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## Presidential Update



Dear Academy Members:

We had an excellent convocation program that was successful in many ways; professionally, fraternally, and economically. The Academy has continued to improve in its educational courses as demonstrated by the high attendance at our pre-convo courses and our convocation. **John Hohner, DO, FFAO**, Education Committee Chair and **Doris Newman, DO**, 2010 Convocation Program Chair, put together a very successful program. Many DOs were enlightened and walked away with new techniques to add to their osteopathic armamentarium. If you were there, you know what I'm talking about, if not, join us next year.

In April, it was my pleasure to represent at the AOA's RUC (Relative Value Update Committee). The RUC periodically reevaluates the work values for all CPT codes. **Judith O'Connell, DO, FFAO** and I testified in front of a 30 member, (overwhelmingly MD) board regarding the use of OMT codes and the methodology of determining the RVUs. It was determined that the survey the AOA performed eight years ago was too old. The RUC internal guidelines recommend surveys to be no older than five years old. Therefore, the RUC recommended that the AOA re-survey the profession regarding the use of their OMT codes. This will happen within the next twelve months. Dr. Judith O'Connell and I are actively working with Academy member **Boyd Buser, DO**, who represents the AOA leadership regarding this activity.

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, it was my pleasure to address the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association House of Delegates in Austin, TX. It was a good time for me to connect as your representative of the Academy to the Texas DOs. As you might be aware, the administration of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine has a plan to offer an MD program at the Ft. Worth site. The AOA has testified vigorously against expanding, converting, or adding an MD program to the existing osteopathic program at University of North Texas.

We, at the American Academy of Osteopathy, stand in support of all osteopathic physicians in the utilization of distinctive osteopathic procedures in their practices and as such, many of the DOs in Texas gave your representative a huge welcome.

My luncheon speech continued the Academy's theme for this year, The Year of the Osteopathic Spirit, to know, to love, and to serve our patients and one another.

The following week, I was a special guest at the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association in Oklahoma City where some three to four hundred DOs were present for the convention. Many of the DOs in Oklahoma are active family practitioners, several of them utilizing OMT in their everyday practice. It is very important that we, as the specialists in osteopathic manipulative medicine continue to encourage DOs of all specialties to utilize OMT and osteopathic principles in their practice daily.

To that end, many of you have received emails from me a few weeks ago regarding presidential notes, the year of the osteopathic spirit. In these presidential notes, you will find unique osteopathic information, philosophical background and approach to the distinctive osteopathic healthcare that you and I practice everyday.

It is very important that we encourage, enlighten, and support each other in a professional manner through our words, actions, and deeds. I encourage you to have fun and spread the osteopathic spirit this year, amongst your colleagues and your patients.

May God continue to bless you, our Academy and all our patients.

Richard A. Feely, DO FFAO  
AAO President

## PAAO Selects New Leaders

Members of the Postgraduate American Academy of Osteopathy (PAAO) met during Convocation, streamlined the group's organizational chart, and elected leaders for the 2010-2011 academic year. **Lori Dillard, DO** will continue her duties as the PAAO's national advisor, with **Elena Timoshkin, DO** taking over as Chair and **Scott Leggoe, DO** assuming the role of Vice Chair.

## Update from AAO Executive Director

The past three months have been busy ones for the AAO staff and leadership. Dr. Doris Newman's program at the 2010 Convocation in Colorado Springs has received rave reviews. Education Director Kelli Bowersox has entered all of the CME documentation forms into the database and will be sending the hours to the AOA this month. If you have NOT turned in your CME Documentation form from Convocation, your hours will not be included in the list sent to AOA. Please fax to 317/879-0563. Although the number of exhibitors' was below the average this year, the AAO managed to exceed the budgeted revenue for Convocation as well as control the expenses. Markey's Audio Visual Company was utilized this year, which made an extensive difference in the budget as well as increase of service to the program chair. I am pleased to report that they will be with us again next year. Other areas of significant savings include USB versus hardcopy of the workbook; utilizing Markey's Decorating Service versus hiring another company; cut the cost of the registration bags this year by "going green"; and utilizing a different printing sort.

Postdoctoral Standards and Evaluations Committee Chair Doris Newman, DO and PSE Staff Liaison Jennifer Taylor, MPH attended the AOA's Program & Trainee Review Council, April 8, 2010 at O'Hare Airport Hilton in Chicago, IL. The committee approved the revised NMM/OMM Basic Standards and they will become effective July 1, 2010. The COPT approved a new set of *Basic Standards* for an integrated residency in Internal Medicine and Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine. The *Basic Standards* will be reviewed by the AOA Bureau of Education at their upcoming meeting.

Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists (BOS) representatives **Claudia McCarty**, DO, FAAO and **Jeanne Heyser-Easterly**, DO, FAAO as well as myself attended the Mid-year meeting of the BOS held April 9-11, 2010, at the O'Hare Airport Hilton in Chicago. States are moving towards "maintenance of certification". To demonstrate a commitment to your chosen profession, it is necessary that the AOA Certifying Boards develop their own maintenance of certificate which will be known as "Osteopathic Continuous Certification." All AOA diplomates with time-limited certifications will be required to complete the OCC process. Lifetime diplomates will be encouraged to complete the process as well. Whether the life-time diplomates decide to join in this process, they will continue to be required to maintain unrestricted licensure, AOA membership and CME requirements. AOBNMM has developed modules for the OCC process and should be available by January 2012.

President Richard A. Feely, DO, FAAO attended the Council on Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training in April. Requirements for Uniform Standards and deadline dates were again reviewed. Specialty colleges are required to submit a crosswalk with their training standards. A crosswalk is a document used to evaluate a training program's compliance with the standards and every standard must be listed on the Crosswalk. The COPT unanimously supported removal of the column measuring "met with excellence," however, commendation may be noted in the reviewer's written comments below each section of the Crosswalk. All standards should be measured with a point value ranging from 1-3 points, based on determined significance of that standard compared to others. A specialty may select a single point for each standard if desired. At its February 2010 meeting, the AOA Board of Trustees referred back to COPT a resolution recommending the integration of the seven (7) core competencies into six (6). This would occur by integrating core competency 1, osteopathic philosophy and osteopathic manipulative medicine, into each of the other core competencies. The COPT reviewed the concept at its April meeting and supported the integration of the core competencies. The COPT's analysis and conclusions will be presented to the Bureau of Osteopathic Education in May 2010 and to the Board of Trustees for approval in July 2010. The use of six or seven competencies in the specialty standards will be dependent on the Board of Trustees' action. (Resource: eCOPT Newsletter)

## AOBNMM Certifies Physicians

Chairperson **Melicien A. Tettambel**, DO, FAAO is pleased to report that the following physicians have been recertified in 2010 by the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine: **Richard M. Appleby, III**, DO; **Charles L. Carr, Jr.**, DO; **Ellice K. Goldberg**, DO; **Andrew H. Haltof**, DO; **Kurt P. Heinking**, DO, FAAO; **Bernadette G. Kohn**, DO; **Kathleen J. Meyer**, DO; and **Michael A. Seffinger**, DO. Dr. Tettambel also reports that the following physicians successfully completed the November 2009 oral, practical and written examinations and became certified in NMM/OMM: **Joshua P. Baker**, DO; **Candice C. Boyer**, DO; **Jonathan N. Bruner**, DO; **Lynne M. Chadfield**, DO; **Tana Cooper**, DO; **Catherine A. Galida**, DO; **Joseph M. Frontino**, DO; **Mary K. Hannan-Yee**, DO; **David M. Kanze**, DO; **Elizabeth M. Kronlage**, DO; **Robert L. Mauss**, DO; **Thomas E. Meek**, DO; **Linda M. Muller**, DO; **William P. Powell**, DO; **Jerri D. Robertson**, DO; **Jesus Sanchez, Jr.**, DO; **Heather A. Sharkey**, DO; **Marc D. Sibella**, DO; **Deanna Tran**, DO; and **Anna K. Wright**, DO. Likewise, **Cari Ann Bollweg**, DO successfully completed the examination process March 17, 2010.

### Classified

LOOKING FOR A CERTIFIED DO to be an associate in a busy (fee for service) practice in the northern Virginia area. Certification in Family Practice is helpful. Please contact [DrBlood@MyBodyDoctor.com](mailto:DrBlood@MyBodyDoctor.com).

## Membership Approve Change in Bylaws

At the March Annual Business Meeting the membership approved a motion to make changes to the Academy Constitution and Bylaws. The Academy has published the proposed amendments to all AAO members who have email addresses and in addition sent to AAO members who we do not have e-mail addresses for by a US Postal Service Mailing. Pending approval by the AOA Board of Trustees in July, the sections listed below will now read as written.

Section A. Constitution, Article VIII, Section 1 as follows:

(b) are members of the American Osteopathic Association.

Section B, Bylaws, Article 1, Membership, Section 3 as follows:

A. Active Members shall be those who meet the requirements listed below:

a. Are members of the American Osteopathic Association.

Section B. Bylaws, Article VI. Governors, Section 2 as follows:

The Board of Governors shall nominate for membership on the Certifying Board of the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine, Academy members certified in Special Proficiency in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine or Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine to the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association who are empowered to elect new members to the Certifying Board.

