New England Surgical Society
87th Annual Meeting
September 15 – 17, 2006
Marriott Mystic Hotel
Groton, CT
OBJECTIVE
The Annual Meeting is designed to provide one and one half days of comprehensive educational experiences in the fields of clinical surgery, experimental surgery and related sciences, surgical education and the socioeconomic aspects of surgical care. It is the Society’s intent to bring together at this meeting the leading surgeons and scientists from New England to freely and openly discuss their latest clinical and research findings.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT
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Friday, September 15, 2006

SCIENTIFIC SESSION I

Chairman: Robert M. Quinlan, M.D.
(Marriott Ballroom Salons D, E, F)

1:00 PM – 2:45 PM PODIUM PRESENTATIONS
(10 Minute Presentation / 8 Minute Discussion)

1. Prediction of Patient Survival by Multiplexed Quantitative (AQUA™) Analysis of Tissue Biomarkers in Primary Cutaneous Melanoma
   Aaron J. Berger, Robert L. Camp, Gretchen Graff, Harriet Kluger, Stephan Ariyan, David L. Rimm; Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT

2. Hepatic Trisegmentectomy Preceded by Portal Vein Embolization Reduces Post-Operative Hepatic Insufficiency
   M in P. Kim, Scott Johnson, Khalid Khwaja, Seth J. Karp, Douglas W. Hanto; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

3. Radiofrequency Ablation of Hepatocellular Carcinoma is Safe and Effective in Controlling Tumor Growth in Wait Listed Liver Transplant Candidates
   Paula A. Ferrada, Michael P. Curry, M.D., Scott R. Johnson, M.D., Khalid Khwaja, M.D., Seth Karp, M.D., Mark Callery M.D., Douglas W. Hanto; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

4. Evolving Patterns in the Detection of Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors (PNETs): The Massachusetts General Hospital Experience from 1977-2005
   Parsia A. Vaghei, Oswaldo Razo, Vikram Deshpande, Deborah McGrath, Gregory Y. Lauwers, Sarah P. Thayer, Andrew L. Warshaw, Carlos Fernandez-Del Castillo; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

BRIEF REPORTS
(3 Minute Presentation / 2 Minute Discussion)

B1. Biliary Complications Following Hepatic Trauma: The Importance of ERCP
   Graciela Bauza, Elliot Servais, David Lichtenstein, Suresh Agarwal, Peter A. Burke, Erwin F. Hirsch; Boston University Medical Center, Boston, MA

B2. Should the Possibility of Late Failure Prevent Early Discharge After Non-Operative Management for Splenic Injuries?
   Robert S. Crawford, Malek Tabbarah, Robert Sheridan, Konstantinos Spaniolas, George Velmahos; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

B3. Endoscopically Assisted Laparoscopic Resections of Submucosal Gastric and GE Junction Tumors — A Novel Approach to Resection Based on Tumor Location
   Laurence E. McCahill, Alicia Privette, Rick Zubark, Nicole Messier, Edward Borrizzo; University of Vermont, Burlington, VT; Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington, VT

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM Coffee Break

SCIENTIFIC SESSION II

Chairman: Neil S. Yeston, M.D.

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM PODIUM PRESENTATIONS
(10 Minute Presentation / 8 Minute Discussion)

5. Enhancing Compliance with Medicare Guidelines for Surgical Infection Prevention (SIP) — An Institutional Experience with a Cross Disciplinary Quality Improvement Team
   Laurence E. McCahill, John Ahern, Linda Gruppi, Jim Limanek, Jessica Sussman, Gail Dion, Christina McCaffrey, Richard Single; University of Vermont, Burlington, VT; Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington, VT

6. Quality Assessment in High-Acuity Surgery: Volume and Mortality are Not Enough
   Charles M. Vollmer, Jr., Wande Pratt, Tsafrir Vanouou, Shishir K. Mathéh, Mark P. Callery; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

7. Surgeon Profiling: A Key to Optimum OR Utilization
   Suzanne M. Sokal, David L. Craft, Warren S. Sandberg, Yuchiao Chang, Peter F. Dunn, David L. Berger; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

8. Degree of Weight Loss Is not Correlated With Improvement in Insulin Resistance Following Gastric Bypass in the Severely Obese
   Richard Perugini, Vera Freeman, Joshua Felscher, Donald Czerniak, Demetrius E. Litwin, John Kelly; UMass Memorial Medical Center, Worcester, MA

