

Meet New CAOG President Coffy Pieternele

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Special points of interest:

- First call 2021 abstracts (insert mailed)
- 2021 dues statements mailed in December
- Reserve Napa, California 2021 dates NOW
- Any delinquent dues are requested STAT !
- Please update any new contact information changes immediately

J. Coffy Pieternele, M.D. grew up in the Caribbean at Christiansted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. He moved to Washington, D.C. to attend college at Howard University. This was followed by medical school at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN. After completing OB-Gyn residency at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Pontiac, Michigan he relocated to Beaumont, Texas where he has remained very actively involved in private practice with Southeast Texas OB-Gyn Associates.

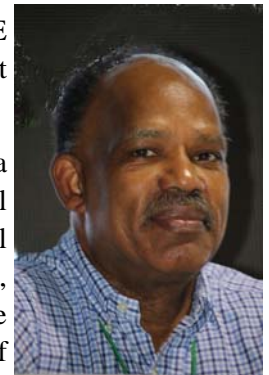
Dr. Pieternele was elected to membership in the CAOG in 1999. Virtually all his practice partners are also CAOG members. He has staff appointments at both Christus Hospital St. Elizabeth and Hermann-Memorial Baptist Hospital in Beaumont. He has served on almost every committee at Christus Hospital, including Chairman of their executive committee and President of their medical and dental staff.

Dr. Pieternele is an assistant clinical professor of OB-Gyn at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. He is also on the executive committee at the

Medical Center of SE Texas Beaumont Campus.

Dr. Pieternele is a member of most local and many national medical associations, including ACOG, the American College of Physician Executives and the Southern Medical Association.

Coffy is a long time board member for the Julie Rogers Gift of Life Prostate Cancer Screening Program as well as Spindletop Mental Health and Mental Retardation, where he shares his career commitment to Downs Syndrome children. He has been locally honored as an "exceptional father" and family role model in his community. He enthusiastically served on the CAOG Board of Directors for three years before being elected to the presidential track of succession. The Central is honored to introduce Dr. J. Coffy Pieternele as its 87th President.



J. Coffy Pieternele, M.D.

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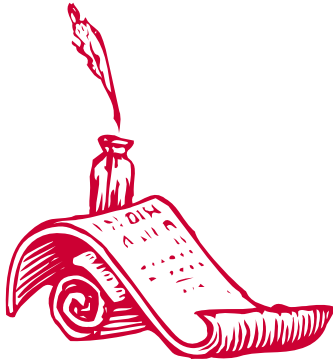


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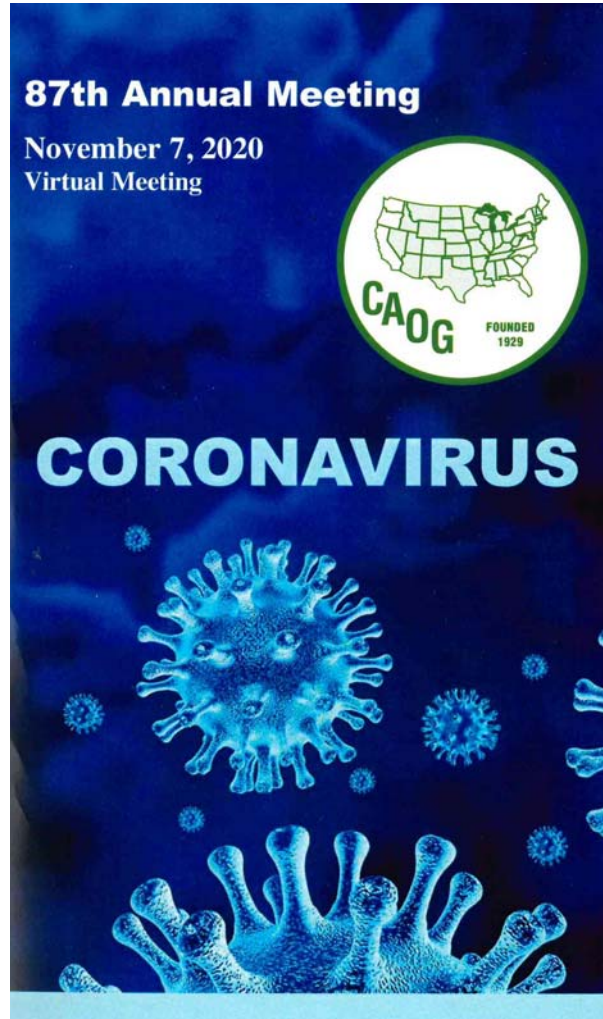


Napa Meeting



Meeting Report: Napa 2020 Postponed to 2021

The CAOG extends its sincere appreciation to each of our valued friends from industry for their history of generous support of the educational and scientific objectives of the CAOG Annual Meeting. We hope you will rejoin us in Napa, California in 2021.



Chichén Itzá, Yucatan
Mayan cultural icon.
This great 2019 site
location was not an
option by 2020. Aren't
you glad you came to
last year's meeting?

If a picture paints a thousand words, then the cover of the 2020 CAOG Annual Meeting is self explanatory. It was cancelled due to the coronavirus global pandemic that wiped out not only human lives but almost all travel and conventions during the last 10 months of this year.

A promising vaccine appears to be on the horizon as we begin 2021 but only time will determine its effectiveness or the length of time it will protect everyone. Obviously there are as many questions as answers at this time but moving forward appears to be the most logical choice. As health care providers we expect more information but time is short.