Section B. Bylaws, Article VII. Committees, Section 3 as follows:

The nominating committee shall consist of the immediate past president and four members elected by the members of this organization at the Annual Meeting. One of these members must have previously served on this committee and shall be its Chairperson. No more than one member from any regional component society shall be on this committee. They shall review all open elective positions including those of the Nominating Committee, prior to June 1 and contact all qualified candidates in person or in writing to determine their willingness to serve and accept the full responsibility for the position concerned. The committee may nominate two people for the same position. The committee's report must be received by the Secretary of the AAO no later than October 1, and the membership shall be notified at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Nomination for any elective position may be presented from the floor by any voting member at the annual business meeting of the Academy.

Section B. Bylaws, Article X. Fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy, Section 3 as follows:

Information documents outlining prerequisites and requirements for Fellowship shall be provided to members of the profession upon request. All revisions of such materials shall be approved by the Board of Governors of the American Academy of Osteopathy®.

Section B. Bylaws, Article X. Fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy, Section 4

Information documents outlining prerequisites and requirements shall be provided to members of the profession by request. All revisions of these documents shall be approved by the Board of Governors of the American Academy of Osteopathy®.

**George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO** conducted this portion of the Annual Business Meeting and provided an opportunity for AAO members who wished to speak either in favor or opposed to the motion on the floor during the discussion period.

## Touro University Nevada

Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine (TUNCOM) is seeking an osteopathic physician (D.O.) for a full-time faculty position in the Department of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. Responsibilities include teaching, patient care and program development. In addition, there are opportunities for conducting research.

### Qualifications:

Graduate of an AOA-approved osteopathic medical college  
Satisfactory completion of an AOA-approved internship  
Certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Special Proficiency in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine or American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine.  
The applicant must also be licensable in the State of Nevada.

TUNCOM offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Touro University Nevada is an EEO.

In addition, Southern Nevada has year-round sunshine with excellent weather, close proximity to Zion, Bryce and Grand Canyon National Parks, world-class food and entertainment in Henderson and neighboring Las Vegas, and convenient access to an international airport.

Information regarding this position may be obtained by contacting:

Paul R. Rennie, DO, FAAO  
Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Department of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine  
874 American Pacific Drive, Henderson, NV 89014  
(702) 777-1813  
paul.rennie@tun.touro.edu

Application Closing Date: Open until filled.

# **BAY**

## **REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**

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**A McLAREN HEALTH SERVICE**

### **PHYSICIAN / CLINICAL TRAINER GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION**

- 32 HOUR FULL TIME
- COMPETITIVE SALARY WITH FULL HOSPITAL BENEFITS
- TEACHING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED
- MUST BE COMFORTABLE WITH ALL PROCEDURAL SKILLS INCLUDING FLEX SIGMOID, COLPOSCOPIES, EDG, ETC.
- MUST HAVE EXCELLENT OSTEOPATHIC MANIPULATIVE MEDICINE SKILLS
- PREFER FELLOWSHIP TRAINED IN NEUROMUSCULAR MANIPULATIVE MEDICINE
- NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A PRIVATE PRACTICE
- PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES WILL BE TEACHING, MAY HAVE SOME PATIENT CONTACT
- 10 RESIDENTS
- 3 INTERNS
- 10 – 15 STUDENTS AT ANY GIVEN TIME
- PRACTICE PATIENT CENSUS IS 8500 AT THIS TIME
- WELL EQUIPPED MODERN FACILITY

Bay Regional Medical Center is fortunate to be located in Bay County, one of the finest educational, recreational and cultural areas in the Great Lakes. Located in east central Michigan on Lake Huron's Saginaw Bay, Bay County enjoys a very low crime rate, affordable housing and great schools. Colleges and Universities are within commuting distances, and diverse geography allows for a home on the river or bay, in the country, city or suburbs.

Bay County offers a wide variety of sporting and recreational activities, with golf on public and private courses, a civic arena with two rinks, tennis, softball, active running and biking clubs, camping, water sports, and some of the best fishing in the world. Winter sports are just as plentiful, with nearby cross-country and downhill skiing, snowmobiling, and hunting.

If you would like more information on this opportunity, please contact Konnie Licavoli, Physician Recruiter, at 989-894-9534 or by email at [kmlicavoli@bhsnet.org](mailto:kmlicavoli@bhsnet.org). You can also check out our program further by logging on to [www.bayregional.org](http://www.bayregional.org) and click on Graduate Medical Education. Community information is available at [www.baycityarea.com](http://www.baycityarea.com).