   Joshua Felscher, Liam Haveran, Vera Freeman, Robin Mason, Don Czerniak, Rich Perugini, John Kelly; University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM STATE CAUCUS MEETINGS
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM WELCOMING RECEPTION

*Transportation will be provided from the Marriott North Entrance at 6:45 PM

1. Resident Prize Essay
2. New Member Prize Competition
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Saturday, September 16, 2006

7:00 AM  CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

7:00 AM – 7:45 AM  NEW MEMBER BREAKFAST MEETING
(Mystic Ballroom Salons E, F)

7:45 AM – 8:00 AM  INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS
(Marriott Ballrooms D, E, F)

SCIENTIFIC SESSION III

Chairman: Thomas F. Tracy, Jr., M.D.

BRIEF REPORTS
(3 Minute Presentation / 2 Minute Discussion)

B7. Surgical-Office-Based vs. Radiology-Based Breast Ultrasound: A Comparison of Efficiency, Cost and Patient-Satisfaction
Rakshanda Layeegur Rahman, Tracey Hall, Diane Bavoisi, Robert M. Quinlan; UMass Memorial Health Center, Worcester, MA

B8. Sonographic Hematoma Guided Versus Wire Localized Lumpectomy for Breast Cancer: A Comparison of Margins and Volume of Resection
Rakshanda Layeegur Rahman, Elaine Iuanow, Sybil Crawford, Robert M. Quinlan; UMass Memorial Health Center, Worcester, MA

B9. Initial Experience With Laparoscopic Inferior Epigastric Vessel Ligation for Delayed Tram Flap Breast Reconstruction
Thadeus L. Trus, Dale Collins, Christopher Demas, Carolyn Kerrigan; Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH

B10. Preoperative Chemoradiation for High Stage Extremity Periampullary Neoplasms
Jennifer L. Irani, Corey S. Cutler, Stanley W. Ashley, Michael J. Zinner; Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA

B11. Of Mice and Men: The Role of Aberrant Crypt Foci as Surrogate Endpoint Biomarkers of Colorectal Cancer
Nancy L. Cho1, Mark Redston1, Adaideal M. Carothers1, Ann G. Zauber2, Andrew Wilton2, Monica M. Bertagnolli3; Brigham & Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA

B12. Contribution of Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) to Preoperative Staging in Resected Pancreatic and Periampullary Neoplasms
Paul R. Sturrock, John Hayward, Mary Sullivan, Jennifer Tseng, Wahid Wassef, Dana Andersen, Giles Whalen; University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA

8:30 AM – 9:40 AM  PANEL DISCUSSION:
Laparoscopic Colectomy, When, Why and Who To Learn It
Moderator: David J. Schotz, Jr., M.D., FACS, Burlington, MA

Panelists: When should laparoscopy be used in colonic resection for cancer? What are its advantages and disadvantages over open resection?

Nal H. Hyman, M.D., FACS, Burlington, VT

How do you get trained and credentialed in laparoscopic colon procedures?
Peter M. Arcello, M.D., FACS, Burlington, MA

What is the place of laparoscopy in the treatment of benign colonic disease?
Jeffrey L. Cohen, M.D., FACS, Hartford, CT

9:40 AM – 10:35 AM  BREAK with POSTER SESSION

P1. What Does a Negative Sestamibi Scan Reveal About Single Parathyroid Adenomas?
Antonia E. Stephen, Sanford I. Roth, David W. Fardo, Dianne M. Finkelstein, Gregory W. Randolphi, Randall D. Gaz, Richard A. Hodin; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

P2. The Influence of Postoperative Morbidity on Long-Term Survival Following Resection for Pancreatic Cancer
Vassiliki L. Tsiatis, Thomas Miner, Sybil Dessie, Michael Vezeridis, Shukri Khuri, William Henderson; Brown Medical School, Providence, RI

P3. Staple Line Reinforcement Reduces Postoperative Pancreatic Stump Leak After Distal Pancreatectomy
Scott G. Pruslik, Cary B. Aarons, Karen L. Read, Adam C. Gower, Arthur F. Stucchi, James M. Becker; Brigham & University Medical Center, Boston, MA

P4. Open Lysis of Adhesions (LOA) Is More Effective in Decreasing Adhesion Reformation Than Laparoscopic LOA in a Rat Model
Scott E. Regenbogen, Caprice C. Greenberg, Stuart Lipsitz, Ronald Bleday, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA

P5. Local Excision of Rectal Cancer: A Meta-Analysis
Jacob A. Greenberg, Caprice C. Greenberg, Stuart Lipsitz, Ronald Bleday; Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA

P6. Analysis of Strategies to Reduce Technical Errors in Surgery
Scott E. Regenbogen, Caprice C. Greenberg, David M. Studdert, Michael J. Zinner, Atul A. Gawande, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA

P7. Gastrointestinal Graft-Versus-Host Disease: An Emerging Surgical Dilemma in Contemporary Cancer Care
Jennifer F. Tseng, University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA

P8. National Trends in the Treatment of Upper GI Bleed
Joshua S. Hill, James T. McPhee, Frederick A. Anderson, Waheed Y. Wassef, Sridhar Shankar, Demetrius E. Litwin, Jennifer F. Tseng, University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA

Natalie G. Coburn, Emily M. Clarke-Pearson, Maureen A. Chung, Calvin H. Law, John Fulton, Blake Cady; Division of Surgical Oncology, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada; Rhode Island Hospital, Brown University, Providence, RI

P10. Filling a Void: Thyroid Cancer Surgery Information on the Internet
Mannie Air, Sanziana A. Roman, Heather Yeo, Christina Maser, Tara Trapasso, Barbara Kinde, Julie Ann Sosa, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT
P1. Cancer of Unknown Primary Origin: A Decade of Experience in a Community Based Hospital
Jose M. Pimentel, Desarem Teo, Alpin Malakan, John A. Paley, Stanley J. Dudrick; Saint Mary’s Hospital, Waterbury, CT

P2. National Outcomes After Gastric Resection for Neoplasm
Jillian K. Smith, James T. McPhee, Giles F. Whalen, Mary E. Sullivan, Jason T. Wong, Robert E. Quinlan, Demetrius E. Litwin, Frederick A. Anderson, Jennifer F. Tseng; University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA

P3. Minimally Invasive Treatment of Pilonidal Disease with a Flowable Soft-Tissue Scaffold
James R. Piorowski1; James Matino3; University of Connecticut, Farmington, CT; Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center, Hartford, CT

P4. Rectal Mucosa Advancement Flaps: Do They Work?
Matthew Sherman1, Steven Schechter1, Jorge Lagoares2, Adam Klipfet2; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

P5. Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy Corrects Gastric Outlet Obstruction Following Vertical-Banded Gastroplasty
Peter Mazzaglia1, Roy Cobean1; Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH; Maine Medical Center, Portland, ME

P6. Long-Term Quality of Life Following Transhiatal Esophagectomy for Esophageal Adenocarcinoma
Julie Ann Sosa, Tara Trapasso, Ronald Salem; Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT

P7. Indices of Inflammatory and Oxidative Stress Following Antifibrinolytic Therapy in Cardiac Surgical Patients
Basel Ramlawi, Hasan Otu, Shigetoshi Mieno, Neil R. Sodha, Munir Boodhwani, Shu-Hua Xu, Frank W. Sellke; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

P8. Contemporary Surgical Treatment of Neuroendocrine Tumors of the Pancreas
Vitally Y. Poylin, Charles M. Vollmer, Jr., Wande Pratt, Per-Olof Hasselgren, Mark P. Callery; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

P9. Toll-like Receptor 4 Deficiency Ameliorates the Local Injury Following Limb Ischemia and Reperfusion
Hassan Albadawi, Robert S. Crawford, Marvin D. Atkins, John E. Jones, Michael T. Watkins; Massachusetts General Hospital, Division of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, Boston, MA

P10. Compressive Orthotics: A New Paradigm in the Non-Operative Correction of Pectus Carinatum in Children
Arun A. Mavanur1, Donald Hight1, Alisa Edwards1, Brian Tallman1; University of Connecticut, Farmington, CT; Connecticut Children’s Hospital/UConn, Hartford, CT; Hanger Orthotics, Hartford, CT

P11. Adrenocortical Insufficiency Secondary to Traumatic Bilateral Adrenal Hemorrhage in a Child
Jill K. Johnstone, Daniel S. Kim, John Cassese, Mimi Kim, Francois I. Luks; Brown Medical School, Providence, RI

P12. Minimally Invasive Management of the Abdominal Compartment Syndrome: Initial Experience at a Level I Trauma Center
Forrest Fernandez, Vicente Cortes, Robert Brautigam, George Perdrizet; University of Connecticut/Hartford Hospital, Hartford, CT

