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NEWSLETTER



Message from the President

Dear IDSOG Members,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well. ***Our annual meeting is right around the corner on August 10-12 at Chateau Deer Valley in Park City, Utah and I warmly invite you to attend.*** Our Program Committee led by Dr. Linda Eckert has been hard at work putting together a fantastic 2.5 day conference. We again will have sponsored Round Tables to kick off the event and there are rumors of a debate. Dr. David Eschenbach has graciously accepted our invitation to be our Presidential Speaker and will share his deep knowledge of the clinical management of serious infections. As usual, there will be ample opportunity to collaborate, catch-up with old friends, and, of course, dance.



I want to highlight the hard work that our Committees are doing behind the scenes to increase IDSOG's visibility as a leader in the field of Reproductive Infectious Disease. Did you notice our IDSOG logo on Drs. Wiesenfeld and Peipert's expert review of sexually transmitted infections and infertility published in AJOG this past January?

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.ajog.2016.08.008> That is the fine work of our Publications Committee. In addition to working with AJOG and others, we are hoping to partner with ACOG to work on ID related Practice Bulletins or Committee Opinions and again include our logo. I urge anyone that would like to write an expert opinion to contact Drs. Jason Bell or Brenna Hughes to review their concept and content. Dr. Rich Beigi and the Communications Committee have been working hard with the Maternal Child Survival Program to develop ZIKA related education materials to be distributed worldwide. These activities bring more visibility to IDSOG and serve our educational mission. Many thanks to all those involved!

Our Membership Committee led by Dr. Kimberly Fortner has been hard at work soliciting new membership applications. ***I am pleased to welcome new members Drs. Catherine Chappell, Christina Munzy, Marcela Smid and Alisa Kachikis!*** New

2016-2018 Officers

President

Carolyn Gardella, MD, MPH

President-Elect

Phil Heine, MD

Secretary

Linda Eckert, MD

Treasurer

Jill Davies, MD

Immediate Past President

Rich Beigi, MD, MSc

Council Members

Rodney Edwards, MD

Kimberly Fortner, MD

Caroline Mitchell, MD, MPH

Jeanna Piper, MD

Lisa Rahangdale, MD

Patrick Ramsey, MD, MSPH

Dues Reminder!

**RENEWING
MEMBER**
Annual Dues

**Don't forget to pay your
2017 membership dues!**

Submit payment by one of the
following options:

[Log-in online](#)
to submit payment.

Phone IDSOG Staff at
(312) 676-3928.

Email payment information to
idsog@idsog.org

Mail a check to IDSOG
Headquarters, Attn: Sohana
Cantwell, 230 W. Monroe St.,
Suite 710, Chicago, IL 60606.



2017 Program Committee

Linda Eckert, MD, Chair
Natali Aziz, MD
Jennifer Balkus, PhD, MPH
Jason Bell, MD, MPH, MS
Paul Nyirjesy, MD
Bryan Oshiro, MD
Cheryl Walker, MD
Harold Wiesenfeld, MD



IDSOG Mission Statement

The Infectious Diseases
Society for Obstetrics and
Gynecology (IDSOG) is
committed to scientific
exchange, education and
leadership in infectious
diseases in women.

New IDSOG Members

Catherine Chappell, MD



Alisa Kachikis, MD

members are the life blood of our society so please invite your
colleagues to join.

We are soliciting Council member nominations. Being on
Council is a fun way to get to know other members, and to have a
direct impact on the course of IDSOG. We will be developing a new 5
year strategic plan this year. Please contact us if you would like to be
considered or if you would like to nominate a member.

I look forward to seeing you in August!

Sincerely,

Carolyn Gardella, MD, MPH
President, IDSOG

Message from the Program Chair

With the help of the Program Committee, I am
thrilled with the plans for the 2017 IDSOG
Annual Meeting, to be held August 10th-12th,
2017 at The Chateaux Deer Valley in Park City,
Utah. We received a record number of high
quality abstracts this year which will continue
the IDSOG tradition of presenting new and
cutting edge science while also providing our
members and guests significant networking
opportunities.



Dr. Heather Watts, with USAID, will be talking
about the Translation of Science into Policy:
Course and Impact, Dr. Kristina Adams, a Professor at the University
of Washington, has a monkey model for ZIKA and will offer us an
update on ZIKA research and knowledge; and Dr. Robert Silver, a
Professor at the University of Utah, will discuss the role of Stillbirth
and Infection.

