Message From the President

The State of the Academy: Who Cares?

In the eight months since I was installed as the Academy’s president, we have made steady progress in advancing the interests of AAO members. We are making our presence known and our voice heard in such venues as the American Osteopathic Association’s House of Delegates and the AOA’s Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition. We are contributing to building the infrastructure for the proposed single accreditation system for graduate medical education. And we are supporting policies and research on the safety of osteopathic manipulative treatment as first-line care for patients in pain.

We are breaking in our new executive director, Michael E. Fitzgerald. He is benefiting greatly from the solid foundation laid by his predecessor, Diana L. Finley, CMP. Diana loved us and our profession, and her outstanding dedication to the Academy continues to inspire the AAO’s staff. From what I see, the whole staff is doing an incredible job. I have never seen such dedicated people anywhere in my 59+ years of life—except, of course, for our members. There is something infectious about the osteopathic family that makes everyone enthusiastic.

The Academy and the rest of the osteopathic medical profession continue to grow as we meet new challenges head on.

AAO Members Selected for Critical ACGME Committees

Based on recommendations from the American Osteopathic Association, the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) has selected 12 AAO members to serve on two committees that will play crucial roles in determining the prerequisites and standards for osteopathic-focused residency programs in the proposed single accreditation system for graduate medical education (GME).

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American Academy of Osteopathy

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Michael E. Fitzgerald, executive director
Sherri L. Quarles, associate executive director

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President’s Message (Continued from Page 1)

When I started at what is now the A.T. Still University-Kirkville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Missouri in 1990, it was not uncommon for a DO to graduate from school, do an internship, and go right into practice. Residencies in osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM) had just begun. Today, approximately half of the Academy’s DO members are board certified in neuromusculoskeletal medicine (NMM). Professionwide, some 60% of DOs who are board certified in NMM are also board certified in osteopathic family medicine or one of 13 other specialties.

Even though those of us who emphasize OMM in our practices are better educated than our predecessors were, we have to continue to ask ourselves how to improve the quality of our education. Are we truly better trained than earlier generations to deal with the most common medical problems? Has our competency been tested before graduation and during our national boards and our certifying exams?

Until recently, if you were board certified, it was for life. Now, not only do you have to retest periodically, but you also have to meet requirements for osteopathic continuous certification (OCC) or, if you are not board certified, maintenance of licensure. OCC was adopted by the AOA House of Delegates, while maintenance of licensure is regulated by the states. The AOA’s stance is that OCC is critical for providing quality patient care and for staying competitive with MDs.

In 1991, I attended my first Convocation. Some of the old-timers were still around, a few still wearing leisure suits from the 70s with thick stripes and large polka dots. Lawrence H. Jones, DO, FAAO, told me that everyone would get together, sip whiskey, smoke cigars, and swap ideas. Back then, the Academy was small enough that everyone knew everyone else. That is no longer the case. Even as president, I meet plenty of Academy members I had not known before. Today, everyone in the Academy dresses sharper, and we look like the consummate professionals we are.

Because we have challenged ourselves over the years, the Academy is now poised to make even greater contributions to osteopathic medicine. In late September, Academy members were appointed to seven of the 15 seats on what will become the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education’s Osteopathic Principles Committee. In November, Academy members were selected for five of the six seats on what will become the ACGME’s Osteopathic Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine Review Committee. As a consequence, the Academy will have a strong voice in deciding the “osteopathic components” of all osteopathic-focused residencies accredited by the ACGME, as well as the prerequisites that MD graduates will need to fulfill to enter those residencies.

But what we achieve on the ACGME’s committees will be just the beginning. The Academy has more than a dozen committees of its own, all of which are guiding the AAO into the future. And as the Academy adopts its next strategic plan in 2015, the volunteer leaders who serve on these committees will be key to reaching the goals outlined in that strategic plan. These Academy volunteers are caring and committed, and their actions speak louder than words.

What is the answer to the question, “Who cares?” AAO members care. The AAO staff cares. And as our website proudly proclaims, they have been “moving osteopathy forward since 1937.” While we have not solved all of the problems that face us, as a whole the Academy remains one of the most caring and committed organizations you can imagine.

Kenneth J. Lossing, DO
2014-15 AAO president
Course Description
This is a Level 5 course that explores different paradigms by working extensively with the brain parenchyma, its gray matter and its white substance. This advanced course trains health care professionals to address the physiology and specific structures of the brain and spinal cord. These structures are often unaddressed key or other primary somatic dysfunctions.

Participants will learn techniques for the whole ventricular fluid system and the brain parenchyma. They also will discuss the major components (nuclei) of the brain and learn different techniques to help release them, including corpus callosum, fornix, thalamus, putamen, globus pallidus, caudate nucleus, amygdaloid bodies, hippocampus, mamillary bodies, red nucleus, substantia nigra, pituitary, hypothalamus, cerebellum and associated nuclei.

Registrants are required to have previously completed a 40-credit introductory course in osteopathic cranial manual manipulation approved by The Osteopathic Cranial Academy.

Course Location
Midwestern University/Az. College of Osteopathic Medicine
19555 N. 59th Ave.
Glendale, AZ 85308

Registration Form
Brain 1: Palpating and Treating the Brain, Brain Nuclei, White Matter and Spinal Cord
Jan. 16-18, 2015

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Program Chair
Bruno J. Chikly, MD, DO (UK) (Hon.), PhD, is a graduate of the medical school at St. Antoine Hospital in Paris. Dr. Chikly also has the French equivalent of a master’s degree in psychology. He received an honorary DO degree from the European School of Osteopathy in Maidstone, Kent, in the United Kingdom and a PhD in osteopathy from the Royal University Libre of Brussels in Belgium. He is the author of the book Silent Waves: The Theory and Practice of Lymph Drainage Therapy, as well as the creator of a DVD titled Dissection of the Brain and Spinal Cord.

Course Times
Friday, Saturday and Sunday: 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Breakfast and lunch provided. Please contact the AAO’s Sherrie Warner with special dietary needs at (317) 879-1881, ext. 220, or swarner@academyofosteopathy.org.

Continuing Medical Education
24 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME are anticipated, all of which will be NMM-specific.