P13. Atorvastatin Increases Myocardial Indices of Oxidative Stress in a Porcine Model of Hypercholesterolemia and Chronic Ischemia
Neil R. Sodha, Munir Boodhwani, Shu-Hua Xu, Basel Ramlawi, Shigetoshi Mieno, Richard T. Clements, Frank W. Sellke; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

Sean P. Bradley1, Mohan P. Pahari2, Cristiano Rastellini3, Marc E. Uknis3, Luca Cicalaese4; University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA; St Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, NJ

P15. Improved Safety of Cardiopulmonary Bypass with the Use of Thrombo-Resistant Surfaces in Closed Perfusion Systems
Bader E. Hussaini, Hemanth S. Thatte, Patrick R. Treanor, Xui-Gui Lu, Shukri F. Khuri; Brown VA Healthcare System, West Roxbury, MA

P16. Initial Experience Using a Small Axial Flow Left Ventricular Assist Device (LVAD)
Thomas E. MacGillivray, Stephanie C. Ennis, Nathan Bates, Christopher M. Morse, Scott Cowan, Stephen Fiser, Douglas Minnich, Robert Merritt; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

P17. Negative Predictors of Survival After Colectomy in Patients with Fulminant Clostridium Difficile (C. Diff) Colitis
Fuad Alkhoury, John Aversa, Jr., Kenneth A. Ciardiello, John Bonadies, John M. Boyce; Department of Surgery and Department of Medicine, Hospital of Saint Raphael, New Haven, CT

P18. A Simplified Technique for Single Stage Breast Reconstruction
William G. Austen, Jr., Tristan L. Hartzell, Mary Catherine Hert; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA

P19. Relative Adrenal Insufficiency in the Adult Burn Intensive Care Unit
Jeremy Goverman1; Manuel Garcia-Toca2, Colleen M. Ryan2; Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA; University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA

P20. Does High Volume Bariatric Surgery Fellowship Training Affect Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Outcomes?
Liam A. Haveran, Joshua Felsher, Josh Hill, Vera Freeman, Donald Czerniach, Richard Perugini, Stephen Baker, John Kelly; UMass Memorial Medical Center, Worcester, MA

P21. Palliative Procedures in Patients with Stage IV GI Tract Cancer
Nathan Aranson1, Giles F. Whalen2; UMass Memorial Medical School, Worcester, MA; UMass Memorial Health System, Worcester, MA

P22. Neoadjuvant Therapy Use as an Indicator of Quality in Breast Cancer Surgery
Ted A. James, Laurence E. McCahill; University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

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SCIENTIFIC SESSION IV
Chairman: Desmond H. Birkett, M.D.

10:35 AM – 12:05 PM PODIUM PRESENTATIONS
(10 Minute Presentation / 8 Minute Discussion)

10. Increased Organ Donation and Organ Donor Conversion Rate at a Tertiary Care Urban Hospital With a Free-Standing Transplant Program by Implementing a Multifaceted Program of Known Best Practices
Judith L. Pepe, Jami Tyska, Orlando C. Kirton, Michael E. Ivy; Hartford Hospital, Connecticut, CT

11.† Improved Outcome Following Colectomy for Fulminant Pseudomembranous Colitis (PMC)
Syed O. Ali, John P. Welch, Robert J. Dring; Hartford Hospital, Hartford, CT

12.† Anti-Reflux Surgery Reduces the Prevalence of Esophageal Cancer — A National Survey
Joshua S. Hill, Liam A. Haveran, James T. McPhee, Frederick A. Anderson, Demetrius E. Litwin, Richard A. Perugini; University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA

13. Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy: Experience at a Community Hospital
Jeremiah T. Martin, John A. Federico, Alicia A. McKelvey, Kristina Spate, Thomas Fabian; Hospital of St. Raphael, New Haven, CT

Bruce J. Leavitt, Cathy S. Ross, Elaine M. Olmstead, Robert A. Clough, Felix Hernandez, John H. Braxton, David C. Charlesworth, Mitchell C. Norotsky; University of Vermont, Burlington, VT; Dartmouth Medical School, Hanover, NH; Eastern Maine Medical Center, Bangor, ME; Maine Medical Center, Portland, ME; Catholic Medical Center, Manchester, NH

12:05 PM ADJOURN Free Afternoon

7:00 PM PRESIDENT’S RECEPTION & DINNER
Business Attire (North Lawn & Marriott Ballroom Salons D, E, F *Rain location for reception is Pre-Function Hallway)

Sunday, September 17, 2006

7:00 AM CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
(Marriott Salons A-C)

7:30 AM – 8:15 AM ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
Members Only.

