Planning for our fall live in-person meeting is in full swing. This is our (Getting Back to Normal Tour). We are excited to be able to get to see all our members again and offer some great CME lectures. Vendors are ready to meet and show off their products, several with some special offers. There will be product theaters offered during the lunch breaks, so you can enjoy a meal and some news from our sponsors. These are non-CME events.

We will also be welcoming the American Osteopathic College of Pathologists that will be meeting along with us. You are welcome to join their sessions.

The Denver area offers many things to do during your down time. Directly next door to the Westin Hotel is the 16th Street Outdoor Mall. This area offers a large selection of shopping and dining. Everything from burgers and pizza to some of the best 5 star restaurants. All with free transportation on 16th Street.

Please visit our microsite in cooperation with Denver CVB.

https://www.denver.org/aocd/
The City and County of Denver has released a new Public Health Order that allows all indoor and outdoor events to operate at full capacity and removes the mask requirement for children ages 3 to 11 in all settings, but keeps mask requirements in place on public transportation (busses, airplanes, trains, taxis, ride share, etc.).
Did you ever wonder how AOCD plans your meetings? It’s a very complex process. Previous meeting evaluations are reviewed. Topics are submitted to the education committee. AOCD keeps an extensive speaker database and topics are matched with speakers, and then reviewed by the committee. Staff contacts speakers, if available to speak several documents must be completed and verified. This is to satisfy AOA and ACCME. Once this is done the speaker is added to the schedule.

While this is going on other staff is working with the host location to set up meeting space, expo space, rooms for all, and food and beverage. Staff is also working with vendors and sponsors in setting up the expo and other non-CME events. This is also the time of extensive marketing for the meeting.

Thank You to our proud sponsor
Greetings and Happy Summer!!!

I hope this message finds you and your family well. It has been a challenging year for everyone in different ways. We have preserved and learned a lot along the way. The world has changed, as each of us has. The AOCD is also changing and adapting to the present. We have held two successful virtual meetings in the past year. The AOCD staff in Kirksville have taken our meetings from live to virtually engaging. The AOCD presents monthly live CME webinars to supplement education between meetings. These are great, convenient ways to add to your dermatologic expertise and obtain CME.

While virtual has many advantages, I think we have all learned over the past year how important face to face human interaction is. Nothing virtual ever replaces the experience of seeing a friend or colleague in person. And that is why we are so excited to get back to REAL IN PERSON meetings. The fall AOCD meeting is October 7-10 at the Westin in downtown Denver. Dr. Amy Spizuoco and the CME committee have a great meeting planned to celebrate our return to in person meetings. We look forward to seeing as many of our friends and colleagues as possible. We hope that you will join us in the Mile High City in the fall.

A new group of dermatology residents are starting their residencies this month. The AOCD strongly supports the dermatology residency programs that continue to advance osteopathic dermatology. This includes all of the now ACGME dermatology programs that continue to graduate osteopathic dermatologists. At the spring 2022 meeting in Orlando, we will have a residency education tract that will focus on providing board preparation and the opportunity for the residents to present scholarly activity. This is also an opportunity for faculty to present scholarly activity at a national meeting.

The AOCD is the only organization that represents osteopathic dermatologists. We are a member driven organization. We want to hear from you. What else can the AOCD do to support you? What can the AOCD to advance osteopathic dermatology? The AOCD will be asking you to fill out a survey to help us understand your needs. Please fill it out so that we can better serve you. Thank you for your membership and continuing to advance osteopathic dermatology. Have a great July!!!
We are looking for some help!

We are looking for our members to step up and become speakers! DO speakers are becoming hard to find. If you are interested in being a speaker at our meetings please contact us!

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Visit Denver has extended a warm welcome to the AOCD by creating a personalized website to help our attendees familiarize themselves with local attractions, upcoming events, amenities, and the city of Denver itself. Please take a moment to check it out: [https://www.denver.org/aocd/](https://www.denver.org/aocd/)

See you there!

Amy Spizuoco, DO FAOCD
Meeting Chair
Reminder!

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Hello everyone,

I hope you’re having a back to normal summer! We just returned to the office after a meeting with our president Dr. David Cleaver. What a unique situation having our AOCD president just across town. Dr. David invited the entire AOCD staff down to his office for a lunch meeting.

We were able to bring him up to date on our Denver meeting which is less than 100 days away. We were also able to show him our plans for the spring meeting in Orlando, FL March 7-10, 2022. We had a lengthy discussion on our new resident track planned for this meeting. We hope to make this a major event in the future training of all dermatology residents. Stay tuned for more information as this event is planned. We would also welcome your input.

