions and Internal Hernias.
J. Kenneth Champion, MD

3:15 P.M. LapBand® Problems.
Kenneth MacDonald, Jr., MD

3:30 P.M. BREAK

SESSION FOUR- SURGICAL SUPPORT ISSUES
MODERATOR: James K. Champion, MD

3:45 P.M. Professional Liability and Risk Management.
Walter Lindstrom Jr., Esq.

4:14 P.M. Surgical Access Issues.
Walter Lindstrom Jr., Esq.

4:45 P.M. Panel Discussion- questions and answers

5:15 P.M. Adjourn
This David E. Miller Lectureship is aimed at providing insight and skills that will improve handling of malpractice lawsuits from the perspective of the bariatric surgeon as defendant and also as expert witness. The 2002 Distinguished Lecturer is a dynamic, highly skilled, medical malpractice defense attorney with considerable bariatric surgical lawsuit experience. He will present, via lecture and dialog formats, the basic nature of malpractice litigation and ways for bariatric surgeons to manage any lawsuits they may face to their best advantage.

The Second Hour of the Course addresses Risk Management. The Panelists are highly experienced in bariatric surgery and its problems with medical malpractice issues. Although the session is centered on risk management, other aspects of medical malpractice are expected to arise through questions from the Course Attendees. Attendees are encouraged to bring their questions about this subject to this session and management issues as a result of completing this part of the Course.

The Third Hour of the Course will address three known major complications of bariatric surgery. The speakers will address handling of these problems especially while prophylactically keeping possible litigation in mind. Time has been allotted for attendees to ask questions following each presentation. Upon completion of this portion of the course, participants will better understand the nature, management and certain risk management aspects of these major post-operative bariatric surgical complications: 1) staple line and other leaks; 2) deep venous thrombosis and pulmonary embolus; 3) the afferent limb (bilio-pancreatic limb) syndrome.

The Fourth Hour will be a debate addressing two bariatric laparoscopic procedures: gastric bypass and the adjustable band. The speakers for and against the motion will each introduce their points for ten minutes, followed by three-minute statements by Course Attendees who are highly encouraged and expected to take an active role in the debate. The principal speakers will then have five minutes a piece to sum up their side’s points and counter-points. The audience will be asked to vote for or against the motion; the results will be considered a “straw vote” related to this debate only, and nothing more. Upon completion, the Course Attendees will have a greater awareness, clarity and perspective concerning the main benefits and limitations of both the Laparoscopic Bypass Roux-en-Y and Adjustable Laparoscopic Gastric Banding procedures.

Finally, the Attendees will be asked to suggest topics and formats for the following year’s Masters’ Course.

**OBJECTIVES:**
Upon completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

**First and Second Hours**
1. Recognize the nature of our increasingly litigious environment;
2. Describe ways to optimize patient documentation from legal aspect;
3. Identify methods of reducing lawsuit risk or risk of an adverse judgment;
4. Describe the role and expectations of an expert witness;
5. Discuss the basic “anatomy” of a deposition and trial;
6. Identify lawsuit-related problems and how to avoid or mitigate them.
7. Discuss how to prepare for deposition and trial.

**Third Hour**
1. Describe the symptoms, diagnostic methodology and treatment protocols for management of anastomotic leaks.
2. Identify and discuss current diagnostic and treatment modalities in the management of DVT and pulmonary embolism in the morbidly obese patient.
3. Describe the anatomic and physiologic consequences of afferent loop syndrome.

**Fourth Hour**
Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of laparoscopic gastric bypass as opposed to laparoscopic gastric banding.

1:00 P.M. Course Director Welcome, Course Introduction, brief Miller Lecture History and Miller Lecturer introduction.

Miller’s Lecturer’s Presentation by James Kjar, JD, “Handling a Lawsuit as a Defendant and as an Expert Witness”

2:00 P.M. A pre-selected panel discussing risk management including James Kjar, JD, Otto Willbanks, MD, Edward Mason, MD, Walter Lindstrom Jr., Esq., Barry Fisher, MD, Frances O’Connell, RN, BSN, and Chris Keenan, Vice President John Burnham Insurance Services.

