October 1–3

EndoFest. Registration is now open for the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy’s (ASGE) new signature event, EndoFest, to be held October 1–3, 2010, at the Fairmont Turnberry Isle Resort & Club, Aventura, FL. The event will feature two full days of multiple simultaneous sessions highlighting the latest research, skills and technologies in the practice of endoscopy. Didactic and hands-on sessions will address “everything endoscopy” including colonoscopy, enteroscopy, clipping, suturing, stents, acute and obscure GI Bleeding, sedation, feeding tubes, EMR/ESD, ERCP, RFA, complications, strictures and more.

Features of this exciting new event include:

• Tailor-made learning. Simultaneous sessions on diverse topics, featuring hands-on training and interactive formats that allow participants to tailor the event to their needs and learning style.
• Interaction with the experts. Small-group formats that encourage open discussion and collegial interaction with world-renowned expert faculty.
• ASGE Learning Center. Multiple video stations displaying ASGE’s latest educational DVDs and CD-ROMs—view and earn CME credit for free.
• Newest technologies. An exhibit hall with demonstrations and the latest information on endoscopic products and devices.

October 15–20

ACG 2010 Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course. Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, San Antonio, Texas. The premier GI Clinical Meeting and Postgraduate Course.

October 20–23

73rd Annual Colon and Rectal Surgery Conference. Hyatt Regency—Minneapolis, MN, USA. This course will provide an overview of current concepts in colon and rectal surgery. Topics to be addressed include: Laparoscopic Colon and Rectal Surgery, Anorectal Disease, Colon and Rectal Cancer, Pelvic Floor Disorders, and Inflammatory Bowel Disease. In addition to the main course, we will offer 3 pre- and post-course workshops covering TEM, Laparoscopic Assisted Colon...
Resection, and Endorectal Ultrasonography. Sponsor: University of Minnesota Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery. Contact: Colleen Jensen, Course Coordinator. Address: P.O. Box 314 Lakeland, MN 55043. Telephone: (612) 670-7810. Fax: (612) 677-3200. E-mail: info@colonrectalcourse.org. Website: http://www.colonrectalcourse.org.

October 29–November 2
The Liver Meeting 2010. The 61st annual meeting of the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases, Boston, Hynes Convention Center. Join more than 7,500 hepatologists and hepatology health professionals at the Liver Meeting 2010—AASLD’s 61st Annual Meeting and Postgraduate course. The Liver Meeting is the premier meeting in the science and practice of hepatology and your once-a-year opportunity to exchange the latest liver disease research, discuss treatment outcomes, and network with colleagues. Who Should Attend? Physicians, surgeons, scientists, educators, nurses, physician assistants, and research and transplant coordinators. What to Expect? Four and a half days of courses and workshops; plenary, parallel, and poster sessions. For more information on The Liver Meeting 2010 or the AASLD/ASGE Endoscopy Course, go to www.aasld.org and click on the Liver Meeting or call: (703) 299-9766.

December 3–4
Join ASGE for a Team Training Weekend in December for an exciting, interactive weekend of team endoscopy training at three highly-rated GI courses. ERCP Boot Camp for the GI Team, featuring hands-on training at the ASGE IT&T center. Oak Brook Hills Marriott Resort Oak Brook, IL. Course Directors: K. Jane Malick, CGRN, Adam Slivka, MD, Todd H. Baron, MD, FASGE, Steven A. Edmundowicz, MD, FASGE. Visit www.asge.org or call (630) 573-0600 for full details.

December 9–12

Announcements for the Meetings Calendar should be submitted at least three months in advance of the date of the meeting. Send an e-mail to: Meetings Calendar, Practical Gastroenterology at ShugarPub@aol.com