

# American Osteopathic College of Dermatology

## Newsletter

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### AOCD TO MEET IN LAS VEGAS

The American Osteopathic College of Dermatologists will meet in Las Vegas during the AOA Annual Convention November 2-6, 1986. The program theme, "WHAT'S NEW IN DERMATOLOGY," developed by program chairman, Robert D. Verona, D.O., will cover a variety of topics designed to help dermatologists in their practices. The didactic sessions begin on Monday, November 3, at Bally's Grand Hotel. Programs are available through the AOCD Central Office in Atlanta.

The American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology will conduct certification exams on Sunday, November 2, also at Bally's Grand Hotel.

Social events include a reception sponsored by C&M PHARMACAL and a dinner sponsored by STIEFEL LABORATORIES on Monday, November 3. The annual luncheon sponsored by WESTWOOD PHARMACEUTICALS will be on Tuesday, November 4.

The annual AOCD business meeting will also be on Tuesday immediately following the luncheon.

AOCD has been fortunate to have received support from a number of companies in the form of contributions and speaker sponsors (see enclosed.) This support allows the College to provide high quality educational programs. AOCD members are urged to post the list of supporters in their offices and thank representatives from these companies.

### LIABILITY INSURANCE UPDATE

The Missouri court has approved the rehabilitation plan for Professional Mutual Insurance Company which will allow the company to negotiate renewing policies and writing new business in those state where they are licensed.

The plan calls for: (1) The appointment of Mr. Glenn Jourdan as chief executive officer of PMIC. (Mr. Jourdan has been with the Missouri Insurance Commission for some 25 years); (2) substantial rate increases; (3) surplus notes to infuse capital into the Company; (4) conversion to claims-made policies; (5) \$1M limits on individual policies; and (6) such other steps as may be necessary to increase efficiency and cut operating costs.

In essence, the Missouri court is allowing PMIC time to overcome its monetary deficiencies and once again become a viable liability insurance carrier for the osteopathic profession.

PMIC reports they now have 100% reinsurance coverage from Lloyds of London, and that the renewals and contributions to surplus are coming in even better than anticipated.

In a related action, the American Osteopathic Association's House of Delegates, after considerable debate, defeated by a two-vote margin the concept of a AOA captive

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Cathy M. Garris

## **AOA APPROVES CHANGE IN AOCD BASIC REQUIREMENTS**

The AOCD Central Office was notified on July 21 by Douglas Ward, Ph.D. Director, Office of Osteopathic Education, that the AOA Board of Trustees had approved changes to the Basic Requirements for Residency Training Programs in Dermatology. (see enclosed)

The revisions concern the use of osteopathic principles and practices by osteopathic dermatologists and requirements of manuscripts or projects from six (6) to three (3) and the presentation requirements of these papers.

These changes apply to all residents/trainees, current and new.

## *Insurance Update*

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medical malpractice insurance company. Based on a survey by consultants Carroon & Black and a survey of liability insurance needs by the AOA staff, it had been recommended that a captive insurance company be formed, that it be domiciled in Tennessee because of favorable state insurance laws and that the AOA provide \$1M of capital and surplus to initiate the company. However, in discussion some members of the House expressed concern at the haste in which this decision was reached and called for further research.

## **NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS..**

The AOA Board of Trustees has approved the appointment of David B. Walker, D.O. and Dudley Goetz, D.O. to the American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology.

James Q. Del Rosso, D.O. has joined the faculty at Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine as Assistant Professor of Dermatology. He continues to practice dermatology and dermatologic surgery at the Osteopathic Medical Center affiliated with the medical college.

David B. Walker, D.O. was appointed to the AOA Advisory Board for Osteopathic Specialists.

## 1987 AOCD ANNUAL MEETING

OCTOBER 4-8, 1987

PEABODY HOTEL  
SHERATON HOTEL

ORLANDO, FLORIDA

## **Annual Membership Directory To Be Published In December**

The annual AOCD membership directory will be published in December. If you have moved recently, have a new phone number or anticipate a move, please send the AOCD Central Office in Atlanta the correct information in order that our directory can be as accurate as possible.



## REPORTS

### Membership Committee

Daniel Koprince, D.O.

In October, 1985, members of the American Academy of Dermatology voted 85.7% to eliminate the AFFILIATE category of membership. The purpose was to prevent additional nondermatologists/nonphysicians from obtaining membership in the Academy, but to permit current affiliate members to continue to have their current rights and obligations. (Former bylaws allowed nondermatologists/nonphysicians to hold membership with voting privileges.) Most osteopathic dermatologists are in the affiliate category.