3:00 P.M. “Oh the Troubles I’ve Known” Three presentations of 10 minutes each on major post-bariatric surgical complications: Acute leaks I’ve Known, Ross Fox, MD; DVT and Pulmonary Embolus, Scott Shikora, MD, Afferent Limb Syndrome, Clay Wellborn, MD, with five minute questions period after each presentation.
4:00 P.M. **DEBATE:** The Opening Presentations on the motion: "This House Moves That the Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass is Preferable to the Adjustable Laparoscopic Gastric Band in the Surgical Management of Morbid Obesity." (strict maximum of 10 minutes each, in sequence of Proposer FOR (Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD) and proposer AGAINST (Louis F. Martin, MD) the motion).

4:20 P.M. **DEBATE:** Attendees who wish to make points or pose question(s) will line up at the microphones provided, and, when recognized by the Chair, each begin by clearly stating their name and city (strict maximum of three minutes for each person and three minutes total response by the appropriate side: Attendees and Presenters will defer to the Chair’s authority to proceed to the next Attendee or Presenter after completing their three minutes without argument, plea or tantrum).

5:10 P.M. **DEBATE:** Proposer AGAINST the motion (Louis F. Martin, MD) sums up (strict time limit of five minutes).

5:15 P.M. **DEBATE:** Proposer FOR the motion (Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD) sums up (strict time limit of five minutes).

5:20 P.M. Course Directors count votes on the motion by attendees. Course Directors discuss possible future Masters’ Post-Graduate Course subjects and activities with attendees (to continue informally thereafter). George Cowan, Jr., MD, Barry Fisher, MD, Scott Shikora, MD

5:30 P.M. Adjourn

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**PLenary Session**

**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES—**Upon completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

1. To define, discuss and solve specific problems in the treatment of morbidly obese patients in order to achieve maximum long-term safety and effectiveness.
2. Identify and discuss the development and use of new techniques to achieve weight loss by surgery in the morbidly obese.
3. Identify a broad area of patient care services.
4. Identify and distinguish the specific needs of bariatric patients.
5. Discuss the care of a bariatric surgical patient in a coordinated medical team effort.
6. Discuss advances in the nonsurgical treatment of obesity.
7. Discuss the relationship between changes in body weight, body composition, energy intake, and energy expenditure and their affect on weight loss and maintenance following bariatric surgery.
8. Discuss the current barriers and possible solutions to bariatric surgical access.
9. Describe the bariatric surgery experience from a patient’s perspective.
10. Identify the legislative priorities for the AMA and organized medicine.

(Up to 16.0 CME credits available)

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**Wednesday, June 26**

**SESSION ONE**

**MODERATOR:** Eric DeMaria, M.D.

7:45 A.M. **Introduction**  
John J. Gleysteen, MD, Chair, ASBS Program Committee

8:00 A.M. 1. **Distinct leptin-receptor polymorphisms predict hypertension in morbid obese patients.** Fritz F. Horber, MD, Natascha Potoczna, MD, Monika Scheumann, MD, Andreas Juchli, MD, Klau-Ulrich Lentes, MD

8:15 A.M. 2. **Ovarian dysfunction, androgen excess and neck circumference in obese women: changes with weight loss.** John B. Dixon, MD, Catharyn J. Stem, MD, Paul E. O’Brien, MD

8:30 A.M. 3. **Managing anastomotic leaks following laparoscopic gastric bypass.** Mohamed R. Ali, MD, Eric J. DeMaria, MD, John Kellum, MD, Jill Meador, RN, Luke Wolfe, Harvey Sugerman, MD

8:45 A.M. 4. **Effect of common channel length in laparoscopic biliopancreatic diversion with duodenal switch.** John J. Feng, MD, Michel Gagner, MD, David C. Voellinger, MD, Christine A. Chu, MD, Daniel Rosen, MD, Theresa Quinn, MD, William B. Inabnet, MD, Daniel M. Herron, MD, Alfons Pomp, MD
5. Optimal anesthesia positioning of morbidly obese patient.
James R. Boyce, MD, Pablo Castroman, MD, Timothy Ness, MD, John J. Gleysteen, MD

6. Treatment of obesity with the Transcend® Implantable Gastric Stimulator; multi-center open label study.
V. Cigaina MD, J. Dargen, MD, M. Belachew, MD, J. Melissas, MD, K. Miller, MD, F. Favretti, MD, K.H. Dietl, MD, F. Horber, MD

