

NEWSLETTER

Meet New CAOG President James Van Hook

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James Van Hook, M.D.

James W. Van Hook, M.D., a Louisiana native from a longtime medical family, first attended Louisiana Tech University followed by medical school at LSU in Shreveport. After an OB-Gyn residency at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, he next did a Critical Care fellowship at Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, North Carolina and then a Maternal-Fetal Medicine Fellowship at the University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle. His five Board certifications include ABOG, Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Critical Care Medicine, Addiction Medicine and Preventive Medicine with active certifications in each.

His academic travels have included Professor and Regional Chair at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Amarillo and Executive Vice Chair at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in Ohio. Dr. Van Hook is currently Professor and Endowed Chair of OB-Gyn at the University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences in Toledo, Ohio. He has served on virtually every hospital committee at each institution mentioned above and has enjoyed major teaching responsibilities for residents, medical students, fellows, ultrasonographers and graduate students as well. Honors include student teaching kudos and perennial Best Doctors in America awards.

Dr. Van Hook's extensive curriculum vitae includes over one hundred enthusiastically received scientific presentations, several audio visual presentations, and almost a million dollars in research grants. He is extremely well published with over 100 peer and non-peer reviewed journal articles, book chapters and scientific abstracts. Working closely with the Ohio Department of Health on maternal health topics, Dr. Van Hook has also served on the March of Dimes Board of Directors and currently the Ohio Physician Health Program. His memberships in over a dozen scientific societies, include 20 years in the Flying Physicians Association as an active pilot.

Elected to CAOG membership in 1999 Jim has served as both a trustee and officer despite his overwhelming academic and practice commitments. Jim claims to be a dilettante outdoorsman and is trying to say "no" more often. Incidentally his wife Cathy is also a CAOG member. The CAOG is honored to introduce Dr. James Van Hook as its 88th president.

Special points of interest:

- **First call for papers for 2022 (insert mailed)**
- **2022 dues statements mailed in December**
- **Reserve Charleston, SC 2022 dates NOW**
- **Any delinquent dues are requested STAT !**
- **Please update any new contact information changes immediately**

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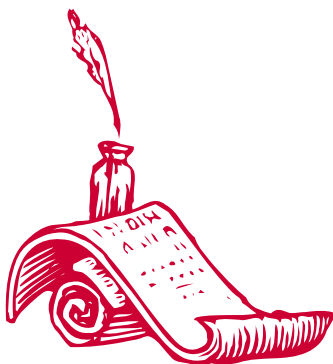
Napa, California Meeting Report

The Central Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists conducted its 88th Annual Meeting in Napa, California at the Meritage Resort from October 6 – 9, 2021. The scientific program was developed through the year with the long hard work of the Scientific Program Committee chaired by Dr. Thomas Arnold, Secretary-Treasurer. Thanks to everyone for another great effort.

The 3 daily sunrise lectures and 22 podium oral presentations were interspersed with hot topics, invited lectures and a 2 day poster session to offer a diverse, lively and academic scientific program. The general sessions were awarded 16.75 CME I hours and 17.0 cognate credits from ACOG.

Highlighted topics were twin to twin transfusion syndrome, endometriosis surgery, history of robotic procedures, addiction in pregnancy, unmet clinical needs of preeclampsia, advocacy & public policy, yeast vaginitis hopes and optimizing reproductive outcomes in cancer survivorship. Keynote speaker and genetic guru Dr. Mark Evans addressed the conundrum of “Resistance to Change.”

The Presidential Address by Dr. Coffy Pieternelle was titled “Can We Improve Healthcare Insurance?” CME programs which have personal interaction like the CAOG Annual Meeting also provide a stress free break from work, networking opportunities that foster professional well being plus education.



Meeting Report: Napa, California

The CAOG extends its sincere appreciation to each of these valued friends from industry for their generous support of the educational and scientific objectives of the 2021 CAOG Annual Meeting. We hope you will join us in Charleston, SC in 2022.