1ST PLACE RESEARCH DAY PRESENTATIONS
Chairman: John P. Welch, M.D.

8:15 AM – 8:45 AM PODIUM PRESENTATIONS
(10 Minute Presentation / 5 Minute Discussion)

R1. Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF) Accelerates Compensatory Lung Growth
Sang Lee; Children’s Hospital, Boston, MA

R2. A Novel Cost-Benefit Analysis of Prophylactic Octreotide for Pancreatic Resections
Tsafir Vanounou; Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

SCIENTIFIC SESSION V
Chairman: John P. Welch, M.D.

8:45 AM – 9:40 PM PODIUM PRESENTATIONS
(10 Minute Presentation / 8 Minute Discussion)

15. Predicting Future Staffing Needs at Teaching Hospitals: Use of an Analytical Program with Multiple Variables
Christine Mitchell, Stanley Ashley, Michael Zinner, Francis D. Moore, Jr.; Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA

16. Mid Level Practitioner (MLP) Work Force Analysis in a Multi Specialty Department of Surgery at a University-Affiliated, Tertiary Care Teaching Hospital with a General Surgery Residency Program and Sub-Specialty Fellowships Under the Constraints of the ACG
Orlando C. Kirton, Michael E. Ivy, Marilyn A. Folcik, Rebecca Calabrese, Eric D. Dobkin, Judith L. Pepe, John W. Mah, Kevin P. Keating, Marc D. Palter; Hartford Hospital, Connecticut, CT

17. Time to Definitive Care Is Prolonged in Elderly Trauma Patients
Bernard J. Benedetto, Walter L. Biffi, David T. Harrington, Hieu Ton-That, Charles A. Adams, William G. Cioffi; Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, RI

9:40 AM – 10:25 AM 22ND ANNUAL SAMUEL JASON MIXTER LECTURE
Murray F. Brennan, M.D., FACS

10:25 AM – 10:30 AM INTRODUCTION OF PRESIDENT

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
Robert M. Quinlan, M.D.

11:30 AM ADJOURN

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Located one mile away off Fort Hill Road. 760 acres of hiking & walking. Spend the afternoon with lunch in the picnic area and an afternoon swim. Boating launch is also accessible.
**Misquamicut Beaches**  
Located approximately 20 miles away in Westerly, Rhode Island, right on the beautiful Atlantic Ocean. Great for swimming and body boarding. Plenty of beachfront restaurants for lunch or dinner. Carousel rides are also available.

**Ocean Beach Park, New London**  
Located 10 miles away in New London. Large beachfront off Long Island Sound for sunbathing or swimming. Complete with a boardwalk area with food, drink and gifts. If you prefer, they also have a large swimming pool for your enjoyment.

**Watch Hill Beaches, Watch Hill, RI**  
Located approximately 10 miles away in the quaint seaside town of Watch Hill. East beach is located off the Atlantic Ocean and is complete with shopping, carousel and plenty of great food.

**PARKS**

**Harkness Park, Waterford**  
Located ten miles away in Waterford. Large lawn area great for playing Frisbee and catch or flying a kite. Beautiful beachfront to enjoy.

**Esker Point Park, Groton**  
Located four miles from the hotel. Seven acres to enjoy. Complete with swimming area, basketball courts, volleyball courts, picnic area, and boat launch.

**Farquhar Park, Groton**  
Located one and a half miles away in Groton. Public outdoor tennis courts maintained by Groton Parks and Recreation. Free admission and reservations are NOT accepted. The park also includes basketball court and playground.

**AIRPORTS**

**Groton/New London Airport**  
www.grotonnewlondonairport.com

**Groton, Connecticut**  
General Information Line: 860-445-8549  
Located 5 miles from Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa. Service for PanAm.

**T.F. Green International**  
www.pvdairport.com

**Providence/Warwick, Rhode Island**  
General Information Line: 401-737-8222  
Located 40 miles from Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa. Easy access to I-95. Full service airport. Driving time is 45 minutes.

**Bradley International**  
www.bradleyairport.com  
Hartford/Windsor Locks, Connecticut  
General Information Line: 860-292-2004  
Located 60 miles from Mystic Marriott Hotel & Spa. Driving time is 1 hour. Full service airport.

**TRAINS**

**AMTRAK**  
Reservations: 1-800-872-7245  
www.amtrak.com  
Train stops in both New London and Mystic, Connecticut. Please call for fares and schedules.

