

South Central Association of Blood Banks

# *Preliminary Program*



**54th Annual Meeting &  
Exhibit Show**

April 18-21, 2012

*AT&T Conference Center • Austin, Texas*



## Jose Garcia

**54th President, South Central Association of Blood Banks**

Welcome to the South Central Association of Blood Banks 54th Annual Meeting and Exhibit show. Austin is not only the capital city for the state of Texas but it is also the "The Live Music Capital of the World". Keeping with that spirit, our theme this year is "Catch the Rhythm...Feel the Beat".

There will be a couple of underlying themes at the Annual Meeting this year, and they are technology and environment. It all starts with the meeting center itself, which is built to the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in energy and Environmental Design (LEED) gold certification standards. Staying "connected" will be easier than ever as wireless access is readily available anywhere in the building, perfect for checking out SCABB's new website or "Liking" SCABB's Facebook page.

The exceptional educational offerings this year will provide you with many opportunities to enhance your skillset and knowledge. There will be many sessions on topics such as molecular blood banking, blood utilization, adverse donor reaction, donor retention and reagent validation, just to name a few. You'll also have access to industry leaders as well as the ability to build your professional network.

The exhibit hall at the SCABB Annual Meeting is one of the largest outside of the national shows. Vendors from across the country will be in attendance and will showcase the latest in blood banking technology, tools and equipment. Don't forget that additional educational opportunities are available by attending one of many Industry Workshops or the Oral Abstracts session.

If you're tired of marching to the beat of the same old drum and you're looking to change your tune, you've come to the right place!



Austin - a city known for its many live music venues, as well as being the home of Dell computers. "Keep Austin Weird" is a recurring theme seen throughout the city that represents the city's commitment to supporting local businesses and keeping Austin "funky".

Austin is the fourth largest city in Texas, and capital of the great state of Texas. In the 1980's Austin emerged as a center for technology and business, and today it is home to many companies, high-tech and otherwise: Whole Foods, AMD, Apple, Google, IBM, Intel, Qualcomm, and Dell.

The current official slogan promotes Austin as "The Live Music Capital of the World", and also references the many musicians and live music

venues found throughout the Austin area. Austin is also home to the long-running production Austin City Limits.

Explore Austin from the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum, with its three floors of exhibits and an IMAX theatre, to the music venues on 6th Street and all around town. Shop at the Arboretum, mall, or check out the eclectic shops and great places to eat on South Congress.

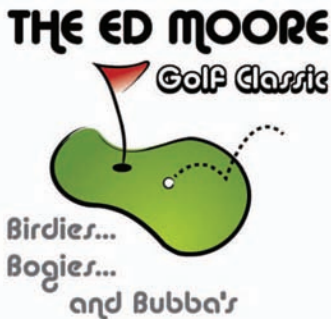
Still want more to see? How about a free trip to the South Congress Bridge to see over 1.5 million Mexican bats swoop into the evening sky? Or take a free trip to the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library and Museum on the University of Texas campus?

Makes plans to arrive a day early and participate in the Ed Moore Memorial Golf Tournament on Wednesday, April 18. The average temperature in April is 70 degrees- perfect golf weather!

In Austin, April 2012, Catch the Rhythm - Feel the Beat, and get your groove on for the finest educational, networking and resource forum in the industry!

See you there!

- ♦ SCABB Pre-Conference Board of Directors Meeting ..... Tuesday, April 17
- ♦ Ed Moore Memorial Golf Tournament (pre registration requested) ..... Wednesday, April 18
- ♦ Industry Workshops ..... Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19
- ♦ Membership Mixer (pre registration requested) ..... Wednesday, April 18
- ♦ Welcome Reception and Exhibit Hall Opening ..... Wednesday, April 18
- ♦ SCABB Past President’s Reception (by invitation) ..... Thursday, April 19
- ♦ SCABB Annual Business Meeting ..... Friday, April 20
- ♦ President’s Reception and Awards Banquet ..... Friday, April 20
- ♦ SCABB Fun Run/Walk (pre registration requested) ..... Friday, April 20
- ♦ SCABB Post Conference Board of Directors Meeting ..... Saturday, April 21
- ♦ Advanced Immunohematology & Molecular Symposium ..... Saturday, April 21 and Sunday, April 22



Tee off and total up the dollars raised for the SCABB Foundation! This annual outing, named in memory of the late Ed Moore, an original “Bubba” and friend of South Central, is the primary fundraiser for the SCABB Foundation. The Foundation’s sole purpose is to enhance the educational goals of South Central Association of Blood Banks through the offering of scholarships, speaker honorariums, and other program supplementation. Plan now to spend the day with colleagues on the beautiful Riverside Golf Course in Austin!

