congenital echocardiography was presented to Jack Rychik. His accomplishments include more than 170 publications, and serving the ASE as chair of the pediatric council and as a member of the Board of Directors. In his address, Jack thanked his family and mentors, hypothesized how fetal blood flow patterns may impact neurocognitive outcomes, shared Rychik's 5 rules, and gave us a peek at his dog Lucky's echo. The year's Fireside Chat featured Jeffrey Smallhorn, a past Founder's Award recipient, who recounted the early days of echocardiography and gave valuable advice about research, a balanced life, and Land Rover engines.

Planning is already underway for next year's pediatric track at the ASE Scientific Sessions, which will be held June 21–24, 2014, at the Oregon Convention Center, Portland, OR. There will be a broad range of topics to meet the educational goals of physicians and sonographers, and to impact your practice. A diverse national and international expert faculty will again be recruited. This will also be a terrific opportunity to showcase your best science and interact with other researchers. The venue is spectacular, with unforgettable outdoor activities, exceptional restaurants, and exciting nightlife. We look forward to meeting you there!

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Outgoing ASE President Patricia A. Pellikka, MD, FASE, attended the ASE Foundation Gala with her husband Jay Ryu.



Jack Rychik, MD, with his wife Susan at the ASE Foundation Gala. Dr. Rychik is the 2013 recipient of the Council on Pediatric and Congenital Heart Disease Founder's Award.



James B. Seward, MD, FASE, who attended the ASE Foundation Gala with his wife Judith, received the ASE 2013 Physician Lifetime Achievement Award.



Jack S. Shanewise, MD, FASE, received the 2013 Outstanding Achievement in Perioperative Echocardiography Award. He attended the ASE Foundation Gala with his wife Phillis.



The 2013 ASE Meritorious Service Award was given to Linda D. Gillam, MD, MPH, FASE, for her distinguished record of service to the Society. She attended the ASE Foundation Gala with Jack Buckman.



The ASE Foundation Gala, held at *Windows on Minnesota*, was a joyous event with spectacular views.



Alan D. Waggoner, MHS, RDCS, was named ASE's 2nd Sonographer Lifetime Achievement recipient. His fiancée Maria Szemik was with him to witness this honor.



ASE Scientific Sessions main gathering area at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

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