2017 Year-End Message

The holiday season is a time for reflection and gratitude. As 2017 draws to a close, SOGH is aware it has much to be thankful for. First and foremost, we are thankful for our growing and supportive members, without whom we would not exist; for the tireless volunteers who work on our behalf throughout the year; and for our remarkable partners within the medical and business communities. Whether involved in research, learning, teaching, treating patients or providing support, we are all dedicated to a common cause of improving outcomes for hospitalized women.

We at SOGH extend our warmest wishes to you this holiday season. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable time with family and friends, and a new year filled with health, happiness, and success.

A MESSAGE FROM SOGH'S NEW PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues,

As the first non-founding board member to serve as SOGH President, I am humbled and honored to assume this leadership role. Having been an engaged member of SOGH since the beginning (I’m proud to say I was one of 40 physicians in attendance at the first Annual Clinical Meeting in 2011), I’m deeply grateful to my predecessors whose vision, leadership, and countless hours of hard work put SOGH on the map.

Now in our 8th year, SOGH is well positioned to advance its mission to improve outcomes for hospitalized women and support those who share our mission, and I could not be more excited for the months ahead.

The specific means by which we will carry out our mission are described in the SOGH Strategic Plan Vision 2020 which is available to SOGH members on our website. I consider this outline for our future to be the roadmap for my Presidency, and hope you find it as inspiring as I do. A few Vision 2020 objectives that I hope to impact during the year include:

Increase paid SOGH member from our current 550 to 1000 by 2020. Your membership is vital to our mission, and I will continue to seek ways to enhance the value of your membership. Please contact me with your thoughts, feedback, and ideas so I can be sure we are meeting your needs.

Engage at least 10% of SOGH membership as volunteers within the organization. Volunteers are the backbone of our organization and we could not accomplish all that we do without you. A sincere
thank you to all of our veteran committee members, and an enthusiastic welcome to those who are just coming on board. SOGH recruits new volunteers during the fourth quarter of each year, beginning at our Annual Clinical Meeting in September. If you were unable to see us in New Orleans this year and want to volunteer, please review our working committees and other available volunteer opportunities and reach out by 12/31/17.

Develop Core Competencies. Core competencies will define the OB/GYN hospitalist specialty and establish a framework for curriculum development and training of current and future hospitalists. This exciting work is well underway with a great steering committee of SOGH members collectively pitching in to shape our field. We will be recruiting authors in the next few months so please watch for more information coming soon.

Continue to establish a presence with the Annual Clinical Meeting and increase attendance. The SOGH Annual Clinical Meeting continues to be, in my opinion, the best CME value in OB/GYN, known for exceptional faculty, a curriculum chock full of high-yield topics, and an ideal balance of hands-on simulation courses with didactics to engage learners in many domains – all at an unbeatable price. Plan to attend the SOGH ACM next year in Cleveland, OH September 26-29!

Increase our visibility with other national organizations. Through speaking engagements, committee participation, and the overall exchange of ideas, we aim to lend the voice of the hospitalist to conversations, programs, and projects related to improving healthcare for hospitalized women. We are fortunate to be participating in several projects currently with ACOG, ABOG, and other leaders in women’s health, and look forward to more opportunities to collaborate in the future.

These are just a few of our goals for the near future. While they are aspirational, they are achievable with your continued support – both through your membership and your engagement in the organization. Through our combined efforts to accomplish this important work, SOGH and the hospitalist model will continue to thrive, and our patients will be all the better for it.

Very best wishes,

Tanner Colegrove, MD

THAT’S A WRAP!

SOGH Celebrates It’s 7th Annual Clinical Meeting and Breaks Attendance Record

Thank you volunteers, faculty and attendees for helping to make ACM 2017 an amazing experience in every way. Based on the survey feedback, we were successful in achieving the educational objectives
we set for the conference of self-care, hands on learning and clinical information. We’ve reviewed your non-clinical feedback as well and will work to incorporate that input for future meetings.

In closing out ACM 2017, highlighted below are a few “firsts” from the conference:

- This was the first SOGH Annual Clinical Meeting held outside of the western U.S. New Orleans got high marks and future meetings will be held at destination cities across the country as a means of reaching more regional members and potential new members.
- This was the first year we held our OB Emergencies Simulation workshops at an off-site simulation training facility. Thank you Ochsner Health System! Feedback from SIM workshop participants was 100% positive!
- This year registrations exceeded past years’ with 201!
- This year we changed the format of the meeting and for the first time had didactic sessions in the mornings and workshops in the afternoons. The change was met with overwhelming approval by attendees.

Take a peek at the photo booth shots and download the ACM 2017 photo album!

It was indeed an honor to serve as your ACM Co-Chairs this past year and we look forward to seeing you at future conferences.

Trina Pagano, MD & Jane van Dis, MD
ACM 2017 Co-Chairs

SAVE THE DATE! LOOKING FORWARD TO ACM 2018 IN CLEVELAND

A Message From the Co-Chairs
We are thrilled to be serving as Co-Chairs for the 2018 Annual Clinical Meeting (ACM), scheduled this year for September 26 – 29 in downtown Cleveland, Ohio. As residents of the northern U.S., we are delighted SOGH has begun regionally locating its annual conferences, and chosen Cleveland, The North Coast city, to host this year’s event!

Cleveland is home to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, the World Champion Cleveland Cavaliers, the Cleveland Museum of Art (Voted the #2 Art Museum in the U.S.) and the Cleveland Clinic (U.S. News and World Report’s #2 Hospital in the U.S.). Cleveland is also circled by an extensive network of Metroparks, known as the Emerald Necklace.

Our conference will be located in the newly remodeled downtown Hilton, adjacent to the Global Center for Health Innovation, a facility replete with the latest advancements in healthcare research, equipment and technology and whose mission is to “host and educate the country’s medical and health care community”.
We are committed to continuing the tradition making this year’s ACM even better than the last and will communicate often as we solidify our plans. Mark your calendars now and see you in C Town!

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