## Register Today for the 115th AOA Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition

Registration and housing is now open for the AOA's 114th Annual Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition, which is taking place on October 24-28, 2010 in San Francisco, CA Please visit <http://www.omedconference.org> to register.

Reduced hotel rates have been secured for your stay in San Francisco; book online with the AOA's official housing partner ONPEAK.

Advance Registration material will be mailed out prior to the conference. Advance registration forms must be RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, September 24, 2010. Registrations received after this date will be processed and held onsite for pickup. For onsite registrations \$55.00 will be added to the advance registration fee. For your convenience, we have placed the registration form on last page of this newsletter.

Please be sure to REGISTER AS AN ACADEMY MEMBER since the AAO's only revenue from the Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition accrues from attendees who check the AAO on their registration forms. We look forward to seeing you in San Francisco.

## Residency Directors File Annual Reports

The AAO's Postdoctoral Standards and Evaluation Committee will be mailing annual report forms to directors of neuromusculoskeletal medicine and osteopathic manipulative medicine residency training programs. The annual report forms reflect the osteopathic medical profession's incorporation of seven core competencies into postdoctoral training programs, the AOA inspection process, and into testing modalities for certification and re-certification of osteopathic physicians. Residency Directors must return the program director form, residency annual report form, logs, and a copy of the resident's scholarly activity to the AAO within 30 days of completion of the residency. Please contact the Academy at (317) 879-1881 if you have any questions.

## Nearly 1,800 osteopathic medical students participate in 2010 Match

More than 1,400 osteopathic medical students have received Match placements for AOA-approved internship and residency programs during the next training year. The National Matching Service reports that a total of 1,794 individuals participated in the 2010 Match, resulting in 1,483 successful matches. This figure is slightly up from the 1,433 students who matched last year. In addition, there will be an additional 218 osteopathic graduates serving in the military this year. View match results: [http://www.do-online.org/index.cfm?PageID=sir\\_match10res](http://www.do-online.org/index.cfm?PageID=sir_match10res)

## Board Approves 5% Dues Adjustment

The AAO Board of Trustees approved a modest adjustment in membership dues for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The increase is expected to generate additional revenue to offset the anticipated rise in operational expenses and assist the Trustees in maintaining a balanced budget for the next year. The current rate has been in effect for two years. The new dues figures are listed in bold type below (2009-2010 rate in parentheses):

\$261 (248) Active and Associate Members  
\$198 (188) Joint/Active Members  
\$185 (176) 2nd Year in Practice  
\$93 (88) 1st Year in Practice  
\$288 (274) International Members  
\$40 (38) Interns and Residents  
\$106 Interns and Residents - 3 years  
\$132 Interns and Residents - 4 years

Article II, Dues and Fees, Section I of the AAO Bylaws authorizes the Trustees to "increase annual dues at no more than five (5) percent on an annual basis. Increases in dues higher than five (5) percent must be approved by the membership at the Annual Meeting of the Membership. Fees for programs, materials, and services shall be set by the Board of Trustees to cover anticipated costs and expenses."

### Dallas Osteopathic Study Group

presents

### Ligamentous Articular Strain Techniques

Basic Course

August 14-15, 2010

Dallas, Texas

16 OMM hrs Category 1-A from the American Osteopathic Association anticipated.

Course limited to 40.

For course information, please contact  
Conrad A. Speece, D.O.  
214-321-2673 or [cjspeece@yahoo.com](mailto:cjspeece@yahoo.com)

# Prolotherapy Weekend

October 7-9, 2010 at UNECOM

## Course Outline:

Thursday, Oct 7: This is required for those physicians who have not taken a prior course in prolotherapy. It will include an introduction to prolotherapy, wound healing, degenerative postural cascade, coding and billing.

Friday and Saturday, Oct 8-9: Participants will be divided into two groups, beginners and advanced. These two groups will alternate between lectures and anatomy and injection technique while the other group will be in the anatomy lab performing injections under supervision and reviewing prosections.

## Presenting:

Mark S. Cantieri, DO, FAAO, Program Chair  
George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO

## Prerequisites

Functional Anatomy; (1) Level I course or equivalent

## CME

The program anticipates being approved for 20 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credit pending approval by the AOA CCME.

## Program Time Table

Thursday, October 7 ..... 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
Friday, October 8 ..... 8:00 am - 5:30 pm  
Saturday, October 9 ..... 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

Thursday includes a 30 minute break; Friday & Saturday include (2) 15 minute breaks and a (1) hour lunch)

## Who May Attend Policy

The primary educational objective for AAO is to provide programs aimed to improve understanding of philosophy and diagnostic/manipulative skills for AAO members, DOs who are not AAO members, individuals who are licensed for the unlimited scope and practice of medicine, and for those in programs leading to such license.