The AAD will hold its annual meeting in New Orleans, December 6-11, 1986, at which time all osteopathic dermatologists will be invited to join. For more information on the meeting or membership write to: Mr. Thomas H. StLuka, Dir. Member Services, AAD, 1567 Maple Ave Evanston, IL 00201.

### REMINDER:

#### Register As AOCD Member

All AOCD members should register at the AOA Convention as members of the College rather than just AOA members. A portion of the registration fee for AOCD members is returned to the College.

### Education Evaluating

James D. Bernard, D.O.

The AOA Committee on Post-Doctorial Training will meet in Chicago on November 19-21, 1986.

#### Program

Robert D. Verona, D.O.

Thanks to all physicians who have agreed to speak at the annual meeting. We are also very appreciative of those companies that are sponsoring speakers.

Two additions to our program are:

Edward Yob, D.O.

"THE TOXICITY OF SYSTEMIC RETINOIDS"

Monday (11/3) - 11:30 a.m.

Mark Hatch, D.O.

"SHORT CONTACT ANTHRALIN THERAPY FOR PSORIASIS"

Wednesday (11/5)-11:30 a.m.

#### Editorial

Dudley W. Goetz, D.O.

Scientific papers are welcome from trainees, residents and members. Please forward to the AOCD Central Office in Atlanta. They will be reviewed by the Editorial Committee.



### Convention

Steven C. Roberts, D.O.

We have been very fortunate to have the support of a number of companies this year for a total contribution of \$7,091 not including the C&M Pharmacal reception and the Westwood Pharmaceuticals luncheon. This is approximately \$1,052 more than last year!

Listed below are the companies that have contributed. It is through their gracious contributions that our educational programs are made possible. We are deeply appreciative of their support.

Burroughs Wellcome	\$200
C&M Pharmacal	reception
Collagen Corporation	\$1,000
Dermik Labs	\$174
Ferndale	\$50
Flori Roberets	\$200
Herbert Laboratories	\$250
Hermal Pharmaceuticals	\$100
Hoechst Roussel	\$200
Janssen Pharmaceutical	\$250
Lederele	\$200
Merck, Sharp & Dohme	\$417
Miles Pharmaceutical	\$300
Neutrogena	\$150
Ortho	\$250
Owen Labs	\$250
Roche Laboratories	\$250
Sandoz Pharmaceuticals	\$200
Schering Corp.	\$500
Scott, Michael J., D.O.	\$100
Stiefel Laboratories	\$1,100
Squibb, E.R. & Sons	\$200
Syntex	\$200
Syosset Labs	\$50
Upjohn	\$500
Westwood Pharmaceuticals	annual luncheon

## Enhancing Your Image

Using the media to promote your practice, if done in a professional and ethical manner, is not advertising. It can increase your visibility and thus have a direct affect on the success of your practice.

Information on common medical problems is of particular interest to the public. Offer to write a medical column for your local newspaper. If one is already being used, speak to the editor about alternating. Or, you may want to form a group of several doctors to write a "Doctor's House Call" type column. If you are not particularly talented at writing, but you know your subject, the editor will assist you.

Also consider company or factory inhouse newsletters.

Be sure to include your name (including your degree), address and telephone number as well as the following: "Osteopathic physicians, D.O.'s, are fully-licensed

doctors. They prescribe medication, perform surgery, and specialize in all medical specialties."



LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD -  
ATTEND THE AOCD ANNUAL  
BUSINESS MEETING - TUESDAY  
(NOV. 4) BALLY'S GRAND  
HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NV

*American Osteopathic Board  
Of Dermatology*

Thomas H. Bonino, D.O.

Board certification exams will be given beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Bally's Grand Hotel in Las Vegas on November 2, 1986, in the Barrymore Room.

The initial examination fee is \$500 and an additional \$100 for retaking the exam a 2nd or 3rd time. After the 3rd failure, there can be no further exam until the applicant receives further training.

## AOA Makes Research Award

The AOA Bureau of Research recently awarded seven individuals for their service to the osteopathic profession in the area of research. The Burroughs Wellcome Company provided a stipend of \$2,000 to each recipient in the annual Osteopathic Research Fellowship Program, in addition to travel funds for the AOA Research Conference. A total of 37 applications were received. The following received awards:

Ms. Mary F. Anderson, UNE/COM; Ms. Deborah A. Chamberlain, Kirksville Osteopathic Health Center; John D. Conroy, DO, Hahnemann University; Mr. Craig W. Goodsell, KCOM; Ms. Bonnie J. Hoepf, OU/COM; Mr. Gregory M. Kisling; CCOM; Mr. Douglas M. Wood, TCOM.

For more information on this and other awards, contact: Division of Research, Department of Education, AOA 212 E. Ohio St. Chicago, IL 60611.

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