Travel Arrangements
Contact Tina Callahan of Globally Yours Travel at (800) 274-5975 or globallyyourstravel@cox.net.

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## AAO Calendar of Events

**Mark your calendar for these upcoming Academy meetings, educational courses and events.**

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**Exploring Osteopathy in the Cranial Field**

Raymond J. Hruby, DO, MS, FAAODist

This textbook is designed for the interested physician and for the beginning to intermediate student of this topic. It can be easily used as an accompanying manual for a first or second course in osteopathic cranial manipulative medicine, and some topics are useful for more advanced study. *Exploring Osteopathy in the Cranial Field* is especially suitable for use in a 40-hour first or second level course on this topic.


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ties in which the AOA currently approves GME, except ONMM. The ONMM Review Committee, in turn, will set the standards for the ONMM residencies, which is currently done by the Academy’s Postdoctoral Standards and Evaluation Committee (PSE). As part of their duties, the two new ACGME committees will set the prerequisites for MD graduates who wish to train in osteopathic-focused residencies.

In October, the ACGME Board of Directors selected 13 representatives from the osteopathic medical profession to serve on the Osteopathic Principles Working Group, which is to become the OPC once the ACGME’s member organizations approve changes to the ACGME’s bylaws. Seven of the 13 are members of the Academy:

- OPC Chair Robert A. Cain, DO, of Miamisburg, Ohio.
- Juan F. Acosta, DO, of Yakima, Washington, who serves on the AAO Student Academies Committee.
- Jane E. Carreiro, DO, of Biddeford, Maine, who served as the AAO’s 2012-13 president.
- Millicent King Channell, DO, FAAO, of Stratford, New Jersey, who serves on the AAO Board of Governors.
- George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO, of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, who served as the AAO’s 2009-10 president.
- Michael P. Rowane, DO, FAAO, of Richmond Heights, Ohio, who serves on the AAO Board of Trustees.
- Karen Teten Snider, DO, of Kirkville, Missouri, who serves on the AAO’s Louisa Burns Osteopathic Research Committee.

In November, the ACGME Board selected five Academy members for the working group that is to become the ACGME’s ONMM Review Committee. Those AAO members are as follows:

- ONMM Chair Lisa Ann DeStefano, DO, of East Lansing, Michigan, who serves on the AAO Board of Governors.
- ONMM Vice Chair Eric Hunter Sharp, DO, of Freeport, Maine, who chairs the PSE.
- Natalie Ann Nevins, DO, MSHPE, of West Hollywood, California, who has chaired PSE’s Basic Standards Subcommittee.
- Guy A. DeFeo, DO, of Biddeford, Maine, who served as the AAO’s 2008-09 president.
- Wm. Thomas Crow, DO, of Fort Worth, Texas, who serves on the AAO Board of Governors.

On Nov. 14, both the OPC and ONMM working groups released program requirements for osteopathic training under the single GME-accreditation system. The ACGME Osteopathic Recognition Requirements and the ACGME Program Requirements for Osteopathic Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine are both in a public comment period until Dec. 29.

One other committee involved in establishing the single GME system has had a strong Academy presence: the AOA’s Osteopathic Principles Committee Nominating Task Force. This task force was charged with selecting the AOA’s nominees for the OPC. The following three Academy members were among the nine members of this committee:

- Doris B. Newman, DO, FAAO, of Wilton Manors, Florida, who is the Academy’s 2014-15 president elect.
- Wolfgang Gerhard Gilliar, DO, of Old Westbury, New York, who serves on the AAO International Affairs Committee.
- Dr. DeFeo
Academy’s Presence Strong at OMED 2014

The last time the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) held its annual conference in Seattle was 1931, six years before the American Academy of Osteopathy was founded. When the AOA brought its Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition (OMED) back to Seattle in late October of this year, not only was the Academy there, but its contributions to the conference were extensive (see photos online).

Although 109 practicing DOs selected the Academy as one of their specialty colleges when they registered for OMED 2014, the average attendance at the lectures and workshops of the Academy’s three-day didactic program was 125.

Attendance peaked at more than 300 at the opening workshop, “Five-Minute OMM for Headache” conducted by Millicent King Channell, DO, FAAO.

Drawing more than 200 attendees were the workshop titled “OMT for the Family Physician” conducted by Gregory Ahern Thompson, DO; Kevin D. Treffer, DO; and Kavin T. Williams, CPC, and the lecture titled “Yoga for the Repetitive Use Injury” by Stacey Pierce-Talsma, DO. The OMT workshop was a joint session of the AAO and the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, while the yoga lecture kicked off a joint session of the AAO and the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine.

The AAO also held a joint session with the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians, which brought in more than 150 OMED attendees on the last day of the conference. Even the Academy’s last workshop of OMED attracted more than 85 attendees at a time when two-thirds of the specialty programs at OMED had already ended.

FORCE Explores Empathy

As the Academy hosted its first day of programming at OMED, the AAO’s foundation, the Foundation for Osteopathic Research and Continuous Education (FORCE), sponsored a one-day seminar on empathy in collaboration with the AOA and the Cleveland Clinic. Titled “Osteopathic Patient-Centered Care in the 21st Century: Empathy, Mindfulness and Advanced Communications,” the seminar attracted some 400 attendees.

Among the seminar’s speakers were three of the five authors of the JAOA’s December 2013 empathy article: Leonard H. Calabrese, DO, of the Cleveland Clinic; Joseph A. Bianco, PhD, of the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine in Athens; and Mohamadreza Hojat, PhD, of the Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia.

Other Highlights

The Academy’s Osteopathic Education Service was popular during its three days of operations in OMED’s exhibit hall, as was the AAO’s exhibit booth.

During its meeting a few days before OMED, the AAO Board of Trustees discussed issues of mutual concern with AOA President Robert S. Juhasz, DO, FACOI; AOA President-elect John W. Becher, DO; AOA Trustee Boyd R. Buser, DO, FACOFP; and AOA Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer Adrienne White-Faines, MPA.