9:30 A.M. BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL

SESSION TWO
MODERATOR: Barry Fisher, MD

10:15 A.M. EDWARD E. MASON FOUNDERS LECTURE
Introduction: Michael Jensen, MD
Where are we going with obesity (as seen by NAASO)?
Michael Jensen, MD, President, NAASO Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

David Landsberg, MD, Feng Qinmo, Peter N. Benotti, MD

Carson D. Liu, MD, Gerald J. Glantz, MD, Edward H. Livingston, MD

Peter F. Crookes, MD, Gary J. Anthone, MD, David Bostanjian, MD

11:45 A.M. 10. Sensitivity and specificity of post op GI series following gastric bypass surgery for obesity.*
Ramanpreet Singh, MD, Barry L. Fisher, MD

12:00 P.M. 11. Malabsorptive gastric bypass in patients with super obesity.
Robert E. Brolin, MD, Lisa B. Lamarca, MD, Ronald P. Cody, MD

K. Miller, MD, E. Hell, MD, B. Lang, MD

12:30 P.M. LUNCH

VIDEO SESSION
MODERATOR: John Gleysteen, MD

Mohamed R. Ali, MD, Eric J. DeMaria, MD, Harvey J. Sugerman, MD

1:50 P.M. V2. Laparoscopic reversal of jejuno-ileal bypass with conversion to sleeve gastrectomy (first stage BPD-DS).
Christine A. Chu, MD, Michel Gagner, MD

Thomas Szegö, MD, Arthur B. Garrido, Jr. MD, Carlos José Lazzarini Mendes, MD, Marcelo Roque de Oliveira, MD, Alexandre Elias, MD, Luiz Vicente Berti, MD

Michael Tarnoff, MD, Christa Trigilio, PA-C, Edward Saltzman, MD, Richard Siegel, MD, Scott Shikora, MD

2:50 P.M. V5. Laparoscopic salvage of a slipped LapBand®.
Hadar Spivak, MD, Moshe Rubin, MD

Ronjan Sudan, MD, Debra Sudan, MD

3:30 P.M. V7. Laparoscopic biliopancreatic diversion with duodenal switch, with hand sewn duodeno-ileoanostomy.
Dennis C. Smith, Jr., MD, Kip Hendricks, CST, Michael J. O’Reilly, MD

3:50 P.M. V8. Is transoral passage of the anvil for the circular stapler in laparoscopic gastric bypass practical and safe?
Robert T. Marema, MD, Douglas M. Krahn, MD

John J. Feng, MD, Daniel M Herron, MD

4:30 P.M. Adjourn
11:30 A.M. **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

Introduction, Robert Brolin, MD

Quo Vadis?

Kenneth B. Jones, Jr., MD, President, ASBS

12:30 P.M. 22. Analysis of cost outliers after gastric bypass surgery: what can we learn?

Robert N. Cooney, MD, Randy S. Haluck, MD, James Ku, MD, Thomas L. Bass, MD, Janelle MacLeod, RD, Cynthia A. Miller, BS

12:45 P.M. 23. DRG, costs and reimbursement following Roux-en-Y gastric bypass: an economic appraisal.

Ramon Mourelle, MD, Daniel Cottam, MD, Piotr Gorecki, MD, GW Shaftan, MD, LDG Angus, MD

1:00 P.M. 24. A 15 year evaluation of BPD results according to BAROS criteria.

Giuseppe M. Marinari, MD, Giovanni Camerini, MD, Federica Murelli, MD, Francesco Papadia, MD, Paola Marini, MD, Cesare Stabilini, MD, Flavia Carlini, MD, Nicola Scopinaro, MD

1:15 P.M. 25. Behavioral factors affect outcomes following gastric bypass vs. banding procedures.

