MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

Summer is quickly passing and our Annual Meeting is almost upon us. I hope each of you is planning to attend this most important meeting. Your Executive Committee has been very busy this past year and we have much to share with you.

Drs. Eugene Conte and Michael Mahon met with me in Chicago in August for a planning session and to review the responses to the Survey. From your response, we tried to chart a course for the next five-years. We plan to share this with you at the Annual Meeting.

A report on the Survey is included in this newsletter. If you did not return your Survey, it's not too late... we can still incorporate your views... so send it in as soon as possible.

Dr. Conte will be reporting at the Annual Meeting on his meeting with representatives from other osteopathic specialty colleges which was held in Chicago earlier this year. There were some very interesting ideas exchanged.

I met with Dr. Webster and Dr. Smith of the AAD and am pleased to report that the current proposal (which has been mailed to all AAD members) is to create a separate category of membership to include only those D.O. dermatologists that are certified by the AOCDD. I believe this is a fair proposal, one we can live with, and I believe the AAD membership will accept it. We have lobbied the AAD leadership and our fellow M.D. dermatologists to vote positively for this measure and encourage you to do the same. More on this at the Annual Meeting as well.

The program for the Annual Meeting is complete. Dr. Conte has worked very hard to put together an outstanding meeting. A preregistration packet will be mailed to you from the AOA. Please register early and be sure to indicate you're a member of AAD. We receive a portion of the registration fee from the AOA for only those registrants who stipulate they are members of the College. Also, be sure to purchase a ticket for the Annual Banquet for your spouse or guest at the same time you register. Tickets will be required for the Banquet. A program will be mailed soon from the AOCDD office listing just our meeting. This is very handy to slip in your shirt or coat pocket, so be sure to bring it with you.

There has been some question about the AOA’s new policy concerning CME credit. A report from Dr. Elmet is included in this issue; please be sure to read it carefully. There are a number of options available in meeting the CME requirement. Plus, based on the survey response, we are considering a second AOCDD meeting.

I’m glad to note that some of our members have been published. I know of a number of opportunities for publishing, so if you have an article, send it to me and I will forward it.

Please note the report in this newsletter from our Membership Chairman, Dr. Graff. We are a small specialty college and thus need everyone to renew their
EDITORIAL

The American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology regretfully accepted the resignation of Dr. Harry B. Elmets this month. Dr. Elmets has served as chairman of the AOBD for the past twenty-eight years. He will certainly be missed.

Soon, Dr. Elmets will be reaching the magical age of seventy years young. He writes that "The time is past due for the infusion of new blood and vigor and while there is a reluctance in this action, there is also the apparent necessity for some... and admittedly with some relief." Dr. Harry has also been a member of the Advisory Board for Osteopathic Specialists of the AOA for the last twenty years and leaves that position after serving as that Board's Chairman for the past ten years. He also will not continue to serve on the AOA's Bureau of Professional Education.

I first met Dr. Harry in 1954-55. Along with several other osteopathic dermatologists, we met annually the first full week in December at the Chicago Palmer House Hotel trying to figure out a way to attend the AAD. We were hungry for education.

Dr. Elmets will be missed because of the many personal and professional qualities he possesses, especially the inner balance he brought to the Board in solving difficult problems.

What a grand fantastic record Dr. Harry set - - - twenty-eight years as Chairman of the AOBD, I'm impressed!

Fraternally,
Daniel Koprince, D.O.

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Harry B. Elmets, D.O.
Chair, American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology

There has been some confusion concerning the new AOA directive requiring all specialists to receive one-third, or 50 hours, of the required 150 hours of CME credit in their specialty. The confusion, I believe, comes in the fact that the AOA requirement is for Category I or II, not just Category I. Further, the 50 hours is spread over the three year cycle.

Between the annual AOCDD meeting which provides approximately 22 to 25 credits, the AAD meeting, state or regional allopathic dermatology meetings, and various home study, I believe there will be more than adequate opportunity to meet the requirement.

It is important to note that AOA life members and honorary life members are no longer exempt from this requirement.

More specific information on Category I and II can be obtained by contacting the AOA Department of Education.

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

The board certification examination is scheduled for Sunday, November 12, in the Malibu Room of the Anaheim Hilton Hotel, in Anaheim, CA.

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LETTER

September 11, 1989

Dear Dr. Cleaver:

On behalf of the officers, trustees and members of the Dermatology Foundation, I extend appreciation for the $250 contribution for fiscal year 1990. The American Osteopathic College of Dermatology will be acknowledged in the Dermatology Foundation 1989 Stewardship Report and in Dermatology Focus.

It is the steadfast support of organizations such as yours that continue to enhance our efforts to provide excellence in the delivery of dermatologic health care.