The Academy’s trustees also used their meeting at OMED to refine the Academy’s (Continued on Page 17)
Assistant/Associate Professor of Family Medicine

Marian University College of Osteopathic Medicine (MU-COM) seeks an Assistant/Associate Professor of Family Medicine and an Assistant/Associate Professor of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. Reporting to the Associate Dean of Clinical Affairs, these positions contribute to the education of undergraduate medical students at Marian University.

**Assistant/Associate Professor of Family Medicine** • Ideal candidates must have knowledge of and commitment to the mission of Marian University. The successful candidate must be a DO or MD and have an unrestricted license to practice in Indiana. The candidate must be certified by either the AOA or the ABFM. There must be a strong background in medical education, with an interest in teaching, scholarship and service. Salary and rank will be determined by past experience in academic medicine and practice.

**Assistant/Associate Professor of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine** • Ideal candidates must have knowledge of and commitment to the mission of Marian University. The successful candidate must be a DO and be AOA-board certified or board-eligible in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine and Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (AOBNMM or its equivalent). The successful candidate must also hold a valid license to practice medicine and if not licensed in Indiana, must apply for a license. The most highly desired and preferred candidate will have a strong background in medical education and/or experience in pre-doctoral teaching. Well-developed skills in communication and osteopathic patient care including a wide range of OMT techniques and approaches are essential. There must be a strong interest in teaching, scholarship and service. The Assistant or Associate Professor will lecture and provide hands-on laboratory teaching of osteopathic physicians-in-training at all levels. Responsibilities also include demonstration and explanation of psychomotor skills involved in teaching a wide range of osteopathic manipulative medicine treatment techniques and approaches as well as participation in college of osteopathic medicine committees as assigned or appointed. Academic rank and salary will be commensurate with experience and training.

**About Marian University** • Located within 10 minutes of downtown Indianapolis, Marian University is one of the nation’s preeminent Catholic institutions of higher learning, and ranks in the Top 25 of US News & World Report’s list of Midwest Region colleges, as well as Money magazine’s list of Top 10 schools in Indiana “For Your Money”. Marian University was founded in 1937 by the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, Indiana, and the Franciscan Values that the Sisters ingrained into the university’s culture are still prevalent today. The university has experienced tremendous growth in the past 10 years under the leadership of President Daniel J. Elsener, including the opening of the Marian University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2013 – the state’s first new medical school in 110 years. In 2012, Marian University’s football team captured the NAIA national championship in just its sixth year of existence. Marian University is also home to the most successful collegiate cycling program in the nation and currently holds 26 national titles.

For best consideration, submit a CV with a statement of teaching philosophy and research interest as well as three (3) professional references to hr@marian.edu. Applications will be received until the position has been filled.

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TOURO UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA
Chair of OMM Department

Touro University California, a rapidly growing university offering graduate programs in health sciences and education, has an excellent opportunity for a Chair of OMM Department for Touro University, College of Osteopathic Medicine on our Mare Island campus. The university is part of the Touro College and University System and is located on the northern tip of San Francisco Bay in Vallejo, California. Touro University California is an independent, non-profit Jewish-sponsored institution. It has 1,403 students in three graduate professional colleges (Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Education and Health Sciences).

REPORTS TO: Dean, College of Osteopathic Medicine

POSITION DESCRIPTION:
The Chairperson is the academic and administrative leader of the Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine department of 6 faculty and 6 student Fellows who serve a class size of 125 students. In addition to these faculty, a highly qualified cadre of community based Osteopathic Physicians participate in the pre-clinical and clinical curricula. Many have national and international reputations that enrich didactic training and further increase the already high faculty to student ratio in the laboratory setting. The Chairperson reports to the Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine. Through his/her authority over the department, the Chairperson is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the department and the long-term development of the department.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:
• Oversight of OMM clinical activity. The Chair of the department is responsible for the allocation and appropriate participation of faculty to provide clinical care and educational settings. Faculty participation in clinical settings is an important part of the educational and service aspects of TUCOM. The current settings include providing OMM services at the joint TUCOM/Solano County Family Health Services clinic. This clinic has over 30,000 patients and TUCOM provides OMM services full time as OMM specialists. The faculty also provides OMM precepting at the Student Run Free Clinic and other community settings.
  • The integration of OMM education into the regional clerkships, and in the future residency education, is important to the mission of TUCOM and the department.
  • In the 2014-15 academic year a new clinical facility will be completed on campus, which will expand OMM services.
• Directing faculty research. TUCOM seeks to be a national leader in the demonstration of osteopathic manipulative treatment efficacy. The Chairperson is expected to promote a faculty-wide initiative within the department to demonstrate the various ways that osteopathic manipulative treatment improves patient outcomes. The Chairperson will work closely with the Associate Dean for Research and with senior TUC leadership to establish a culture of active research on campus and national identity of the department’s strengths.
• Staffing and distribution of curriculum responsibilities. The department provides a lecture and laboratory sequence in each of the pre-clinical semesters. In the clinical curriculum, the department provides an OMM clerkship and also works with adjunct Osteopathic Physicians to offer a wide range of experiences in preparation for continued use of these principles and practices though the later phases of their education and practice. Integration of OMM and OPP in the clinical curriculum is a high priority for the Chairperson and the department.
• Leadership. The Chairperson represents the OMM department in college-wide leadership councils and standing committees such as Curriculum and Admissions Committees. The Chairperson is responsible for maintaining the department’s fulfillment of COCA accreditation standards, annual reporting to AACOM and AOA, and for participation in council and committee service at the national level.
• Faculty development. In keeping with accreditation standards, TUCOM provides as much osteopathic principles and philosophy faculty development as possible both within the OMM department and across the college. The Chairperson coordinates and sustains this faculty development program.

QUALIFICATION(S):
• Graduate of an AOA accredited College of Osteopathic Medicine.
• AOA board-certified through the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine or have received a Certificate of Special Proficiency in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (C-SPOMM).
• Three (3) years proven experience in teaching and academic leadership in a medical education setting.
• Demonstrated leadership and productivity in the areas of clinical or professional service, scholarly activity, medical research or education.
• Evidence of successful scholarly and/or research accomplishments.
• Good standing with all regulatory and governmental boards and agencies.

Applications are reviewed in the order received, and for full consideration should be received prior to 1 April 2014. Finalists will be scheduled for a public presentation and a series of interviews on the TUCOM campus.

