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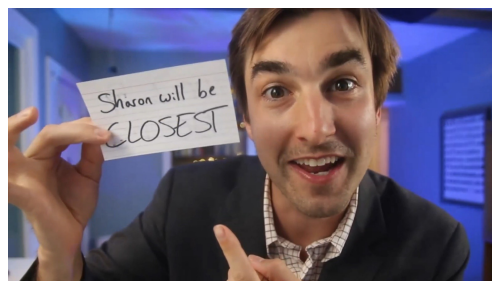
ASE Foundation at ASE 2021

Thank you to everyone who stopped by our virtual booth during the [ASE 2021 Scientific Sessions Virtual Experience](#). We are happy to announce that the fundraising activities hosted over the weekend raised **almost \$7,000** for the 2021 Annual Appeal.

Our Saturday Night Lights event, sponsored by the **National Board of Echocardiography, Inc.** and featuring magician and mentalist [Gary Ferrar](#), was a hit, selling 61 tickets which raised \$3,050. That evening we raffled off a ticket to the 2022 Research Awards Gala.

Congratulations to **Susan Farkas, MD** – we look forward to seeing you in person in Seattle next June! Our fundraising raffle raised \$3,740

between June 18 - 20. Thank you to everyone who participated! Congratulations to **Carolyn Altman, MD, FASE, Merri Bremer, EdD, RN, RDCS, FASE, Julio Chang, RDCS, RVT, Keith Collins, MS, RDCS, FASE, Katherine Gibson, Yvonne Gilliland, MD, FASE, Eric Kruse, BS, ACS, RDCS, RVT, FASE, Renuka Jain, MD, FASE, and Matthew Parker, MD, FASE** who were randomly selected for the raffle prizes. Julio won a ticket to next year's Research Awards Gala and Keith won a table. Everyone else received an echocardiography textbook written by Dr. Catherine Otto and donated by **Elsevier**. Thank you, Elsevier, for supporting the raffle.



We also had a wonderful time celebrating ASE's 2020 and 2021 award recipients during the Research Awards Gala on Sunday, June 20. If you registered for the 2021 Scientific Sessions but missed the event live, you can watch it on demand until September 15, 2021. The echo game show that followed was great fun too! The teams all tied for first place, making everyone a winner.

Thank you to our host **Sunil Mankad, MD, FASE**, and moderator **Carol Mitchell, PhD, RDMS, RDCS, RVT, RT(R), ACS, FASE**. Special thanks to all the contestants: **Peg Knoll, RDCS, RCS, FASE, Jonathan Lindner, MD, FASE, Elizabeth McIlwain, MHS, ACS, RCS, FASE, Natesa Pandian, MBBS, MD, Vera Rigolin, MD, FASE, and Brad Roberts, BS, ACS, RCS, RDCS, FASE**; and to our phone a friends who jumped in to help when the teams were stumped: **Meryl Cohen, MD, MEd, FASE, Chris Kramer, ACS, RDCS, FASE, and Alina Nicoara, MD, FASE**.



Let's Meet the Teams ASE

Moderator: Carol Mitchell, PhD, RDMS, RDCS, RVT, RT(R), ACS, FASE

Team #1: "The Dopplerettes"
Vera Rigolin, MD, FASE
Elizabeth McIlwain, MHS, ACS, RCS, FASE

Team #3: "Bad Boyz"
Natesa Pandian, MBBS, MD
Brad Roberts, BS, ACS, RCS, RDCS, FASE

Team #2: "Bubble Trouble"
Jonathan Lindner, MD, FASE
Peg Knoll, RDCS, RCS, FASE

Phone-a-Friends: MC, MD, MEd, FASE, CK, ACS, RDCS, FASE, and AN, MD, FASE



Announcements

2021 Investigator Award Competition Winners

Please join us in congratulating this year's Investigator Award Competition winners: **Malamo Countouris, MD, MS**, from the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center who won the Arthur E. Weyman Young Investigator's Award Competition and **Merri Bremer, Ed.D., RN, ACS, RDCS**, from the Mayo Clinic who won the Brian Haluska Sonographer Research Award Competition. You can see their winning research projects, as well as those of all the competition finalists, in the June issue of [JASE](#).



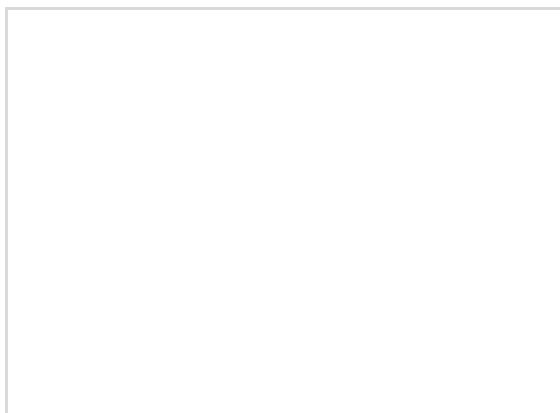
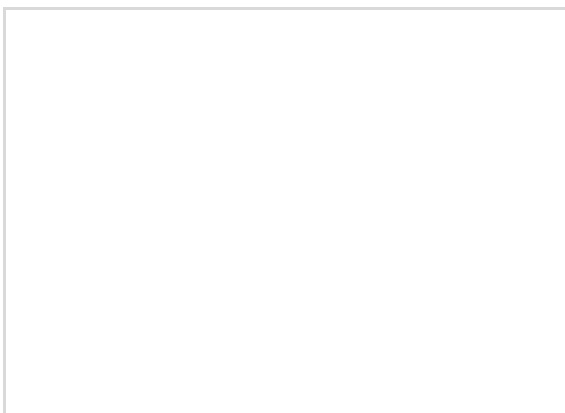
**Malamo Countouris,
MD, MS**



**Merri Bremer, Ed.D.,
RN, ACS, RDCS**

ASEF Lectures at ASE 2021

The Foundation is proud to support lectures during the annual [Scientific Sessions](#). We hope you had a chance to hear this year's ASE Foundation lecturers: **Catherine Otto, MD, FASE**, who presented the Kalmanson Lecture and **Serena Auñón Chancellor, MD, MPH**, who presented the Gardin Lecture. Dr. Otto's presentation is available to watch on demand until September 15.





**Catherine Otto,
MD, FASE**



**Serena Auñón Chancellor,
MD, MPH**

CV Challenge

Sponsored by **Intersocietal Accreditation Commission, Lantheus Medical Imaging, Inc.** and the **National Board of Echocardiography, Inc.**, this year's challenge tracked miles exercised instead of steps taken which opened up the competition to more exercise activities. Our top three movers biked their way to first, second and third place: **Daniel Bourque, MS, RCS, FASE** with 123 miles; **Brittany O'Neill** with 55 miles and, **Andrea Van Hoever, MSGH** with 54 miles! Thank you to all our competitors.



ASEF Sustainer Club

No matter the dollar amount, your contribution to ASEF makes a difference. If you have ever felt like you want to donate but can't give all at once, consider becoming a sustainer. Our sustainer club is a dedicated group of donors who give back on a monthly basis. Over the course of one-year, monthly contributions add up in a big way - \$10 a month is \$120 over the year. Donating a set amount over time is a great way to support ASEF. As past ASEF Annual Appeal Committee Chair, Dr. Jose Banchs said, "It's much easier to donate a significant amount with little amounts over time than in one day with a large check." Join the club today! [Enroll online](#) or contact Foundation@ASEcho.org to get started.



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