**TRAVEL TIME BY CAR**

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**RESTAURANTS**

**American**

**Seamen’s Inne**  
860-572-5303  
Greenmanville Avenue, Mystic  
Famous for fresh fish and prime rib. Located at the Mystic Seaport Museum.

**Octagon**  
860-326-0360  
Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa  
New England Fare, New York Style. Octagon has truly mastered the ‘art of steak’ as well as signature seafood dishes. The wine selection includes more than 20 wines by the glass and is just as impressive as the food.

**Timothy’s Restaurant at the Lighthouse Inn**  
860-443-8411  
6 Guthrie Place, New London  
Enjoy a view of Long Island Sound from the main restaurant or relax and enjoy the sounds of live jazz on Friday nights in Meadow Court Lounge.

**Italian**

**Anthony J’s**  
860-536-0448  
6 Holmes Street, Mystic  
Fine Italian bistro in a comfortable atmosphere.

**Mystic Pizza**  
860-536-6194  
56 West Main Street, Mystic  
Taste “A Slice of Heaven” that made Hollywood come to town. Location that Julia Roberts worked at in the 1988 film “Mystic Pizza.”

**Mexican**

**Anthony J’s**  
860-536-0448  
6 Holmes Street, Mystic  
Fine Italian bistro in a comfortable atmosphere.

**S & P Oyster Company**  
860-536-2674  
1 Holmes Street, Mystic  
A wide variety of fresh seafood selections are featured throughout the year. Overlooking the Mystic Seaport and Drawbridge.

**Seafood**

**Go Fish**  
860-536-2662  
Olde Mistick Village, Mystic  
Serving many seafood options in a memorable setting. Sushi bar also available.

**Skippers Dock**  
860-535-0111  
66 Water Street, Stonington  
Fine dining overlooking Stonington Harbor. Outside seating available.

**Fine Dining**

**Captain Daniel Packer Inne, Ltd**  
860-536-3555  
32 Water Street, Mystic  
Experience the fine fare and hospitality that guests at the Daniel Packer Inne have experienced for over 200 years.
3 EASY WAYS TO RESERVE NOW!  Deadline: Thursday, August 17th, 2006 for group rate of $239

- BOOK ONLINE!  www.mysticmarriott.com  (Enter the NESS Group Code – SURSURA)
- CALL TOLL FREE IN NORTH AMERICA  (1-866-449-7390)
- FAX OR MAIL YOUR RESERVATIONS FORM
  Complete all information required below (including signature), and mail to the address above, or fax to 1-860-446-2696.

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Departure Date (11:00 AM Check-Out): __________________

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Attention: Group Reservations Department
625 North Road, Route 117
Groton, CT 06340

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The discounted group room rates quoted are offered on a space available basis until Thursday, August 17, 2006. Reservations requested after this date will be subject to the hotel’s prevailing rates. Room rates do not include 12% combined taxes.

All reservations must be guaranteed for arrival. Should you wish to use a credit card to guarantee your reservation, please complete the payment information above. If you would rather use a check or money order to secure your reservation, please mail this form along with payment to the address listed below. If you need to cancel your booking, please do so prior to 4:00 p.m. one day prior to your arrival to avoid being billed one evening’s room and tax.
22nd Annual Samuel Jason Mixter Lecture
Murray Brennan, M.D., FACS
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center,
New York, NY

Presidential Address
Robert M. Quinlan, M.D.
UMass Memorial Health Care, Worcester, MA

Panel Discussion
Laparoscopic Colectomy, When, Why and Who To Learn It
MODERATOR: David J. Schoetz, Jr., M.D., FACS, Burlington, MA

PANELISTS:
When should laparoscopy be used in colonic resection for cancer? What are its advantages and disadvantages over open resection?
Neil H. Hyman, M.D., FACS, Burlington, VT

Howard do you get trained and credentialed in laparoscopic colon procedures?
Peter W. Marcello, M.D., FACS, Burlington, MA

What is the place of laparoscopy in the treatment of benign colonic disease?
Jeffrey L. Cohen, M.D., FACS, Hartford, CT

Welcome Reception
This year’s Welcome Reception will be held at the renowned Mystic Aquarium! Explore the wonders of the deep sea and visit with many species of underwater life including a newborn beluga whale which will be available for viewing during the reception. Don’t miss this exciting event on Friday, September 16th from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Transportation will be provided from the Marriott’s North Entrance at 6:45 PM.