## Course Location:

University of New England, Biddeford Campus  
11 Hills Beach Road  
Biddeford, ME 04005  
(207) 283-0171  
<http://www.une.edu>

## Travel Arrangements

**Globally Yours Travel**  
Tina Callahan at (800) 274-5975

\* A rental car is recommended since the campus is located about 15-20 minutes from most hotels and restaurants.

## Cancellation and Refund Policy.

The American Academy of Osteopathy® reserves the right to cancel an educational program if insufficient physicians pre-register. Sufficient registrations must be received 30 days prior to the opening of the course. If you are considering registering for a course less than 30 days prior to the opening, contact the Academy office before making travel plans. In the event of course cancellation by the Academy due to lack of registration, all registration money will be refunded. Cancellation from participants received in writing up to 30 days prior to the course opening are subject to withholding of a 20-percent administrative fee or they may transfer 80-percent of their tuition to another educational program to be held within the next 12 months. Cancellations received in writing under 30 days prior to the course opening can transfer 80-percent of their course registration fee to another course to be held within the next 12 months. Any registrant who fails to appear for an AAO program can transfer up to 50-percent of their registration fee to another AAO educational program to be held within the next 12 months if a written and signed explanation is received at the AAO office within 10 days of the scheduled course. All other cancellations will receive no refund or transfer of registration fees.

## Registration Form

### Prolotherapy Weekend, October 7-9, 2010

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname for Badge: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

*By releasing your Fax/Email you have given the AAO permission to send marketing information regarding courses via fax or email.*

AOA#: \_\_\_\_\_ College/Yr Grad: \_\_\_\_\_

I require a vegetarian meal

*(AAO makes every attempt to provide snacks/meals that will meet participant's needs, but, we cannot guarantee to satisfy all requests.)*

## Registration Rates

\$1,200 (if book has been previously purchased)

\$1,510 to include course syllabus:

AAO accepts Check, Visa, Mastercard, or Discover

Make checks payable to "American Academy of Osteopathy"

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Expiration \_\_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# The Education Committee Highlights Upcoming Courses

**Mark S. Cantieri, DO, FAAO** and **George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO** continue to provide a weekend course on *Prolotherapy*, which is a nonsurgical ligament reconstruction, and is a treatment for chronic pain. This treatment is useful for many different types of musculoskeletal pain, including arthritis, back pain, neck pain, fibromyalgia, sports injuries, unresolved whiplash injuries, carpal tunnel syndrome, chronic tendonitis, partially torn tendons, ligaments and cartilage, degenerated or herniated discs, TMJ and sciatica. This year's course is scheduled for October 7-9, 2010 at University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, ME. Thursday, October 7 will be required for those physicians who have not taken a prior course in prolotherapy. It will include an introduction to prolotherapy, wound healing, degenerative postural cascade, and coding and billing. On Friday and Saturday, October 8-9, participants will be divided into two groups, beginners and advanced. These two groups will alternate between lectures and injection technique while the other group will be in the anatomy lab performing injections under supervision and reviewing prosections. The program anticipates being approved for 20 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credit pending approval by the AOA CCME.

On October 24, 2010 (just prior to the AOA Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition), **Ann L. Habenicht, DO, FAAO** will present a course entitled, *OMT Without an OMT Table*. Many physicians work in an outpatient setting with high tables or carts on which to examine and treat the patient. This presents a challenge: how can the patient be effectively treated with OMT? This course is designed to offer solutions for treating patients in an outpatient setting without an OMT table. The course is designed for primary care, urgent care and emergency medicine physicians who want to treat their patients with OMT but have been frustrated by the office equipment. Participants will treat on chairs and inadequate height tables. OMT utilizing high velocity/low amplitude facilitated positional release, Still, muscle energy, and myofascial release techniques will be included. Common patient complaints will be addressed. The program anticipates being approved for 8 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credit pending approval by the AOA CCME.