Brian B. Quebbemann, MD, David R. Engstrom, PhD

1:30 P.M. **ASBS BUSINESS MEETING WITH LUNCH**
8:45 A.M. 28. Evidence of dysfunctional apoptosis in morbid obesity, clinical implications and effects of Roux-en-Y gastric bypass. Daniel R. Cottam, MD, L. Velcu, MD, PA Schaef er, MD, D. Cottam, MD, C. Dias, MD, GW Shaftan, MD, LDG Angus, MD

9:00 A.M. 29. Gastrointestinal symptoms are more intense in morbidly obese patients and are improved with laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass (LRY).* Ronald H. Clements, MD, Allen Foster, MD, William O. Richards, MD, James McDowell, MD, Henry L. Laws, MD

9:15 A.M. ASBS Distinguished Guest Speaker
Introduction: Walter Poir es, MD
The AMA’s Legislative Agenda.
Richard F. Corlin, MD, President, AMA
Private Practice, Santa Monica, CA, USA

10:00 A.M. BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL

SESSION SIX
MODERATOR: Marc Bessler, MD

10:30 A.M. 30. Gastric bypass is an effective treatment for obstructive sleep apnea in patients with clinically significant obesity.* Sowsan Rasheid, BS, Magdalena Banasiak, BS, Anna Lipska, MD, Shadi Kaba, MD, Daniel Ventimiglia, RT, W. McDowell Anderson, MD, Michel Murr, MD


11:00 A.M. 32. Laparoscopic management of complications following laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass for morbid obesity. Pavlos Papasavas, MD, Philip Caushaj, MD, Robert Quinlin, MD, John Paige, MD, Fernando Hayetian, MD, Julie Maurer, PA-C, John Kelly*, MD, Daniel Gagné, MD

11:15 A.M. 33. Pilot study examining the frequency of several gene polymorphisms in a morbidly obese population.* Dimitri J. Koumanis, MD, Xiao Ling, MD, Nicholas V. Christou, MD, PhD, Brian M. Gilfix, MD, PhD

11:30 A.M. 34. Decrease in pepsinogen I after Roux-en-Y gastric bypass. Magnus Sundbom, MD, Erik Mårdh, MD, Sven Mårdh, MD, Margareta Öhrvall, MD, Sven Gustavsson, MD

11:45 A.M. 35. Laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding for massive super obesity. George A. Fielding, MD

12:00 P.M. 36. Elective cholecystectomy during laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass: is it worth the wait? Giselle G. Hamad, MD, Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD, William F. Gourash, CRNP, Philip R. Schauer, MD

12:15 P.M. 37. Efficacy of body mass index (BMI) dependent dosing of enoxaparin in gastric bypass (GBP) patients. Staci Kraus, BA, James R. Wallace, MD, PhD, Deborah A. Andris, MSN, Majed Abu-Hajir, MD, Attila Nakeeb, MD, William J. Schulte, MD

12:30 P.M. 38. Analysis of the results of 200 consecutive patients subjected to adjustable gastric band technique in the treatment of severe obesity. J.A. Sallet, MD, P. Arrudo, MD, T. Bacellar, MD, C, Pizani, MD, R. Habe, MD, M. Ribeiro, Jr., MD

12:45 P.M. Adjourn

*TO BE CONSIDERED FOR RESIDENT TRAINEE AWARD

POSTER SESSION

P1. Ambulatory surgery for the placement the adjustable gastric band for morbid obesity. Alexander Abkin, MD, Nicholas Bertha, DO, Mary Meola, RN

P2. The clinical spectrum of band erosion following laparoscopic adjustable silicone gastric banding (LAGB). Subhi Abu-Abeid, MD, Hana Pataschornik, MD, Amir Szold, MD

P3. Readmissions after bariatric surgery cannot be predicted. Prasad S. Adusumilli, MD, Michael Leitman, MD, Mingke Wang, MD, Daniel Roesler, MD, Byrne Lee, MD, Valvanur Subramanian, MD

P4. Does early upper gastrointestinal series help in the management of gastric bypass patients? Prasad Adusumilli, MD, Marina Kurian, MD, I. Michael Leitman, MD, Mingke Wang, BS, Mitchell S. Roslin, MD
P5. Who should be doing laparoscopic bariatric surgery?
Osama AI-Saif, MD, Magdalena Banasiak, MD, Scott Gallagher, MD, David Shapiro, MD, Michel Murr, MD

P6. Five year experience on 500 gastric banding patients.
Rafael Alvarez-Cordero, MD, V. Enrique Aragon, MD, R. Jesús Montoya, MD

