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Message from FSA President



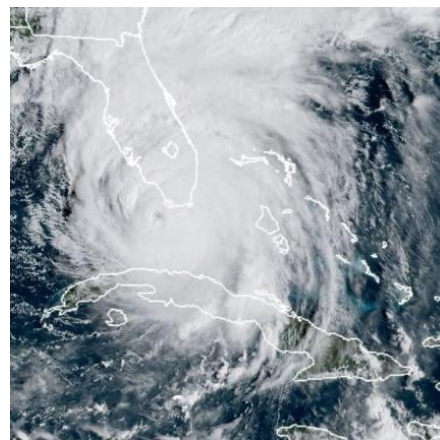
Hello FSA Members,

Where were you when Irma arrived?

The 2017 hurricane season quickly established its place in the top 10 most active seasons in history, and may prove to be the most destructive on record. Hurricane Irma ground hard into Florida, and even with the warning we had, the state was not expecting the strength of hit we took. And yet, as physician anesthesiologists dedicated to the safety and well-being of our patients, our first priority was to continue to do our job, regardless of the destructive weather bearing down on us. I've heard some amazing stories from our members regarding patient care during the storm and after; each one is testament to our dedication and commitment to our profession. Be proud of that. As the president of your Society, I am proud of the work you do, and sincerely thank you for it.

I'm sure many of you are making preparations to attend ANESTHESIOLOGY 2017. This year the meeting returns to Boston, the city where modern anesthesia was born. We've showcased highlights of the meeting in this issue, and it should be a lively and informative event. I hope to see many of our Florida members there. ***And don't forget to come to the Southern States Reception on Saturday night the 21st!*** (Details also in this issue.)

FSA continues to ramp up our activities. New committees such as our Pain Medicine Committee and the Obstetric Anesthesia Committee are busy generating new work to be published. Our Residents Committee is prepping resident delegates for the upcoming ASA meeting, and the Communications Committee is soon to begin work on an FSA website overhaul. And with the 2018 Florida legislative session beginning in January, the FSA Legislative Affairs Committee will shortly get gearing up for our annual visit to Tallahassee, working closely with our colleagues at Johnson & Blanton to keep anesthesia care in Florida safe, patient-centered and physician driven.



As always, thank you for your membership,

D. Kurt Jones, MD MBA
2017-2018 FSA President

ANESTHESIOLOGY 2017 – 5 Highlights of the Meeting in Boston

1. Atul Gawande, MD MPH

Keynote Speaker: “System Innovation in Surgical and Anesthesia Care”

Saturday, October 21st at 9:15am

Named one of TIME Magazine’s 100 most influential thinkers, Dr. Gawande is a surgeon, writer and public health researcher whose vision for improving performance and safety in health care have made him a highly sought after speaker in medicine. His most recent book is entitled “Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End.”



2. Featured Lectures



Douglas R. Bacon, MD MA: “Improving Patient Outcomes: A Romp Through the History of Anesthesiology”

Sunday, October 22 at 9:50am

Dr. Bacon’s enthusiastic embrace of both history and medicine has results in over 70 peer reviewed publications dealing with historical questions about anesthesiology, as well as his “From the Crow’s Nest” column in ASA’s newsletter. This panel will highlight the very interesting history of some of anesthesia’s most vexing problems.

George Mashour, MD PhD: FAER-Helrich Lecture “Consciousness & the Dying Brain”

Monday, October 23 @ 1:10pm.

An international recognized expert on the topics of consciousness, anesthetic mechanisms and sleep, Dr. Mashour will focus on the near death experience, describing how the neurobiology of consciousness, as well as techniques to monitor anesthetic-induced unconsciousness, have informed the first scientific investigations of the near death experience.



3. Reception & Screening: THE CHECKLIST EFFECT



Join ASA and Lifebox for a reception and screening of the award winning documentary "The Checklist Effect" and meet the director, Lauren Anders Brown.

Sunday, October 22 @ 6:00pm

Seaport World Trade Center, Mezzanine Level - \$75 per ticket.

A safe operation is more than a series of clinical steps done right. Every day, our colleagues around the world share stories of extraordinary teamwork to save a life. Human dramas, cut and stitched around the world more than 359 million times a year. "The Checklist Effect" explores how longer lifespans have led to an urgent increase in the need for surgery – and provoked a deadly safety crisis. Inspired by surgeon and author Atul Gawande’s award-winning book *The Checklist Manifesto*, this film explores the challenges of delivering safe surgery on a global scale—and how a seemingly-simple piece of paper can mean the difference between life and death.

4. Hope for the Warriors® – Run for the Warriors 5K

Saturday, October 21 @ 7am

Boston Common



Pack your running shoes and join us for the Hope for the Warriors 5K Run/Walk.

Following last year’s successful run in Chicago, ASA will sponsor, for an eighth consecutive year, Hope for the Warriors - Run For The Warriors in Boston. Join meeting attendees, exhibitors, local residents and military personnel who run to support those wounded serving our country and their families.

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5. See Boston!



ANESTHESIOLOGY 2017 promises to be an exciting and busy meeting – but if you do have a free afternoon or evening, take time to experience a city steeped in history.