Salary is competitive and commensurate with background and experience. Letters of interest, application and curriculum vitae should be submitted via one of the following methods:

Search Committee
1. Complete an online application: http://aptrkr.com/440618
2. AND Email CV: Apply@tu.edu Subject: Your Name, OMM Chair OR
3. Mail: Touro University California 1310 Club Drive Vallejo, CA 94592

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Touro is a system of Jewish-sponsored non-profit institutions of higher and professional education. Touro College was chartered in 1970 primarily to enrich the Jewish heritage, and to serve the larger American community. Approximately 19,000 students are currently enrolled in its various schools and divisions. Touro College has branch campuses, locations and instructional sites in the New York area, as well as branch campuses and programs in Berlin, Jerusalem, Moscow, Paris, and Florida. Touro University California and its Nevada branch campus, as well as Touro College Los Angeles, are separately accredited institutions within the Touro College and University System. For further information on Touro College, please go to: http://www.touro.edu/media/
OMM Video Available for AAO Members’ websites

To help educate their patients about osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM), Academy members can now add to their practice websites a hyperlink to an AAO-commissioned video.

Featuring AAO President Kenneth J. Lossing, DO, the video debuted as a two-minute segment of “American Health Front!” that ran on New York City’s WCBS-TV on Sunday, May 18, just before the Byron Nelson Championship golf tournament on Sunday, May 18.

As the sponsor of this “American Health Front!” segment, the Academy has obtained the rights to use the segment for whatever purposes the AAO sees fit. The Academy has posted the segment to the “About Us” page on the AAO’s website at www.academyofosteopathy.org so that patients around the country can access it. In addition, Academy members are free to add the segment on their practice websites using the hyperlink http://youtu.be/Py0H52pz2AU. The YouTube video has been viewed more than 400 times since it was posted on July 23, 2014.

To make the segment even more widely available, the AOA Family Connections e-newsletter mentioned the segment in its Aug. 1 issue.

“This segment of ‘American Health Front!’ hits key points that the Academy believes the public needs to know about DOs and OMM,” Dr. Lossing explains. “For example, the segment describes DOs as ‘among the best-trained physicians in American medicine today.’ And it quotes me as saying, ‘As an osteopathic physician, I focus on finding dysfunction that impedes the body’s self-healing system from working properly. This integrative method is one of the safest approaches to medicine today.’”

At the end of the segment, viewers who would like to receive OMM are directed to a new Academy URL, www.FindOMM.org, which takes viewers to the Academy’s “Find a Physician” landing page.

Produced by Media Medical Group, “American Health Front!” has become a leading independent medical news television program. Episodes of the program run on CBS, NBC, ABC, and Fox stations around the country. The May 18 broadcast reached viewers in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

Besides linking to the OMM segment, Academy members can take advantage of the segment’s script when being interviewed by the media or speaking at public events.

American Osteopathic Association Responds to CMS Data Release

On Sept. 30, 2014, the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services released data on financial interactions between physicians and pharmaceutical companies, medical product manufacturers, and group purchasing organizations as part of the physician payment sunshine provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

The American Osteopathic Association (AOA) continues to voice concerns regarding these data being made public without physicians having ample time to review the data and dispute any inconsistencies they find. While the AOA supports efforts to improve transparency in physician and industry collaboration, it is concerned that the way in which this program is being rolled out could impede such collaboration.

Learn what DOs need to know about the sunshine provisions, and read the AOA’s official statement on the data release.
"Are we ready to lead?" Judith A. O’Connell, DO, MHA, FAAO, asked during the American Academy of Osteopathy’s 67th annual Thomas L. Northup Lecture, which Dr. O’Connell delivered Oct. 26 during the American Osteopathic Association’s 119th annual Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition (OMED) in Seattle.

“Imagine yourself in the late 1800s when rudimentary knowledge of disease and health guides the healing arts, when blood-letting and cathartics are standard of care, and when sterile technique and anesthesia are in their infancy,” Dr. O’Connell proposed, stressing the challenges osteopathic medicine has overcome through leadership. “The country is ravaged by the Civil War, many citizens are dead or maimed, and the economy is depleted with the nation’s industry in disarray.

“In this crucible of need, Andrew Taylor Still dared to imagine a system of health care focused on the patient and respectful of the body’s innate ability to heal itself. He was ardent and steadfast in his desire to make this type of care available to the whole world.”

In her Northup lecture, titled “ACGME Merger: An Opportunity to Fulfill Osteopathy’s Mission,” Dr. O’Connell used lessons of the past to envision how the profession can take advantage of its current position and resources to enhance osteopathic medicine’s influence on all of health care.

In speculating on the potential of such impending developments as a single accreditation system for graduate medical education (GME) under the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, Dr. O’Connell stressed the difference that strong and inspired leadership of DOs has made and can continue to make in uncertain times.

“Imagine a system of health care that integrates osteopathic concepts, philosophy and principles to improve the health and well-being of all patients,” she suggested. This system would “guide an evolution throughout the whole ‘house of medicine’ that would result in improved quality of life and health throughout the world.”

No stranger to leadership, Dr. O’Connell served as the American Academy of Osteopathy’s 1992-93 president. In addition, Dr. O’Connell is the American Osteopathic Association’s adviser to the American Medical Association’s Current Procedural Terminology Editorial Panel, and she is a member of the AOA Bureau of Socioeconomic Affairs and the AOA Bureau of Osteopathic Specialty Societies.

As the Academy’s current secretary-treasurer, Dr. O’Connell is following in the footsteps of the late Thomas L. Northup, DO, who was the first to hold that office. Dr. O’Connell received the academy’s Andrew Taylor Still Medallion of Honor in 2008, exactly 60 years after Dr. Northup did.

“We stand on the shoulders of greats who have prepared the way for this moment in time,” Dr. O’Connell insisted. “Do we have the courage to continue to embrace osteopathy’s mission? Are we ready to embrace the responsibility and engage the opportunities and challenges our osteopathic philosophy and its mission places before us?”

