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Highlights from 2019

David Rubenson, MD, FASE, 2019 Foundation Annual Appeal Committee Chairman



ello everyone! What a year 2019 was. I am so proud of all that the ASE Foundation accomplished, none of which would be possible without the support of our donors. You are what makes us successful and I thank you for your continued support.

Speaking of success, I am ecstatic to share that the ASE Foundation crushed its \$250,000 fundraising goal and raised **\$321,036.91**! I want to highlight that this year was the earliest that we have ever achieved our goal. We raised more than \$250,000 by early December. In total, 1,923 donors contributed to our 2019 annual appeal. Check out page 4 for a breakdown of the allocation of donations.

2019 marked year one of the ASE Foundation's strategic plan and we introduced our vision and goals. Having our own plan allows ASE and ASEF to better prioritize and focus on our individual efforts while also strengthening coordination and collaboration between both organizations. Here are some additional highlights from the past year:

- Hosted two outreach events in China and Kenya which served over 1,800 patients.
- Awarded 57 travel grants to students, sonographers, and fellows.
- Partnered with Edwards' "Every Heartbeat Matters" program to translate guideline-based sessions from ASE 2018 & ASE 2019 into Portuguese and Chinese for international members to view online.
- Distributed ASE practice guidelines through free flash drives and posters throughout the world.
- Awarded three E21 research grants totaling \$596,486.60.
- Partnered with WomenHeart® to sponsor their Red Bag of Courage® program.
- Designed a brand new web page for specific fundraising campaigns.
- Hosted fundraisers like Spread the Love, Spring Giving Day, Medical Ultrasound Awareness Month (MUAM), Donate A Cup to ASEF (new!), and Giving Tuesday.
- Celebrated ASE's award winners at the most successful Research Awards Gala ever, raising \$106,399.94.

Like I said, what a year 2019 was! At times it can be so easy to move on to the next thing and forget about the hard work that went into what was already achieved, which is why I enjoy taking a few minutes to reflect on the past year. Our accomplishments are made possible by a combination of the contributions we receive and the dedication of the Foundation staff, volunteers, ASE Board members, and Annual Appeal committee members. I want to sincerely thank everyone for their efforts. It's been my pleasure to work with you.

Looking ahead, I am very excited about the future for ASEF. With the funding level raised in 2019, we will be expanding our scholarships, translations and global outreach. For the first time, the ASE Foundation has its own Board of Directors, separate from that of ASE. Please join me in congratulating Vera Rigolin, MD, FASE, as the ASE Foundation Board Chair! Dr. Rigolin brings wonderful experience as a past ASE President, global health event volunteer, and consistent supporter of the ASE Foundation.

What's in store for 2020?

Vera Rigolin, MD, FASE, 2020 – 2021 ASE Foundation Board Chair & Annual Appeal Committee Chair

Thank you, Dr. Rubenson, for that wonderful introduction. Hello everyone! I am very happy to be here. As Dr. Rubenson said, starting this year, the ASE Foundation has its own Board of Directors. Please join me in welcoming the inaugural members: Raymond Stainback, MD, FASE; Carol Mitchell, PhD, RDMS, RDCS, RVT, RT(R), ACS, FASE; Samuel Siu, MD, FASE; Benjamin Eidem, MD, FASE; Dali Fan, MD, PhD, FASE; James Kirkpatrick, MD, FASE; Gregory Tatum, MD, FASE, and Nausheen Akhter, MD, FASE. The Board will be meeting later this year to review the Foundation's strategic plan and to discuss specific tactics for the year.

There is much that we all have to look forward to this year. We plan to kick off the 2020 Annual Appeal with our fifth annual Spring Giving Day in March. Later in the spring we are hosting global health outreach events in Grenada, West Indies and Hanoi, Vietnam. June's Scientific Sessions in Denver, CO will include the return of the CV Challenge and the Images from the Heart photo exhibit. Our largest fundraising event, the Research Awards Gala will take place Sunday, June 21. This year's theme is "All the Colors of the World" and we are encouraging attendees to wear formal attire that showcases their personal heritage and culture. I already know this is an evening you will not want to miss!