In the course, "*The Cranial Approach of Beryl Arbuckle, DO*," **Kenneth J. Lossing, DO** will trace the cranial approaches of early **William G. Sutherland, DO**; **Beryl Arbuckle, DO**; and **Robert Fulford, DO**. Beryl Arbuckle, DO was one of Dr. Sutherland's earliest students, studying with him before he taught using primary respiration as a therapeutic force. This style was described in the 1939 edition of *The Cranial Bowl*. Diagnosis was performed by palpating the position of the cranial bones, and motion testing. Since Dr. Arbuckle treated mainly children, the treatment approach she used was mostly direct technique. Dr. Arbuckle was able to attend hundreds of autopsies, mostly on pediatric neurological cases. She observed that the dura had regularly arranged fibers which she called "stress fibers". These stress fibers were thought to be normal fibers that reflected embryological development, but could also transmit abnormal amounts of tension. Interestingly enough, nearly half a world away, Eric Bleckshmidt described almost exactly the same phenomenon, which he called dural girdles. Dr. Arbuckle also noticed that the skull was reinforced in certain places, which she called buttresses. The stress bands and buttresses are used in both diagnosis and treatment.

Robert Fulford, DO was a student of both William G. Sutherland, DO and Beryl Arbuckle, DO. His cranial approach was a reflection of his training. Dr. Kenneth Lossing was fortunate to be able to study with Dr. Fulford over a 9 year period, and through years of practice has been able to recreate many of the diagnostic and treatment approaches. The program anticipates being approved for 24 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credit pending approval by the AOA CCME.

**Register online at [www.academyofosteopathy.org](http://www.academyofosteopathy.org)** Select the "Continuing Medical Education" button from the left-hand menu.

## In Memoriam

**Thomas L. Petty, MD**, an internationally known expert in treating respiratory diseases, died at his home Dec. 12 of pulmonary hypertension. He was 76. Dr. Petty developed the concept of home oxygen units, said colleague Dr. James Good, professor of medicine at National Jewish Health in Denver. Dr. Petty was "a major consultant" with industry in the 1960s in making home oxygen tanks as well as a device that measures oxygen in a patient's blood without breaking the skin. Dr. Petty wrote more than 30 books and an estimated 850 articles on lung problems and was a visiting professor at scores of universities. He created the division of pulmonary and critical-care medicine at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and was involved for 50 years with the Aspen Lung Conference. About 10 years ago, the conference was renamed for him. Dr. Petty was named a master in the American College of Physicians and the American College of Chest Physicians. During his career, Dr. Petty was the head of the division of pulmonary medicine at the University of Colorado, director of the Webb-Waring Lung Institute, and a professor at National Jewish. He trained more than 150 doctors in pulmonary and critical-care medicine. In 1984, he was called in as a consultant for those with lung problems after the toxic gas leak that killed and injured thousands in Bhopal, India.

**C. Louise Kirk, DO** was born in Raleigh, North Carolina, and grew up in Toledo, Ohio. After attending Whitmer High School, Randolph Macon Woman's College and Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia, Dr. Kirk became a genetics researcher. She later achieved personal and professional fulfillment by graduating from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in her 30s, completing her internship and residency at Riverside Family Practice in Newport News, Virginia, and establishing Tidewater Physicians Multispecialty Group in White Marsh, Virginia. She lived her adult life in Virginia and died of leukemia at Riverside Hospital in Newport News, Virginia on March 4, 2010, at 60 years of age.

# OMT Without an OMT Table

**October 24, 2010 in San Francisco, CA**

**Course Description:** Many physicians work in an outpatient setting with high tables or carts on which to examine and treat the patient. This presents a challenge: how can the patient be effectively treated with OMT? This course is designed to offer solutions for treating patients in an outpatient setting without an OMT table. The course is designed for primary care, urgent care and emergency medicine physicians who want to treat their patients with OMT but have been frustrated by the office equipment. Participants will treat on chairs and inadequate height tables. OMT utilizing high velocity/low amplitude facilitated positional release, Still, muscle energy, and myofascial release techniques will be included. Common patient complaints will be addressed.

**Learning Objectives:**

1. To perform quick and efficient OMT for common outpatient complaints.
2. To demonstrate ability to treat utilizing in appropriate height tables and carts.
3. To demonstrate ability to treat utilizing chairs.

**Prerequisites:** The participant should have a basic understanding of functional anatomy.

**CME:** The program anticipates being approved for 8 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credit pending approval by the AOA CCME.

**Program Time Table:**

Sunday, October 24, 2010.....8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
(lunch on your own)

**Course Location:**

Marriott San Francisco  
55 4th Street  
San Francisco, CA

**Program Chair: Ann L. Habenicht, DO, FAAO**

Dr. Habenicht is a 1982 graduate of Midwestern University Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine. She is both certified in osteopathic manipulative medicine and osteopathic family practice. She is both a Fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathy and the American College of Osteopathic Family Practitioners. Dr. Habenicht currently serves the AAO as a member of the Board of Governors, a member of the Undergraduate Academies, Bylaws and Education committees. Dr. Habenicht is a past president of the AAO and served as a chair of the Education Committee for many years. She is presently a professor of osteopathic manipulative medicine at CCOM/Midwestern University and is in private practice in Oak Forest and Urgent Care in Orland Park, IL. She serves as the UAAO advisor for CCOM. Dr. Habenicht has been the program chairperson for the Fall OMT Update for the past 16 years.

**Please Note:** The AOA Convention will run from October 24-28, 2010 at the Moscone Center in San Francisco, CA.

**Hotel Information:** Please visit <http://www.omedconference.org/resources/pdfs/HotelInformationSheet.pdf> to view your lodging options.

**Travel Arrangements:**

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## Members in the News

**Paul J. Capobianco**, DO and his practice were interviewed on News 12 Long Island under their natural health segment on the topic of the value of fevers in common illnesses in children and letting them be a part of the healing process as opposed to reducing them with anti-pyretics. Excerpt of the interview by Mary Mucci, News 12 Long Island: "A.S. (child) is hardly ever sick, but when she has a fever her parents don't give her anything to suppress it. D.S. (mom) believes in letting nature take its course. So instead of medication she supports her child's fever with warm compresses and freshly squeezed fruit juices. Dr. Capobianco states we don't let a fever go too long but we also respect that the fever is doing a better job than any doctor can or any other medicine for healing the illness as long as the child is well hydrated and comfortable and there's nothing serious going on. Studies show that early fevers may protect against allergies and asthma later in a child's life. The research is phenomenal on the value of fever. Fever is being used to fight cancer. While it is generally accepted that allowing a fever shortens the duration of an illness, there isn't enough research to prove it, but for mom, the only proof she needs is her daughter's good health. She has never had an ear infection and she is not allergic to anything."

AAO Member, **Humayun J. Chaudhry**, DO, was named President and CEO of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FMSB) this past fall. Prior to his appointment, Dr. Chaudhry was Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer of the Suffolk County, N.Y., Department of Health Services, the ninth largest health department in the United States, serving more than 1.5 million residents in an area encompassing 912 square miles. He also is a Clinical Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine at Stony Brook University School of Medicine and an Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine of New York Institute of Technology. The FSMB is a national not-for-profit organization representing the 70 state medical boards of the United States. Dr. Chaudhry assumed leadership of the FSMB this past October.

**Hollis H. King**, DO, PhD, FAAO, professor of osteopathic principles and practice at Midwestern University/Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine presented a two and one-half day OMM/OMT continuing medical education program at the annual convention of the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon. Dr. King also was the Editor of AAO's newest publication, "*Collected Works of Philip E. Greenman, DO, FAAO.*"

**Adrian L. Woolley**, DO, a family physician and an assistant professor at Des Moines University was elected president of the Iowa Osteopathic Medical Association at its annual conference in Des Moines, IA. Dr. Woolley is a 1995 graduate of Des Moines University, College of Osteopathic Medicine in Des Moines, IA. She completed her rotating internship and family practice residency at Des Moines General Hospital. She is board certified in family medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians and in neuromuscular and osteopathic manipulative medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromuscular Medicine. She has been awarded a certificate of competency in cranial osteopathy by the Cranial Academy. She is an assistant professor at Des Moines University in the Departments of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine and Family Practice. Congratulations, Dr. Woolley!

**Jacqueline Stoken**, DO, a 1990 graduate of the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine was elected to a two-year term on the Iowa Osteopathic Medical Association's Board of Trustees. A member of both the AAO and the Cranial Academy, Dr. Stoken has a physical medicine and rehabilitation practice in West Des Moines.

**Jay B. Danto**, DO joined the Michigan Head & Spine Institute (MHSI), PC. He most recently was a private practitioner at ABODE Integrated Medicine, PLLC, in Novi, Mich. He will see patients in MHSI's Novi office. Dr. Danto's approach to holistic pain management includes spinal decompression therapy, ear acupuncture, medical acupuncture, diet and nutrition support, laser therapy, prolotherapy, osteopathy in the cranial field, and happiness education and classes. Dr. Danto is certified in neuromusculoskeletal medicine/osteopathic manipulative medicine and family medicine/osteopathic manipulative medicine. He studied acupuncture at the prestigious Helm's Medical Institute in Berkeley, California. He earned his doctor of osteopathy degree at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in East Lansing, Michigan. and completed an internship and residency at Oakland General Hospital in Madison Heights, Michigan.