Optimistically we are planning to move ahead with the CAOG Annual Meeting in Napa's Meritage Resort the first week of October 2021.

We hope everyone will make an effort to attend and visit with friends.



2020 CAOG Scientific Award Winners

Central Prize Award – Morgan S. Doty, D.O., McGovern Medical School-UTHealth, Houston, TX

“Adverse Outcomes Associated with Pregnancy Conception Methods Among Low-Risk Pregnancies”

President’s Certificate of Merit Award – Lisette D. Tanner, M.D., MPH, McGovern Medical School-UTHealth, Houston, TX

“Enhanced Recovery After Scheduled Cesarean Delivery”

Community Hospital Award – Nicholas A. Callais, B.S., LSU-Health Shreveport, Shreveport, LA

“Group B Streptococcus Rectovaginal Colonization and Resistance Patterns in HIV Positive Compared to HIV Negative Pregnant Patients”

Young Investigator Award – Matthew J. Bicocca, M.D., McGovern Medical School-UTHealth, Houston, TX

“Labor Induction with Prostaglandin E1 versus E2: A Comparison of Outcomes.”

Judges’ Choice GYN Poster Award – Rebecca Commito, M.D., University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

“Assessment of Gynecologic Needs for Women Who Access Harm Reduction Services Through Mobile Van Outreach in Chicago”

People’s Choice GYN Poster Award – Fatima Ali, D.O., Hackensack Meridian Jersey Shore University Medical Center, Neptune, NJ

“A Novel Approach to Treating Cervical Ectopic Pregnancy with IV Methotrexate”

Judges’ Choice OB Poster Award – Ahmed S.Z. Moustafa, M.D., Hurley Medical Center/ Michigan State University, Grand Blanc, MI

“Association Between Maternal Obesity Class, Adherence in Labor Guidelines and Perinatal Outcomes”

People’s Choice OB Poster Award – Nimisha Kumar, B.S., Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN

“US-PCG Consumer Involvement and Outreach Efforts”

Dr. George W. Morley Memorial Paper – Judith A. Smith, Pharm.D., McGovern Medical School-UTHealth, Houston, TX

“AHCC Supplementation to Support the Immune System in the Elimination of Persistent Human Papillomavirus Infections in Women”

Dr. Jack A. Pritchard Memorial Paper – Rachel Gilbert, D.O., LSU Health Sciences Center, Baton Rouge, LA

“Marijuana Use in Pregnancy and the Risk of Preterm Birth”

Dr. Kermit E. Krantz Memorial Paper – Rigoberto Gutierrez, MS3, Memorial Hermann Southwest Hospital, Houston, TX

“Integration of Evidence from Randomized Controlled Trials into Clinical Guidelines by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists”

Dr. Bryan D. Cowan FAR (Fellows and Residents) Research Network Award – No Candidates This Year

New Provisional Active Members Elected 2020

Cecilia T. Gambala, M.D., New Orleans, LA

David A. Harper, M.D., Holland, OH

John A. Morgan, M.D., Shreveport, LA

Caroline E. Rouse, M.D., Indianapolis, IN

Anita P. Tamirisa, D.O., Toledo, OH

Tiffany R. Tonismae, M.D., Lithia, FL

Provisional Active Members are encouraged to attend one of the next two Annual Meetings to become full active members. If you have not yet received your membership certificate, please plan to attend at the Meritage in Napa, California in 2021. To ever clarify membership status please call the CAOG office.

New Adjunct Members 2020

No applications were received for this category of membership.

CAOG Twitter Winner

Drawing postponed to 2021

CAOG Management Report

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The 2020 Annual Meeting at the Meritage Resort in Napa, California was forced to be cancelled during the pandemic. After all the emails, faxes and telephone calls it's always fun to personally see our members so the cancellation was a real disappointment. We are now winding down 2020, but are hoping for a great 2021 meeting for our second visit to the always popular Napa, California wine country.

The **2021 member dues** billing and first call for papers were mailed in early December. This gives everyone the tax option of paying in either 2020 or early 2021. Your prompt remittance is always most appreciated. Any past dues are also appreciated. You can pay online.

The quarterly CAOG newsletters arrive electronically and contain current information. Please read them and frequently refer to them for reminders. The recent year's newsletters are always online at the CAOG website for your convenience. The deadline for membership application is July 1st.

The Napa Virtual Meeting Program Book is available on line.



Rochelle Hickel
Executive Director

Hello from your new Secretary-Treasurer !

We would like to thank everyone for their participation in the first (and hopefully only) virtual ZOOM Annual Meeting. Whether you were to present, be a discussant or prepared a poster, all of your efforts were especially appreciated. The CAOG Board decided to follow a two hour CME program with the Annual Business Meeting. Both were well attended.

If you have any suggestions for next year's meeting which will still be at the Meritage Resort in the stunning Napa Valley, please contact Rochelle at the CAOG office. Preparation for each annual scientific meeting begins early in the new year.

We know many of you are on Twitter so please follow us @TheCAOG. If you have ideas for tweets, please contact retiring Secretary-Treasurer and now President Elect II, Andy Wagner at the address shown on the first page of this newsletter.

Thanks, Tom Arnold

Reserve These CAOG 2021 Napa, California Meeting Dates:



NAPA, CALIFORNIA IN 2021
Science will be on Thurs., Fri. and Sat.

October 6 – 9, 2021
The Meritage Resort



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Thanks to these additional 2020 Donors the PTO Endowment Fund continues to grow. All interest income is used to fund CAOG scientific awards.