On behalf of the ASE Foundation Board of Directors, we are excited for this opportunity. We have great enthusiasm to generate strategies that we believe will help the ASEF achieve the goals of its strategic plan. Thank you for your continued support! Together, we can make a world of difference.

Meet the ASE Foundation's Board of Directors



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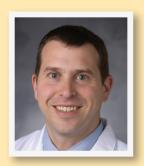
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2019 Annual Appeal Summary

The ASE Foundation reached 128.4% of its \$250,000 fundraising goal for the 2019 Annual Appeal, raising \$321,036.91! Donors have allocated their gifts as follows:

In addition to the 1,923 donors who contributed to the 2019 Annual Appeal (see pages 9-11) we are honored to thank the following partner organizations:

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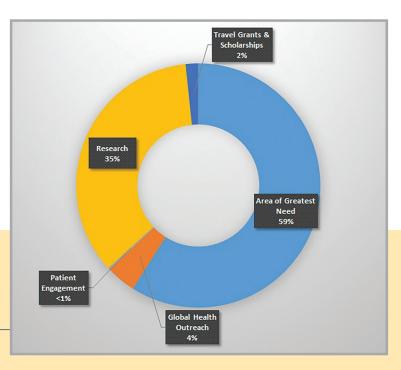
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NEWS & EVENTS



February 7 – Deadline for Global Health Volunteer Applications (see <u>ASEFoundation.org/Volunteer</u>)

March 19 - Spring Giving Day

March 31 – Deadline for Photo Submissions for 2020 Images from the Heart Exhibition (see page 8)

April 3 – Council Travel Grant Application Deadline

April - Grenada, West Indies Global Health Event

May - Hanoi, Vietnam Global Health Event

June 21 – 11th Annual Research Awards Gala

2020 COUNCIL TRAVEL GRANTS AVAILABLE: APPLICATIONS CLOSE APRIL 3

The ASE Foundation funds Council Travel Grants for trainees to support their attendance at the ASE Annual Scientific Sessions, which this year will be held June 19 – 22 in Denver, Colorado. These travel grants are part of an ongoing effort by the Foundation, with assistance from the Council Steering Committees, to encourage trainees in cardiovascular sonography, perioperative echo, circulation and vascular ultrasound, and pediatric and congenital heart disease, to focus on sub-specialty practice. Don't miss your opportunity to apply for a 2020 ASE Foundation Council Travel Grant. To apply, instructions can be found here: ASEFoundation.org/council-travel-grants/.



Your Donations In Action

t ASEF, we believe young researchers are the scientific heart of our field, which is why we strive to play a crucial role in supporting the progress and future of echocardiography through investment in the careers of investigators. Each year, we hold the Arthur E. Weyman Young Investigator's Award Competition (YIA) to recognize exceptional work and provide travel grants to assist investigators with their travel expenses.

Supported by the National Board of Echocardiography (NBE) in honor of their first president, Arthur E. Weyman, MD, FASE, four finalists are selected to present their research to a panel of experts during the opening plenary sessions of the Annual ASE Scientific Sessions in June. The winner is then invited to present his/her research at the upcoming European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging's EuroEcho-Imaging meeting in December, and the Japanese Society of Echocardiography's Annual Scientific Meeting the following spring.

The 2019 Arthur E. Weyman Young Investigator's Award Competition winner Nobuyuki Kagiyama, MD, PhD, recently returned from a trip to Vienna, Austria where he presented his winning research at the European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging's (EACVI) EuroEcho-Imaging meeting. We asked him to share his experience of competing at the Scientific Sessions, presenting at EACVI, and the effect these experiences have had on him and his career. Here's what he had to say:

"I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the ASE Foundation for providing unique trailblazer experiences as a winner of the prestigious Arthur E. Weyman Young Investigator's Award Competition. On December 4-7, I attended to the EuroEcho

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conference in Vienna as the ASE YIA winner. Although I had attended a few times before, joining as the ASE YIA winner made it a much more exciting experience than ever.

