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# A Thankful Farewell

*Jose Banchs, MD, FASE, 2018-2019 ASE Foundation Annual Appeal Committee Chairman*



**T**his newsletter marks the conclusion of my term as chair of the Annual Appeal Committee and I'd like to end it the same way it began, with a whole-hearted thank you to all of you, our generous donors, for your continued support of the Foundation. You all are what makes the Foundation successful!

My vision for the Annual Appeal Committee was to grow its overall visibility and importance to the Society, to find sustainable but also fun ways to educate the general audience about our fundraising goals, mechanisms and rationale, and to emphasize transparently the incredible achievements and utility of what those funds accomplish year after year. Reflecting over the last three years, I feel that these visions have come to fruition and I have the utmost confidence that the Foundation will continue to grow and develop over the next three years. I am honored to hand over the ASEF torch to David Rubenson, MD, FASE. Dr. Rubenson has served as co-chair of the Annual Appeal Committee, and his dedication and passion for the Foundation have personally inspired me. I know he will take ASEF to new heights.

You may recall from the last newsletter that the ASE Board of Directors developed a strategic plan for the Foundation which launched at the beginning of this year. The establishment of a separate strategic plan is going to allow both ASE and ASEF to prioritize better and focus their efforts. Looking ahead, we will also embark on the process of establishing a separate Board of Directors dedicated to the Foundation.

Before I share all the exciting things to expect this year, let's recap what's happened so far. In February we hosted our third annual *Spread the Love* campaign. This is our way of celebrating American Heart Month and 13 people made donations in honor of their mentors. Our fourth annual Spring Giving Day took place on the first day of spring, March 20th, and contributions from 24 people helped us exceed our \$5,000 goal by giving \$5,668!

At this year's Scientific Sessions in Portland, OR, the ASE Foundation is bringing back the *Cardiovascular Challenge*, the *Images from the Heart* photo exhibition, and we're introducing some new fundraising opportunities. Have you

ever heard of tie-knot blankets? ASEF would like to donate 50 of these no-sewing-required blankets to pediatric patients at the Oregon Health & Science University Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Portland. We need help assembling the blankets, so be sure to stop by the ASEF booth to find out how you can get involved! Also, we are honored to host New York Times bestselling author and inaugural Gardin Lecturer, Barbara Natterson-Horowitz, MD, for a signing event of her book: *Zoobiquity*. She'll be at the ASEF Booth from 2:45 – 3:30 PM on Sunday, June 23rd so make sure you stop by to pick up your signed copy.

Support from our donors in 2018 has allowed the ASE Foundation to provide 57 travel grants to sonographers, members of ASE's four specialty councils, and research abstract presenters to support their education by helping them attend ASE 2019. The recipients of this funding are the future of our field and ASEF is honored to support them in their careers.

Support from our donors in 2018 also allows us to host two global health outreach events this September; one in Yan'an, China and the other in Eldoret, Kenya! In China, a team of ASEF volunteers will provide training for physicians working primarily in rural areas, and they will participate in scanning and triaging children and adults with rheumatic and congenital heart disease. In Kenya, a team of ASEF volunteers

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will participate in outreach activities at multiple primary schools to survey children for rheumatic and congenital heart disease. They will also participate in a formal educational

symposium with didactic lectures and hands-on applications training for local clinicians. More details about each event will be shared in a future edition of this newsletter.

Thank you all for making the past three years a truly enjoyable and humbling experience. I look forward to celebrating with all of you in Portland this June!

# Annual Appeal Update

The ASE Foundation has reached 13% of its \$250,000 fundraising goal for the 2019 Annual Appeal, raising \$34,044! Donors have allocated their gifts as follows:

In addition to the 422 donors who have contributed to the Annual Appeal (see pages 10-11) we are honored to thank the following partner organizations:

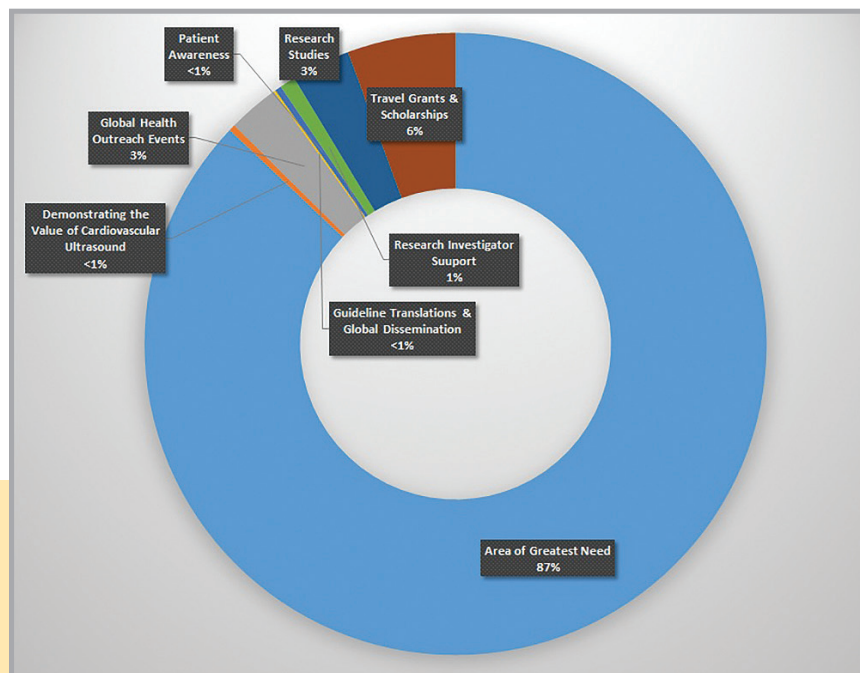
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## 2019 Partners in Care

Financial grant support, in-kind equipment, and logistical arrangements for global health events.

*Yan'an, China September 2019*  
Edwards Lifesciences Foundation  
Yan'an University Hospital



*Eldoret, Kenya September 2019*  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS 2019

**June 23** – 10th Annual Research Awards Gala in Portland, OR

**June 30** – E21 Research Grant Application Deadline

**September** – ASEF Global Health Outreach Events in China and Kenya

**October** – Medical Ultrasound Awareness Month

**December 3** – Giving Tuesday

**December 31** – Last day to donate to the 2019 Annual Appeal

## SHAPING THE PRACTICE OF TOMORROW: NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE E21 AWARDS

Do you have a daring research idea? In partnership with the **American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine**, the **National Board of Echocardiography, Inc.**, **Bracco, Inc.**, and **Lantheus Medical Imaging, Inc.**, the ASE Foundation has created the E21 Awards to identify and support innovative approaches to major clinical problems in cardiovascular ultrasound imaging that can be solved through engineering solutions.

Research partnerships between clinician-scientists, engineers, and basic scientists have been responsible for most of the major breakthroughs in echocardiography that have happened in the past five decades. The E21 program aims to reinvigorate these types of collaborations by providing funding for research that uses engineering solutions to solve a relevant clinical problem in cardiovascular ultrasound today. **Three grants of up to \$200,000 each are available.** Recipients are also eligible for travel support to present the results of their projects at future ASE and AIUM scientific meetings. Visit [ASEFoundation.org/E21ResearchGrant](http://ASEFoundation.org/E21ResearchGrant) for more information and application instructions. Application closes June 30th, 2019.





## SPREAD THE LOVE 2019

**T**he ASE Foundation celebrated American Heart Month in February by hosting its third annual “Spread the Love” campaign. **Thirteen** donors gave \$595 in honor of those who supported them in their careers and left a lasting impact on them. Each honoree was sent a personalized electronic Valentine’s Day card thanking them for the role they played in the donor’s career.

This was the highest participation rate in *Spread the Love*’s three years. Thank you to everyone who participated! We encourage all to mark your calendars for next February and plan to join us as we continue to recognize those who have made a personal investment in your careers. What a wonderful way to celebrate American Heart Month!



