Mark Your Calendar!  
October 9, 2018

Host: Celebration Hospital  
Place: Celebration Hospital  
400 Celebration Place  
Celebration, FL 34747  
The Palms Conference Room on first floor  
Speaker: Dr. Giday  
Sponsor: Boston Scientific

Topic: Gi Bleed  
Dinner & 1 CE (must have license # to get CE)  
Members free; non-members $10.00  
Non-member techs $5.00  
RSVP to Sherry Barnes
The 42nd Annual Joint Meeting of Florida’s SGNA and FGS was held at the beautiful Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress in Orlando. This is a wonderful venue as you can see in the pictures; there were a lot of attendees from our Region 14 hospitals and ambulatory endoscopy centers. It would be great if some of these endoscopy nurses and technicians attended more of our regional meetings. The Vendors provided lunch on Saturday. There was a hands-on lab set up again for everyone to participate in learning new technology and techniques. We enjoyed the speakers, too. There is always something new to learn in the world of GI.

The GOSGNA Board of Directors met on August 14, 2018 to discuss the future of our Regional meetings. We have been having 6 Regional dinner/CE meetings and a 6-hour Spring into Endoscopy seminar each year. The survey results have been about 50/50 as to whether to move to several weekend meeting or to continue our current schedule. It is getting harder to find speakers and sponsors and hosts for all the meetings. This year, 2018, there were no meetings in June and August. Therefore, we have decided to try a new schedule for 2019. There will be two Regional dinner/CE meetings and two weekend meetings. Scholarships for the National 2019 Annual course will remain the same. From then on, scholarships to the State and National meetings will have new criteria. The first criteria are to be a member of SGNA.

Check the dates of coming events in this edition of the GOSGNA Newsletter. Mark your calendars.

Remember elections for Secretary and Treasurer for the 2019-2020 term will be held at the December 4, 2018 meeting.
Hello everyone, It’s been a while since we have met. Hope everyone is well. We have listened to everyone via the surveys we sent/gave out. There is no clear consensus, we are going to try something new next year and have 2 meetings midweek as always, and 2 Weekend meetings one of which that will still be our Spring Into Endoscopy on March 30th. We hope this will be something that will meet everyone’s needs.

For those that were able to attend the State Meeting this month, we had a great time and had some great presenters. We were able to talk to colleagues. Saturday afternoon is always a time for hands-on training (at no additional cost). If you couldn’t be with us this year, Plan on next year at Bonnet Creek, September 14-16, 2019, also here in Orlando.

Our next meeting will be at Celebration hospital on Tuesday October 9th at 6:30.

Our last meeting of the year will be on December 4. At this meeting we will have an election for Secretary and treasurer. If you are interested in a board position please feel free to ask questions of any of our board.
60+ different vendors. Meet and socialize with our doctors and members.

Our website has undergone a major update. Check it out!

Click HERE!

Scientists Create Human Esophagus in Stem Cell First
Researchers have managed to create a human esophagus in the laboratory. The esophagus is a muscular tube that moves food and liquids we ingest from our throats to our stomachs.

Scientists at the Cincinnati Children’s Center for Stem Cell and Organoid Medicine in Ohio have artificially grown these tissues in the laboratory using pluripotent stem cells. These are stem cells that can take any form and create any tissue in the body.

Laboratory-grown esophagus organoids might help treat a range of conditions, such as esophageal cancer and gastroesophageal reflux disease. They may also treat rare congenital diseases, such as esophageal atresia and achalasia.

The findings may also lead to better treatments using regenerative medicine.

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**SGNA Florida**

Don’t forget to renew your SGNA membership for 2018 and update your information so you can continue to enjoy all the benefits of SGNA!

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