2009 CANS Annual Meeting
California Association of Neurological Surgeons
January 16-18, 2009
Carmel, California

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The weekend at a glance...
(event details on the following pages)

FRIDAY,
January 16, 2009

1:00-5:00 p.m.  CANS Board Meeting (all members welcome)
6:30-8:30 p.m.  Opening Reception - no-host bar and complimentary hors d’oeuvres
(all guests and exhibitors welcome)

SATURDAY,
January 17, 2009

7:30-11:45a.m.  CANS Meeting:
CHANGE: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly!

11:45-1:00  Physician/Exhibitor luncheon
Luncheon Speaker: Thom Steinbeck
Afternoon free for golf or other activities or to view a dramatic film
by Academy Award Winning Documentary Filmmaker Terry Sanders:
2:00-3:30 p.m.  “Fighting for Life”  (A contemporary portrait of American military medicine)

6:30 p.m.  Shuttle to Monterey Bay Aquarium
7:00 p.m.  Cocktails
7:45 p.m.  Dinner and Award Presentation:
Byron Cone Pevehouse Distinguished Service Award to Ulrich Batzdorf, M.D.

SUNDAY,
January 18, 2009

7:30-12:00 noon  CANS Meeting:
Change as it Applies to Our Individual Practices

2:00-5:00 p.m.  Tour: National Steinbeck Center
hosted by Thom Steinbeck
CHANGE: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly!

7:30-8:15  Continental Breakfast/Visit Exhibits

8:15-8:30  CANS Business Meeting
Moustapha Abou-Samra, M.D., President, California Association of Neurological Surgeons

8:30-9:00  History of CANS
John A. Kusske, M.D., Consultant to the CANS Board of Directors

9:00-9:30  Change in Organized Neurosurgery
James R. Bean, M.D., President, American Association of Neurological Surgeons

9:30-10:00  Change in Higher Education – How to Prepare Future Generations for Careers in Demanding & Technical Fields
Richard R. Rush, President, California State University Channel Islands

10:00-10:30  break/visit exhibits

10:30-10:40  Activities and Relevance of the Council of State Neurosurgical Societies
Patrick J. Wade, M.D., CSNS Delegate

10:40-11:00  Neurosurgical Sub-specialties: Are We Ready for Them?
Moustapha Abou-Samra, M.D., President, California Association of Neurological Surgeons

11:00-11:30  Changes in Neurosurgery Education
Ulrich Batzdorf, M.D.

11:30-11:45  Fighting For Life (Film will be shown at 2:00 p.m.)
“a contemporary portrait of American military medicine”
Introduction by Terry Sanders, Academy Award Winning Documentary Filmmaker

11:45-1:00  Physician/Exhibitor Luncheon
Luncheon Speaker: Thom Steinbeck
“Fighting for Life”

_Fighting for Life_ is a powerful, sobering and emotional feature documentary portrait of American military medicine interweaving three stories:

- Military doctors, nurses and medics, working with skill, compassion and dedication amidst the vortex of the Iraq War.
- Wounded soldiers and marines reacting with courage, dignity and determination to survive and to heal.
- Students at USU, the “West Point” of military medicine, on their journey toward becoming career military physicians.

The film follows 21 year-old Army Specialist Crystal Davis, from Iraq to Germany to Walter Reed Hospital in Washington DC, as she fights to recover and “bounce back” from the loss of a leg.

The filmmakers had extraordinary access to combat support hospitals in Iraq, medevac flights with wounded soldiers, and military hospitals in Germany and the United States.

“To be a military surgeon, one must scorn fortune, have absolute integrity and sacrifice oneself completely to the patient.”

-Dominique Jean Larrey, Napoleon’s Chief Army Surgeon

Terry Sanders

_Academy Award Winning Documentary Filmmaker_

Director, producer, writer Terry Sanders is a two-time Oscar winner who has produced and/or directed more than 70 award-winning dramatic features, theatrical documentaries, television specials and a large body of portrait films of major American artists, writers and musicians. Sanders’ first professional job after producing and photographing the Oscar-winning dramatic short story film, “A Time Out of War,” was directing the second unit of “Night of the Hunter” for Charles Laughton. Later he adapted “The Day Lincoln Was Shot” for CBS-TV and co-wrote the screenplay of “The Naked and the Dead” for Warner Bros. He produced and co-directed with his brother Denis the independent features “Crime and Punishment, USA” and United Artists’ “War Hunt” with Robert Redford and John Saxon.
SATURDAY EVENING January 17
6:30 p.m. Shuttle to Aquarium
7:00 p.m. Cocktails
7:45 p.m. Dinner followed by Award Presentation

DINNER MENU

◆ SALAD Baby Hearts of Romaine
◆ CHOICE of ENTRÉE: Filet Mignon with Potato Root Gratin, Brown Butter Broccolini, Cabernet Fig Jelly, Stock Reduction
◆ Sustainable Seafood and Spinach Risotto (Littleneck Clams, Mussels, Dungeness Crab, Oregon Shrimp, Northeastern Scallops, Market Fish)
◆ Vegetarian (Chef’s choice)
◆ DESSERT Lemon Meringue Tart

Wine will be served with dinner; there will be a children’s dinner for ages 3-12; under 3 free.