The full text of Dr. O’Connell’s Northup Lecture is scheduled to be published in the December 2014 issue of The AAO Journal.
Registration Now Open for the 2015 Convocation—Life in Motion

Although the AAO’s 2015 Convocation is still four months away, DOs and others can register now for this foremost forum of time-tested and emerging ideas related to osteopathic manipulative medicine. The Convocation will be held March 11-15, 2015, at the Louisville Marriott Downtown and the Kentucky International Convention Center.

Richard G. Schuster, DO, the program chair for the 2015 Convocation, is building the Convocation around Andrew Taylor Still’s concept that every human being is a combination of mind, matter and motion. With its theme of “Life in Motion: The Science, Philosophy and Art of Osteopathic Medicine,” the 2015 Convocation will explore a different aspect of motion each day. The first day will explore scientific principles of motion. The second will explore how motion influences the art of osteopathy in its various forms. The next day will focus on the osteopathic medical profession in motion by addressing such questions as: “Where have we been? And where are we going?” The last day will bring these disparate aspects together through osteopathic philosophy so that we better understand who we are and why we are here.

Featured presenters will include Matthew W. Sanford, an inspirational speaker dedicated to helping individuals and society at large realize the practical importance of mind-body integration, focusing on people living with trauma, disabilities and other losses; Albert J. Kozar, DO, a proponent of neuromuscular control of functional rehabilitative approaches and diagnostic and therapeutic uses of musculoskeletal ultrasound; and John R. Lewis, BSc Ost Med (Hon), MScco, the author of A.T. Still: From the Dry Bone to the Living Man, a biography of the founder of osteopathic medicine.

The Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) is seeking a board-certified NMM/OMM physician to serve as Chair of the Department of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine for the Carolinas campus in Spartanburg, South Carolina. Spartanburg sits comfortably at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains in upstate South Carolina. It’s nestled between both Atlanta and Charlotte and is only a short drive from Asheville. This beautiful community possesses a rich culture, delicious food and a breath-taking landscape.

**CLINICAL CHAIR POSITION**

**Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Chair:** The position of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Chair is one that organizes the Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine department at the College and the College-affiliated practices. The position participates in the delivery of the educational and research programs related to osteopathic manipulative medicine and primary care. Teaching responsibilities would include conducting medical school courses using a blend of traditional lecture, innovative case-based student-directed and/or faculty led presentations, clinical skill laboratories, and simulated medicine experiences. The position advises students on osteopathic manipulative medicine as a specialty and is expected to take part in the development of an NMM fellowship training program. Interviews are open immediately and will remain open until the position is filled. Board certification in OMM (either through residency or through the family medicine +1 OMM) is required. Pay commensurate with training and expertise.

**Inquiries:** Please visit our website at [www.vcom.edu](http://www.vcom.edu) and click on the Human Resources/Employment link for full details of this position. Often times clinical faculty have unique interests and varied questions. Therefore we welcome your inquiries concerning this position. Feel free to email Matthew D. Cannon, D.O., Chair of Family Medicine, VCOM Carolinas Campus at MCannon@carolinas.vcom.edu.

**VCOM is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and seeks a diverse faculty.**
Course Description
The fascial distortion model (FDM), an anatomical perspective developed by the late Stephen P. Typaldos, DO, addresses musculoskeletal injury by identifying and treating fascial distortions. According to the model, six distortions are responsible for most musculoskeletal injuries and pain. Correcting these distortions restores biotensegrity and symmetrical motion. The FDM provides health care professionals with insight into fascial function and relieving patients’ pain.

Course participants will be instructed in body language and verbal cues that describe pain caused by fascial distortions, and they will learn how to resolve those distortions. This course will focus on applying the FDM to treat the axial spine. The course will have separate sections on the cervical spine, thoracic spine, lumbar spine, sacrum and pelvis, and it will cover inversion treatments based on the FDM.

Completion of the first FDM module is not required.

Course Location
Kentucky International Convention Center
221 S. Fourth St.
Louisville, KY 40202-2903

Stay at the Louisville Marriott Downtown for as little as $179 per night. Call (502) 627-5045, and mention that you are attending the AAO Convocation to get the best rate.

Program Chair
The medical director of the Tanana Valley Clinic in Fairbanks, Alaska, Todd A. Capistrant, DO, MHA, earned both his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree and his master in health administration degree in 1997 from the Des Moines (Iowa) University College of Osteopathic Medicine. A member of the governing board of the American Fascial Distortion Model Association, he is one of three physicians in the United States who are currently certified to teach seminars on the FDM. Certified by the American Board of Family Medicine, Dr. Capistrant specializes in osteopathic manipulative medicine. He also serves as a regional dean for the Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences, College of Osteopathic Medicine in Yakima, Washington. He enjoys working with athletes to maximize performance and with pregnant women to relieve pain.

Course Times
Sunday, Monday and Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Breakfast and lunch are on your own. Coffee will be provided.

Continuing Medical Education
24 credits of AOA Category 1-A credit are anticipated, all of which will be NMM-specific.

Travel Arrangements
Contact Tina Callahan of Globally Yours Travel at (800) 274-5975 or globallyyourstravel@cox.net.

March 8-10, 2015 • Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville

Registration Form
FDM of the Axial Spine—Module 2
March 8-10, 2015

Name: ___________________________ AOA No.: ___________________________

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Phone: ___________________ Fax: ___________________

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By releasing your fax number or email address, you are giving the AAO permission to send marketing information regarding courses to your fax or email.

Click here to view the AAO’s cancellation and refund policy.

Click here to view the AAO’s photo release statement.

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Register by Feb. 22, 2015, to ensure your reservation.

The AAO accepts check, VISA, MasterCard and Discover payments in U.S. dollars. The AAO does not accept American Express.

Credit card No.: ___________________________

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Expiration date: ___________________________ 3-digit CVV No.: ___________________________

Billing address (if different): ___________________________

I hereby authorize the American Academy of Osteopathy to charge the above credit card for the full course registration amount.

Signature: ___________________________

Register online at www.academyofosteopathy.org, or submit the registration form and payment by email to swarner@academyofosteopathy.org, by mail to the American Academy of Osteopathy, 3500 DePauw Blvd., Suite 1100, Indianapolis, IN 46268-1136, or by fax to (317) 879-0563.
ATSU-KCOM has two full-time OMM faculty positions open. Responsibilities include five half days academic and five half days clinical (outpatient and inpatient OMM consultation service). Great opportunity for residents graduating July 2014 or an OMM couple looking to work together in an academic practice. Now is a great time to apply and secure a position for 2014!