The format is a 4 person scramble. The fee is \$75.00 per player, or \$300 for a 4 person team. Cost includes cart, green fees, range balls, box lunch and door prizes. Registration information is available on the annual meeting website at [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org).



## President’s Reception and Awards Banquet

**The Blanton**  
Museum of Art

The Blanton Museum of Art at The University of Texas at Austin is one of the foremost university art museums in the country, and has the largest and most comprehensive collection of art in Central Texas. The Blanton’s collection comprises over 17,000 works of art in a variety of mediums, with particular depth in Western European art from the fourteenth through twentieth centuries and modern and contemporary art of the Americas. On Friday, April 20th, the Blanton Museum will host the 2012 SCABB Awards Banquet. The atrium provides an elegant and infusing environment to celebrate the outstanding members of our community and those who have contributed to the sustainability of the association over the years and celebrate their achievements!

Tickets to the banquet are included with full meeting registrations. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$50.00 via the annual meeting registration page. Dress is business casual for this event.



## The 2012 Karen Williams Memorial Lecturer

### HARVEY G. KLEIN, M.D.

has been named the 2012 Karen Williams Memorial Lecturer.

Dr. Klein is Chief, Department of Transfusion Medicine, and has been Special Assistant to the Director for science at the Clinical Center of the National Institutes of

Health. Dr. Klein received his medical degree from the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, and completed both his residency and hematology fellowship at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. He remains Adjunct Professor of Medicine and Pathology at Johns Hopkins.

Dr. Klein has authored or co-authored more than 250 publications pertaining to blood transfusion, including transfusion-transmitted disease, the management of immunosuppressive effects of blood transfusion, and the impact of biotechnology

on transfusion medicine. He co-authored the latest edition of Mollison's Blood Transfusion in Clinical Medicine, the acknowledged "gold standard" for textbooks in this discipline. Dr. Klein is editor-in-chief emeritus of the Journal of Clinical Apheresis and has served on the editorial board of Blood. He is currently an editor of Transfusion and Transfusion Medicine Reviews.

The Karen Williams Memorial Lecture Award, named to honor the late Karen Williams. Karen was not only a valued member of the SCABB Board of Directors, respected colleague and friend, but she was also a cherished Chiron / Novartis employee who was dedicated to her profession. Karen's leadership and commitment to serving her customers promoted blood safety throughout the country.

To support continuing education in blood safety and to honor Karen's memory, Chiron endowed the Karen Williams Memorial Lectureship. The lectureship, which was funded by the Chiron Foundation and supplemented by Chiron, a Novartis company, was established to facilitate the ability of the South Central Association of Blood Banks to attract highly qualified speakers to the Annual Meeting by providing an annual monetary award to cover travel and conference expenses, and a speaker honorarium.

## FUN RUN/WALK

Fit, fun and funky - the 2012 SCABB Fun Run will route you through all that is weird and wonderful in the city of Austin! The Fun Run is scheduled for Saturday morning from 6:30 am - 7:30 am and is open to all meeting attendees. There is no cost to participate however pre-registration is requested.

## INDUSTRY WORKSHOPS

Industry Workshops kick start your annual meeting experience! The workshops, presented on Wednesday, April 18th and Thursday, April 19th are sponsored by our vendor partners and are designed to showcase their latest technology, products and services. Attendance at the workshops exposes you to the latest developments in the blood banking and transfusion medicine industry. New to the 2012 meeting is web casting of the Industry Workshops. Look for registration details on [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org).

## CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS (CEUs)



The 2012 Annual Meeting has been approved as a provider of continuing education programs through the ASCLS P.A.C.E.® program. For PACE credits, the approved courses qualify for 1.5 contact hours each. Participants attending one session in each time block will earn a maximum of 1.5 contact hours. All PACE approved sessions will be indicated by PACE course number beginning with 151.



South Central Association of Blood Banks, in partnership with Oschner Medical Center is accredited by the Institute for Medical Quality to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The South Central Association of Blood Banks takes responsibility for the content, quality and scientific integrity of this CME activity.

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS!