Thank you again for your participation, and I trust you will feel free to contact me at anytime with suggestions or questions you may have.

Sincerely,
Sandra Rahn Goldman
Executive Director
AOC D SURVEY RESPONSE TALLIED

AOC D Executive Committee members Drs. Lloyd Cleaver, Gene Conte and Mike Mahon gathered in Chicago recently to tally the survey responses and begin a long-range plan for the College. Listed below is a synopsis. Members who did not submit completed surveys may still send them to the Central Office in Atlanta.

- The overwhelming number one expectation of members was for quality education.
- Many indicated their desire to see an improvement in the image of the osteopathic dermatologists, both in the osteopathic and allopathic community.
- The need for fraternity among members and more opportunities to socialize and get to know each other was expressed.
- Maintaining a political presence and the ability to provide input to the AOA and other organizations was desired.
- There was a good deal of concern over the training programs. Many felt there was a need to increase the number of D.O. trainees, some felt the preceptor monitoring was inappropriate. Overall, there were many comments regarding the development of osteopathic dermatology residencies.
- There were some negative comments regarding the length of time it takes to get certified. (This is primarily a problem of getting paperwork through the various AOA committees for approval by the AOA Board of Trustees. Certification, of course, is an AOB function, not a College function; these comments will be passed on to the AOB.)
- There was considerable interest in developing a second meeting.
- A number of members indicated their willingness to provide their special expertise and services to the College. This was very much appreciated and has been duly noted for future use.

The AOC D Executive Committee will be presenting more information on the results of the Survey at the Annual Meeting in Anaheim, CA in November.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UPDATE MAILED

Members were mailed a membership roster update in August and are encouraged to review the roster for any errors. Please advise the AOC D office in Atlanta of any corrections. The 1989-90 Membership Directory and Yearbook will be published in December, 1989.

NOTE:

All new trainees should contact the AOC D Central Office for a list of pharmaceutical companies that provide free or discounted books and other publications!

AOC D Membership dues were due in July. Please renew your membership in the college as soon as possible. Only members in good standing will be included in the 1989-90 membership directory and Yearbook.

SMILE FOR THE CAMERA . . .

The AOC D is collecting pictures of members for the Annual Membership Directory and Yearbook. A number of pictures have been received and members are urged to mail their pictures as soon as possible to the AOC D office. (A head and shoulders picture is preferred.)

Drs. Walker and Hughes are in charge of collecting pictures at the Annual Meeting in November. If you don't have a picture, they will have a photographer available to take your picture for the directory.

RECIPIENTS FOR THE 1989 KOPRINCE AWARDS TO BE CHOSEN AT ANNUAL MEETING

Papers presented by trainees at the 1989 AOC D annual meeting in Anaheim, CA, in November will be judged with the top three presenters receiving a monetary award in accordance with the Koprince Award for trainees. Two D.O. dermatologists in practice will receive $50 each for the top two lectures in that category.

1988 trainee awards went to Dr. Jeff Mammino (First Place), Dr. William Chow (Second Place) and Dr. Matt Leavitt (Third Place.) In 1987, winners were Dr. William Chow, Dr. Glenn Goldberg and Dr. Edward Yob.

In 1988 (the first year for this award,) D.O. dermatologists in practice winners were Dr. John Brady and Dr. Shelly Friedman. This award is judged equally.

The awards are named for Daniel Koprince, D.O. who provided the funding.
NEWS FROM MEMBERS... 

Dr. Scott Lim (Hazelton, PA) reports he had an article published in the April, 1989, issue of the Journal of Dermatologic Surgery and Oncology entitled "Pyogenic Granuloma (Pregnancy Tumor)" and is working on several other papers for publication.

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Congratulations to Drs. David Brooks Walker (Bridge ton, MO) and Dudley Goetz (Arlington, TX) on their approval by the AOA Board of Trustees to a three-year term on the American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology (AOBD).

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Dr. James Delrosso (Ath en, OH) reports he was voted Resident Clinical Instructor of the Year by the Ohio State University Dermatology residents for the second successive year. He was also voted Clinical Instructor of the Year by the graduating class of 1989 at OU COM for the Athens, OH region, and was elected secretary-treasurer of the Central Ohio Dermatological Society for the year 1989-90.

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Dr. James Young (Dayton, OH) and Dr. Eugene Conte (Dayton, OH) presented the preliminary findings of their current research at the Sixth World Congress of Dermatology, Tropical, Geographic and Ecologic held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, April 29 to May 3. The title of their paper was "The Cutaneous Immunopathologic Findings of Androgenetic Alopecia."

Dr. Conte also served as president of the Special Lecture on "Brazilian Folliculaceous Pemphigus." He served as the Secretary on the Symposium for Third World Dermatology as a representative of the United States.

NEWS NOTES... 

Alaska became the last state in the union to be represented by an AOA divisional society when the house of Delegates granted a charter to the Alaska Osteopathic Medical Association in July.

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The AOA begins making plans to celebrate osteopathic medicine's 100th anniversary with "AOA Project 100." More information on this will be mailed from the AOA.

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The US Department of Education (DOE) last month renewed its recognition of the AOA as the accrediting body for osteopathic education for the next five years, the maximum time granted between reviews.

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Dr. William Voss (Jefferson City, MO) was installed as the AOA's 92nd president during an inaugural luncheon at the July House of Delegates meeting. Dr. Mitchell Kasovac had been elected president-elect earlier in the day. Dr. Kasovac recently moved from Arizona to California where he serves as Assistant Dean of Clinical Sciences at the College of Osteopathic Medicine.

PRACTICE OPPORTUNITY

Dayton, Ohio

Busy dermatologist seeking fulltime associate. Should be energetic BC/BE dermatologist with strong interest in clinical practice and teaching. Good clinical and surgical skills a must. Offer competitive compensation and university affiliation. Send letter of introduction and CV to: Eugene T. Conte, D.O., Chairman, Department of Dermatology, Director, Dermatology Residency Training, Grandview Hospital, c/o Kingsridge Medical Center, Suite 104, 8940 Kingsridge Drive, Dayton, OH 45459, 513/436-1433.

THE KOPRINCE KORNER

The editors of THE KOPRINCE KORNER, named in honor of Dr. Daniel Koprince, are pleased to include in this issue another Clinical "PEARLS" in Medical and Surgical Dermatology. We invite all members of AOCD to submit "pearls" based on your personal experiences in dermatology and cutaneous surgery. Such "pearls" may include clinical observations, diagnostic suggestions, positive or negative experiences with different types of equipment, anecdotal successes with the treatment of skin disorders, surgical tips or methods, etc.

We hope that by sharing ideas with one another, the results will be better care for our patients. Please submit your "pearls" to either Dr. Shelly Friedman or Dr. James Del Rosso.

PRESIDENT

Continued from page 1 membership...on time. Please respond promptly when you receive the annual membership dues notices.

Look forward to seeing each of you next month.

Sincerely

Lloyd J. Cleaver, D.O.
President

GROWING UP HEALTHY... 
ITS EASIER WHEN YOUR DOCTOR'S A D.O.

NATIONAL OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE WEEK
SEPTEMBER 10-16, 1989
REMINDER TO TRAINEES

Trainees are reminded that three (3) manuscripts or projects, which are suitable for publication, must be submitted to the AOCD Education Evaluating Committee before their program can be designated as completed. Two (2) of these papers must be presented at the Resident's Forum at the AOCD Annual Meeting, however, only one can be presented in the same year.

One of the three papers may be a research endeavor recommended by the AOA Bureau of Research, or a research committee of the AOA and must be approved by the AOA.

Trainees should keep ALL original documentation for their program: submit copies of required information to the AOA or other committees.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AOCD Annual Membership Business Meeting

Tuesday,
November 14, 1989
1:30 p.m.
Anaheim Hilton Hotel
Anaheim, CA

"We must decide that individually we are going to make a difference.... That's why we're here - to live a life of meaning."  President George Bush

AOA APPROVES SPORTS MEDICINE CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE

On March 22, 1989, the American Osteopathic Association approved the establishment of a Certificate of Competence in Sports Medicine, administered under the aegis of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine (AOASM). According to AOASM president, Randall Tharp, D.O., "This marks a most significant event for all of sports medicine ... a first step on the road to recognition of sports medicine as a medical specialty."

The AOASM pilot-tested a competency exam in December 1989 with administration and analysis handled by an independent testing agency. The analysis of the pilot test revealed a highly reliable exam.

The second examination was administered to 75 physicians on April 12, just prior to the AOASM Clinical Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Ulbrich Fund Grows

Thanks to the following who have donated to the "Albert P. Ulbrich, D.O. Award." Information on how these funds will be used will be presented at the Annual Meeting in Anaheim. The Ulbrich Award was named for Dr. Albert Ulbrich, one of the founders of AOCD.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING!

Trainees completing their program:

Laura G. Benedetto, D.O.
William C. Chow, D.O.
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Howard M. Goldman, D.O.
Ken L. Herman, D.O.
Janet L. Koprince, D.O.
Jere J. Mammino, D.O.
Robert A. Norman, D.O.
Robert F. Schwarze, D.O.

Trainees accepted into program:

Don Anderson, D.O.
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James D. Bernard, D.O.
Chair, Education Evaluating Committee

Trainees are reminded to forward their annual reports to me prior to the October 15 deadline for the AOCDE Education Evaluating Committee meeting. This committee will review and forward their recommendations to the AOA Committee on Postdoctoral Training (COPT) for their meeting December 6-8, in Chicago.

Michael J. Mahon, D.O.
Chair, Annual Contributions

We are winding down on our annual solicitation of funds for the Annual Meeting. For the most part, companies have come through again this year and we will probably surpass the amount contributed last year. Please be sure to post the list in your office (which will be sent to you after the meeting) and thank representatives from the companies who helped us. Also, for those companies who are not on the list, ask "Why not?"

Eugene T. Conte, D.O.
Chair, Annual Meeting Program

The program is complete and the AOA should be forwarding preregistration programs to you soon. I'm personally very excited about the program. We have some excellent speakers and I believe it will be a rewarding experience for all. Please try to preregister - this will save you from standing in long lines. Also, remember to register as an AOCDE member and buy a ticket for your spouse or guest for the Banquet.

We are honored to have the president elect of the AOA, Dr. Mitchell Kasovac, as our special guest for the Banquet, and Dr. Murray Zimmerman will present the banquet address entitled "Legal Aspects of Dermatology." You won't want to miss this very special time together. See you in Anaheim!

Gene E. Graff, D.O.
Chair, Membership Committee

The American Osteopathic College of Dermatology is the primary organization to further the goals of osteopathic dermatology. I would like to remind the membership that our professional image and welfare will be most enhanced when the AOCD is a strong, unified, and viable organization - both financially and in terms of an actively participating membership.

It is then imperative for us all to keep our dues current and to ask the same of our colleagues. Moreover, we can help immensely by encouraging other non-member osteopathic dermatologists to join the AOCD and reap the professional benefits and camaraderie of membership.

D.O.
Dermatology: The Beginning

Editor's Note: The following is condensed and edited from notes submitted to AOCDE by Dr. Albert Ulbrich, Sr. in 1987.

In 1944, the American Osteopathic Association felt that based on the fact that the AMA had an Academy of Dermatology and Syphilology, an osteopathic board of dermatology was in order. (AOA examining boards at that time were: orthopedics, surgery, proctology and internal medicine.) Dr. McCorkle and Dr. Dressman from California, Dr. Scardino, Sr. from Kansas City and Dr. Dressman from Philadelphia met to discuss establishment of such a Board.

After the 1946 AOA meeting in New York, Dr. Ulbrich sat for the exam, which consisted of 200 pictures and a discussion of cases, and was certified. In 1947, Dr. Stover from Detroit was certified; then D.O. Dermatology went dormant.

In about 1951, Dr. Ulbrich was asked by several AOA board members to form a new Board. With the help of Dr. Gardner and Dr. Scardino, Dr. Ulbrich rewrote the requirements, set up standards and developed the constitution and bylaws. A written exam based on the AOA Board of Dermatology exam was also developed. Dr. Gardner through his affiliation with the osteopathic school in California helped with verification of training programs.

Around 1953 the first meeting of the American Osteopathic College of Dermatology met in Washington, D.C.

As of March, 1989, the AOCDE has 115 members (64 of whom are certified) with 36 D.O.'s in dermatology training programs. The programs consist of residencies and preceptorships, both osteopathic and allopathic.
4.1 WART TREATMENT BY DERMATOLOGISTS

The following was submitted by Dr. Daniel Koprince, from Royal Oak, Michigan.

All wart treatment ruins the reputation of Dermatologists!

Regardless of what modality is utilized, a percentage of failure will occur. The goal in wart therapy is to obtain the lowest percentage of recurrence with no cosmetic damage.

My best procedure is to use a Dermajet for local anesthesia, especially for young patients, prior to curettment. Curettment of warts on the palms and soles, especially when large and deep, works best in my hands. Dr. A.P. Ulbrich in 1957 published an article in which he proved by microscopy that warts (viral tissue) can be curetted within three cell layers from normal tissue. Since there is less destruction of normal tissue than with other destructive methods of wart removal, healing is most rapid.

Warts of the knees and elbows are best fulgerated with or without light curettment. Liquid nitrogen is utilized on youngsters who may cry, however, numerous reapplications are necessary.

I stopped using various percentages of trichloracetic acid 25 years ago when I read of a lawsuit from the accidental dropping of TCA in the eye. In the last 30 years, X-Ray therapy has been employed in less than a dozen cases with mixed results. Sixty percent (60%) salicylic acid ointment application is sometimes beneficial in mosaic warts. The area is covered with water resistant tape for four nights and reapplied at weekly intervals.

Save your reputation --- send your most difficult wart cases down the road to the next Dermatologist for treatment.

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PLEASE SEND ANY "PEARLS" YOU HAVE TO:

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