Message From the President

AAO Successful in Maintaining AOBNMM as a Prerequisite for OMM Leadership in our COMs

by 2017-18 AAO President Michael P. Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO

The accreditation of osteopathic medical schools is overseen by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). Periodically, COCA proposes revisions of their accreditation standards to “ensure that academic quality and continuous quality improvement delivered by the colleges of osteopathic medicine (COMs) reflect the evolving practice of osteopathic medicine.”

The AAO, our component societies and multiple individual members of our organization raised significant concerns with proposed revisions of the current standards that recommended a significant change in the leadership qualifications for Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM) Department chairpersons for our COMs.

The recommended change would not limit board certification by the American Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (AOBNMM) to serve as the department chair of OMM, but would allow an individual with board certification by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Practice (AOBFP) to assume this OMM leadership position.

COCA recently upheld the requirement that only an individual with AOBNMM

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Message From the Executive Director

The Academy Runs on YOU

The past three months have been busy ones for the AAO staff, for 2016-17 AAO President Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO, and for AAO leadership.

2017 Convocation

Chaired by Natalie Ann Nevins, DO, MSHPE, the 2017 Convocation has received rave reviews. As you read in the April 2017 AAO Member News, the program, which was held March 22-26 in Colorado Springs, Colorado, exceeded anticipated attendance. The physicians’ program had 694 attendees, and the concurrent student program attracted 697 attendees. Anticipated attendance was 600 physicians and 600 students.

The annual president’s banquet, held on the Saturday of Convocation, also had its highest attendance since the pricing structure changed. One of the most memorable moments of every banquet is the Procession of Fellows of the AAO (FAAOs), led by Paul K. Hume, ND, DO (New Zealand), on bagpipes. This brings such a sense of joy and pride to all who experience the procession. Thank you to all of the FAAOs for your (continued on Page 3)
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certification can serve as the department chair of OMM in our COMs, but there was much background work by our organization to reaffirm this standard.

Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO, while AAO President, drafted a formal response from the AAO Board of Trustees and our membership urging COCA to reconsider and to remove this proposed change. Dr. Griffin acknowledged the level of training and clinical exposure to osteopathic principles and practices (OPP) in individuals completing a residency in neuromusculoskeletal medicine requires a significantly higher standard in every respect. The AAO’s position is that the OMM leadership in our COMs are responsible for all aspects of osteopathic education and must be held to the highest standards in our profession.

Our profession is in the midst of a transition to a single accreditation system where osteopathic education will be overseen by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). Dr. Griffin expressed an added concern that diluting OMM leadership would directly impact the first two years of osteopathic education, which may be the only substantial exposure to OPP for many DOs.

One reason cited for this proposed standard change was the lack of availability of NMM board-certified physicians to fill department chair positions. Dr. Griffin presented the current data of more than 800 NMM board-certified physicians in practice. In addition, there are 48 NMM residency programs at 37 institutions with an average of 45 residents graduating each year that are board-eligible. There will be 54 residents eligible to sit for NMM boards in 2017. Almost every current AOA NMM residency is anticipating transitioning to the ACGME to ensure a continued pool of qualified NMM trained physicians.

The recent COCA standard revision for department chair of OMM in our COMs is as follows:

Element 7.5: OMM/OPP Leadership:
A COM must employ a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine with an active medical license and active board certification from the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (AOBNMM) or a Certificate of Special Proficiency in OMM (C-SPOMM) to serve as the Department Chair of OMM/OPP, or equivalent.

The leadership of our OMM departments was not the only discipline with a proposed standard change that could diminish osteopathic physician presence. There was a recommendation to not require primary care leadership by an osteopathic physician at our COMs. The response to that COCA change also led to much concern. The recent COCA standards reaffirmed the need for an osteopathic physician to chair our primary care disciplines and reads as follows:

Element 7.4: Primary Care Leadership:
A COM must employ a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine with an active medical license and active board certification from a primary care discipline to serve as the Department Chair of Primary Care (or equivalent). If the COM does not have an organized Department of Primary Care, the Department Chair of either Family Medicine or Internal Medicine or Pediatrics must

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be a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine 
with active board certification.2

The AAO acknowledges that there are select individuals who are outstanding practitioners of OPP that do not have specialty certification, and many of them are valued members. Their individual contributions to the profession must not be diminished, but there is a need to establish criteria to ensure that every COM OMM department chair has the highest level of credentials to be successful in that role.

The Academy is grateful to Dr. Griffin for her leadership in responding to these recent proposed COCA standard changes, as well as the response by our membership, component societies and other osteopathic organizations. This collective response was submitted in a positive and professional manner, which contributed to our profession maintaining the highest standards for our COMs.

References


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leadership, guidance and continued support of the profession.

This year, the AAO hosted four pre-Convocation courses that were very well attended, and we want to thank everyone who took time out of their very busy schedules to come and share in all of the continuing medical education (CME) opportunities that were presented.

Reporting CME

The AAO staff is working hard to collate all CME credits earned at pre-Convocation courses and at Convocation. We will report all earned CME to the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) by May 26, but we hope to do so even sooner. The AOA has asked to be given two weeks from their date of receipt to upload the credits and have it available for you to view on your CME cycle reports.

Certificates will be emailed to pre-Convocation attendees within this time frame as well. However, we do not automatically send out certificates for Convocation itself. To request your emailed certificate for Convocation, contact Amber Rausch, the AAO’s postdoctoral education liaison and CME coordinator, at ARausch@academyofosteopathy.org. If you have questions or issues with your CME as reported, contact AAO Event Planner Gennie Watts at GWatts@academyofosteopathy.org.

Thanks to Convocation Exhibitors

I want to say thank you to all those who exhibited at the AAO’s 2017 Convocation, and I want you to know that the AAO is listening to what you have suggested. We will continue to make changes based on your feedback. The AAO values your partnership, and we want to maintain a long and healthy partnership. If you did not get a chance to visit our exhibitors at Convocation, you can always visit them online.

AAO Seeking Convocation Feedback

Your voice is important: You are the reason that we are here. I am personally asking that if you attended Convocation, provide your feedback by Sunday, May 21. All attendees should complete the overall Convocation survey. Physicians should complete the survey of the physician program, and students should complete the survey of the student program. Let us know how we did. The AAO is listening, and we will provide all the data summaries to the Education Committee at their summer meeting. If you already provided feedback via the mobile app while you were at Convocation, you do not need to complete the additional surveys.

Thanks to Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO

The AAO staff and I would like to say a personal thank you to Dr. Griffin for her leadership this past year. Dr. Griffin has had a very full year, and we want her to know that we value what she has shared and taught us throughout this year. I would encourage you to read Dr. Griffin’s article in the January 2017 AAO Member News, “What It Means to Be ‘Keepers of the Flame.’” In it, Dr. Griffin writes, “We as the osteopathic profession stand on the brink of the greatest opportunity we have ever seen to bring true osteopathic care to the forefront of medicine in America.” We do have choices, and that is why Dr. Griffin will still be standing with us to move the osteopathic profession forward.

AAO Committees Need You

The newly elected president of AAO, Michael P. Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO, has been hard at work for over a year as the president-elect. Dr. Rowane has been reaching out to all chairpersons of our committees to make sure that we are updating the members of each committee and meeting our current strategic plan.

One of our goals is to make sure you as members realize you have a voice and an opportunity to serve. The AAO is grateful

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for the unselfish service of volunteer leaders who help the Academy fulfill its mission of delivering programs and services to member physicians. We have been blessed with outstanding leaders who have guided the organization into a position of prominence within the osteopathic medical profession, and we welcome the participation of all members who may wish to volunteer their time and talent to serve on AAO committees and task forces in promoting the organization’s success.

Please review the list of committees below. Everyone is welcome to have an opportunity to serve on a committee. AAO members are welcome to audit any committee meeting, with courtesy advance notice to the chair and staff to ensure adequate guest seating. You must be an Academy member in good standing to serve on an AAO committee.

If you are interested in a particular committee, complete the committee application, and return it to Debbie Cole, the AAO’s assistant to the executive director and board and committee liaison, at DCole@academyofosteopathy.org. If you have any questions about serving on a committee, you can call Debbie at (317) 879-1881, ext. 215.

Awards Committee

The primary charge of the Awards Committee is to solicit nominations of candidates for the following AAO awards: the Andrew Taylor Still Medallion of Honor; the Thomas L. Northup Annual Lecturer; the Harold A. Blood, DO, FAAO, Memorial Lecturer; and the Honorary Life Membership Award. The committee then distills members’ suggestions into formal award nominations for action by the AAO Boards of Governors and Trustees each spring.

Bylaws Committee

The Bylaws Committee maintains the Academy’s Constitution and Bylaws and may both originate and research amendments for the AAO leadership.

Education Committee

The Education Committee develops and implements all of the Academy’s educational programs, and they review applications for conjoint programs with component societies and other AOA-affiliated organizations. The group continually searches for new educational opportunities.

AAO at OMED 2017:
Using Osteopathic Principles and Philosophy in Specialty Medicine

The AAO’s program at OMED 2017, the annual conference of the American Osteopathic Association, will present various viewpoints on incorporating osteopathic principles into the practice of different specialties.

The AAO is partnering with several specialty colleges to provide lectures and hands-on instruction from specialists with clinical experience in internal medicine, neurology, psychiatry, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, family medicine and sports medicine. In addition, a workshop on the Stiles-Laughlin technique, a very useful functional approach, will be presented.

Chaired by Leslie M. Ching, DO, the program will feature presentations from Robert A. Cain, DO, FACOI; Christopher McCord Stephenson, DO; Richard G. Schuster, DO; Kendi L. Hensel, DO, PhD; Daniel A. Clearfield, DO, MS, CAQSM; Teodor Huzij, DO, FACN; Kimberly J. Wolf, DO, FACOP; Lisa Ellen Hart, DO; and Ava C. Stanczak, DO, FAAP, FACOP; and Gunnar Brolinson, DO, FAOASM, among others. In addition, Kenneth J. Lossing, DO, will deliver the annual Thomas L. Northup Lecture. Dr. Lossing was the AAO’s 2014-15 president, and he has practiced osteopathic manipulative medicine in southern California for more than 20 years.

OMED 2017 will take place Oct. 7-10 at the Philadelphia Convention Center. Register now at omed.osteopathic.org. When you register, list the AAO as one of the specialty colleges whose program you will attend to ensure the AAO receives a portion of your registration fee, which allows the AAO to continue providing superior continuing medical education opportunities.

Learn more about the AAO’s program at OMED at www.academyofosteopathy.org/OMED.
## AAO Calendar of Events

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

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### Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine/ Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Faculty Position

Campbell University Jerry M. Wallace School of Osteopathic Medicine (CUSOM) is seeking NMM/OMM Faculty to join a collaborative and dedicated team.

The faculty member is responsible for teaching in the undergraduate and graduate medical education curriculum as well as a full range of program development including participation in designing the curriculum and assisting the Chair of Osteopathic Medicine with development and staffing of the pre-clinical and clinical curriculum. This role includes faculty recruitment and faculty development to ensure curriculum is successfully delivered to the CUSOM students and NMM residents.

Preferred Education and Experience: Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from an AOA accredited college; AOBNNM Board certification or eligibility including NMM certification only or NMM and another specialty; Ability to obtain an unrestricted license in North Carolina; Qualified to obtain medical staff privileges in local, North Carolina hospitals; Academic experience in a medical school, residency program, and/or higher education preferred; consideration will be given to those with previous experience leading a community-based clinic or practice.

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for new faculty and programming to meet members’ needs. The committee meets up to four times annually.

**Informational Technologies Committee**
The IT Committee manages, improves, refines and develops the Academy’s website, and it serves as a conduit for members’ technological needs, e.g. communications, electronic medical records, personal electronic devices, and office technologies. In addition, it explores the use of new technologies as a way to promote best practices in the organization and for AAO members, e.g. online continuing medical education and other digital media.

**Investment Committee**
The Investment Committee oversees the management of the AAO’s portfolio of investments, insuring that the manner of such investments will produce the maximum benefit for the Academy and provide the organization with sufficient funds to maintain financial operations. The committee reviews monthly investment reports and meets with the AAO’s investment management firm annually at the AAO Convocation.

**Louisa Burns Osteopathic Research Committee**
LBORC focuses on clinical research involving health care outcomes in the practice of osteopathic manipulative medicine. They seek to accomplish this by reviewing and recommending Academy funding for clinical research projects, as well as sponsoring an annual poster presentation for students and residents.

**Membership Committee**
The Membership Committee oversees a continuous program designed to increase and retain membership in the Academy.

**Osteopathic Education Service Committee**
Virtual every AAO member retains the skills for volunteer service on the OES Committee, which consists of a chair, a vice chair and members who are dedicated to providing osteopathic manipulative treatment (OMT) demonstrations. This group organizes and conducts osteopathic education workshops at the AAO Convocation, at the AOA House of Delegates meeting and at OMED for members of the profession, their families and personnel participating in those meetings. These duties represent an awesome task, one which depends heavily on daily volunteers outside the committee itself. They also encourage state osteopathic associations to conduct similar workshops at their conferences.

**Osteopathic Medical Economics Committee**
OMEC forms a resource base for DOs dealing with difficulties regarding coding reimbursement for OMT. The group prepares and updates documents, materials and resources pertaining to practice management issues, which can be used to influence coverage and reimbursement policies of third-party carriers and legislators alike.

**Publications Committee**
The Publications Committee is charged with developing a program aimed at discovering, stimulating and assisting potential authors to provide suitable material for publication while recommending additions to the Academy’s online store.

Read more about each committee and view the current members online at [www.academyofosteopathy.org](http://www.academyofosteopathy.org).

I look forward to hearing from you. Let’s have a great year!

Sherri L. Quarles
AAO Executive Director

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**Sutherland Cranial Teaching Foundation**

**Upcoming Courses**

**SCTF Continuing Studies Course: The Ear**
October 6–8, 2017
UNE-Alfond Hall | Biddeford, ME
Course Director: Andrew Goldman, D.O.
18.5 hrs 1A CME anticipated
Course Cost: $700 (before August 31) $775 (after August 31)

**Treating Compressions in the Cranium**
November 9–11, 2017
Boston, MA (exact location TBD)
Course Director: Ken Graham, D.O.
16 hrs 1A General CME anticipated
Course cost: $750

Visit our website for enrollment forms and course details: [www.sctf.com](http://www.sctf.com)
Contact: Susan LeMaster 971-212-1096
Email: lemastersctf@gmail.com

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In 2015, University Hospitals in Cleveland had several hospitals that were new to osteopathic medical education. There was an urgent need to establish a faculty development program to prepare the new community faculty physicians in both teaching and learning, as well as in developing scholarly activity. This need was accelerated when the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM) and the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) entered into an agreement in 2015 to transition to a single accreditation system (SAS) for graduate medical education (GME) in the U.S.

The SAS will be fully implemented by July 2020. Through osteopathic-focused residency programs, the new system will recognize the unique principles and practices of the osteopathic medical profession and its contributions to health care. One of the concerns with the single GME accreditation system was the ability of our AOA-approved training programs to meet the scholarly requirements if they were going to successfully transition to meet accreditation standards of the ACGME.

Our current AAO president, Michael P. Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO, during the 2015-16 academic year, established a faculty development series that was a partnership of the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) and their osteopathic postgraduate training institute, the Lake Erie Consortium of Osteopathic Medical Training (LECOMT), along with University Hospitals Osteopathic Consortium.

In order to meet the scholarly activity needs of the new faculty, Dr. Rowane reached out to Robert W. Hostoffer Jr., DO, FAAP, FACOP, FCCP, FACOI, who developed an innovative research training program along with his Allergy-Immunology Chief Fellow, Brian P. Peppers, DO, PhD.

What It Is
There are many forms of scholarly work that are available. The idea behind Scholar 7 was to focus on the basic skills needed to create a scholarly environment within your practice, institution, or residency training program. Scholar 7 was designed for the practicing clinician with little or no research experience.

Scholar 7 is a series of seven video workshops that you may start and end at any time. The program leads the viewers into the scholarly process. You will be taught that initiating a research project is not difficult. You will be shown how to develop a hypothesis, create specific aims, preliminary data, materials and methods, and conclusions. The completed document will serve as your Institutional Review Board (IRB) submission and grant proposal (though the IRB submission process may vary from institution to institution).

Who Can Access It
The Scholar 7 series is designed for everyone in the osteopathic profession, including students, interns, residents and fellows, as well as attending physicians. This can occur at the beginning of each academic year or when it is convenient for the participant. This is an ideal faculty development program to be used in any institution, or for anyone practicing in the community to just learn more about the research process.

The Scholar 7 series developed by Drs. Hostoffer and Peppers is free to all members of the osteopathic profession and to anyone involved in osteopathic-focused training programs. The Ohio Osteopathic Association has dedicated web page links to the program. To access the videos, simply provide your name and your status.

Session Titles
Session 1: Getting Started with Fun Items (34:15 minutes)
Session 2: Introduction, Hypothesis, Specific Aims (34:15 minutes)
Session 3: Preliminary Data (18:30 minutes)
Session 4: Materials and Methods (23:51 minutes)
Session 5: Conclusions (14 minutes)
Session 6: IRB Review of Application (37:41 minutes)
Session 7: Final Review and Wrap Up (40:09 minutes)

About the Presenters
Robert W. Hostoffer Jr., DO, FAAP, FACOP, FCCP, FACOI
Dr. Hostoffer, who practices in Cleveland, is a nationally recognized expert in allergic and immunologic disorders affecting both children and adults. Dr. Hostoffer presented at the AAO’s 2017 Convocation for the faculty development series. He is an adjunct clinical professor of pediatrics at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Pennsylvania, a clinical professor for the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine and an associate clinical professor in pediatrics at Case Western Reserve University. He also is the program director of the pediatric and adult allergy and immunology (A/I) fellowship at University

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Robert W. Hostoffer, DO, FAAP, FACOP, FCCP, FACOI
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Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center, which was the first AOA-accredited A/I program in the US when it was established through University Hospitals Regional Hospitals. It was recently granted initial accreditation by the ACGME, and it has applied for ACGME osteopathic recognition. The program ranks in the top 20 percent of all A/I programs in the nation.

Dr. Hostoffer is a leader in the medical profession. He is a past president of the Ohio Osteopathic Association, the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians (ACOP), the Cleveland Academy of Osteopathic Medicine, and the Cleveland Allergy Society. He has published over 100 papers in medical journals, of which a number are focused on advancing the osteopathic concept. He developed pediatric osteopathic manipulative treatment training modules for the ACOP, which are currently available as a resource for the osteopathic profession.

Dr. Hostoffer is the recipient of many awards, including honorary fellow status in the American College of Osteopathic Internists and 2015 Pediatrician of the Year by ACOP.

Brian P. Peppers, DO, PhD

Dr. Peppers is a board certified pediatrician and chief fellow of the University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center’s pediatric and adult allergy and immunology fellowship created and led by Dr. Hostoffer. Dr. Peppers has an extensive research background from his PhD in organic chemistry, post-doctoral work with adjuvant design and synthesis for vaccines and medical research on projects ranging from case reports to bench.

As an emerging leader in the medical profession, Dr. Peppers helps medical programs design research projects and increase their overall proficiencies in research. His current work in the Scholar 7 program is to help identify and remove barriers that hinder and deter participants from pursuing their scholarly goals. He joined Dr. Hostoffer as a presenter at the 2017 AAO Convocation for the faculty development series.

Dr. Peppers is a 2011 graduate of the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Bradenton, Florida. He completed his pediatric residency at University Hospitals prior to entering his allergy and immunology fellowship.

OPP Department seeking full time faculty:

Arkansas College of Osteopathic Medicine is located in Fort Smith, AR. The school is a brand new, state-of-the-art 102,000 square foot facility located on 227 beautiful acres. Fort Smith, the second largest city in Arkansas, is a historic, progressive community located in the Arkansas river valley. Arkansas is a well-kept secret with multiple activities to include hunting, fishing, sightseeing and excellent vacationing opportunities.

The Department of Osteopathic Principles and Practice (OPP) is seeking a qualified OMM physician who has an interest in both academic and clinical medicine. A brief but not inclusive overview of duties includes:

- Assist the Chair of OPP in Curricular Development
- Delivery of OPP Presentations
- OPP Laboratory Presentations & Table-Training
- Direct Patient Care in OMM Clinic
- Participation in Fundamentals of Osteopathic Patient Care Course
- Other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications:

- Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree
- One of the Following:
  1. Graduate from an NMM/OMM Residency with Board-Certification/Eligibility by the AOBNNM (academic experience preferred, but not required).
  2. CSPOMM
  3. Non-AOBNNM certified physicians with experience teaching OMM at an osteopathic college are also considered.

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Angela Cole Westhoff, MA, Receives Academy Award

Angela Cole Westhoff, MA, of Oakland, Maine, is the 2017 recipient of the highest award that the AAO bestows on a nonphysician.

The AAO’s 2016-17 president, Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO, presented the Academy Award to Ms. Westhoff on March 23 during the AAO Convocation in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The award honors nonphysicians who have contributed significantly to osteopathic medicine and whose vision complements the AAO’s. Ms. Westhoff is the 17th recipient of the award.

Ms. Westhoff is the executive director of the Maine Osteopathic Association, and she is the president of the Association of Osteopathic State Executive Directors for which she has been a board member since 2013. Ms. Westhoff works tirelessly for the osteopathic profession with her contributions to the American Osteopathic Association’s (AOA) Bureau of Federal Health Programs, Bureau of Socioeconomic Affairs, Bureau of State Affiliate Affairs and several workgroups defining public policy.

Ms. Westhoff currently serves as a board member on several organizations, including the Maine Public Health Association, serving as its 2013-14 president; and since 2004, she has been a member of the American Public Health Association and a member of the Board of Directors for OnPoint Health Data, a health care data solutions provider. She also is a member of the Medical Professionals Health Program Committee and the Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Committee, and she serves on the Maine Immunization Coalition, chairing its Policy Subcommittee in 2011.

Ms. Westhoff holds master’s and bachelor’s degrees in communication from the University of Maine in Orono, with concentrations in health communication and public relations. She is the former director of the Healthy Maine Partnership at Bridgton Hospital, and she served as assistant director of the teen and young adult health program at the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. She has also worked in the college career-counseling field while serving as the premedical and sciences assistant director at Bates College and as the health adviser at the University of Maine.

Ms. Westhoff is a former executive director of the Healthy Androscoggin Community Coalition, a nonprofit public health agency where she directed the day-to-day operations, served as media spokesperson and acted as legislative advocate.

Angela Cole Westhoff, MA, received the AAO’s Academy Award presented by Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO, the AAO’s 2016-17 president, during the Academy’s annual business meeting on March 23 in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

NMM PLUS 1 RESIDENCY PROGRAM IN SOUTHAMPTON, NY

NMM Plus 1 Residency at Southampton Hospital in beautiful Southampton, Long Island. Applications are currently being accepted. If interested, please contact Program Director Lawrence Barnard, DO, lbarnard@southamptonhospital.org, Program Coordinator for NMM+1 program Stefania Salzman (631) 726-0409, ext. 126, or Education Department Secretary Karen Roberts at (631) 726-0409.

NMM/OMM +1 POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN CORVALLIS, OR

Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center, an active hospital, labor, pediatric and outpatient service, has NMM/OMM +1 residency positions open for 2017-18 academic year. Continuity clinics with Oregon State University athletes as well as a weekly free pediatric clinic. Applicants must finish any type of AOA-approved residency by June 2017. Contact Elizabeth Caron, DO, at ecaron@samhealth.org, or call the Graduate Medical Education Department at (541) 768-4906.
Lauren J. Leslie, DO, Named AAO Resident of the Year

Lauren J. (Hasler) Leslie, DO, of East Lansing, Michigan, was named the 2017 Resident of the Year by the AAO on March 23 during its annual Convocation in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The award recognizes a resident who has contributed to the AAO; who has contributed to osteopathic principles and practices (OPP) at his or her residency program; and who has participated in such educational events as the AAO’s annual Convocation and the AAO’s program at the American Osteopathic Association’s annual conference. Dr. Leslie is the eighth osteopathic resident to receive this award.

A 2014 graduate of the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in East Lansing (MSUCOM), Dr. Leslie is the co-chief resident in the osteopathic neuromusculoskeletal medicine (ONMM) program at MSUCOM. Dr. Leslie started her association with the AAO in 2010 as a member of the MSUCOM Student American Academy of Osteopathy (SAAO) chapter, and in 2011, she served a term as the chapter secretary.

In 2016-17, Dr. Leslie served as the vice chair of the Postgraduate American Academy of Osteopathy (PAAO). She was the PAAO liaison to the AAO Louisa Burns Osteopathic Research Committee (LBORC), and she served on the LBORC Poster Presentation Subcommittee. She also organized an annual mixer for residents at the AAO Convocation, which offers networking with other physicians and promotes job opportunities in the osteopathic profession.

Dr. Leslie precepts in the MSUCOM Student OMM Clinic which serves the local community with free care. On her nomination form, MSUCOM ONMM Department Chair Lisa Ann DeStefano, DO, wrote, “Dr. Leslie is competent, compassionate and patient when instructing first- and second-year medical students in osteopathic principles and practice at the MSUCOM Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Lab.”

Alexander S. Nicholas, DO, FAAO, Honored With Distinguished Service Award

Alexander S. Nicholas, DO, FAAO, of West Chester, Pennsylvania, received the Distinguished Service Award from the Committee on Fellowship in the AAO on March 24 at the Academy’s annual Convocation in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathy Distinguished Service Award (FAAODist) is presented to fellows who have distinguished themselves in contributions to osteopathic literature; development of osteopathic theories, methods or procedures; research; osteopathic education; service to the AAO; public relations; service to public health; or osteopathic medical economics and advocacy.

A 1975 graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) in Pennsylvania, Dr. Nicholas has chaired PCOM’s Department of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine since 1987.

After completing a general internship at the hospital of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1976, Dr. Nicholas took over his father’s osteopathic general practice in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. His father, Nicholas S. Nicholas, DO, FAAO, a former president of the American Academy of Osteopathy, was limiting his time in private practice so he could chair PCOM’s Department of Osteopathic Principles (OPP).

In 1976, Dr. Alexander Nicholas also joined PCOM’s OPP department on a part-time basis. The following year, he was asked to join the department full-time as an assistant professor. Dr. Nicholas has taught thousands of osteopathic medical students, and
in 1996, he was honored with the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Along with his father and David Heilig, DO, FAAO, who was a colleague and mentor, Dr. Alexander Nicholas developed the first residency in osteopathic manipulative medicine (now osteopathic neuromusculoskeletal medicine). Walter C. Ehrenfeuchter, DO, FAAO, was the first resident in the field.

Dr. Nicholas has published a number of articles in scientific journals, and most recently, he (with his brother Evan Nicholas, DO) published the Atlas of Osteopathic Techniques which is now in its third edition. It has been published in seven languages. This text is used by many American osteopathic medical schools as well as by the German American Academy of Osteopathy (DAAO) in the courses sponsored in Germany by the DGMM/MWE. Dr. Nicholas is the honorary president of the DAAO, and he also has taught extensively in Austria with the manual medicine college of physicians (OAMM).

In 2014, Dr. Nicholas was awarded the Andrew Taylor Still Medallion of Honor, the AAO’s highest honor. He continues his work with patients, students and colleagues in the United States and abroad.

Four Members Named Fellows of the American Academy of Osteopathy

Robert E. Kessler, DO; Drew D. Lewis, DO; Judith L. Lewis, DO; and Daniel G. Williams, DO, were inducted as the AAO’s newest fellows at the March 25 president’s banquet at the Academy’s Convocation in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dr. Kessler, Dr. Drew Lewis, Dr. Judith Lewis and Dr. Williams each completed a thesis, three case histories, an oral examination and a practical examination administered by the Committee on Fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy prior to the AAO’s 2017 Convocation. They were honored at the Committee on Fellowship’s dinner on Friday, March 24. The following evening, the committee’s chair, G. Bradley Klock, DO, FAAO, officially conferred fellowship on the candidates at the president’s banquet.

Paul R. Rennie, DO, FAAO, sponsored Dr. Kessler and Dr. Drew Lewis. Dr. Judith Lewis was sponsored by John C. Glover, DO, FAAO. Dr. Williams was sponsored by Richard A. Feely, DO, FAAO, FCA.

AAO members interested in applying for fellowship in the academy can obtain the application and explanatory materials from the AAO website, or they can contact the committee’s staff liaison, Debbie Cole, at (317) 879-1881, ext. 215, or at DCole@academyofosteopathy.org.

The next deadline for fellowship applications is Dec. 1, 2017.

FAAO candidates scheduled for induction in March 2018 should note these upcoming deadlines:
- May 31, 2017—Final draft of thesis and third case history due.
- July 31, 2017—Final deadline for edits and corrections to all documents.
- Oct. 1, 2017—Nonrefundable $1,000 test fee due.
- Oct. 21, 2017—Oral and practical examinations will be conducted between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the AAO’s office in Indianapolis.
- March 24, 2018—Induction of approved candidates at the Convocation at the Hilton Anatole in Dallas.

Fellowship in the AAO is an earned post-doctoral designation. Recipients must demonstrate they have actively advanced osteopathic medicine in clinical practice or research.

For more information on fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy, please visit www.academyofosteopathy.org.

Daniel G. Williams, DO, FAAO (left), was one of four AAO members to become Fellows of the AAO on Saturday, March 25. Richard A. Feely, DO, FAAO, FCA, FAAMA (center), sponsored Dr. Williams, and 2016-17 AAO President Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO (right), presented Dr. Williams with a plaque.
Osteopathic Education Service Thrives

Howdy all,

I would like to take this moment to personally thank all of the individuals, DOs and AAO staff alike, who volunteered their valuable time to help make the Osteopathic Education Service (OES) a huge success at the AAO’s 2017 Convocation in Colorado Springs, CO. This year we had a record volunteer turnout to provide a record number of education sessions! It was great seeing so many new faces. THANK YOU!

OES volunteers provide personalized hands-on demonstrations of osteopathic manipulative medicine. It is a unique program that provides the opportunity for DOs to be seen and evaluated by their fellow colleagues. For many of them, this is the one and only time they get to be on the other side of the treatment table. Although it is an awesome teaching opportunity, OES’s main goal is to give back to the DOs who tirelessly give day in and day out in their private practice. As always, my goal for this program is to make it easier for more DOs to be seen and still provide education opportunities for students and fellow DOs alike. Thank you again to those who volunteered. I respectfully ask that you continue to support our program with your time and dedication in the upcoming years. Bring a fellow colleague to help out next time you volunteer!

The following 75 volunteers provided 278 educational demonstrations during the 2017 Convocation:

Reem Abu-Sbaih, DO
Trevine R. Albert, DO
Keith Barbour, DO
Timothy James Barrett, DO
Kathryn E. Calabria, DO
Todd A. Capistrant, DO, MHA
Susan Cislo, DO, BCP, BCIM
Maria A. Coffman, DO
Barbara H. Gordon-Cohen, DO
Debra Conforti, DO, AOBNNM
John C. Coppinger, DO
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Theresa A. Cyr, DO
Joshua Heath Dalton, DO
Randal J. Davis, DO
Nate F. Delisi, DO, BA
Matthew Warren Doty, DO
Jo Ann Douglas, DO
John E. Downs, MD, MPH
Paula Eschtruth, DO, FCA
Richard A. Feely, DO, FAAO, FCA, FAAMA
Heather P. Ferrill, DO, MS, MEdL
José S. Figueroa, DO, FAOCPR, FAAPMR
William M. Foley, DO, MSc
Julie Forbush, DO, MS
David R. Furrow, DO
Travis J. Gordon, DO
Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO
Sharon Gustowski, DO, MPH
Ann L. Habenicht, DO, FAAO, FACOFP, CS
Stefan Hagopian, DO, FAAO
Cheryl Hammes, DO
Kendi L. Hensel, DO, PhD
Sherri Ann Hull, DO
Paul K. Hume, ND, DO, (New Zealand)
Jeffery W. Johns, DO
David W. Johnson, DO
Mary J. Joy, DO
Kimberlie M. Keller, DO
Richard W. Koss, DO
Emmy W. Lawson-Kobobel, DO
Gene Lenard, DO
Judith L. Lewis, DO, FCA, FAAO
Angela Lim, DO
Daniel Lopez, DO
Kenneth J. Lossing, DO
Steven Ma, DO
Thomas Michael McCombs, DO
Kathleen J. Meyer, DO
Paul S. Miller, DO, FCA
David Clark Minix, DO
Jill E. Moorcroft, DO
Thomas A. Moorcroft, DO
Veera Neville Motashaw, DO
David D. Musgrave, DO
Maud H. Newman, DO
Judith A. O’Connell, DO, MHA, FAAO
Daniel Olson, DO
Ehrin E. Parker, DO
George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO
Stacey L. Pierce-Talsma, DO, MS-EdL, FNAOME
Katrina C. Rakowsky, DO
Hallie J. Robbins, DO
E. Sara Saxton, DO
Najib Saifi, MD, DO, ACU
Richard G. Schuster, DO
Harriet H. Shaw, DO
Christopher McCord Stephenson, DO
Laura Anne Tinning, DO
Terri Lou Turner, DO
Michelle F. Veneziano, DO
Michael Davis Waddington, DO
Clay Walsh Jr., DO
Lynette Bassett Willard, DO
Rajiv L. Yadava, DO

Please accept my sincerest apology if I have left your name off this list.

Volunteer physicians earn 0.5 credit of AOA Category 1-A continuing medical education for each demonstration they provide. They also are entered in a drawing to win complimentary registration for the next year’s Convocation. This year, Debra Conforti, DO, of Littleton, Colorado, won the drawing. Dr. Conforti provided nine demonstrations at the 2017 Convocation.

Special thanks also to our dedicated AAO staff and volunteers, Sherri L. Quarles, Kathleen Brennan, Bev Searcy, Lauren Good, Debbie Cole, Brooke Lamb, Taylor Bridgeforth, Gennie Watts and Amber Rausch, who helped provide support to our service. Outstanding work, as always!

Fraternally yours,
Clay Walsh, DO
Chair, Osteopathic Education Service Committee
AAO Members Address AACOM, AODME Conference

More than 40 members of the AAO delivered lectures or workshops at the 2017 annual conference of the American Association of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM) and the Association of Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators (AODME) at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront Hotel in Maryland, April 26-29.

“Educating Leaders: For Integrated Health Systems” brought together leaders of the medical education community nationwide, including 2017-18 AAO President Michael P. Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO, and a number of members who sit on the AAO’s boards and committees, to deliver a stimulating program on current issues challenging our nation’s health care and medical education systems.

Millicent King Channell, DO, FAAO, presented a project developed by the Rowan School of Osteopathic Medicine in Stratford, New Jersey. They used small group–based learning to emphasize practice through Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs). Students finished pre-class assessments to design clinical questions and salvage evidence to breakthrough patient care and set up a differential diagnosis after a clinical encounter.

Lisa R. Chun, DO, MS, FNAOME; Thomas M. Motyka, DO; Kristie Petree, DO; and Charles J. Smutny III, DO, FAAO, discussed an educational experience they led at the Campbell University School of Osteopathic Medicine in Buies Creek, North Carolina. During the beginning of the students’ second year, the project ensured that all students would have the chance to learn while practicing osteopathic manipulative medicine on people other than classmates.

Tyler C. Cymet, DO; Michael P. Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO; and Anthony Michael Will, DO, provided thought leadership on topics in osteopathic medical education during their full-day workshop.

Heather Ferrill, DO, MS MEdL, and Stacey L. Pierce-Talsma, DO, MS-EdL, FNAOME, contributed survey results in osteopathic principles and practice (OPP) faculty development, preceptor’s impression on OPP and OPP faculty development, and student awareness of OPP training in the clinical setting. The surveys were created for needs assessment for the improvement of an OPP faculty development program.

Karen T. Snider, DO, FAAO, gave two presentations focused on integrating OPP into osteopathic medical education and residencies.

The following AAO members also were speakers at the conference:

Christopher M. Alfred, DO
Grace E. Brantingham, OMS IV, MS
Alexis Gabrielle Bridges, OMS V
Danielle L. Cooley, DO
Sarah Anne Cromer, OMS II
Darrin D. D’Agostino, DO
Marcus McCune Dee, OMS II
William H. Devine, DO
Sharon M. Gustowski, DO, MPH
Carol Ann Haase, OMS I
Louise Belle Halbleib, OMS V
Jeffrey Hansen, OMS IV
Matthew R. Hardee, DO
Deborah M. Heath, DO
Caleb Benjamin Hentges, OMS III
James R. Keene, PhD, DO
Jordan Ann Keys, DO
Kelsey Layman, OMS V
Audra Lehman, MD, FAAFP
Chang C. Liu, OMS II

Members in the News

Mark Eric Sandhouse, DO, MS, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, will present two osteopathic manipulative medicine workshops on Sunday, May 7, at the midyear meeting and scientific seminar of the American Osteopathic College of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in Hollywood, Florida.

Ryan Viet Hoang, OMS IV, from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, Maine, was interviewed by the Portland Press Herald for an April 10 story about UNECOM’s use of virtual reality in training medical students. UNECOM is one of four schools in the world that are using The Alfred Lab to allow students to virtually experience the conditions of their future patients.

AAO member Frederick P. Wilson, DO, has found an innovative way to provide pain relief to pregnant women: teaching their partners basic manual therapy

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AAO Members Lead the Way

AAO members are known for being leaders in the osteopathic community, often invited to lecture at annual conferences of other osteopathic associations. In April alone, more than 20 Academy members presented at annual meetings around the country.

Joseph L. Amalfitano, DO, and Eric Edwin Gish, DO, were among the speakers for the spring conference of the Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association. The conference was held April 6-9 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Clay Walsh Jr., DO, offered an osteopathic manipulative treatment workshop on Friday, April 7, at the annual meeting of the Association of Military Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons in San Antonio. Dr. Walsh chairs the AAO’s Osteopathic Education Service Committee.

During the Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association’s 95th annual convention, David William Shoup, DO, and Gregory R. Heller, DO, spoke about using osteopathic manipulative medicine to address pelvic dysfunction and acute infectious disease, respectively. The convention was held April 19-23 at the Scottsdale Hilton Resort and Villas.

At the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association’s 109th annual clinical assembly, which was held April 26-29 at the Radisson Valley Forge and Valley Forge Event Center in King of Prussia, several Academy members participated as lecturers and facilitators. Jennifer Anne Lorine, DO, addressed osteopathic concerns in cardiology, endocrinology and pain management while Glenn M. Klucka, DO, spoke about pediatrics, and Alexander S. Nicholas, DO, FAADist, led an osteopathic manipulative medicine workshop with Donald Lee Allison, DO; David B. Fuller, DO; and Jennifer A. Lorine, DO.

Robert A. Taylor, DO, Joanne E. Genewick, DO, and Sasha J. Schrunk, DO, spoke at the Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society’s spring CME conference, which was held April 27-30 at the Bloomington Hilton.

On Saturday, April 29, Conrad A. Speece, DO, spoke on osteopathic manipulative medicine for the upper and lower extremities during the 26th annual Southwestern Conference on Medicine, which was held at The Westin Paloma Resort and Spa in Tucson, Arizona.

Catherine M. Kimball, DO, the AAO’s 2017-18 president-elect, represented the AAO at the 117th annual convention of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association April 27-29 at the Embassy Suites Norman Hotel and Conference Center. She delivered an AAO update on Friday, April 28, and on Saturday, April 29, she delivered a lecture, as did Sabrina L. Schrader, DO; Holly E. Cauthron, DO; Lisa E. Hart, DO; and Leslie M. Ching, DO.

Four AAO members delivered presentations during the 2017 Missouri Osteopathic Annual Convention, which took place April 27-30 at the St. Charles Convention Center in Missouri: Jay B. Danto, DO; Matthew R. Hardee, DO, FACOI; Justin David Puckett, DO, FACOFP, FAAP; and Christopher Jason Wolf, DO.

Membership Announcements

What’s Your Name?
The American Osteopathic Association (AOA) has instituted a new system for reporting continuing medical education (CME). It requires that names on the AAO’s report match names in the AOA’s system. Log in to your account at www.academyofosteopathy.org to make sure your name matches the name that appears on your AOA CME report.

2017-18 Dues Notices
Academy members’ dues notices will be mailed soon. The dues rates for 2017-18 are the same as they were for 2016-17 ($288 for full members).

Save the Academy postage: Log in to your account at www.academyofosteopathy.org to pay your dues online now. After you add the membership renewal to your cart, review your membership information carefully. Update your Membership Type at the bottom of Page 1 to ensure you are charged the correct rate.

Renew by July 31 to receive uninterrupted benefits like AAO Member News, The AAO Journal and discounts on books and courses. The AAO’s membership year runs from Aug. 1 to July 31 for all members. Prorated rates are not available.

Attention Graduates
Your student membership in the AAO expires when you graduate from osteopathic medical school. Log in to your account at www.academyofosteopathy.org and purchase a new membership. After you add the new membership to your shopping cart, update the settings to ensure you receive the resident rate.
PBS Documentary Highlights The Feminine Touch


When Andrew Taylor Still, DO, MD, accepted women and minority students at the first osteopathic medical school, he established a foundation of inclusiveness in the osteopathic profession. The documentary includes interviews with osteopathic pioneers such as Barbara Ross-Lee, DO, who was the first African-American woman to be dean of a medical school.

“It was fascinating to discover such a progressive figure for his era: He was a medical pioneer, abolitionist and feminist,” the documentary’s producer, Kristine Kelly, told *The DO*.

Watch the documentary online at www.wedu.org. Save an additional 10 percent on Dr. Quinn’s book from the AAO’s website when you purchase it before May 20.

Save an additional 10 percent on *The Feminine Touch: Women in Osteopathic Medicine* from the AAO’s website when you purchase it before May 20.

Members in the news (continued from Page 13)

techniques. Dr. Wilson told *The DO*, “As more than one pregnant patient has told me with a smile: ‘Who better to help me reduce my pain than the man who got me into this in the first place?’”

Dedicated to serving his community, Faroukh Mehkri, OMS IV, wears two uniforms every day as he moves back and forth between his life as an osteopathic medical student and his life as a reserve police officer. Read more at Medium.com.

SAAO member Kara Elaine Guisinger, OMS IV, from the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine in Athens, worked with Robert S. Juhasz, DO, a former American Osteopathic Association president, to develop case studies for a new book about the importance of communication in patient care. *New Horizons in Patient Safety: Understanding Communication, Case Studies for Physicians* offers strategies to resolve common medical communication errors. Read more on *The DO’s website*.

Congratulations to AAO member Huma-yun Chaudhry, DO, on being nominated to Modern Healthcare’s 50 Most Influential Physician Executives and Leaders of 2017 list. Dr. Chaudhry is the president and CEO of the Federation of State Medical Boards. Read more on *The DO’s website*.

Anna Bashmakov, OMS II, an SAAO member from the University of North Texas Health Science Center Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth, coordinates the school’s Homeless Outreach through Medical Education (HOME) program. HOME is a mobile, student-run clinic for homeless individuals. In providing care to a population that often doesn’t seek medical assistance, students provide positive interactions between the homeless community and medical professionals, and they receive the opportunity to improve their physical examination skills. Bashmakov wrote about her experiences for *The Pulse*, a newsletter from the Council of Osteopathic Student Government Presidents, and it was reproduced on *The DO’s website*.
Golden Ram Campaign Continues

Established in 1987, the Golden Ram Society is the primary fund that supports the Academy’s mission. Because the Academy cannot operate on dues revenue alone, generous contributions to the Golden Ram Society allow the AAO to offer quality educational programs at reasonable rates, develop new programs using new technology and expand the AAO’s public education efforts.

The campaign launched on June 1, 2016, and 71 donors have contributed a total of $21,634, as of April 26, 2017. These contributions exceed the $18,000 goal by almost 17 percent, but the AAO believes that with your help, we can raise 130 percent of the original goal set for the 2016-17 campaign!

Contribute to the 2016-17 Golden Ram campaign by May 30 by logging on to www.academyofosteofopathy.org. Donations also may be mailed to the Golden Ram Society, American Academy of Osteopathy, 3500 DePauw Blvd., Suite 1100, Indianapolis, IN 46268-1136. You can set up recurring monthly donations of $25 or more. Call AAO Executive Director Sherri L. Quarles at (317) 879-1881, ext. 214, for more information.

President’s Club—$2,500 or more
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Damon M. Whitfield DO

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Boyd Buser, DO, FACOFP
Anthony G. Chila, DO, FAAODist, FCA
John C. Glover, DO, FAAO
Victor I. Pulido, DO
Akiyoshi Shimomura, DO (Hon.) (Japan)

T.L. Northup Club—$500 to $999
Haifan Chen, DO
Dennis J. Dowling, DO, MA, FAAO
Stefan Hagopian, DO, FAAO
T. Reid Kavieff, DO
David D. Musgrave, DO
Jeanne R. Roll, MD
Michael P. Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO
Edward G. Stiles, DO, FAAO
Richard L. Van Buskirk, DO, FAAO

Louisa Burns Club—$250 to $499
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Laura E. Griffin, DO, FAAO

Carol L. Lang, DO
Tamara McReynolds, DO
Sonia Rivera-Martinez, DO
K. C. Roberts, DO, and Sabrina Schrader, DO
Jean Ann Swift, DO
Adrian Lynne Woolley, DO
Sheldon C. Yao, DO
Barbara Zajdel, DO

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Cheryl L. Larson, DOMP (Canada)
Laura Liles, DO
Paul Miller, DO, FCA
Meredith C. Norris, DO
Joy L. Palmer, DO
Ian Schofield, DO (UK)
Elizabeth Saxton, DO
George Stylian, DO (Australia)
Course Description
This course will provide hands-on teaching of Still and Littlejohn Techniques, expand upon concepts and principles inherent to each application style and advance our knowledge of Osteopathic manipulation for use in clinical practice and student teaching. Attendees will experience lecture and lab instruction to enhance their understanding and practice.

Course Faculty
Richard L. VanBuskirk, DO, PhD, FAAO
Christian Fossum, DO (UK)

Course Times and Meal Information
Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Sunday from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Morning coffee, tea and juice will be provided. Lunch will be provided Friday through Saturday. Notify AAO Event Planner Gennie Watts of any special dietary needs no fewer than seven days in advance.

Continuing Medical Education
20 credits of NMM-specific AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated.

Course Location
Midwestern University/Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine
Agave Hall, OMT Lab 101
19555 N. 59th Ave.
Glendale, AZ 85308

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

Registration Form
Still-Littlejohn Techniques:
Contemporary Applications of Osteopathy
May 19-21, 2017

Name: __________________________ AOA No.: __________

Nickname for badge: __________________________

Street address: __________________________ __________________________ __________________________ __________________________ __________________________ __________________________

City: __________ State: _____ ZIP: __________

Phone: __________ Fax: __________________________

Email: __________________________

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

Signature: __________________________

* The AAO’s associate members, international affiliates and supporter members are entitled to register at the same fees as full members.
June 8-10 • Marian University College of Osteopathic Medicine
Indianapolis

Course Description
Designed for both beginner and advanced students in regenerative injection techniques, this course will include a series of lectures that review foundational principles, anatomy, biomechanics, diagnostic testing, specific injection techniques for regions of the body and osteopathic manipulative treatment to complement injection techniques.

We will discuss the rationale for using prolotherapy or platelet-rich plasma injection in improving stability and integrity of ligaments, tendons and joints. Diagnostic evaluation of joint instability and enthesisopathy will be a focus and will be included in the hands-on portion of the course.

Attendees will receive a copy of Principles of Prolotherapy by Dr. Cantieri, Dr. Pasquarello, and Thomas H. Ravin, MD. Injections will be performed on cadavers in a cadaver lab.

Course Times
Thursday from 5 to 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Continuing Medical Education
20 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated.

Meal Information
Morning coffee, tea and juice will be provided. Dinner will be provided on Thursday. Lunch will be provided Friday and Saturday.

If you have any special dietary needs, contact AAO Event Planner Gennie Watts by June 1.

Course Location
Marian University College of Osteopathic Medicine
Michael A. Evans Center for Health Sciences (30th St.)
3200 Cold Spring Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46222-1997

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

Course Directors
Mark S. Cantieri, DO, FAAO, is a 1981 graduate of what is now the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Iowa, and he is in private practice in Mishawaka, Indiana. He is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Special Proficiency in osteopathic manipulative medicine.

George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO, specializes in neuromusculoskeletal medicine and osteopathic manipulative medicine (NMM/OMM), prolotherapy and platelet-rich plasma injections. He practices at University Orthopedics in East Greenwich, Rhode Island. A 1993 graduate of the University of New England College Of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM) in Biddeford, Maine, he is board certified in NMM/OMM, and he holds a certificate of added qualifications in pain medicine.

Both Dr. Cantieri and Dr. Pasquarello are past presidents of the AAO, and they have been teaching prolotherapy internationally for 18 years.

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Course Description
This is a basic course in visceral manipulation. Attendees will explore traditional osteopathic concepts of ventral technique, modern concepts of visceral motion, “normalization” of visceral motion through fascial planes, and treating visceral mobility and motility. Emphasis will be placed on physical examination, functional anatomy, and the anatomical relationships between the diaphragms, viscera, autonomic nervous system, vascular flow and lymphatic drainage. Attendees will come away with improved confidence in physical examination, direct and indirect approaches to visceral manipulation, and an ability to integrate visceral (ventral) techniques with spinal (dorsal) and cranial approaches. This is an intermediate level course.

Course Times
Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon.

Continuing Medical Education
20 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated.

Meal Information
Morning coffee, tea and juice will be provided. Lunch will be provided Friday and Saturday. If you have any special dietary needs, contact AAO Event Planner Gennie Watts before Nov. 3.

Course Location
Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine
42 E. Lauren Rd., Stratford, NJ 08084

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

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Component Societies and Affiliated Organizations
Calendar of Upcoming Events

June 18-25, 2017
American Fascial Distortion Model Association
FDM at Sea
Course director: Todd A. Capistrant, DO, MHA
8 days, 7 nights aboard Royal Caribbean’s Liberty of the Seas
Ports of call: Galveston, Texas; Cozumel, Mexico; George Town, Grand Cayman; Falmouth, Jamaica
15 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at www.afdma.com.

July 12-16, 2017
Osteopathy’s Promise to Children
Foundations of Osteopathic Cranial Manipulative Medicine
Course director: R. Mitchell Hiserote, DO
Osteopathic Center San Diego
40 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at the-promise.org/cme/.

Aug. 17-20, 2017
Osteopathy’s Promise to Children
Advanced and Innovative Healing Approaches to Support Rapid Transformation in the Child
Course director: Shawn K. Centers, DO, MH, FACOP
Osteopathic Center San Diego
24 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at the-promise.org/cme/.

Aug. 19-20, 2017
Rocky Mountain American Academy of Osteopathy
An Osteopathic Approach to the Eyes
Course director: Daniel Lopez, DO
Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine
Parker, Colorado
12 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at rockymountainaoa.wixsite.com.

Sept. 9, 2017
Osteopathy’s Promise to Children
OMT for Systemic Disorders and Physiologic Functions: Cardiopulmonary & Immune Systems
Course director: Hollis H. King, DO, PhD, FAAO
Osteopathic Center San Diego
8 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at the-promise.org/cme/.

Sept. 15-16, 2017
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
Still Techniques for the Spine, Ribs and Pelvis: Addressing Key Dysfunctions and Diagnosing and Treating With Still Technique
Course director: David B. Fuller, DO, FAAO
Course faculty: Richard L. Van Buskirk, DO, PhD, FAAO
Philadelphia
12 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at www.pcom.edu.

Sept. 22-26, 2017
Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine
Craniosacral Techniques, Part II
Course director: Barbara J. Briner, DO
East Lansing, Michigan
35 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at www.com.msu.edu.

Sept. 22-26, 2017
Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine
Indirect, Functional Approach to Manual Medicine
Course directors: Harriet H. Shaw, DO, and Marcy Schlinger, DO
East Lansing, Michigan
22.5 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at www.com.msu.edu.

Oct. 7, 2017
Osteopathy’s Promise to Children
OMT for Systemic Disorders and Physiological Functions: Gastrointestinal & Nervous Systems
Course director: Hollis H. King, DO, PhD, FAAO
Osteopathic Center San Diego
40 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at the-promise.org/cme/.

Oct. 13-14, 2017
Osteopathy’s Promise to Children
Sequential Approach to Pediatric Osteopathy
Course directors: Mary Anne Morelli Haskell, DO, FACOP, and Julie Mai, DO
Osteopathic Center San Diego
16 credits of AOA Category 1-A CME anticipated
Learn more and register at the-promise.org/cme/.

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