Transportation
Transportation will be provided to/from Quail Lodge and the Aquarium. Please go to the resort entrance at promptly 6:30 p.m. for a ride to the Aquarium. At the conclusion of the event at the Aquarium, the shuttles will leave at 10:30 p.m. to transport guests back to Quail Lodge.

Aquarium Exhibits
Your dinner fee includes admission to the Outer Bay area of the Aquarium. You can view the first floor before dinner and then proceed upstairs at 7:45 p.m. for the seated dinner. After dinner and the presentation of the Pevehouse Award, you are free to wander about the Outer Bay area until the Aquarium closes at 10:30 p.m. If you want to return to the Aquarium on Sunday or Monday (Martin Luther King holiday), group tickets are available at the reduced rate of $15.95 but must be purchased in advance. Please indicate the number of tickets you wish to purchase on the registration form included in this packet.

The Byron Cone Pevehouse Distinguished Service Award is conferred upon a neurosurgeon in California who has served both the community of neurosurgery and medicine in general in an extraordinary effective and distinguished manner.

CANS is honored to present this award to Ulrich Batzdorf, M.D. The presentation will be made at the conclusion of the banquet.
SUNDAY MORNING January 18
CANS Socioeconomic Meeting 7:30 a.m. - noon

7:30-8:00  Continental Breakfast/Visit Exhibits

8:00-10:00  Change as it Applies to Our Individual Practices

Introduction
Moustapha Abou-Samra, M.D., President, California Association of Neurological Surgeons

Outpatient Spine Surgery Center Model
Richard N. W. Wohns, M.D., M.B.A., Chairman, Neospine

Military Neurosurgery
Rocco Armonda, M.D.

Women in Neurosurgery
Deborah Henry, M.D.

Academic Model
Praveen Mummaneni, M.D.

Kaiser Model
Marc Vanefsky, M.D.

10:00-10:30  Break/Visit Exhibits

10:30-11:30  Round Table Discussion
Everyone

11:30-11:45  Future Direction of CANS
William L. Caton III, M.D., President-Elect California Association of Neurological Surgeons

11:45-12:00  Q/A

Noon  Meeting adjourned
The Center is located in John Steinbeck’s hometown of Salinas, a scenic 17-mile drive from Monterey, California in the heart of Steinbeck Country. The Museum offers three distinct visitor experiences in literature and history, agriculture and art, as well as special events and educational programs.

In the John Steinbeck Exhibition Hall, literature jumps off the printed page and into your imagination. Discover Steinbeck’s world through interactive, multisensory exhibits for all ages, rare artifacts, and seven themed theaters showcasing *East of Eden, Cannery Row, Of Mice and Men, The Grapes of Wrath* and much more.

Explore the stories of the Salinas Valley “from field to fork” in the Rabobank Agriculture Museum. Salinas has long been known as “the Salad Bowl of the World” and this hands on permanent exhibit celebrates the history, people and technology of the agricultural industry. Play the Produce Game, vote for your favorite vegetable or design your own crate label.

Enjoy changing art and cultural exhibits in the multiple gallery spaces.

Rooted in the earth and the people of the Salinas Valley, author John Steinbeck achieved worldwide recognition for his keen observations and powerful descriptions of the human condition. He championed the forgotten and disenfranchised while affirming the strength of the human spirit. His life was as rich and provocative as the Salinas Valley he immortalized in his writing. Steinbeck drew his inspiration from this land and became known throughout the world, receiving the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1962.

Thomas Steinbeck began his career in the 1960s as a combat photographer in Vietnam. Along with his writing and producing obligations, Mr. Steinbeck is in demand as a public speaker where he lectures on American literature, creative writing and the communication arts.

Mr. Steinbeck serves as an honorary board member at the Stella Adler Theatre in Hollywood. He is active on the boards at the National Steinbeck Center in Salinas, California and the Center for Steinbeck Studies in San Jose.

His first book, *Down to a Soundless Sea*, is a collection of seven stories that resonate with the rich history and culture of California, recalling vivid details of life in Monterey County from the turn of the century through the 1930s. He is currently editing his third novel.

Mr. Steinbeck has written and sold numerous original screenplays and documentaries, as well as adaptations of his father’s work. He lives in Santa Barbara with his wife Gail.
LOCAL DIRECTIONS to the NATIONAL STEINBECK CENTER

Take Route 68 East, 17 miles
to downtown Salinas.
Continue through Oldtown
to One Main Street.

The National Steinbeck Center
One Main Street
Salinas, CA 93901
(831)775-4721
(831)796-3828 fax
info@steinbeck.org
Group Reservation Request

California Association of Neurological Surgeons

Group Arrival Date: 01/15/2009                               Group Departure Date: 01/19/2009
Nightly Rate: Luxury Room $160.00                   Group Code: CAL0109
Reservation Deadline: December 15, 2008

*** IMPORTANT NOTE: After December 15th reservations will be made based upon the hotel’s availability and at the hotel’s prevailing rate.

Please provide the following information:

Your Arrival Date: ____________________________ Your Departure Date: ______________________
Name: ______________________________________ Room Type request: _______________________
Company: ___________________________________ Telephone: _______________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________ Number of Guests: ___________
Send confirmation via: e-mail ____ or Fax_______ Fax Number: _____________________________
e-Mail address: ______________________________

Luxury room facilities include:
One King or Two queen-size (based upon availability) pillow-top bed with Italian linens, Expansive bathroom, Luxurious bath products, 42-inch oversize plasma screen TV, DVD and CD player, High-speed Internet access, Brand name honor bar and fitness center.

Deposit:
A deposit of the first night is required at the time of reservation. Please complete the information below. Rates are exclusive of a 10.5% occupancy tax, $20.00 nightly resort fee and $1.00 nightly county tourism assessment that will be added to each night’s stay. Resort fee will be used towards Front Services & Housekeeping employee gratuities.

Cancellation:
Cancellation of a reservation made prior to 30 days of arrival will receive a full refund. Cancellations made within 30 days will be charged a one-night cancellation fee.

Credit Card Type (please circle one): Visa MasterCard American Express Discover Diners Club

Card Number: Expiration Date:
Full Name on Credit Card:

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Serving LAX

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**CANS ANNUAL MEETING 2009 REGISTRATION FORM**

*Quail Lodge Resort & Golf Club in Carmel, CA, January 16-18, 2009*

Name (please print)___________________________________________________________________________________

Neurosurgeon___ other (please specify)___________________________________________________ Telephone _________________________

Address _________________________________________________________ Fax           _________________________

City, State, Zip ___________________________________________________ E-mail       _________________________

1. **Saturday & Sunday Meeting Registration January 17-18**
   (* includes opening reception on Friday for everyone and lunch for registrants on Saturday*)
   - CANS Members    $ 300
   - Senior Members   $250
   - Non-Members     $ 350
   - Residents no charge

   * Please indicate if you will attend luncheon (there is a $50 lunch fee for guests, spouses and residents)

2. **Saturday Banquet, January 17** *(Monterey Bay Aquarium)* Cocktails 7:00 pm; Dinner 7:45 pm
   (Price of banquet includes drinks, salad, wine, dessert and admission to Outer Bay area of Aquarium.)
   - Per Person    $150
   - Guest          $150
   - Child (3-12)  $ 60
   - Child (3-12)  $ 20

   Name ______________________________   Filet___ Seafood____ Veg___
   Name  ______________________________   Filet___ Seafood____ Veg___
   Name(s) ___________________ admission only; no separate dinner/can share with parent.

3. **Complimentary transportation** will be provided to/from Quail Lodge and the Aquarium. Shuttles will leave Quail Lodge promptly at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday and will begin return trip from Aquarium at 10:30 p.m.
   Please indicate here the number of seats, if any, you would like to reserve on the shuttle.

4. **Aquarium** - If you want to return to the Aquarium on Sunday or Monday (Martin Luther King holiday), group tickets are available at the reduced rate of $15.95 but must be purchased in advance.
   Please indicate the number of tickets and add the appropriate amount to your registration and banquet fee.

**No refund requests will be accepted after January 1, 2009 so that quantities can be guaranteed to the hotel.**

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE by December 15, 2008**

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Payment Information:
1. Check enclosed (payable to CANS) _____
2. Please authorize use of VISA _____ or MasterCard ______
   - Card number ___________________________ Expiration Date _____________
   - Name on card ___________________________ Signature ___________________
   - Address if different from above ____________________________

**Rooms:** Call **Quail Lodge Resort & Golf Club** 888.828.8787 by 5:00pm December 15, 2008 to ensure a room at the group rate of $160.00. Please check here when you have made your hotel reservations.

**Return registration form to CANS, 5380 Elvas Ave., #216, Sacramento, CA 95819 or fax to 916 457-8202.**

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