The 2017 guest lecturer for the Aitken Memorial Lecture series is Dr. Kim Burchiel. Dr. Burchiel is past Chairman of the AANS/CNS Joint Section on Pain, past-President of the American Board of Pain Medicine, past-President of the Society of University Neurosurgeons, and past-President of the Western Neurosurgical Society. He has been a Director and Vice-Chairman of the American Board of Neurological Surgery, he is Past-Secretary and President of the Society of Neurological Surgeons, and he was a member and former Chairman of the ACGME Residency Review Committee for Neurological Surgery. He is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from both the Society of University Neurosurgeons, and the American Association of Neurological Surgery.

Objectives:
1) Demonstrate an understanding of the electrophysiological basis of trigeminal neuralgia
2) Describe the role of neurovascular compression in trigeminal neuralgia
3) Outline the impact of patient age and gender on the occurrence of neurovascular compression in trigeminal neuralgia

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