William Arnold, MD, Scott Shikora, MD

P8. Incidence of co-morbid conditions between males and females undergoing gastric bypass surgery.
Dominick Artuso, MD, Thomas Sullivan, BS, Ashutosh Kaul, MD, Thomas Cerbona, MD

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P11. Incarcerated trocar site hernias following laparoscopic gastric bypass - risks and preventions.
Shmuel Avital, MD, Oscar Brasesco, MD, Samuel Szomstein, MD, Mark Liberman, MD, Raul Rosenthal, MD

P12. Weight loss following adjustable gastric banding and conventional medical treatment: a controlled study.
Vincenzo Bacci, MD, Maria Sole Basso, MD, Romina Lamberti, RD, Sabrina Coen, RD, Gianfranco Silecchia, MD, Nicola Perrotta, Antonella Bucci, MD, Nicola Basso, MD

John Wilder Baker, MD

Thomas L. Bass, MD, Robert N. Cooney, MD, James Ku, MD, Janelle McLeod, RD, Cynthia A. Miller, BS, Randy S. Haluck, MD

P15. Nutritional deficiencies after laparoscopic gastric bypass: the importance of post-op surveillance.
J.K. Champion, MD

Donald R. Czerniach, MD, Yuri W. Novitsky, MD, Richard A Perugini, MD, Demetrius E.M. Litwin, MD, John J. Kelly, MD

P17. Possibilities and limitations of psychological assistance after bariatric surgery.
Marlene M. Silva, MD, Leila SPC Tardivo, MD, Joel Faintuch, MD, Juliana C. Albuquerque, MD, Maria LC Rotta, MD, Mitsunori Matsuda, MD, Arthur B. Garrido, Jr., MD

John B. Dixon, MD, Linda M. Schachter, MD, Paul E. O’Brien, MD

Alexandra Dresel, MD, Joseph Kuhn, MD, Marc Cancemi, MD, Todd McCarty, MD

P20. Gastric bypass is an effective treatment for patients with polycystic ovary syndrome and morbid obesity.
George M. Eid, MD, Pooneh Hindi, MD, Mathew Glascock, MD, Giselle Hamad, MD, Philip Schauer, MD

Dorothy R. Fennaro, MS, CS, ANP, Richard Rubenstein, MD

P22. LapBand® after previous VBG.
George A. Fielding, MD

Nicholas J. Gargiulo, III, MD, Elliot Goodman, MD, Frank J. Veith, MD, Takao Ohki, MD, William D. Suggs, MD, Evan C. Lipsitz, MD, Neal S. Cayne, MD, Reese A. Wain, MD

Jon Gould, MD, Mohey Elbanna, MD, Bradley Needleman, MD, Charles Cook, MD, Peter Muscarella, MD, John Kissel, MD, W. Scott Melvin, MD

P25. Recommended dosing of enoxaparin for thromboprophylaxis is subtherapeutic in the morbidly obese.
Giselle G. Hamad, MD, Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD, Michael G. Posner, MD, John D. Fernstrom, MD, Franklin Bontempo, MD, Philip R. Schauer, MD

Elizabeth C. Hamilton, MD, Daniel B. Jones, MD, David E. Provost, MD

P27. Prevalence of occult sleep apnea in patients about to undergo morbid obesity surgery.
Barry S. Greene, MD, Payam P. Katebi, BS, Steven T. Kariya, MD, William Y. Marcus, MD

P28. Stapler port site infection with the transoral circular stapled technique in 182 laparoscopic gastric bypass surgeries.
Douglas M. Krahn, MD, Robert T. Marema, MD, Cynthia Buffington, PhD, John G. Jordan, BS
COURSE OVERVIEW
The course is designed to provide an overview of the laparoscopic surgical approach to the management of morbid obesity. This is a hands-on lab using fresh cadavers to demonstrate the most commonly used techniques in laparoscopic bariatric surgery. Case studies and discussion will also be included. (Up to 4.0 CME credits are available.)

TARGET AUDIENCE
Surgeons familiar with the fundamentals of bariatric surgery and experienced in advanced, minimally invasive techniques. The Cadaver Lab may not be taken without the ASBS Essentials in Bariatric Surgery Course offered June 25, 2002 unless the participant has previously taken this course.