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FAR Research Network 2022 Request

FAR research projects under collaborative investigation could win a \$1,000 prize!!

Suggest a New Topic

Please email or better yet, call our coordinators:

Drs. Jean Goodman,
Jonathan Maraskas or
Tiffany Tonismae

Any ideas for collaborative investigation are urgently requested and all inquiries are welcomed !!



Napa Grape Crusher

Social & Guest Events

Nearly 200 registrants mingled at the CAOG Welcome Reception Wednesday night in the Exhibit Hall area. Thanks to everyone who visited our most valued industry supporters. Without them meeting registration fees would require a substantial increase. Thursday morning spouses and guests met with Vivian Pieternelle for breakfast followed by an historical walking tour of the Meritage grounds and vineyard. It was being upgraded to replace drought stricken vines.

The traditional Black Tie Banquet and Dinner Dance on Friday evening gave way to a relaxed business atmosphere serenaded by a guitar trio. Drs. Coffy Pieternelle & Andy Wagner (filling in for the absent Dr. Tom Arnold) presented CAOG Awards for the winning papers and posters. Congratulations to all who actively participated this year.

THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS



**88TH ANNUAL MEETING
OCTOBER 6 – 9, 2021**

**THE MERITAGE RESORT
NAPA, CALIFORNIA**



**James W. Van Hook, M.D.
Incoming CAOG President**



**Masking in the time of Covid-19
CAOG 2021 – Napa, California**

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Great Science + Great Venue = A Successful Meeting



CAOG President Dr. Coffy Pieternele and wife Vivian welcomed the group to Napa after a one year delay

Napa Valley



California Wine Country during Harvest & Crush



Dr. Mark I. Evans Keynote Address on "Resistance to Change"



Claire E. Marks, MS3
"Central Prize Award"



Caitlin MacGregor, M.D.
"Young Investigator Award"



Nicolina Smith, D.O.
"Community Hospital Award"



Samantha J. Osteen, M.D.
"President's Certificate of Merit Award"

2021 CAOG SCIENTIFIC AWARDS



Shruti Vaidyanathan, MS4
"Dr. Kermit E. Krantz Memorial Paper"



Emily A. Holthaus, M.D.
"Dr. Jack A. Pritchard Memorial Paper"



Julia Berry, MS4
"Dr. George W. Morley Memorial Paper"

2021 NAPA MEETING MEMORIES



Loyola University participants included Dr. Jean Goodman and Dr. Jonathan Maraskas surrounded by a bevy of abstract winners.



Visionary Award Winner
David F. Lewis, M.D.



SPIRIT CAPTAIN ANDY WAGNER & GANG
Team jerseys and logo caps saluted weekend Game Day
GO TEAM CAOG !



Annual Past Presidents and Board of Directors
Dinner was a huge success as always



New CAOG President Elect II David M. Haas (right)
led these Indiana University abstract & award winners
Keep the contributions coming in 2022!



CAOG BOARD OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES:
(Left to right) Drs. Robert Carpenter, Veronica Mallett, Dana Benden, James Van Hook, Tacoma McKnight, Coffy Pieternele, Andy Wagner and Jean Goodman. (attending but absent: Peter Greenspan and Kinion Whittington)



CAOG PAST PRESIDENTS:
(Left to right) Drs. Robert Sokol, Mark Evans, Vanessa Barnabei, Barbara Parilla, John Calkins, Dennis Lutz and David Lewis (attending but absent: Lee Shulman)



2021 CAOG Scientific Award Winners

Central Prize Award – Claire E. Marks MS3, Indiana Univ. School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN

“Comparing Newborn Outcomes After Prenatal Exposure to Individual Antidepressants”

President’s Certificate of Merit Award – Samantha J. Osteen, M.D., MS, Indiana Univ. School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN

“Long-Term Childhood Outcomes for Babies Born at Term Who Were Exposed to Antenatal Corticosteroids”

Community Hospital Award – Nicolina Smith, D.O., Henry Ford Health System, Detroit, MI

