

2009 GENERAL & REGISTRATION INFORMATION

2009 MEETING DESTINATION

The 33rd Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Vascular Surgical Society returns to magnificent Chicago to the unique Westin Michigan Avenue Hotel. The Westin Michigan Avenue Chicago is on the Magnificent Mile across from Bloomingdale's and the upscale shops of Water Tower Place in the middle of the exhilarating excitement of Chicago.

North Michigan Avenue is the upscale hub of downtown Chicago, and The Westin Michigan Avenue Chicago is perfectly positioned to make the most of it. The hotel is an easy walk of luxury retailers such as Bloomingdale's and Saks, as well as the city's most celebrated restaurants and famous jazz and blues clubs. For outdoor enthusiasts, Lake Michigan and the Oak Street Beach are just blocks away.

HOTEL/RESERVATIONS:

The Westin Michigan Avenue
909 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611
Phone: (312) 943-7200
Fax: (312) 397-5580

On behalf of our meeting participants, the following special rates have been secured over the dates of Midwestern Vascular 2009 (based on single or double occupancy):

Room	Single Rate	Double Rate
Run of House	\$249.00+	249.00+

TWO METHODS OF REGISTRATION:

ON-LINE REGISTRATION: The Society is pleased to offer a simple, time-effective and secured method of registration through the CVENT/MVSS On-line Registration. If you have not received a Registration Invitation email from CVENT, visit the Society's web site at www.mvss.org and click on "Register Here" found on the Annual Meeting Page. Follow the simple instructions. You must have an active email to use this system. You will receive an automatic registration/payment confirmation.

REGISTRATION FORM: Complete the registration form if you don't have access to the Internet and your registration will be entered in the CVENT system. Your registration/payment confirmation will be mailed to you.

REGISTRATION FEES:

The registration fees include the Welcome Reception on Thursday evening in the Exhibit Hall, Continental Breakfast and Coffee Breaks in the Exhibit Hall each day, the Business Meeting Luncheon for MVSS Members Only, and the Special Reception on Friday evening. The fee for Spouses'/Guests' is for admittance to the Welcome Reception and Reception on Friday evening. Residents and Fellows must provide a letter from their Program Director sent to the Society's Administrative Offices.

MVSS MEMBER	\$200.00
NON-MEMBER PHYSICIAN	\$250.00
RESIDENT/FELLOWS	N/C*
*(Requires letter from Program Director)	
ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS	\$100.00
SPOUSES/GUESTS	\$75.00

The above rates are subject to the prevailing taxes. Currently, taxes total 15.40 % Per Room / Per Night. All reservations must be made by **Sunday, August 9, 2009**. After this deadline, or if the MVSS block of rooms sells out prior to the reservation deadline, availability and rate cannot be guaranteed. Requests for extended stays and early arrivals will be accommodated to the best of the hotel's availability.

Please identify yourself as **Midwestern Vascular Society, MVSS** when making your reservations to ensure the discounted rate. You may reserve on-line, by going to the **Annual Meeting Page** of www.mvss.org or by telephone by calling the **Starwood Central Reservations Call Center at: 1-888-627-8385**.

All reservations must be accompanied by a first night's room and tax deposit to be confirmed. In the event that a guest who has reserved a room within the block checks out prior to the guest's reserved checkout date, an early departure fee of one night room and tax will be charged to that guest's individual account. Guests wishing to avoid this fee must advise the hotel at or before check-in of any change in the scheduled length of stay.

Check-In: 3:00 p.m.
Check-Out: 12:00 Noon

CANCELLATION POLICY:

The first night's deposit shall serve to confirm the reservation for the date (s) indicated, and, upon check-in, shall be applied to the first night of the reserved stay. These deposits are refundable if notice is received at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to arrival and a cancellation number is obtained. All deposits shall be charged at the time the reservation is made.

REGISTRATION PAYMENT

The payment of registration may be made by the following methods:



Or Check payable to: Midwestern Vascular Surgical Society


DEADLINE/CANCELLATIONS

The deadline for pre-registration is August 31, 2009. Written requests for refunds must be received by September 7, 2009. There will be no refunds after September 7th. **All refunds** are subject to a **\$75.00** processing fee.

ANNUAL MEETING REQUIREMENT MVSS MEMBERS

It is required that all Active Members of the Midwestern Vascular Surgical Society attend Annual Meetings of the Society. Should a member not be able to attend the Annual Meeting, adequate explanation of the absence must be made in writing to the Secretary of the Society. Please direct your written request to Gilbert R. Upchurch, Jr., MD, MVSS Secretary at the Society's Administrative Offices at the address listed below. Active Members who have missed three consecutive meetings (without an excused absence), must attend Midwestern 2009.

SPECIAL NEEDS

 If you require special accommodations or have any special dietary requirements (i.e. vegetarian meal), please contact the Society's Administrative Offices.