We welcome and congratulate this year's trainee scholar awardees
and hope to see many of our past awardees at the meeting this year.
Your presence has added a palpable new energy to our organization.
On behalf of the Program Committee, I look forward to celebrating
IDSOG's tradition of scientific excellence, leadership, and
camaraderie with you this summer.

Sincerely,

Linda Eckert, MD
2017 Program Chair, IDSOG

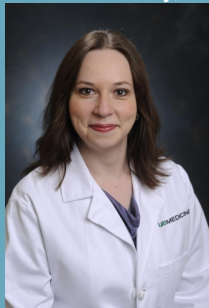
2017 Annual Meeting

Meeting Details

The 44th IDSOG Annual Meeting will continue the Society's tradition
of great scientific and social programming. This year's meeting will be
held August 10-12 at The Chateaux Deer Valley in Park City, Utah.



Christina Muzny, MD



Marcela Smid, MD, MA, MS



Save the Date!



The 2018 Annual Meeting will be held August 2 - 4 at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



IDSOG Board Nominations Open

IDSOG is asking its membership to put forth their name for consideration to join the 2016-2018 IDSOG



A [preliminary schedule of events](#) is available; however, the full schedule of events will be made available after the abstract confirmations have been received. Please continue to check the website for updates on the programming for this conference.

Registration

You may complete your registration in one of three ways:

1. **Register [online](#)** using a credit card and receive immediate confirmation via email. (If you are a visitor and not a registered user, i.e. nonmember, please use the New Visitor Registration link. **Note: all members are registered users**) or,
2. **Email** the [registration form](#) to Sohana Cantwell at idsog@idsog.org or,
3. **Fax** the [registration form](#) with your credit card information to (312) 235-4059, Attn: Sohana Cantwell
4. **Mail** the [registration form](#) with your credit card information or make a check payable to the Infectious Diseases Society for Obstetrics and Gynecology to the address listed on the form.

Registration fees increase after July 5, 2017.

Housing

A block of rooms for the Annual Meeting has been reserved at The Chateaux Deer Valley. Rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis at a special room rate of \$239 per night (plus state and local taxes) for single or double occupancy. This rate is guaranteed through **Wednesday, July 12**. To make your reservation, please contact reservations directly at (877) 288-2978 or [book online](#). Reference the "IDSOG Annual Meeting" to receive the special group rate.

The Chateaux Deer Valley will require guestroom reservation be guaranteed with a deposit of one night's stay. All housing cancellations need to be made 30 days prior to arrival, or the one night's room and tax deposit will be forfeited.

Travel

Airports: The Chateaux Deer Valley is located 40 miles (a 45 minute drive) from the Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC).

Air Travel: IDSOG's official travel agent is Gant Travel Management, available toll-free at (800) 621-1083 (630) 227-3873, outside US/Canada). Gant is available 8:00am - 5:00pm CT, Monday through Friday. A \$25 service fee is issued per airline ticket.

Taxis are located in the airport terminal's lower roadway on the baggage claim and departure level. Approximate one-way taxi fare to/from the hotel to/from SLC is \$80-100.

Council. Nominations will be open now through **Friday, June 30 at 12:00 p.m. CT.**

IDSOG is seeking nominations for two (2) vacancies on the IDSOG Council:

- Member-at-Large (2 vacancies)

If you are interested in serving, please notify IDSOG staff not later than 12:00pm CT on Friday, June 30 by sending an email to idsog@idsog.org

About IDSOG

Activities of the Society are conducted for the advancement and promulgation of knowledge in infectious diseases, for improvements in women's health care, and for the facilitation of personal and collaborative relationships among investigators in infectious diseases related to women's health care.

SuperShuttle provides shuttle services to/from the airport. Visit their [website](#) for detailed information.

Rental cars are available at a discounted price through Hertz Rent-A-Car. These rates will extend from August 3-19, 2017. Reservations may be placed through the Hertz Meeting Sales Desk at (800) 654-2240 or (405) 749-4434. Please reference CV# 022Q8440 when making your reservations to guarantee the group discount. (Subject to availability). Driving directions to/from the hotel are available on the [hotel website](#).

Weather

The weather in Park City, Utah during August is typically warm during the day with average highs in the upper-80s and cool at night with lows in the low-50s. Stay updated on the current weather [online](#).

