



## ASSET NEWSLETTER JUNE 2019



Dear ASSET colleagues,

It's time for our quarterly update with summer knocking at the door (or winter for our colleagues on the other side of the world)! Lots of ASSET on-goings to share!

**Education Committee** – Two continuing education courses instructed by ASSET and ASES members were completed with excellence in shoulder rehabilitation and surgery shared with over 70 participants in Nashville, TN and Wooster, OH. Although the official revenue generated is not yet determined, we are hoping for close to \$8000 profit from these courses. Thanks to the following ASSET members who made this happen: Rebecca Dickinson, Education Chair and course director at Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN, Brian Coote, course director Wooster, OH, and speakers at the courses: Craig Wassinger, Lisa Kovack, Jake Landes, Mark Ramsey, and Ernest Michaud.

The EUSSE-ASSET collaboration continues to be a priority to both organizations. The European Society for Shoulder and Elbow Rehabilitation (<http://www.eusser.org/>) invites all ASSET members to join (and renew) their complementary Basic Membership which includes access to information about events and updates from this vibrant organization, and access collaborative educational projects such as the three podcasts already published for members. The ability to share these podcasts about tennis, swimming and shoulder pain outside membership is being explored as are future directions for continued educational collaboration.

**Development Committee** – Jonathan Sum and Brian McNeill continue to facilitate sponsor relationships; RangeMaster, ShoulderSphere, and DJO vended at the two recent continuing education courses. The Development Team is working with sponsors on participation and support to our annual conference in NYC in October. These relationships are super important to ASSET and we ask all members to support our sponsors (full list on ASSET web site).

**Communications Committee** – Brian Phillips and his team report over 400 hits on the web site this spring, likely due to the recent continuing education courses! Registration and program for the International Congress of Shoulder and Elbow Therapists being held in Buenos Aires, Argentina in September are available on the ASSET website. ASSET Annual Conference registration and program should be available in mid-July.

**Research Committee** – Tanya Beiswenger has launched requests for abstracts for the annual meeting in New York in October and the research team is reviewing submitted abstracts (14 so far!). Please be responsive to requests to present, and utilize the excellent service of Angela Tate, mentorship sub-committee chair, who will assist members with the development of abstracts and presentations for the annual meeting. *All members have expertise to share* – case studies, level 1 research, clinical pearls demonstrated in a learning lab, an educational module – we can absolutely learn from one another, and this sharing is what makes our organization so vibrant and meetings so stimulating! On behalf of the research committee, I ask members to please submit your abstracts as soon as possible so that programming for the annual meeting can be finalized.

**Program Committee** – Aaron Sciascia, Past-president, is chair of program development for the 2019 meeting October 16-19 in New York City and is working closely with his committee and ASES to develop a terrific agenda. This will be a great meeting and we hope many will attend! Registration and programming should be available mid-July.

**Membership Committee** – Lane Bailey, President-elect and Members-at-large Lisa Kovack and Will Clark have approved Daniel Kline as a new member to ASSET; welcome Daniel! Daniel works with ATI in Greenville, SC. Please help to recruit new members to ASSET who are passionate about shoulder and elbow care!!



**Bylaws Committee** – Lane also has worked on formal language to update the Bylaws regarding changing Fellow to an honorary status rather than membership category, adding the Development Committee formally, and clarifying the process of keeping the attend/present list current. Please vote on these Bylaws changes/additions ASAP at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ASSET2019Bylaws>.

**International Congress of Shoulder and Elbow Therapists** - Buenos Aires, Argentina September 17-20, 2019. Conference chair is ASSET member Osvaldo Patino with John Basti, Ellen Shanley and Tim Uhl working on the scientific committee. It's not too late to register for this fantastic meeting: <https://www.icses2019.org/icset/>. ASSET members will be presenting at this meeting and we wish luck and success in this endeavor to: John Basti, Tim Uhl, Ellen Shanley, Chuck Thigpen, Lori Michner, Ameer Seitz, Craig Wassinger, Tanya Mackenzie, Federico Pozzi, and myself!



#### **ASSET SERVICE**

Bill Mallon, MD, continues to request and appreciate the support of ASSET members who serve as reviewers for the Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Surgery.

AAOS has officially adopted Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Management of Rotator Cuff Injuries and state on the website that these guidelines are supported by ASSET: <http://www.orthoguidelines.org/topic?id=1027>. Thank you Mike Shaffer for your work on this committee and Chuck Thigpen for review of the proposed guidelines.

AAOS Clinical Practice Guidelines for Glenohumeral Joint Osteoarthritis continues to move forward with contributions from ASSET members June Kennedy (representing ASSET) and Brian Leggin (representing the APTA).

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

The Executive Board is updating a Board Manual to pass on to new board members to provide guidance and direction and to assist in smooth transition of processes. We hope to have this ready for the new Executive Board and Committee Chairs in October!

The workgroup on Consensus Rehabilitation Guidelines following Anatomic Total Shoulder Arthroplasty is making steady progress. A practice pattern survey was administered to ASES members and 120 replied – kudos to Todd Peterson for this diligent work. A more detailed practice pattern survey has been sent to ASSET membership and your response is greatly needed. Please complete this survey if you have not yet: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/anatomictsa>. Literature review teams have made great strides in different areas for the paper and authors are working on drafts for each section of the paper. We hope to have proposed guidelines for membership review in the next quarter.

This letter would not be complete without recognition of and gratitude expressed for the constant support of Kristin Schild, our AAOS administrative assistant who provides backbone to our society. Thank you for all that you do, Kristin!

I wish each of you a restorative and terrific summer! I hope to see many of you at the meetings in Buenos Aires and New York City. Thank you all for your membership in ASSET and your many contributions to excellence in shoulder and elbow care.

Respectfully,

June Kennedy

President, American Society of Shoulder and Elbow Therapists