Enhance your resume and your knowledge base by preparing an Abstract for submission at the 2012 South Central Association of Blood Banks Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting Call for Abstracts is presented by South Central Association of Blood Banks and is open to South Central members and non-members. Abstracts may be from any discipline relating to hospitals, donor centers, cellular therapy, tissue therapy or testing laboratories. Abstracts should be submitted online at [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org) by January 12, 2012. Instructions for submission may be found at [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org) > 2012 Annual Meeting > Call for Abstracts. Anyone interested in submitting an abstract under the guidance of a mentor is encouraged to contact Roberta Murfin, [roberta.murfin@childrens.com](mailto:roberta.murfin@childrens.com), co-chair of South Central's valuable Protégé Mentorship Program.

Use our secure online Annual Meeting Registration available from January 11, 2012 until March 12, 2012.

Advance registration for the 2012 Annual Meeting is encouraged by offering discounted advance registration fees. To take advantage of the discounted fees, register online, by fax or by mail no later than February 13, 2012. Registration forms and payment **MUST BE RECEIVED** on or before March 12, 2012. After this date, registrations will only be accepted on-site in Austin.

To register at the member rate, 2012 SCABB individual and/or institutional

membership must be current or included with your Annual Meeting Registration. Online membership applications and printable membership applications can be found on [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org).

## To Register

- Visit [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org)
- Click on 2012 Annual Meeting
- Click on Registration Link
- Register online, or print the form and fax with your credit card information it to 866-649-6590, or mail with your check to:

**SCABB Central Office**  
2901 Richmond Rd., Suite 130-176  
Lexington, KY 40509

-Check, VISA, MasterCard and American Express are acceptable methods of payment.

For your convenience, on-site Registration will be open all day on Wednesday (April 18th), Thursday (April 19th) Friday (April 20th) and the morning of Saturday (April 21st).

## 2011 Institutional Flex Pass

Designed to encourage attendance by employees of the host area's blood banking institutions, the Flex Pass allows Institutional members to register multiple attendees for one low discounted fee. The Flex Pass will maximize your educational dollars and minimize staff scheduling challenges associated with meeting attendance.

The Institution simply completes the online registration indicating the "Flex Pass" registration option. Employees

will share the Flex Pass to enter educational sessions and the exhibit hall at the Annual Meeting. The Flex Pass can only be used by one individual from the facility at any given time. Multiple attendees sharing a Flex Pass cannot gain entrance to the same workshop. Note: Flex Pass registration includes one ticket to the President's Reception Awards Banquet. However, additional tickets can be purchased for the cost of \$50.00.

## 2012 Annual Meeting Fees

Register early and be automatically entered to win a free, three night hotel stay at the AT&T Conference Center during the annual meeting!

### Full Meeting Registration

(Includes Wednesday through Saturday and all social events)

	<b>By February 13</b>	<b>After February 13</b>
Member .....	\$ 335.00	\$ 385.00
Non-Member .....	\$ 410.00	\$ 460.00
Physician in Training/Student .....	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
Flex Pass .....	\$ 335.00	\$ 385.00

(\*Flex Pass allows multiple attendees to register at one discounted rate and is only open to SCABB Institutional Members)

### Single-Day Registration

(Daily registrations include all planned meal functions for that day, with the exception of the President's Awards Banquet)

	<b>By February 13</b>	<b>After February 13</b>
Member .....	\$ 160.00	\$ 185.00
Non-Member .....	\$ 185.00	\$ 210.00
Member Physician in Training/Student .....	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00
Guest tickets for President's Reception and Awards Banquet - \$50.00.		



## AT&T Executive Education Conference Center

1900 University Avenue  
Austin, Texas 78705  
512-404-1900

### The AT&T Conference Center

A special conference rate of \$140 per night, single or double occupancy (plus applicable taxes and fees) is available for attendees at the AT&T Conference Center. Attendees are encouraged to make their hotel reservations early to guarantee availability in the SCABB room block. Reservations must be made by March 26, 2012 for the discounted conference rate. All reservations must be guaranteed with a deposit of first night's room and tax. Cancellations are allowed without penalty up to 72 hours prior to the scheduled arrival date. The hotel will charge one night's rate plus tax for cancellations within 72 hours of the arrival date or for no-shows.

### The AT&T Conference Center reservations can be made by phone or online:

Reservations can be made by calling the AT&T Conference center directly at 877-744-8822 or 512-404-3600 and referring to South Central Association of Blood Banks meeting. Or visit [www.meetatatexas.com](http://www.meetatatexas.com) and access the reservations tab and enter your arrival/departure dates, requested contact information and the group code: SCABBM0412.