OBJECTIVES
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. Describe the indications and contraindications of laparoscopic bariatric surgery.
2. Recognize obstacles encountered in laparoscopic bariatric surgery and discuss treatment options available.
3. State differences in instrumentation available; including visualization, stapling options, and robotics.
4. Validate that laparoscopic bariatric surgery is a change in access from conventional operations, but the principles of bariatric surgery remain unchanged.
5. Practice the basic steps of a laparoscopic gastric bypass in a cadaver lab.

FACULTY
Barry Fisher, MD
Kelvin D. Higa, MD
Robert Rabkin, MD
Philip Schauer, MD
J. Stephen Scott, MD
Scott Shikora, MD
PLENARY SESSION
Registration fees include: instruction, continental breakfasts, refreshment breaks, lunch (Wednesday and Thursday), Tuesday Welcome Reception, and the Thursday Dinner/Dance.

PRE AND POST SESSION COURSES
Registration for both Allied Health Sessions, the Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing Course, Essentials in Bariatric Surgery Course, Masters’ Postgraduate Course, and the Laparoscopic Bariatric Surgery Cadaver Lab is separate from the Plenary Session. The Welcome Reception and Dinner Dance are not included with registration for these courses.

Continental breakfast and lunch are included with the Allied Health Sciences Essentials in Surgical Support, Essentials of Bariatric Surgery, and the Allied Health Sciences General Session.

Industry Educational Workshops are included with meeting registration.

Other social events are optional and are noted in the Social Program section of this announcement.

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS
The Annual Meeting is open to all ASBS Members, physician nonmembers, and non-physician invited guests. ASBS Members may invite up to two non-physician guests.

All nonmembers wishing to attend the meeting who are not physicians must be invited by an ASBS member. PRE-REGISTRATION PRIOR TO JUNE 14th IS REQUIRED FOR INVITED GUESTS.

ALL OTHERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER AFTER JUNE 14 MUST REGISTER ON-SITE

ON-SITE REGISTRATION IS ON A SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS.

All paid registrations received in the ASBS office by June 14 will receive written confirmation. If you do not receive written confirmation, please contact the ASBS office.

- The registration fees must be paid in U.S. Dollars.
- The registration fees must accompany the registration form.
- Checks must be made payable to American Society for Bariatric Surgery
- Visa, MasterCard and American Express are accepted.
- Registration can be made by mail or fax.

CANCELLATION POLICY
Registration fee less a $35 administration charge is refundable if the ASBS is notified in writing by May 24, 2002. Individuals who register, but do not notify us of cancellation, and do not attend the meeting, will not be refunded the registration fee.
### Last Name | First Name | Middle Initial | Professional Title
---|---|---|---

### Address

### City | State | Zip Code | Country
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### Phone | Fax | E-Mail Address
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**First Name or Nickname to be printed on badge**

## REGISTRATION FEES

### PRESESSION COURSES

**Monday, June 24**

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**Tuesday, June 25**

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### PLENARY SESSION

**Wednesday - Friday, June 26 - 28**

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*INVITED GUEST MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FILLED IN:

Printed name of sponsoring member  
Signature of sponsoring member

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LAPAROSCOPIC CADAVER LAB
Friday, June 28
Member $1,500 $1,500
Nonmember (Physician) $1,800 $1,800
Saturday, June 29
Member $1,500 $1,500
Nonmember (Physician) $1,800 $1,800

ON-SITE REGISTRATION ONLY AFTER JUNE 14, 2002.
ON-SITE REGISTRATION IS ON A SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS

SOCIAL EVENTS

WELCOME RECEPTION
Tuesday, June 25 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
(No charge for Plenary Session registrants)
Please check one of the following: I will attend the Welcome Reception ______ Yes ______ No
Guest Tickets $35.00/each
____$35.00 = $______

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE
Thursday, June 27 7:00 P.M. - 12:30 A.M.
(No charge for Plenary Session registrants)
Please check one of the following: I will attend the Dinner/Dance ______ Yes ______ No
Guest Tickets $70.00/each
____$70.00 = $______

TOURS
BLACK CANYON RIVER Wednesday, June 26 8:00 A.M.
Tickets $92.00/each
____$92.00 = $______

BALLY’S BACK STAGE Wednesday, June 26 10:00 A.M.
Tickets $115.00/each
____$115.00 = $______

