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Calendar of Events

Annual Meeting 2001
October 21 - 25
San Diego, CA



Midyear Meeting 2002
March 20 - 23
Inn at Harbour Town
Hilton Head, SC

A Message from the President

Warmest Greetings from Sunny, Dry South Dakota!

The last two of these I have composed have been with snow on the ground, so this is a welcome change! The Farmers' Almanac (accurate 80% of the time) predicts this winter will be as severe as last, and followed by a drier than normal summer. I sincerely hope this year is in the 20% they are wrong!

I hope that this finds everyone well. This summer has hurtled by, as have the 45 before it. One of the consequences of our busy life is that time can slip by — winter thaws to spring which morphs to summer which seamlessly goes to fall, and on and on it goes. I pray you take some time to pause and consider what really matters: your relationships, your quality of life, and the glory of God's creation. When you look at your life through that lens, do you like what you see? If so, Bravo! If not, I challenge you to take some time to reflect, and draw up an action plan on how to get from where you find yourself to where you want to be! None of us are getting younger! Do it now!

I want to again say what a privilege it is to be your president of your AOCD. I reflect back on the years I have been honored to serve, at the leaders I am stimulated to both emulate and learn from. I have served with giants, and giants follow me. Maybe that makes me the weakest link! Nevertheless, service is a kick, and I recommend anyone thinking about getting involved in our college to jump in! We need you!!!

Cindy Hoffman has put together an impressive program. I would encourage you now, as you are making your travel plans, to not miss a minute. Her usual attention to detail is evident. She has put many of our members in the spotlight. She has planned innovative social events. She has been diligent to obtain corporate support for her speakers, in a year when our college finances have been very tight. She is worthy of thanks from all of us. She will pull off this meeting with panache and her usual aplomb.

Some of the issues we will tackle this year at the Executive Committee and at the College Annual Business Meeting are known to you. We have, as stated earlier, had a tough year financially. As a consequence, we have tightened our belt, rethought and reorganized how we will go about obtaining corporate support. I am indebted to Bob Schwarze for lots of thought and great ideas on this subject. We are faced with the necessity of a dues increase, our first in eight years. We will be always on the lookout for ideas on how to do things better, cheaper, and smarter. We have people in our college who are astute in business. We need you!

As of this writing, we will be addressed by both candidates for AAD President: Ray Cornelison, MD and Sorrell Resnik, MD at our annual business meeting. This will be a historic moment for our college. We have struggled for recognition and parity for decades; this is a significant, positive step toward that goal. Come to the meeting with your questions!

We hope to hear from Dr. David Horowitz about association with a sister dermatology society in Ethiopia. I shared that Dr. Sourab Choudhury and I were on the DOCARE mission to Guatemala this year; we may have opportunity for international outreach and impact not only through DOCARE but also in Africa.

How exciting to be part of something bigger than us! I would encourage anyone who has not been on a mission trip to consider it — great experience!

A bylaws change in the way we do our nominations should be in everyone's hands, so we can review and discuss. Your executive committee recommends you do your homework — read these materials, write down your questions, and we can move smoothly and efficiently through the issues. That way, you have more time for that shopping excursion to Tijuana you've been planning!

One more personal item: I have been asked to tone down my references to Jesus. My deepest apologies if this offends anyone. The facts are that I have mentioned His name once — in a prayer in 1997. I was told not to do it again, and since then have been careful to craft my prayers from Torah, Psalms, or the Prophets. I am aware of the controversy surrounding Jesus. I became a born again Christian in 1992, and He has change my life radically for the better. Not everyone is interested I can't believe it is an issue to anybody, but I will gladly talk about Jesus in detail with all who are interested. Back to official business.

I look forward to personally greeting each of you in San Diego. Call me or Becky Mansfield if we can be of any service to you. Plan now also for Hilton Head next March.

Have a wonderful fall, and God Bless you well today!

James W. Young, DO, FAOCD
President

“Food for Thought”

This is a new column for the newsletter created by Dr. Bob Schwarze. Information presented is anecdotal in nature and not provided as recommendations for actions.

This chart, according to *Investor's Business Daily*, indicates the age you will need to reach to get back what you've paid into Social Security. The irony is that most of us will not reach that age.

Retirement Year (age 65)	Average Age to Recoup Funds	Life Expectancy of a 65 Year-Old
1980	67.8	81.7
2001	81.8	82.9
2010	85.2	83.4
2020	89.7	84.0
2030	91.9	84.5

The American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology shall offer recertification to its diplomats as follows:

- A. Recertification is required for physicians holding time-dated certifications (issued after 12/31/03) and will be valid for ten (10) years.
- B. Recertification is voluntary for physicians holding lifetime certification (issued prior to 12/31/03).
- C. Failure in the recertification process will in no way result in loss of certification for physicians holding lifetime certification.
- D. For physicians holding time-dated certification, failure to successfully complete the recertification process will result in the loss of certification at such time as the current time-dated certificate expires.
- E. Subspecialty certification is dependent on primary recertification.

Although recertification is still voluntary, a few states are requiring recertification for licensure by reciprocity if original certification was issued more than ten years prior.

Anyone interested in taking the recertification exam should contact the Secretary of the AOBD, Dr. Charles Hughes, for further information. If there is significant interest, an exam will be given at the next annual meeting in October, 2002.

Website Update

The first major expansion to our web site has been completed! The “Dermatologic Disease Database” has been added to the patient education section. Over 100 dermatologic diseases and terms have been described with most having photos attached. These photos enlarge when clicked. There is also a search function which can search the entire database for any word or phrase. Please feel free to refer patients to this area if they desire more information about their condition.

To reach the database, go to the home page, www.aocd.org and click on “Dermatologic Disease Database”.

Jere Mammino, DO
Chair Internet Committee

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"Denver's Top Doctors"

AOCD Immediate Past President, Gregory G. Papadeas, D.O., was selected by colleague physicians as Denver's "Top Dermatologist" as reported by 5280 magazine. Physicians surveyed were asked who they would trust most for their dermatologic needs for themselves and their families.

Practice Opportunities

Associate wanted for large solo practice with two (2) offices in metro Denver area. Potential to buy in as partner or purchase one of two offices outright. Must be hard working, personable with good surgical or MOH's skill. Contact Maureen @ 303-744-3144.

BC/BE Dermatologist to join busy, growing two office practice in Dallas suburb with accelerated buy-in. Call Richard Rudnicki, D.O., 214-796-9384.

2001 First Year Residents

The 2001 class of residents is the largest in AOCD training history. We are pleased to welcome these new residents and the new dermatology residency training programs that accepted their first residents this year.

Eric Adelman, DO
Igor Chaplik, DO
Mark Garcia, DO
Scott Goffin, DO
Risa Gorin, DO
Mark Hinkson, DO

Charmaine Jensen, DO
Daniel Ladd, DO
Vernon Thomas Mackey, DO
Stephen Mallette, DO
Mary McComb, DO
Steven Moreno, DO

Matt Mullenhoff, DO
Diem Pham, DO
Randi Rush, DO
Michael Sabat, DO
Thi Tran, DO
Robert Zabel, DO

2001 New Programs

AZCOM/AZ Desert Dermatology & Surgery, P.C.
Kingman, AZ

St. John's Detroit Riverview Hospital
Detroit, MI

St. John's Episcopal Hospital, South Shore
Far Rockaway, NY

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