The staff was able to explain some day to day problems we are seeing with our membership and the future of our organization. How do we keep members engaged? Once our residency programs transitioned to ACGME, retention of new physicians members became an issue. What is the reason for our physicians dropping their memberships? What can the AOCD do to better assist you? In the coming days a membership survey will be sent. We hope you will complete this survey, we need your input.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and we look forward to seeing you in Denver.

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Hello AOCD Colleagues,

I hope you are having an enjoyable summer. I wanted to update the membership on the college’s finances. The college has been very fortunate through the years with great supporters. Membership dues are our foundation for the operation of the college. We have also been fortunate to receive support from pharma through the years. Participation at our CME conferences continues to increase with each meeting.

The pandemic of 2020 was something none of us were ready for. The AOCD was fortunate to qualify for two paycheck protection loans. The first loan was forgiven and the second loan is in the process of applying for forgiveness. We were lucky to get the Spring 2020 conference in West Palm Beach completed before the country shut down. The fall 2020 meeting scheduled for Chicago and the spring 2021 conference scheduled for West Palm Beach were both cancelled and a virtual meeting was delivered instead. For both of these cancelled meetings there were no penalty fees paid.

Recently in May 2021, the AOCD investment accounts were transferred from Merrill Lynch to Schwab. The accounts have oversight from Jerry Sneed with Baker Tilly Wealth Management, LLC. The AOCD portfolio was valued at $678,824 as of December 31st, 2020. The portfolio, as of May 31st, 2021 is $713,312 (+5% YTD). The portfolio is currently allocated 53% in equities, 20% in bonds, and 27% in cash. Since its inception (8/1/2018), the portfolio has appreciated from $518k to $713k, +38%, with only ~50% equity exposure.

Regarding the longevity of the portfolio: Based on normal operating expenses, income for events and from dues, AOCD should not need to touch the principal, and should be able to continue to provide 6-8% annualized returns. Mr. Sneed estimates that the accounts should be able to double the value of the account approximately every ten years.

Looking ahead, the AOCD hopes to recover from the pandemic with increased meeting registrations and pharma support.

Steven Grekin
Webinar Wed
CURRENT SCHEDULE
(6/16/2021)

July 21st  David Cleaver
Dermatology in Rural Areas

August 18th  Aurash Bina
Nutrition & Derm

Sept 22nd  Christopher Mancuso
Peds Derm

Nov 17th  Graham Litchman
Herpes Simplex & Herpes Zoster
We will soon be distributing our 2022 Sponsorship Guide. So I would like to ask all our members to help us out. Last month I delivered a report to your board of trustees on the history of our corporate support. As you know the AOCD is a membership organization that is supported by membership and corporate sponsorship funds. This past year we lost several sponsors due to our virtual meetings. Attendance at our virtual expo was poor, and we hosted 2 virtual product theaters with zero attendance.

Vendors have reported that even at our live events, interaction has become limited. Vendors love our Expo Central concept but tell us attendees will walk right past them to get to the free food and drinks, but not stop to talk. Some companies say they can’t bring enough stuff to give away at other meetings. At our AOCD meetings they take stuff home.

Please as you attend Denver, stop and talk to these people. Or as the reps stop in to see you let them know how much we need their support! If anyone has any contact info just drop me an email jwise@aocd.org and I will take it from there.
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Lilly has expanded its dermatology portfolio through the acquisition of Dermira, a biopharmaceutical company dedicated to developing new medicines for chronic skin conditions. This acquisition reinforces Lilly's commitment to dermatology and creating new medicines for those living with skin-related diseases. Lilly continues to share long term data from Taltz clinical trials on itch, skin pain and health related quality of life for patients with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis who have been on the medicine for up to five-years of continuous treatment. Additional new study results are being disclosed exploring, the drug survival, and the effectiveness of Taltz in the real-world setting; health economic data associated with Taltz cumulative clinical benefit will continued to be presented.
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March 10-13, 2022
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Orlando, FL 32837

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Scottsdale, AZ 85254

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West Palm Beach
February 17–23, 2023
600 Okeechobee Blvd.
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

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February 17–March 1, 2023
600 Okeechobee Blvd.
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Office Update

Normal office hours. Monday - Friday 8:00 am till 5:00 pm cst.

We have updated our office computer system. All laptops and desktops are networked together with our servers and keep current updates. Our cell phones are integrated into our computers and phone system. We can always be reached, and will get back to you as soon as possible.

Note our phone system uses an auto attendant so you can move directly to the person you request.

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