Requirements:
- NMM/OMM or CSPOMM Board Certification or Board Eligibility
- Proficiency in both Direct and Indirect OMT Techniques such as HVLA, Muscle Energy, Counterstrain, Cranial, and Balanced Ligamentous Tension
- Able to work as part of a team
- Eligible for Medical License in the State of Missouri

Job Duties:
- Table training OMM skills laboratories
- Coordinating, preparing, and delivering OMM lecture and laboratory didactics
- See OMM patients in outpatient and inpatient settings
- Research opportunities available
- Additional duties as directed by Department Chair or Dean

Additional qualifications recommended:
- Experience with inpatient OMM
- Proficiency in OMM for children, infants and newborns
- Experience in OMM research
- Proficiency with Microsoft Word and PowerPoint

Salary and Benefits
- Competitive salary with clinical incentives
- Full benefit package – health, life, dental, vision, retirement
- Paid sick leave, vacation, and CME money available

Ask Your Vendors to Exhibit at the AAO’s 2015 Convocation

The Academy’s Education Committee seeks your assistance in recruiting exhibitors for the AAO’s 2015 Convocation at the Louisville Marriott Downtown in Kentucky. Convocation is the premier gathering of gifted practitioners in osteopathic manipulative medicine.

Exhibits will be open Wednesday, March 11, through Friday, March 13, 2015. For as little as $1,050 in exhibit fees, vendors can connect with more than 1,000 practicing osteopathic physicians, residents and medical students. In addition, all exhibitors will receive a list of Convocation attendees; free advertising in the Convocation’s digital workbook; a listing in AAO Member News and one on the AAO’s website; choice of booth space on a first-come, first-served basis; an invitation to the exclusive opening reception in the exhibit hall; and security when the exhibits are closed.

For more information, potential exhibitors can download the Convocation’s exhibitor prospectus. Anyone who knows of a vendor interested in exhibiting at the Convocation is asked to contact AAO Event Planner Sherrie Warner at (317) 879-1881, ext. 220, or swarner@academyofosteopathy.org.

Keep the Medicaid Primary Care Payment Bump From Expiring

Legislation passed by the U.S. Congress in 2010 called for physicians who provide primary care services to Medicaid patients to be paid at Medicare rates or above in 2013 and 2014. Unless Congress acts again, this valuable program will expire at the end of this year, just as more patients are entering the Medicaid system and physicians are struggling to provide care to Medicaid beneficiaries. Visit the American Osteopathic Association’s action center to contact your U.S. senators and representatives.

2014 Survey of America’s Physicians Released

Every two years, The Physicians Foundation conducts a national survey of physicians to provide policymakers, health care influencers, the media and other stakeholders with insights into both the state of the medical profession and the most pressing challenges facing the U.S. health care system. The 2014 survey polled more than 20,000 physicians on a range of issues, including professional morale, physician shortages, and Medicare and Medicaid participation rates. You can read the executive summary or the full research report online.

Keep the Academy Informed

Academy members are leaders not only in osteopathic medicine but in their local communities. Tell the AAO how you or fellow AAO members promote osteopathic medicine as community leaders. With the Nov. 4 elections just completed, the Academy is especially interested in learning about any members who ran for office this fall or who are already serving as elected officials. Send information to AAO Publications Liaison Lauren Good at LGood@academyofosteopathy.org.
Members in the News

The September and October issues of *The Journal of the American Osteopathic Association* featured five articles written or co-written by Academy members. The chart below summarizes those articles.

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<td>Laura Jordan, OMS III, MA, MLS, MS, of St. Petersburg, Florida</td>
<td>September 2014</td>
<td>Battling a Diploma Mill: The Early Fight to Preserve the Osteopathic Principles of A.T. Still</td>
<td>Two graduates of the first osteopathic medical school, the American School of Osteopathy, opened the second osteopathic medical school in 1895 with very different principles than those espoused by Andrew Taylor Still, DO, MD. In this first-place essay in the American Osteopathic Association’s 2013 history essay competition, the author uses historical documents to describe the battle between the two schools and the battle to gain respect for osteopathic medicine within the medical community.</td>
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<td>Jeffery Summers, OMS IV, of Parker, Colorado; Jacob Ludwig, OMS IV, of Aurora, Colorado; and David Kanze, DO, of Bellingham, Washington</td>
<td>September 2014</td>
<td>Pierre Robin Sequence in a Neonate With Suckling Difficulty and Weight Loss</td>
<td>This case study describes the use of osteopathic manipulative treatment to alleviate the difficulties with breathing, latching and sucking that a 15-day-old newborn with Pierre Robin sequence was having.</td>
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<td>Rachel L. Gougian, OMS III, MS, and Murray R. Berkowitz, DO, MA, MS, MPH, of Lawrenceville, Georgia</td>
<td>October 2014</td>
<td>Gray Zone: Why a Delayed Acceptance of Osteopathic Medicine Persists in the International Community</td>
<td>In this special report, the authors describe the historical evolution of practice rights for DOs in other countries and profile success stories of DOs who have settled abroad.</td>
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<td>Yi Xiong, OMS III, of Fort Worth, Texas</td>
<td>October 2014</td>
<td>Wikipedia Vs Peer-Reviewed Medical Literature for Information About the 10 Most Costly Medical Conditions</td>
<td>In this letter to the editor, Student Doctor Xiong and his co-author take issue with a May <em>JAOA</em> article for using the McNemar test to compare the accuracy of Wikipedia to peer-reviewed literature.</td>
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<td>Eric J. Snider, DO, and Brian F. Degenhardt, DO, of Kirksville, Missouri</td>
<td>October 2014</td>
<td>Changes in Rat Spinal Cord Gene Expression After Inflammatory Hyperalgesia of the Joint and Manual Therapy</td>
<td>Mobilization of joints affects local tissues directly, but it is unclear whether such treatment alters gene expression in spinal cords. Building on previous research, the authors use a rat model to investigate the effects of manual therapy on the central nervous system after inflammatory joint injury.</td>
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Darrin D’Agostino, DO, of Fort Worth, Texas, appeared on CBS Dallas/Fort Worth afternoon news on Oct. 1, 2014, to respond to questions about Ebola submitted by viewers via social media. Dr. D’Agostino assured viewers that the risk of exposure to Ebola is minimal because the virus is spread by contact with bodily fluids. If a patient experiencing flu-like symptoms has not associated with anyone who was recently in an area affected by Ebola, the patient most likely has influenza. Dr. D’Agostino is the chair of internal medicine at the UNT Health Science Center Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth.