HOOVER DAM Thursday, June 27 8:30 A.M.
Tickets $51.00/each
____$51.00 = $______

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES (Registration plus Social Events) $______

_____ Check Enclosed (Make payable in U.S. Funds to ASBS)
_____ Visa _____ MasterCard _____ American Express

Card Number ___________________________ Expiration Date ___________________________
Name on Card ___________________________ Signature ___________________________

Return to: ASBS
7328 West University Avenue
Suite F
Gainesville, FL 32607 USA

OR
FAX: 352-331-4975
19th Annual Meeting of the ASBS
June 24 - 29, 2002
Convention Rate: $149.00 per night + 9% tax

1. GUEST INFORMATION
   Name:
   Additional Guests:
   Address:
   City: State: ZipCode:
   Country:
   Phone:

2. ACCOMMODATIONS
   Number of Rooms: (Specify Single or Double)
   Non Smoking:
   Smoking:
   Special Requests:
   (i.e., accessible room, adjoining rooms, crib in room, etc.)

3. ARRIVAL INFORMATION (Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Check-out time is 11:00 a.m.)
   Arrival Date: Time:
   Departure Date: Time:

4. GUARANTEE (All reservations must be accompanied by first night deposit charged immediately)
   Cardholder's Name:
   Credit Card Number: Exp. Date:
   Signature:

OR

Please forward one night's room and tax to:
Mandalay Bay Resort, 3950 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

**RESERVATION CUT-OFF DATE IS MAY 17, 2002**
*The conference rate is based on availability*
Cancellations must be received 72-hours prior to arrival. Failure to cancel will result in payment of one night's room and tax.
American Society for Bariatric Surgery

19th Annual Meeting

American Society for Bariatric Surgery

June 24 - 29, 2002
Mandalay Bay Resort
Las Vegas, Nevada
JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR A GREAT TIME AND HELP YOUR FOUNDATION BE ABLE TO EDUCATE PHYSICIANS AND OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND THE MEDIA ABOUT BARIATRIC SURGERY.

**Individual Ticket**  
[Reception Only] - $150.00  
(Contribution Amount $50.00 per ticket)

**Individual Ticket**  
[Reception/Danny Gans Show] - $250.00  
(Contribution Amount $60.00 per ticket)

**Patron Ticket**  
[Reception Only] - $350.00  
(Contribution Amount $250.00 per ticket)

**Patron Level Ticket**  
[Reception/Danny Gans Show] - $450.00  
(Contribution Amount $260.00 per ticket)

Name Listed in Program

**Sponsorship Levels**  
Name Listed in Program, Posters and ASBS Newsletter.

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Contribution amounts are tax deductible.

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I will support the ASBS Foundation with a Sponsorship of $ ____________

TOTAL ASBS Foundation (Tickets plus Sponsorship) $ ____________

NAME __________________________________________
ADDRESS __________________________________________
PHONE __________________ FAX __________________ EMAIL __________________

Make checks payable to ASBS Foundation. ____ Check Enclosed

______ MasterCard ________ Visa ________ American Express

Card Number __________________________ Expiration Date __________________ Signature __________________

Tickets will be in the ASBS meeting registration packet.  
**You must present your tickets to get into all events.**
5th ANNUAL
ASBS FOUNDATION EVENT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2002
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

5:30 P.M. RECEPTION AT THE HOUSE OF BLUES
JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR GREAT FOOD, DRINKS AND FANTASTIC LIVE ENTERTAINMENT!

Honoring
Dr. Mervyn Deitel
Recipient of the 2002 Outstanding Achievement Award

Also Featuring
Dr. William Marcus at the Piano &
Darci Murphy on vocals

Dr. Marcus is hot on the piano and if you heard Darci's brief performance at dinner last year you know you don't want to miss this event!!

7:10 P.M. BUSES LEAVE FOR THE MIRAGE
8:00 P.M. NO. 1 SHOW IN VEGAS

**DANNY GANS**

www.dannygansshow.com
“The Best Singer-Comedian-Impressionist-Actor Musical Variety Show in the Business Today”

A CONSISTENTLY SOLD OUT SHOW!

See Reverse Side for Ticket Information. SPACE LIMITED – GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY!