MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Best wishes to all of you in this new year of 1991. I hope everyone is enjoying a successful practice or training program. This year promises to be a busy and challenging one for the AOCD.

The 1990 Annual Meeting in Las Vegas was excellent. I wish to thank all of those who participated in putting the meeting together. Special thanks goes to Dr. Shelly Friedman, for his ambitious fund-raising program; and to Dr. Gene Conte, our immediate past president for his fine leadership this past year. Of course, the infrastructure of our meeting was handled by the executive director of the AOCD, Cathy Garris and her staff, who did an outstanding job.

While in Las Vegas, new committee appointments were formed. The members of these various committees are motivated to improving the AOCD. I would like to urge all members of these committees to forward their ideas to the committee chairman. Furthermore, I would like to stress to the chairman or vice chairman of each committee the importance of contacting members often, so as to meet the specific responsibilities of each committee.

The three guest speakers and our three attending dermatologists who spoke at the Annual Meeting were excellent. "Thank you" for your time and efforts. Also, the lectures by our residents and preceptees were of an impressive caliber. The award winners will be mentioned later in this newsletter.

The AOCD leadership is working very hard for all of you. Much progress was made at the recently held meeting of the Education Evaluating Committee on February 2nd and 3rd in Atlanta, Georgia.

Work is being done in the areas of subspecialities within the AOCD. We hope to have more information this year in regards to requirements for training and testing in the areas of MOHs chemosurgery and Dermatopathology.

One of our most critical challenges is in the area of education of all of our trainees. We are determined to accomplish three things this year:

1. Promote strong residencies and office-based residency programs.
2. Standardize a core curriculum for all dermatology training programs.
3. To make absolutely clear, the requirements of trainers and trainees, so that there will be no confusion as to the training programs available.

We owe this to our College and to all of those seeking training in dermatology.

Dr. Shelly Friedman and Dr. Michael Scott, are doing phenomenal and innovative work toward our Annual Meeting this fall in New Orleans. Dr. Scott has already obtained contributions from a number of new companies and Dr. Friedman, program chairman, is planning workshops, and special speakers in a wider range of topics than in past years. I hope all of you will mark your calendars now to plan to attend this very special meeting!

Lastly, let me urge all of you to attend our Midyear Meeting in the Bahamas from March 10th to the 14th. This meeting offers a chance to participate in the AOCD, as well as an escape from the winter cold (especially for us northerners). Also, please become active in the AOCD. Even a phone call or letter to me, or the AOCD central office in Atlanta, would be welcome. Let us hear your complaints as well as your suggestions.

We can become a stronger College only if everyone helps—even a little. It has been noted elsewhere that "a splintered profession cannot speak for the best interests of health care, and a disinterested profession has no voice at all."

I hope to see all of you in the shade of the sunny Bahamas for our Midyear Meeting.

With best personal regards,

Michael J. Mahon, D.O.
President
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards
Eugene T. Conte, D.O., Chair

I am pleased to announce the winners of the 1990 Kop prince Awards for residents go to: Gregory Papadac, D.O., Robert Signore, D.O. and James Young, D.O. For physicians in practice, Dr. Michael Scott and Dr. Lloyd Cleaver were chosen to receive the Kop prince Award II.

The Committee is now accepting nominations for the "Albert P. Ulbrich, D.O. Lifetime Achievement Award." Nominations should be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Awards Committee. When submitting nominations, please include why you believe the individual is an outstanding osteopathic dermatologist and how he/she has exhibited exceptional commitment to the College, especially in the area of education, giving examples to support your nomination.

Bylaws
Charles G. Hughes, D.O., Chair

We are currently in the process of reviewing the Constitution and Bylaws. Any changes, additions or concerns should be directed to Dr. Hughes.

Convention
Shelly A. Friedman, D.O., Chair

The call for presenters at the 1991 Annual Meeting in New Orleans has already been mailed and I'm pleased that I'm already getting responses. For residents who want to present at this meeting, I urge you to contact me as soon as possible. We plan to add some workshops, special speakers and perhaps a roundtable breakfast session...so watch for news of the meeting during the year.

The Midyear Meeting is coming along well. We have several residents who will be presenting and registration has been brisk. The site is perfect after a cold, wet winter in most of the U.S. - Paradise Island, Bahamas. Call Rita Harlow at 800/620-5266 for more information and registration information.

Educational Program Fund
Michael J. Scott, D.O., Chair

"THANK YOU" ... to those companies that have already committed support for our 1991 AOC D Annual Meeting to be held in New Orleans, LA, November 3-7, 1991. We have a number of NEW corporate contributors for this year. A list of contributors as of February 15 is included in this newsletter. You can help by thanking representatives from those companies listed that called on you...and if they are not on the list, ask "WHY NOT?"

Education Evaluating
James D. Bernard, D.O., Chair

The committee met on February 2 and 3 in Atlanta to review applications for residency/preceptorship programs and to revise the Basic Criteria for Residency Training in Osteopathic Dermatology. Their recommendations will be presented to the AOC D Committee on Postdoctoral Training which meets in Chicago, April 12-14, 1991. Final approval comes from the AOC D Bureau of Professional Education which meets in May, 1991.

In submitting the revised Criteria, and upon the request of the AOC D Executive Committee, the Education Evaluating Committee requested a moratorium be placed on all new preceptors until criteria governing such programs can be approved.

Educational Research Fund
Eugene T. Conte, D.O., Chair

Members and residents are reminded that a research award in the amount of $1,000 is available through the College. Grant applications may be obtained by contacting the AOC D Central Office in Atlanta. The award was named after one of the founders of the College, Dr. Albert Ulbrich.
SCHERING JOINS AS FIRST CORPORATE MEMBER

Schering Corporation became the first corporate member of the AOCD, joining as a Gold Circle member. The corporate member category was first implemented in late 1990 and includes Gold Circle with annual membership dues at $3,000; Silver Circle, $2,000; and Bronze Circle at $1,000. Members are encouraged to talk with representatives of companies calling on them concerning joining the College in one of these categories.

Pictured above is Robin Winter-Sperry, M.D., Schering Labs, accepting a plaque from AOCD President, Eugene T. Conte, D.O.

CLEAVER TO REPRESENT AOCD AT AOA DELEGATES MEETING

Dr. Lloyd Cleaver was selected by president Michael Mahon, D.O. to represent the AOCD at the July AOA House of Delegates meeting to be held in Cincinnati, OH. He has represented the College for the past two years at the Federation of Osteopathic Specialty organizations which had called on the AOA to provide for representation of the specialty colleges at the Delegates meeting.

The AOA House voted in July, 1990, to include the specialty colleges with voice, but no vote.

GME CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER, 1991

The AOA has scheduled the second Graduate Medical Education Conference for September 13-15, 1991, in Chicago. The conference will include representatives from specialty colleges, residency program directors, DME’s, deans and presidents of osteopathic colleges, and others in the AOA leadership.

In representing the College at the 1990 meeting, immediate past president Dr. Eugene Conte stated it was a very worthwhile meeting in that it brought together all parties involved in osteopathic graduate medical education for the first time. A good mix of paper presentations and workshops served as a forum for discussing the strengths and weaknesses of the osteopathic profession’s GME programs.

Dr. Conte urged that all osteopathic dermatology program directors and preceptors plan to attend the 1991 Conference.

AOCD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CALLS FOR INCREASE IN RESIDENCY PROGRAMS

President Michael Mahon, D.O. announced that the AOCD Executive Committee at its Annual Meeting in November, 1990, approved continued efforts to increase the number of osteopathic residency programs in dermatology. Currently residencies include the following:

- Cuyahoga Falls General Hospital (2)
- Detroit Osteopathic Hospital (2)
- Grandview Hospital and Medical Center (4)
- Osteopathic College of the Pacific in Pomona (2)
- Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital (4)
- Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (6)
  (awaiting approval)

This will provide twenty (20) hospital-based residency slots which is a good number for our size College, said Mahon. However, we would like to see more hospital-based residencies developed and a "phase out" of the preceptorships. We believe this is in the best interest of the College and the osteopathic profession, said Mahon.

AOCD MIDYEAR MEETING
March 10-14, 1991
Sheraton Grand Hotel
Paradise Island, Bahamas
Special group rate
call Rita Harlow - KCOM
816/626-2232

A passport or certified copy of your birth certificate is required to enter the Bahamas.

AOCD ANNUAL MEETING
(held in conjunction with the AOA Annual Convention)
November 3-7, 1991
Hilton Hotel - New Orleans, LA
Shelly A. Friedman, D.O.
Program Chairman

February, 1991
AOCD News
AOCD ANNUAL MEETING - Las Vegas, NV - 1990
(Thanks to Dr. Richard Diskin and Dr. Michael Fetterman for taking the pictures.)
NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS . . .

(EDITOR'S NOTE: News... is a section reserved for information about our members' professional accomplishments, awards, honors and activities. Members are urged to send information to the AOCD Atlanta office for publication in the newsletter.)

MICHAEL J. SCOTT III, D.O. (Seattle, WA) presented a focus session lecture and discussion on "Sports Dermatology" at the November, 1990, AAD meeting in Atlanta. He was also interviewed by the AAD communications staff and completed an educational CME audiotaape on "Anabolic-Androgenic Steroid Use." Dr. Scott served as chair of a very successful unified effort in the Washington/Oregon/Idaho area to raise funds from KCOM alumni for the College. In addition, Dr. Scott is a physician with the US Olympic Committee and a member of the US Table Tennis Association Sports Medicine and Science Committee.

ANGELO MANCUSO, D.O. (Decatur, AL) has had an article entitled "Abraded Punch Graft for Pitted Facial Scars" published in the January, 1991, issue of the JOURNAL OF DERMATOLOGIC SURGERY AND ONCOLOGY (JDSO).

SHELLEY A. FRIEDMAN, D.O. (Scottsdale, AZ) and EUGENE T. CONTE, D.O. (Centerville, OH) were interviewed by THE DO for an article entitled "Getting at the Root of Male-pattern Baldness" appearing in the December, 1990, issue.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Congratulations to the following doctors who have been recommended for certification in dermatology by the American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology. (The Bureau of Professional Education of the American Osteopathic Association grants final approval.)

William C. Chow, D.O.  
Glenn I. Goldberg, D.O.  
Howard M. Goldman, D.O.  
Gene E. Graff, D.O.  
Mark E. Hatch, D.O.  
Kenneth L. Herman, D.O.  
Jere J. Mammino, D.O.  
Gary L. Mader, D.O.  
Robert F. Schwarze, D.O.

Interested In A Mission Trip?

DO CARE an organization of D.O.s interested in helping with the health care needs of people throughout the world, plans a mission trip to Nogales, Mexico, to treat children at an orphanage as well as a clinic in the area. Participants can stay in the U.S. in Nogales, Arizona. The trip will be in either April or May.

For more information on this and future trips, contact Anslie Stark, Executive Secretary, DO CARE, 1750 NE 168th Street, North Miami Beach, FL 33162, 305/949-4000, Ext. 235.

To donate equipment and/or supplies or make a tax-deductible cash donation, contact DO CARE treasurer, Cecil B. Jackson, D.O., 3815 Randall Road, Rt. 2, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, 904/269-9308.

IN MEMORIAM


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If you have moved or changed your telephone number, please contact the AOCD central office in Atlanta so you won't miss out on important information from the College. Call 404/953-0802.

SEEKING TRAINEE

Aggressive well-rounded dermatology program in Denver seeking trainee for preceptorship starting July, 1991. Send CV and photo to:

Steven Brenman, D.O., 2465 South Downing, Suite 107, Denver, CO 80210. No phone calls please.

CALL FOR PRESENTERS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

The AOCD 1991 Annual Meeting program chair, Dr. Shelly Friedman, has officially called for presenters for the meeting scheduled for November 3-7, 1991, in New Orleans, LA. Residents/trainees are reminded they are required to present two of their three papers at the Resident's Forum of either the Annual or Midyear Meeting. No two papers can be presented at the same meeting.

Dr. Friedman states that the Annual Meeting format will be quite different from past years in that there will be two rooms with educational programs conducted simultaneously. Workshops, roundtable breakfast sessions, and special guest speakers will provide for an interesting and informative educational experience.

The "Request to Present" form was mailed in late December, said Dr. Friedman, and we have gotten a very good response. The change in the format may reduce the number of slots available to residents to present, so I urge them to get their request in early, said Friedman.
Board Certification Change

AOBD secretary/treasurer Dr. Tom Bonino announced a change in the requirements for board certification. Third-year residents/trainees may now submit the required paperwork for board certification to the AOA in the first half of the year they plan to complete their training, said Dr. Bonino, and sit for their board certification exams in the same year they complete their training. It is necessary for them to have the paperwork in to the AOA by May, at the very latest, of the year they plan to sit for the exams, said Bonino.

Dr. Bonino also suggests only copies of the paperwork be submitted, not the originals, just in case they get lost in the mail.

For more information, residents are asked to refer to the Basic Requirements for Certification by the American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology included in the AOCD Membership Directory and Yearbook.

RESIDENT’S CORNER

(This is a new feature of the AOCD NEWSLETTER presented by resident David F. Geiss, D.O., of the recently-elected Resident’s Liaison Committee to the AOCD Executive Committee.)

Residents/trainees attending the Annual Meeting in Las Vegas in November, 1990, elected the following officers for the Resident’s Liaison Committee:


All resident’s are encouraged to submit intraining exams questions to chairman Dr. Eugene Conte. The exams for 1991 are in the process of being developed now. These exams are required for all residents; first, second and third year.

Major topics of discussion at the last meeting were: Ability of third-year residents to sit for certification exams in the year they complete their training, subspecialty certification, and intraining exams.

A representative of the Committee will attend the Midyear Meeting of the AOCD Executive Committee to be held March 12, 1991, in Paradise Island, Bahamas.

Any new items for the "Resident’s Corner" relevant to training programs may be addressed to me at: 3701 Williams Blvd, Suite 301, Kenner LA, 504/443-1771.

"Keep on plugging away, fellow skin heads!"

CONTRIBUTORS FOR THE AOCD 1991 ANNUAL MEETING (as of February 15, 1991)

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We are deeply appreciative of the support provided by these companies. Please be sure to say "Thanks" as representatives call on you.

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We owe these energetic College members a debt of gratitude . . . and we need to encourage others to move into their shoes.

We also wish Dr. Cleaver, who has been called to the Persian Gulf, a safe and speedy return and extend to him and his family our concerns for his welfare. If you know of any other College members who have been called into this terrible war, please let Cathy know.

Remember that you will find no happiness anywhere in the world, unless there is first happiness in you.

Hope to see all of you at the second midyear meeting March 10-14.
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In-Training Examination
Eugene T. Conte, D.O., Chair

The first year for these exams was extremely successful with thirty residents taking the exam! The exams are a requirement for all D.O.s in osteopathic dermatology training programs (first, second and third year). The exams will be presented at the AOCD Annual Meeting each year. For 1991, the exams will again be conducted on Sunday (11/3) in New Orleans, LA. Watch for more information on the exact scheduling along with registration cards.

Membership
Gene Graff, D.O., Chair

Our College membership continues to grow, but there are still a number of D.O. dermatologists that are not members. If you know of someone in your area who is not a member, invite them to join the College. We are also pleased that most of the M.D. preceptors have joined as Affiliate members.