Tyler C. Cymet, DO, moderated an Oct. 5 webinar about expanding graduate medical education opportunities offered by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 directs the VA to increase the number of residency positions at VA medical facilities by up to 1,500 full-time-equivalent positions during the next five years. The webinar was sponsored by the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM), the American Osteopathic Association and the Association of Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators. The VA participated in a similar webinar for the Association of American Medical Colleges. Dr. Cymet serves AACOM as its chief of clinical edu-

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cation and its associate vice president for medical education,

On Oct. 1, 2014, AAO Immediate Past President David Coffey, DO, FAAO, FCA, became the chairman of osteopathic manipulative medicine at the campus that the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) is establishing at Auburn (Alabama) Research Park. VCOM is collaborating with the Auburn Research and Technology Foundation and Auburn University to establish this campus, which is scheduled to open in the fall of 2015.

AOA Trustee John E. Bodell, DO, was profiled on the Michigan Osteopathic Association’s website in September. When Dr. Bodell started his undergraduate career as a psychology major at Michigan State University in East Lansing, he thought he would “become a doctor strictly of the mind rather than the body.” After being introduced to osteopathic medicine by his college adviser, Dr. Bodell decided to attend what is now the A.T. Still University-Kirkville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Missouri. He then returned to Michigan to serve a general surgery residency at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital in Highland Park. Dr. Bodell has practiced in Trenton, Michigan, since 1976. He has hosted free clinics for the medically underserved in River Rouge, Michigan, and he led residents and students on medical missions to Haiti for 11 years in a row.

Humayun J. Chaudhry, DO, of Euless, Texas, was a guest on the “Conversations on Health Care” radio show July 28, 2014. The president and chief executive officer of the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Dr. Chaudhry appeared on the show to discuss the federation’s new recommendations for an interstate compact to expedite medical licensing of physicians across state lines to facilitate telemedicine, reduce the burden of the physician shortage, and facilitate the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. The show is carried by 14 radio stations across the nation.

Christine K. Wilk Sickles, DO, of Lansing, Illinois, was profiled in the Aug. 22, 2014, edition of the Times of Northwest Indiana. A recipient of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association’s Outstanding Student Award, Dr. Sickles graduated in 2014 from the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Erie, Pennsylvania. The Times’ article focused on the news that Dr. Sickles was beginning an internship at LewisGale Hospital Montgomery in Blacksburg, Virginia. Dr. Sickles explained to the Times’ readers what osteopathic manipulative medicine and osteopathic physicians are. She also told the Times that she hopes to “become a dermatologist and work in an underserved area.”

Former AAO president George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO, was one of three panelists to discuss chronic back pain during a briefing that the Arthritis Foundation conducted in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 5 for staff members of U.S. senators. The panel discussion was held in a Senate meeting room, and media outlets were invited to attend.

Former AAO president George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO (center), discusses chronic back pain with Ann M. Palmer, the president and chief executive officer of the Arthritis Foundation, and rheumatologist David G. Borenstein, MD, during the Arthritis Foundation’s Sept. 5 briefing on Capitol Hill. (Photo courtesy of the Arthritis Foundation.)
2015-18 strategic plan. The next day, the strategic plan was revised further at the Academy’s leadership retreat for trustees and committee chairs.

The Academy’s Louisa Burns Osteopathic Research Committee took advantage of OMED to hold a meeting of the full committee and meetings of two of its task forces.

In addition, Academy leaders met with Michael A. Seffinger, DO, to discuss the prospects for the next edition of the AOA’s Foundations of Osteopathic Medicine textbook. The Academy’s 2011-12 president, Dr. Seffinger is an associate editor of The Journal of the American Osteopathic Association and a section editor and author for the first three editions of Foundations.

Some AAO members met U.S. Sen. Jim McDermott, R-Washington, at an OMED reception. AAO President Kenneth J. Lossing, DO, and AAO President-elect Doris B. Newman, DO, FAAO, fielded questions from members of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine’s Council of Osteopathic Student Government Presidents during the council’s meeting at OMED. And Dr. Newman represented the Academy at the Student Osteopathic Medical Association Foundation’s reception.

The Academy was also represented at the following events:

- a briefing the AOA held at the start of OMED on the proposed single accreditation system for graduate medical education.
- the meeting of research directors from osteopathic medical colleges and osteopathic postdoctoral training institutions.
- the meeting of the AOA Bureau of International Osteopathic Medicine.
- the meeting of the Bureau of State Government Affairs.
- the American Osteopathic Foundation’s honors dinner.

More to Come
The next issue of AAO Member News will provide additional news and photographs related to the Academy’s activities at OMED 2014.
Course Description
This pre-Convocation course will cover numerous approaches and techniques for the eyes and the intracranial membranes, as well as techniques for affecting cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) in three different compartments of the cranium. Participants will discover how to balance the central nervous system, specifically the optic pathways; find out how manipulation of membranes benefits patients with cerebral palsy, Down syndrome and autistic spectrum disorders; learn about a new scientific model for CSF; and work on the intrinsic electricity of the brain and the brain's electromagnetic field.

Course registrants are required to have previously completed a 40-credit introductory course in osteopathic cranial manipulative medicine that has been approved by The Osteopathic Cranial Academy.

Course Location
Kentucky International Convention Center
221 S. Fourth St.
Louisville, KY 40202-2903

Stay at the Louisville Marriott Downtown for as little as $179 per night. Call (502) 627-5045, and mention that you are attending the AAO Convocation to get the best rate.

