



Society for Maternal • Fetal Medicine

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SMFM Fellow tip of the week - Sep 2014

The partial pressure of inspired air in a standard airplane cabin is usually lower than at sea level. Physiologic adaptation includes increased HR and BP and decreased arterial oxygen saturation. Pregnant women with pre-existing cardiovascular conditions, sickle disease and severe anemia may experience the effects of decreased oxygen saturation. Health

Andy Helfgott



*"It is not length of life, but depth of life.
He jumped into life and never touched
bottom."*

In the early morning of Sunday, September 7, 2014, Andy Helfgott passed away. He lost an unfair, unwinnable fight against cancer. He leaves his wife and three children, whom he was near in his last moments. Andy has been a dear friend of our Society, and of many of us. Please feel free to send us mementos, or ideas for celebrating his life and accomplishments. More to come at the SMFM 2015 Annual Meeting, where the 5k run and walk will be dedicated for him.

Association for Maternal Fetal Management Update

The annual meeting for AMFMM will take place on 10/9 - 10/10/14 this year at the Ritz Carlton in Phoenix. Based upon the subjects we will be presenting, this promises to become our best meeting yet. Please [click here](#) to join us by registering prior to our early registration deadline of 9/17/2014.

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Please don't forget to complete the RVU study. The results of this study will have large implications for maternal fetal medicine specialists. It is essential to get participation from more SMFM and AMFMM members to get the best

hy pregnant women will be unaffected.

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For more tips, please

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Please [click here](#) for a sample of the first memories we collected.

In lieu of flowers, Andy's family has asked that donations be made to the SMFM. Please [click here](#) to download the form and donate.

data we can regarding our specialty's workload and compensation and then pass that information on to you. Make sure you sign up at <http://www.amfmm.com/vustudy.aspx>.

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Fellow Lectures

Did you miss Dr. Bunge's lecture on microbicides, circumcision and HIV? Please [click here](#) to check it out!



One of SMFM's main goals in 2014-2015 has been to increase the Society's international reach. Let me share the many international and global health initiatives we have been busy working on. [Read more](#)



Vincenzo Berghella
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International Initiatives

Be sure to [update your contact information](#) on the new and improved SMFM website to ensure that you are taking advantage of all the Society has to offer for you!

Upcoming Events:

2015 AIUM [Annual Convention and Preconvention Program](#) March 21 -25, 2015
The [SMFM Leadership Course](#) Residential seminars Oct 24 - 26 2014 and April 17 - 19 2015
SMFM's [Fall Coding Course](#) Sept. 18-19, 2014