## Osteopathic Diagnosis and Treatment Service at Convocation Reaches All Time High

**Nate DeLisi**, DO, Co-chair of the OD&TE Committee is pleased to report that more patients were treated at the 2010 Convocation than ever before. Forty-six physicians treated 175 patients in 2.5 days at the recent Convocation compared to 2009's final count of 46 physicians treating 133 patients. Thank you to those physicians who took their valuable time away from lectures and workshops to give back to the profession. Each physician receives .5 Category 2B CME for each patient they treat PLUS a chance to win the OD&TE service drawing; complimentary registration for the 2011 Convocation. Every time a physician treats a patient, his/her name is dropped into the drawing drum. Dr. DeLisi reports that **Ellie Griffin**, DO's name was drawn for this year's winner. Congratulations to Dr. Griffin!!

# AAO Calendar of Events

**May 21-23:** Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine 2010 at Disney's Contemporary Resort, Orlando, FL

**June 9:** PS&E Committee Meeting at 7:30 pm (EST) via teleconference

**July 10-11:** Board of Trustees Meeting, in Indianapolis

**July 12-18:** AOA Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees & House of Delegates, Chicago, IL

**August 6-7:** Education Committee meeting, Indianapolis

**August 11:** PS&E Committee Meeting at 7:30 pm (EST) via teleconference

**October 7-9:** Prolotherapy Weekend at UNECOM in Biddeford, ME

**October 24:** OMT Without an OMT Table in San Francisco, CA

**October 24-28:** AOA OMED in San Francisco, CA

**December 10-12:** The Cranial Approach of Beryl Arbuckle, DO at UMDNJSOM in Stratford, NJ

## Opportunities - Open for DME Updates and Verification

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## Cranial Academy Schedules Annual Conference

Mark your Calendars for the Cranial Academy Annual Conference scheduled for June 17-20, 2010 at the La Quinta Resort and Spa in LaQuinta, California. Conference Director **R. Paul Lee**, DO, FAAO has designed a program around the theme, "*Spirit and Matter: Osteopathic Reflections on Function, Fluid and Fascia.*" AAO members, Dr. Lee; **David B. Fuller**, DO, FAAO; **Frank Willard**, PhD; **Elliot S. Blackman**, DO; **Mark E. Rosen**, DO; **Rueben P. Bell**, DO; **Andrew M. Goldman**, DO; and **Eric J. Snider**, DO are among the influential list of speakers. This conference is anticipated to have 22.5 Category 1-A CME hours. For more information, contact The Cranial Academy, 8202 Clearvista Pkwy., #9-D, Indianapolis, IN 46256; Phone (317) 594-0411; Email: [info@cranialacademy.org](mailto:info@cranialacademy.org). You may register on line at [www.cranialacademy.org](http://www.cranialacademy.org).

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## Call-to-Meeting for AOA House of Delegates

The AOA has issued a notice to the osteopathic family for the 2010 AOA Annual Business Meeting and House of Delegates. The meeting will once again be held at the Fairmont Hotel in Chicago, with the Board of Trustees and the House of Delegates Annual Business Meeting convening on July 13-18, 2010. This important meeting sets AOA policy and drives our actions over the following year, in addition to the leadership elections that take place here every year.

## Component Society Calendar of Upcoming Events

**May 29-30, 2010:** Traditional Osteopathic Approaches to the Human Body Including the Cranium & Face - Advanced Skills Training and 3-Dimensional Anatomy Studies, Presented by Presented by Herbert C. Miller, DO, FAAO and and Stefan Hagopian DO, FAAO in Corte Madera, CA. Email: [ncao@sonic.net](mailto:ncao@sonic.net), Phone - David Crotty, DO 707-638-5216 or James Gronemeyer, DO 781-646-7790  
*Registration form:* <http://www.academyofosteopathy.org/CME/NCAOconference.pdf>

**June 12-16, 2010 :** Introductory Course in Osteopathy in the Cranial Field in Palm Springs, CA, Presented by The Cranial Academy 317/594-0411, [info@cranialacademy.org](mailto:info@cranialacademy.org) or [www.cranialacademy.org](http://www.cranialacademy.org)

**June 17-20, 2010:** The Cranial Academy Annual Conference - Dwelling Place: Spirit and Matter in Osteopathy in Palm Springs, CA 317/594-0411, [info@cranialacademy.org](mailto:info@cranialacademy.org) or [www.cranialacademy.org](http://www.cranialacademy.org)

**June 24-27, 2010:** Kentucky Osteopathic Medical Association Annual Conference at the Hilton Lexington/Downtown [koma@reesgroupinc.com](mailto:koma@reesgroupinc.com) or [www.koma.org](http://www.koma.org)

**December 3-5, 2010:** Indiana Osteopathic Association 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Update in Indianapolis, IN, 800/942-0501



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 Sunday, October 24 – Thursday, October 28, 2010 – San Francisco, CA



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