Program Chair
Bruno J. Chikly, MD, DO (UK) (Hon.), PhD, is a graduate of the medical school at St. Antoine Hospital in Paris. Dr. Chikly also has the French equivalent of a master's degree in psychology. He received an honorary DO degree from the European School of Osteopathy in Maidstone, Kent, in the United Kingdom and a PhD in osteopathy from the Royal University Libre of Brussels in Belgium. He is the author of the book Silent Waves: The Theory and Practice of Lymph Drainage Therapy, as well as the creator of a DVD titled Dissection of the Brain and Spinal Cord.

Course Times
Sunday, Monday and Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
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Registration Form
Pre-Convocation Course:
Brain, Vision, Membranes and Cerebrospinal Fluid
March 8-10, 2015

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Membership Announcements

Since June, the Academy has been mailing dues notices for the 2014-15 fiscal year to AAO members, and it has been emailing instructions to members on how to take advantage of the option to pay dues online. The Academy is sending confirmation emails to members’ preferred email addresses as soon as dues payments are processed. The dues rates for 2014-15 are the same as for 2013-14. Members who run into problems with the instructions for the hard-copy or digital dues notices can contact AAO Membership Liaison Susan Lightle at (317) 879-1881, ext. 217, or at slightle@academyofosteopathy.org.

Are you listed in the Academy’s “Find a Physician” Web page? This service allows patients to find specialists near where they live. If you are not listed, log in to your profile at www.academyofosteopathy.org, uncheck the “Do Not Publish Info Online” box, and provide the address of your practice so that patients can find you. Only practicing physicians who belong to the Academy are included in “Find a Physician.” Direct questions to AAO Membership Liaison Susan Lightle at (317) 879-1881, ext. 217, or slightle@academyofosteopathy.org.

Don’t make a move without notifying the AAO. We don’t want to lose track of any of our members when they relocate. Please remember to inform the Academy’s membership liaison, Susan Lightle, of any changes in your business or home contact information. You can reach Lightle at (317) 879-1881, ext. 217, or slightle@academyofosteopathy.org.

To make sure that emails from the AAO are not going into your junk folder, adjust your spam filter to allow emails from domains @academyofosteopathy.org and aaoorg@multibriefs.com so that you can receive The AAO Journal, AAO Member News, OsteoBlast and other Academy content.

Attention 2014 graduates. Now that you have entered graduate medical education programs, consider rejoining the Academy as a member of the Postgraduate American Academy of Osteopathy (PAAO). The membership in the Academy you enjoyed as members of the Student American Academy of Osteopathy does not automatically roll over into PAAO membership. PAAO membership is open to interns, residents and postdoctoral fellows in all specialties, not just those training in neuromusculoskeletal medicine. To learn more about staying connected to the AAO and continuing to receive its membership benefits, visit the PAAO website.

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Sutherland Cranial Teaching Foundation
Upcoming Courses

SCFT Course:
Treating Compressions in the Cranium
February 6–8, 2015
OSU-CHS in Tulsa, Oklahoma
Course Director: Ken Graham, D.O.
16 hrs 1A CME anticipated
Course cost: $640

SCFT Basic Course:
Osteopathy in the Cranial Field
May 15–19, 2015
NYIT-COM in Old Westbury, New York
Course Director: Andrew Goldman, D.O.
40 hrs 1A CME anticipated
Course cost: $1,650

Visit our website for enrollment forms
and course details: www.sctf.com
Contact: Joy Cunningham 509-758-8090
Email: j cunningham4715@yahoo.com
Dec. 4, 2014
Indiana Academy of Osteopathy

**Muscle Energy for the Lower Half of the Body**
Hyatt Regency, Indianapolis
8 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Register online at www.inosteo.org.

Dec. 5-7, 2014
Indiana Osteopathic Association

**33rd annual winter update**
Hyatt Regency, Indianapolis
(317) 926-3009 • www.inosteo.org.

Feb. 6-8, 2015
Texas Osteopathic Medical Association

**59th annual midwinter conference**
Omni Dallas Park West
13 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more at www.txosteo.org.

Feb. 14-18, 2015
The Osteopathic Cranial Academy

**Introductory Course: Osteopathy in the Cranial Field**
Course director: Zinaida Pelkey, DO
Assistant course director: Daniel A. Shadoan, DO
Sheraton Hotel Airport, Portland, Oregon
40 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
(317) 581-0411 • Fax: (317) 580-9299
Learn more and register at www.cranialacademy.org.
info@cranialacademy.org

Feb. 20–22, 2015
The Osteopathic Cranial Academy

**A Sutural Approach to Osteopathy in the Cranial Field**
Course directors: Edward G. Stiles, DO, FAAO, and Charles A. Beck Jr, DO, FAAO
Sheraton Hotel Airport, Portland, Oregon
(317) 581-0411 • Fax: (317) 580-9299
Learn more and register at www.cranialacademy.org.
info@cranialacademy.org

Feb. 20–22, 2015
The Osteopathic Cranial Academy

**A Weekend with Rachel Brooks, MD**
Course director: Rachel Brooks, MD
Sheraton Hotel Airport, Portland, Oregon
(317) 581-0411 • Fax: (317) 580-9299
Learn more and register at www.cranialacademy.org.
info@cranialacademy.org

April 8-12, 2015
The American Osteopathic Association

**Spring 2015 training seminar:**
**Prolotherapy and Cadaver Conference**
Program chair: Arden Andersen, DO
Naples Beach Hotel & Gold Club, Naples, Florida
24 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at www.prolotherapycollege.com.

April 17–19, 2015
The Osteopathic Cranial Academy

**The Neurology of Posture—Maxillofacial Influences: Teeth, Eyes, Ears, Vertebrae**
Course director: Maurice Bensoussan, MD, DO (France), FCA
Assistant director: R. Paul Lee, DO, FAAO, FCA
Hilton Arlington in Virginia
(317) 581-0411 • Fax: (317) 580-9299
Learn more and register at www.cranialacademy.org.

June 13-17, 2015
The Osteopathic Cranial Academy

**Introductory Course: Osteopathy in the Cranial Field**
Course director: Eric J. Dolgin, DO, FCA
Assistant director: Michael J. Porvaznik, DO
Naples (Florida) Grande Resort
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