“Efficacy of a Pilot Program for Obstructive Sleep Apnea Screening in Pregnancy”

Young Investigator Award – Caitlin A. MacGregor, M.D., NorthShore University HealthSystem, Evanston, IL

“Discontinuation of Oxytocin in the Second Stage of Labor and its Association with Postpartum Hemorrhage”

Judges’ Choice GYN Poster Award – David A. Billings, M.D., Univ. of North Dakota School of Medicine & Health Sciences, Minot, ND

“Unexplained Persistently Elevated Quantitative B-hCG in Post-Menopausal Female Remote from Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy-Bilateral Salpingo-Oophorectomy”

People’s Choice GYN Poster Award – Nicolette Codispoti, MS, MPH, Loyola Univ. Chicago Stritch School of Medicine, Maywood, IL

“Incidence and Characteristics of Women Presenting to the Emergency Department with Abnormal Uterine Bleeding”

Judges’ Choice OB Poster Award – Camille C. Imbo-Nloga, M.D., HCA Healthcare/USF Morsani College of Medicine GME Program, Brandon Regional Hospital

“Implementing the Use of Vaginal Preparation Prior to C-Sections to Decrease Postpartum Endometritis”

People’s Choice OB Poster Award – Carlos M. Fernandez, M.D., Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, Chicago, IL

“Successful Laparoscopic Management of Type II Cesarean Scar Pregnancy: A Case Series”

Dr. George W. Morley Memorial Paper – Julia T. Berry, MS4, Univ. of Toledo College of Medicine, Toledo, OH

“Prevalence and Outcomes of Positive Cervical Cancer Screening in Female Renal Transplant Waitlist Candidates: A Single Center Experience”

Dr. Jack A. Pritchard Memorial Paper – Emily A. Holthaus, M.D., Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL

“Association Between Preterm Neonate Endocan Levels and Maternal Obesity”

Dr. Kermit E. Krantz Memorial Paper – Shruti Vaidyanathan, MS4, LSU Health Sciences Center Shreveport, Shreveport, LA

“Implementation of a Standardized Surgical Site Infection Prevention Bundle to Decrease the Rate of Surgical Site Infections in Open Gynecologic Surgical Cases and Cesarean Sections”

New Provisional Active Members Elected 2021

Leslie C. Appiah, M.D., Aurora, CO

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Kellen C. Goldschmidt, M.D., Ottawa Hills, OH

Linda C. Yang, M.D., Elmhurst, IL

Andrew F. Rubenstein, M.D., Phoenix, AZ

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 Charleston Marriott in Charleston, SC in 2022. To ever clarify membership status please call the CAOG office.

New Adjunct Member 2021

No candidates during the pandemic.

CAOG Twitter Winner

Akash Jani, M.D., Chicago, IL

CAOG Management Report

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Women's Health Care Leaders

WE'RE ON THE WEB!
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The 2021 Annual Meeting at the Meritage Resort & Spa in Napa, California was a resounding success. Non-attendees missed a great event. After all the e-mails, faxes and telephone calls it's always fun to personally see so many members again. We are winding down 2021, but here's what you can expect in 2022 leading up to our return to the southern hospitality mecca of Charleston, South Carolina.

The **2022 member dues** billing and first call for papers were mailed in early December. This gives everyone the tax option of paying in either 2021 or early 2022. Your prompt remittance is always most appreciated. Any past dues are also welcomed and most needed.

The quarterly CAOG newsletters arrive electronically and contains 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.



Rochelle Hickel
Executive Director

The Napa, CA Meeting Program Book is available on request.

Reserve These CAOG Charleston, SC Meeting Dates Today

October 19 – 22, 2022



Fort Sumter, Charleston, S.C.

160 years ago – April 12, 1861 – the American Civil War began with the Confederate attack on federal Fort Sumter at the mouth of Charleston Harbor. Four long and bloody years later, a war weary nation began the reconciliation process.



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Thanks to these additional 2021 Donors the PTO Endowment Fund continues to grow. All interest income is used to fund CAOG scientific awards.