LOBSTER: *Homarus americanus* – “American Lobster” is a cold water lobster, distinguished by its large claws, and is very different from the warm water lobster found



off the shores of our southern states and in the Caribbean. Enjoy great lobster at [Legal Sea Foods](#), [Durgin Park](#), [Yankee Lobster Co.](#) and [James Hook & Co.](#)



LEAVES: New England’s fall colors are legendary and iconic, and they beautify the landscape from late September through October. Best part is, you don’t have to spend time crawling on an over-crowded parkway to enjoy them. The [Boston Discovery Guide](#) can show you where to find beautiful fall foliage right in the city.

LONG WALKS – on the Freedom Trail: Immerse yourself in the nation’s history on this 2.5 mile trail weaving through downtown Boston, highlighting 16 historically significant sites from the American Revolution. Included on the tour are the Old North Church, a statue of Benjamin Franklin, Boston Common, Bunker Hill and the USS Constitution. www.thefreedomtrail.org



And join your Florida colleagues for 2 receptions during ANESTHESIOLOGY 2017:





for the

Southern States Reception

at



Saturday, October 21, 2017
7:00 - 9:00pm

Aloft Boston Seaport Hotel
401-403 “D” Street, Boston
1st floor in the Mann Ballroom

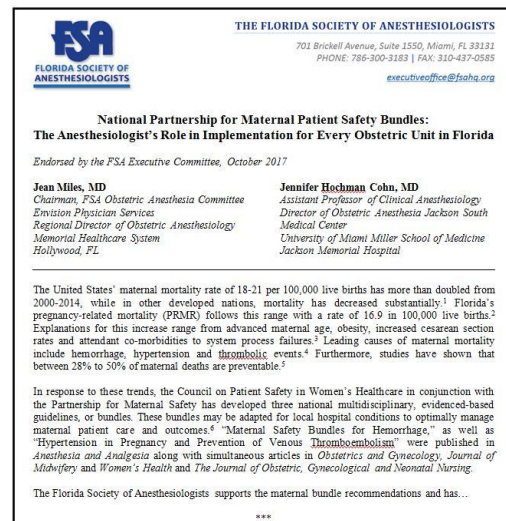
Guests welcome
Wine, beer and heavy hors d'oeuvres

Hosted by
The Florida Society of Anesthesiologists
The Louisiana Society of Anesthesiologists
The Mississippi Society of Anesthesiologists
The South Carolina Society of Anesthesiologists

From the FSA Obstetric Anesthesia Committee: Maternal Patient Safety Bundles

The FSA Obstetric Anesthesia Committee (ObAC) has just completed a paper on maternal bundles. Authored by Committee chair Dr. Jean Miles and ObAC member Dr. Jennifer Hochman Cohn, the paper has been endorsed by the FSA and available on the FSA website. **Click the image** to read the full published article.

Congratulations Drs. Miles & Cohn!



IN THE BREAK ROOM

Introducing the *BREAK ROOM CAPTION CONTEST*

A little art, a little levity, a chance to win a prize!

Time to exercise your creative writing muscles – come up with a caption for the picture to the right and submit your suggestion to FSA.

The members of the FSA Communications Committee will review the entries and select the winner, who will be announced in the next e-newsletter and on our [FSA Facebook page](#).

Submit your suggestion by email to jj@fsahq.org by Monday October 30th.

Winner will be announced **Monday November 6!**

Good Luck and Happy Captioning!



Artwork created by FSA member Dr. Sher-Lu Pai, MD

RESIDENT'S CORNER

ASA's PRACTICE MANAGEMENT 2018 –Sponsorships Available for Residents



PRACTICE MANAGEMENT 2018 offers nearly 100 educational sessions, eight pre-conferences, [Residents & Fellows Track](#), advocacy updates, panel discussions and the keynote address “From Big Data to Small Decisions: Using Data to Collaborate and Improve Care” by Sachin Kheterpal, MD MBA. The conference takes place at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans in New Orleans, LA, January 26-28 2018.

Apply for an ASA Scholarship – Deadline October 31

The ASA Committee on Practice Management sponsors residents to attend the meeting through the Emerging Leaders Scholarship Program, awarding 10 scholarships of \$1,000 each. Nominations are made by program directors and should be accompanied by 1) two letters of recommendation, 2) CV, and 3) an essay of 500 words or less from each applicant describing their interest in practice management and leadership. All materials can be emailed to residentcomponent@asahq.org.

Or apply for the FSA 2018 Travel Scholarship – Deadline November 17

The FSA Travel Scholarship is a \$1000 stipend to be used for travel and lodging support for the program. Applicants must submit:

1. A Statement of Interest, not to exceed 300 words, outlining their interest in attending the conference
2. A current Resume, CV or Biosketch
3. A letter of recommendation from a faculty member or department chair.

Interested applicants should email the above jj@fsahq.org. Applications are reviewed by the FSA Executive Committee and the recipient announced by December 1, 2017.

FSA - Upcoming Events

January 26-28, 2018	Practice Management 2018	<i>New Orleans</i>
January 29-30, 2018	FSA Legislative Days	<i>Tallahassee</i>
May 9-13, 2018	Society for Obstetric Anesthesia & Perinatology 50 th Annual Meeting	<i>Miami</i>
May 14-16, 2018	ASA Legislative Conference	<i>Washington, DC</i>
June 8-10, 2018	FSA Annual Meeting	<i>Palm Beach</i>

A comprehensive calendar of national anesthesia-related events is located on the [ASA Website](#).