Message From The President...

As you probably know by this time, the 1988 Annual Meeting of the AOCD will be held in Las Vegas, December 4-8, 1988, in conjunction with the 93rd Annual Convention & Scientific Seminar of the AOA.

AOCD president-elect and program chairman Dr. Lloyd Cleaver is organizing an outstanding education program. Anyone wishing to present a paper is urged to contact Dr. Cleaver as soon as possible.

All didactic and social functions will be held at the MGM Grand Hotel. As in the past, the AOCD Annual Reception will be sponsored by C & M Pharmacal and the Annual Dinner will be sponsored by Stiefel Laboratories and will be held on Monday evening, December 5th. The AOCD Annual Luncheon will again be sponsored by Westwood Pharmaceuticals and will be held on Tuesday December 6th. The Annual Business Meeting will immediately follow the luncheon.

Second Annual Koprince Awards To Be Presented At Annual Meeting

The second annual "Daniel Koprince, D.O. Education Awards" competition will be held during the 1988 AOCD Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, December 4-8. Recipients will be D.O.'s in dermatology training programs who present the best papers at the didactic sessions. Awards of $150, $100 and $50 will be granted. Judging will be by the program chairman, Dr. Lloyd Cleaver.

The various alumni luncheons will be on Monday (12/5). The AOA will hold the President's Banquet on Tuesday evening (12/6) and the Joining Session of the AOA will be on Thursday (12/8). Meeting registration and hotel reservation forms along with additional convention information will be mailed to you directly from the AOA. A program for the AOCD meeting will also be mailed to you from the Central Office in Atlanta.

Be sure to MARK YOUR CALENDARS now and plan to attend this very important educational and social event.

Fraternally,

Steven C. Roberts, D.O.
President

Dr. Daniel Koprince, one of the founders of the AOCD, established the award in 1987 to encourage excellence in trainee presentations at the Annual Meeting.
such as yours that continue to enhance our efforts to provide excellence in the delivery of dermatologic health care.

We encourage your participation in our activities. I trust you will feel free to contact me at anytime with suggestions or questions you may have concerning our programs.

Thank you again, and we look forward to your continued support which is vital to the ongoing programs of the Foundation.

Sincerely,
Sandra Rahn Goldman
Executive Director
Dermatology Foundation"

It makes good "cents" to belong to AOCD!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT
Daniel Kopprince, Chairman

The osteopathic profession has grown to 15 medical colleges. We have 6,600 osteopathic medical students in these 15 colleges and last year we graduated 1,579 students. Of the 6,600 students currently studying osteopathic medicine, 1,243 are women and 407 are ethnic minorities.

There were 1,660 intern training positions in 1987-88 with 53 interns in Federal training programs, which includes the Air Force, Army and Navy.

We have 119 D.O.'s practicing Dermatology of which 27 are under 35 years old, 50 are between 35-44, 25 are between 45-54, 9 are between 55-64 and 8 are over 65 years of age.

There are 61 D.O.'s holding certificates of Certification in Dermatology.

In 1986-87 we had two AOA approved residency positions in Dermatology in osteopathic hospitals; for 1987-88 we have four hospital based residencies.

Residents in Dermatology in AOA approved non-osteopathic programs in 1987-88 numbered 25 students, with four in non-osteopathic institutions, three in the military and 18 in preceptorships.

A Fellowship in Dermatology is being submitted to the AOA and probably will be approved shortly.

The American Osteopathic College of Dermatology continues to grow and move forward. Please continue to support us! We need your involvement.

Look forward to seeing each of you at the Annual Meeting in December in Las Vegas.

IN MEMORIUM

PETER J. MCOwen, D.O.
YOUNGSTOWN, OH

ANTHONY E. SCARDINO, SR.
KANSAS CITY, MO
History of Las Vegas

Legal gambling was the catalyst that transformed a dusty desert village known as Las Vegas into a world-famous tourism mecca and the largest city in the nation formed in the 20th century.

But the opulent hotels, lavish shows and games of chance would never have blossomed in Las Vegas if it hadn't been for the ready availability of nature's most precious desert resource - water.

This year an estimated 12 million visitors will swim in it, fish in it, sail on it and drink it. Nearly 550,000 Las Vegans will cook with it, water lawns and parks with it, air condition homes with it, and revel in it during those rare days when it actually rains.