## SPRING GIVING DAY 2019

**T**he ASE Foundation welcomed the first day of spring by holding its fourth annual Spring Giving Day.

Thanks to **24 generous donors**, we exceeded our \$5,000 goal and raised **\$5,668** in just 24 hours. This single day of donations jump-started our Annual Appeal! We extend a huge thank you to the wonderful donors who supported ASEF on March 20th and a special thank you to **David Rubenson, MD, FASE**, who made an early pledge of \$1,000. Mark your calendars because we’ll be hosting this again next year on Thursday, March 19th, 2020!

## Cardiovascular Challenge

If you're up for a little healthy competition this summer, ASEF is once again hosting its Cardiovascular Challenge at ASE 2019 in Portland, OR! [Sign up](#) to participate for a chance to win great prizes. Sponsored by **CAE Healthcare**, **Lantheus Medical Imaging, Inc.**, and **TOMTEC Corporation**, this pedometer competition highlights physical activity, which can dramatically lower an individual's risk of cardiovascular

disease, improve mental health, and lower the risk of obesity-related diseases. Key areas around the Oregon Convention Center will display step targets. The top three participants will win prizes. A \$150 Amazon gift card will be awarded to the winner; second place will receive a \$75 Amazon gift card; and the person with the third highest step count will receive a limited edition ASEF hat. You won't want to miss out on this, so remember to pack your walking shoes! Check in with the ASEF Booth to log your steps each day and scope out your competition. The winners will be announced Monday, June 24th during the afternoon break in the Exhibit Hall.



## Tie-A-Knot for Pediatric Patients

At ASE 2019, we're looking for hands-on volunteers. ASEF is donating 50 tie-knot blankets to pediatric patients at the Oregon Health & Science University Doernbecher Children's Hospital, and we need your help to assemble them. We'll have pre-cut fabric that's ready to be tied and printed instructions - you'll get the hang of it quickly! Donate at least \$10 to the ASE Foundation and you can participate in this fun, creative, and rewarding activity. Put a smile on a child's face with a blanket made just for them. Monies raised through this effort will be allocated to new Patient Awareness projects in 2020.



## Images From the Heart Photo Exhibit

**W**e all know that ASE members excel at taking images of the heart, but they also snap great images from the heart. At ASE 2019, ASEF will present a curated exhibition of photos taken by ASE members while they travelled the world participating in various medically-related outreach events. Displayed near the ASEF booth will be 19 photographs ranging from faces of people met along the way to landscapes and cultural observations. The selected images will be accompanied by descriptions about the heartfelt memories and what the photos meant to the photographer. Stop by the ASEF booth to experience these awe-inspiring images and read their stories. Want to take one home? Many will be available to take home with a donation to the ASE Foundation in the photographer's name. Photos from prior years' exhibits will also be available.



"A Room With A View" by Jill Inafuku

## What Can An Earthworm Tell Us About the Human Heart?

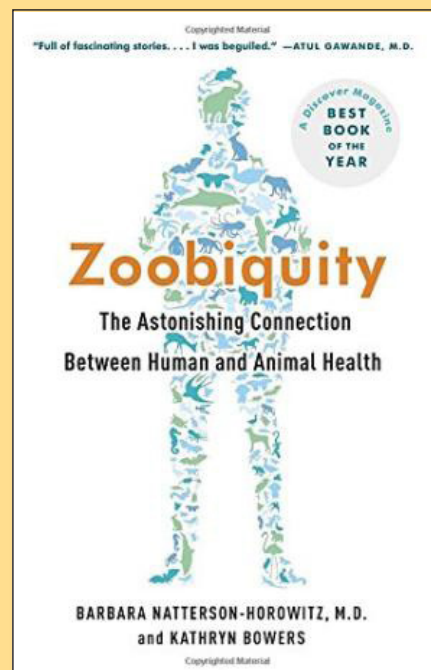
**T**he answer to this and many more thought-provoking questions can be found in the book *Zoobiquity*, written by this year's inaugural Gardin Lecturer: **New York Times Bestselling Author, Barbara Natterson-Horowitz, MD.** The ASE Foundation is honored to host Dr. Natterson-Horowitz for a signing event of her book on Sunday, June 23rd from 2:45 – 3:30pm at the ASEF Booth.