### Conference Attire

"Business Casual" is appropriate for all meetings and events unless otherwise indicated. A sweater or light jacket is recommended because meeting rooms may be cool.

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### Meal Functions

Full meeting registration includes all scheduled meal functions.

Daily registrations include all coffee breaks and lunch offered that day. Daily registrations do not include the President's Reception and Awards Banquet, however tickets can be purchased for this very special evening of celebration for \$50.00.

### Ground Transportation

Super Shuttle is the official ground transportation carrier for the annual meeting. Call 1-800-BLUE VAN (258-3826) or [visit www.supershuttle.com](http://www.supershuttle.com) to make your reservation.

Taxi service to the AT&T Conference Center from the Austin International Airport averages \$25.00 for a one way transport.

### Hotel Parking

For those attendees driving to Austin, ample parking is available in the AT&T Conference Center parking garage. The rate is \$10.00 / day or current pricing based on special promotions. Directions to the AT&T Conference Center can be found on [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org) > 2012 Annual Meeting.

## Are you AIMing to go to Austin?

Make plans to join us for the 2012

### Advanced Immunohematology & Molecular Symposium

April 21st - 22nd, 2012  
Austin, Texas

Here's what you can expect to learn at this two day symposium:

- Understanding the complexities of Rh
- How to differentiate between warm, cold and combo autoimmune hemolytic anemias
- Updates on standards & reimbursement
- What your reagents can and cannot do

**Early Bird Registration  
Only \$200 if registered  
by March 12, 2012**

So head down to AUSTIN for boots, BBQ and blood banking!



#### → Understanding the Complexities of Rh

Following the SCABB award winning lectures in the morning, AIMS participants will delve into the Rh blood group. The session will begin with a review of reagents from the human and polyclonal antibodies of the past to the new monoclonal reagents used today. How can you compare the two when classifying "D<sup>u</sup>", weak D, partial D, D variants or whatever we call them today? Next will be a review of Rh at the molecular level with special emphasis on variant RHCE genes found more frequently in Blacks. Questions like - "Do we need to genotype match for Rh in sickle cell patients?" will be addressed.

#### → Moulds in the Morning

The ever fun session will be minus one Moulds but the vacancy will be adequately filled by internationally recognized immunohematologist Dr. George Garratty. He will present the first **John Moulds Memorial Lectureship** which will give tips on how to differentiate between warm, cold and combo autoimmune hemolytic anemias and other causes of hemolysis. The lecture on how the monocyte monolayer assay (MMA) can be used to identify clinically significant antibodies and select units for transfusion will be of particular interest to those in a transfusion service. We all keep SOPs and books of reagent manufacturer directions; but have you read them recently? Do you know what your reagents can and cannot do or how they compare to molecular techniques—find the answers in this session.

#### → QA & Regulatory

Yes, we know it's a dry topic but with the newly published AABB standards for the IRL and the new Molecular Testing Accreditation Program, inquiring minds need to know! The issue of charging for molecular typing as well as the latest changes in CPT coding will be presented.

Visit [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org) > AIM Symposium often for updates AND to register!

# 2012 ANNUAL MEETING SPONSORING EXHIBITORS

Get ready to make music in Austin! The 2012 Exhibit Hall has all the instruments you need to catch the rhythm and feel the beat! Information, resources, instruments and new technology are yours for the "pickin'". The 2012 SCABB vendor partners represent manufacturers and distributors of critical blood banking products and transfusion medicine services. South Central Association of Blood Banks applauds these vendors who have played a vital role in the growth and sustainability of the association for many years.



**At the time of printing, the following companies have committed to exhibit at the 2012 Annual Meeting:**

- Andover Healthcare Inc.
- Bio-Rad
- CaridianBCT/Terumo
- Charter Medical, Ltd.
- Bio-Rad
- Fenwal, Inc.
- Fresenius Kabi/Kentec Medical
- Haemonetics
- HELMER
- MacoPharma USA
- Matthews Specialty Vehicles, Inc
- Mediware Information Systems, Inc.
- Quotient Biodiagnostics
- Rees Scientific
- R. F. Nozick & Associates (BC Solutions)
- Roche Diagnostics Corporation
- Separation Technology, Inc. (STI)
- Talisman, Ltd.
- Typenex Medical
- U.S. Coach Company, Inc.

Visit [www.scabb.org](http://www.scabb.org) > 2012 Annual Meeting to see a complete list of sponsoring exhibitors as they are confirmed.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities at South Central's 54th Annual Meeting & Exhibit Show, please contact:

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