The man who sparked the Las Vegas land boom was Senator William Clark, who came to Nevada in 1902. He needed Las Vegas' water to fulfill his dream of building a railroad connecting the Pacific Ocean with the Great Salt Lake. In those days the steam locomotives needed water, and Las Vegas had the only artesian water between Milford, Utah and Los Angeles. On May 15, 1905, on what is now a parking lot for the Union Plaza Hotel, Clark's railroad held an auction for Las Vegas townsite lots. Investors braved 106 degree heat and paid up to $500 each for the lots - then an enormous price. Upon many of those lots today sit glittering high-rise hotels and casinos.

The rampaging waters of the nearby Colorado River pulled Las Vegas from the depths of the Great Depression in the early 1930's when the federal government decided to build Boulder Dam - now Hoover Dam - in Black Canyon. Las Vegas, located just 30 miles from the construction site, was designated as railhead for the enormous project.

An engineering marvel, the concrete dam is 726.4 feet high and 660 feet thick at its base. It tamed the Colorado and stores two years average flow of the river. Best of all, it is providing Las Vegas with an abundance of that precious resource - water.

Thanks To Contributors To The AOCD!!!

Listed below is a list of companies who have indicated their support of the AOCD 1988 Annual Meeting in Las Vegas December 4-8.

Please be sure to thank the representatives of these companies as they call on your offices.

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Watch For The “Koprince Korner”
AOCD Enjoys Annual Convention in Orlando In October, 1987
American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology

Thomas H. Bonino, D.O.
Secretary-Treasurer

The following are the requirements for certification by the AOBD. ALL FILES MUST BE COMPLETE BY APRIL 1 OF THE YEAR YOU ARE TO BE CERTIFIED.

1. A letter written by the AOA stating:
   A. You have been a member in good standing for at least the past two years.
   B. You have shown evidence of conformity to the standards of the AOA.

2. Two letters of recommendation written by Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine.

3. Photostatic copies of your graduation and internship diplomas.

4. A letter written by yourself, of your specialty practice, indicating your practice is 100% dermatology.

5. A $500 certification fee, written to the AOBD.

6. Three articles suitable for publication consisting of basic science and clinical subjects approved by the Trainee's Program Director. Two of the above articles MUST BE PRESENTED to the American Osteopathic College of Dermatology at the Annual Meeting. These CANNOT be presented in the SAME YEAR. Copies of these articles must be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer of the AOBD.

7. A completed application.

8. The Secretary-Treasurer of the AOBD must have a letter from the AOA Board of Trustees stating your training is complete and has been approved; the candidate has been granted "Program Complete" status.

Trainees may wish to review the "BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAMS IN DERMATOLOGY" AND "BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION BY THE AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC BOARD OF DERMATOLOGY" located in the AOCD 1987-88 Membership Directory. Copies are available through the Central Office in Atlanta.

Trainees are urged to KEEP ALL ORIGINAL DOCUMENTATION of their training program. Mail only COPIES to the AOA!

AOCD Membership Dues
Due July 1

Annual membership dues to continue membership in the AOCD are due July 1, 1988.

Dues categories are:

Active, Associate, Affiliate and Fellow ($100); Candidate or Trainee ($25); and Honorary or Life membership is gratis.

For more information on dues and membership, please refer to the AOCD Annual Membership Directory.

Education Evaluating Committee Report

James D. Bernard, D.O.
Chairman

The AOCD Education Evaluation Committee met in Detroit, MI, on February 21, 1988, to review current training programs. Their recommendations were sent to the AOA Committee on Post Doctoral Training (COPT) which meets in Chicago April 20-22.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Drs. Joel J. Harris, William F. Heckert, and Robert D. Verona who were elected Fellows in the AOCD at the Annual Meeting in October, 1987.
AOCD Annual Meeting Program Plans Begin

Program chairman, Lloyd J. Cleaver, announces plans are in progress to hold the AOCD Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, December 4-8, 1988 in conjunction with the AOA's Annual Convention.

There is a date conflict with the Academy of Dermatology which is also holding its meeting at this time. Although it is not possible to hold the AOCD Annual Meeting at another time, there has been some interest in holding a second meeting in the fall with the American Osteopathic College of Surgeons.

A form is included in this Newsletter for members to register their preference on holding a second meeting. It also includes a request to speak at the meeting in Las Vegas (if you have already mailed this information to the AOCD central office in Atlanta, it is not necessary to fill in this portion of the form.)

All presentations should be no longer than one-half hour in length and a written abstract/outline or narrative summary of the presentation should be submitted NO LATER THAT OCTOBER 1, 1988. These will be included in a booklet for distribution to the general membership.

In light of the "Wickline" decision, the AOA Washington office is suggesting that physicians might be well-served by documenting their protests of utilization review decisions they believe to be adverse to their patients.

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