Dr. Natterson-Horowitz is a Visiting Professor in Harvard University's Department of Human Evolutionary Biology, Professor of Medicine in the UCLA Division of Cardiology, and Co-director of UCLA's Evolutionary Medicine Program. She has been a member of the UCLA Division of Cardiology since 1993 and served as Director of Imaging for the UCLA Cardiac Arrhythmia Group. Her research is directed towards identifying natural animal models of resistance to cardiovascular and other disorders. Dr. Natterson-Horowitz will be



presenting the first annual Gardin Lecture during the Echo Technology at the Cutting Edge of Knowledge session on Sunday, June 23rd. Following this session, she has graciously offered to sign copies of her book, *Zoobiquity: The Astonishing Connection Between Human and Animal Health*, at the ASEF

Booth. The full \$25 purchase is treated as a tax-deductible donation to the ASE Foundation. **Only a very limited number of copies will be available for purchase on site.** Be sure to stop by and meet the author of this fascinating book!



# 10th Annual Research Awards Gala

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual RESEARCH AWARDS GALA

Celebrating Cardiovascular Ultrasound Research

Thank you to the Evening's Supporters

### **Advocate Table Level Supporter**

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Thank you to NBE for also sponsoring the photo booth and DJ.

*Stop by the ASE Foundation Booth to pick up your table assignment in advance and bypass the registration table. Table assignment card required for entrance.*

*Black tie is encouraged for this magical evening featuring curated regional wines, entertainment, dinner, and dancing.*

This event is sold out. Visit [ASEFoundation.org/Gala](https://ASEFoundation.org/Gala) for details.



# Schedule of Events



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ANNUAL APPEAL

**Making a WORLD of Difference**

***Your support means the world to us!*** Thank you for all the ways you continue to make a difference for the field of cardiovascular ultrasound.

-  **RESEARCH INVESTIGATOR SUPPORT**  **TRAVEL GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS**
-  **RESEARCH**  **DEMONSTRATING THE VALUE OF CARDIOVASCULAR ULTRASOUND**
-  **PATIENT AWARENESS**  **GUIDELINE TRANSLATIONS & GLOBAL DISSEMINATION**
-  **GLOBAL HEALTH OUTREACH EVENTS**  **AREA OF GREATEST NEED**

*100% of every donation received goes back out into the field.*

## ***ASE Foundation Events in Portland***

Visit the Foundation Booth located outside the Exhibit Hall to learn more.

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 22**

- 7:50 AM – 9:45 AM Join us to congratulate the 2019 ASEF Travel Grant and Scholarship Recipients  
**Opening Plenary: Exhibit Hall A**
- 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Sign up for the Cardiovascular Challenge and Tie-A-Knot for pediatric patients!  
**ASE Foundation Booth**
- 9:00 AM Images from the Heart Gallery Opening **ASE Foundation Booth**

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 23**

- 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Log your steps for the Cardiovascular Challenge  
**ASE Foundation Booth**
- 1:15 PM – 2:45 PM Inaugural Gardin Lecture presented by New York Times Bestselling author Barbara Natterson-Horowitz, MD **Exhibit Hall A**
- 2:45 PM – 3:30 PM *Zoobiquity* book signing with Barbara Natterson-Horowitz, MD  
**ASE Foundation Booth**
- 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM 2019 Brian Haluska Sonographer Research Award Competition **Portland Ballroom 253-254**
- 7:30 PM – 11:00 PM 10th Annual ASE Foundation Research Awards Gala: Celebrating Cardiovascular Ultrasound Research **Hilton Downtown Portland** *Private event; tickets required*

### **MONDAY, JUNE 24**

- 10:15 AM – 11:45 AM 2019 Kalmanson Lecture presented by Matt Bruce, MD  
**Portland Ballroom 256**
- 2:00 PM Last chance to log your steps for the Cardiovascular Challenge  
**ASE Foundation Booth**
- 3:15 PM Announcement of Cardiovascular Challenge Winners  
**ASE Booth in the Exhibit & Poster Hall**
- 3:30 PM – 5:30 PM 2019 Arthur E. Weyman Young Investigator's Award Competition  
**Exhibit Hall A**

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