I had an

honorable chance to present our study in the session titled 'The research in imaging in the world - ASE and JSE YIA Winners'. The session was chaired by ASE president, Dr. Madhav Swaminathan, and the past-president of European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging, Dr. Gilbert Habib. The room was



packed and I got many comments and applause. Even after the session, many people gave me comments and suggestions on our research, which made many new friendships between me and European researchers. The faculty dinner was also a terrific experience where I was able to talk with many famous researchers in the cardiovascular imaging world. These experiences made me feel like I could step into the world of echo specialists and motivated me much to future research.

In April, I am going to visit Japan for the JSE conference, where I will present my presentation with the YIA winner of the EuroEcho meeting. The ASE YIA award is as such giving me many amazing opportunities to expand my knowledge and social circle in the world of cardiovascular imaging and encourages me to continue working on good research. I deeply appreciate the ASE Foundation for supporting me and would like to express my gratitude to all members of West Virginia University Heart and Vascular Institute for supporting our research."

The ASE Foundation is proud to create opportunities for researchers, like Dr. Kagiyama, to interact with global experts and build relationships that lead to future research and professional collaborations.

11th Annual Research Awards Gala

he ASE Foundation cordially invites you to attend our "All the Colors of the World" black-tie fundraiser to celebrate cardiovascular ultrasound research and honor ASE's 2020 award recipients. Formal attire showcasing your personal heritage and culture is encouraged for this magical evening of entertainment, dinner, and dancing.

Registration is now open for tables and individual ticket sales. Visit our website to reserve your seat. A portion of each table or ticket sale is considered a charitable tax donation to the ASE Foundation's 2020 Annual Appeal. If you have questions, please email Gala@ASEcho.org.

Sunday, June 21, 2020 7:00 – 11:00 PM

We hope to see you there!



Excellence in Teaching in Pediatrics Award

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Seattle, WA

Cardiovascular Sonographer Distinguished Teacher Award

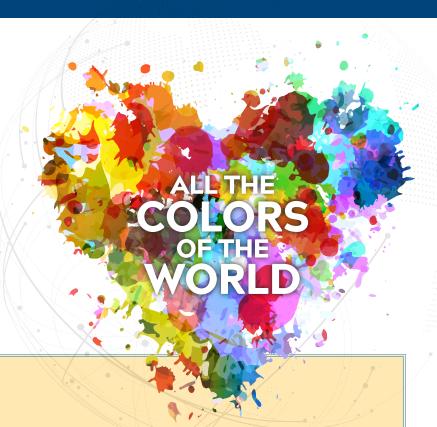
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Images from the Heart

5th Annual Curated Photo Exhibit by the ASE Foundation

Photo entries will be accepted February 1 – March 31, 2020

alling all photographers! Now is your chance to submit your pictures for ASEF's 5th annual *Images from the Heart* Photo Exhibition. We invite you to share your heartfelt memories (and tell us what they mean to you) for this special exhibit to be held during ASE 2020 in Denver, June 19-22, 2020.

Theme: Photographs taken while the photographer was participating in humanitarian or training events that were medical in nature. The photographs themselves need not be medically themed, but may capture faces of people, landscapes, cultural observations, etc. If you do submit a photograph of a patient or examination, we ask that you be respectful in protecting the privacy and dignity of the patient.

Entry Rules: The ASEF photo exhibit is open to entries by all members of the American Society of Echocardiography, regardless of whether the medical humanitarian event was sponsored by ASEF or another non-profit/NGO organization. Non-members who participated in an ASEF-sponsored health outreach event may also submit entries.

The photo entries will be accepted electronically February 1 – March 31, 2019. All images must have been taken no earlier than January 2015. Up to 14 entries, selected by an external curator, will be matted and displayed in a photo exhibit during ASE 2020 in Denver. All other qualifying entries will be displayed

electronically during ASE's Scientific Sessions in Denver. You do not need to be present at the ASE 2020 to participate. There is no entry fee, but for the selected photos, photographers are responsible for sending an 11"x14" print, and also encouraged (optional) to make the selected photos available for purchase, as a donation to ASEF. For complete information about this exhibition and to enter, please visit ASEFoundation.org/imagesfromtheheart.



"La Vie!" by Barry Canaday, MS, RN, RDCS, RCS, FASE



"Instruments of the Theater" by Timothy Cordes, MD



"Breakfast in Xi'an" by Carlene McClanahan, RDCS, FASE

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