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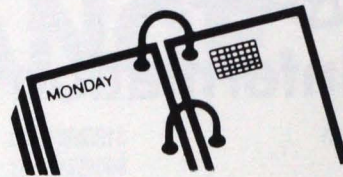
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## Calendar of Events



### APRIL

6-7

*Fourth Annual Spring Update for the Family Practitioner*  
Dallas Family Hospital  
CME Hours: 7 Category 1-A, AOA  
Contact: Karen B. Trimble  
Conference Coordinator  
TCOM — Dept. of CME  
817/735-2539

13-16

*Western States Osteopathic Society of Proctology Meeting*  
Bahamas Princess Resort & Casino  
Freeport, Grand Bahama  
Contact: David M. Beyer, D.O.  
4201 Camp Bowie Blvd.  
Fort Worth, 76107  
817/731-0801

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*Presidential Visit*  
District XII Meeting  
Contact: John Garner, D.O.  
409/962-0351

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*Presidential Visit*  
District VI Meeting  
Contact: Sharon Olson, D.O.  
713/981-5211

### MAY

1

*TOMA Preconvention*  
Board of Trustee's Meeting  
Westin Paso del Norte  
El Paso

2

*TOMA House of Delegate's Meeting*  
Westin Paso del Norte  
El Paso

3-5

*91st Annual Convention & Scientific Seminar*  
Texas Osteopathic Medical Association  
Westin Paso del Norte  
El Paso  
Contact: TOMA  
226 Bailey Avenue  
Fort Worth, 76107  
817/336-0549

5

*TOMA Postconvention*  
Board of Trustee's Meeting  
Westin Paso del Norte  
El Paso

6

*Risk Management Seminar (5 Hours)*  
Westin Paso del Norte  
El Paso  
Contact: TOMA Headquarters  
817/336-0549

### JUNE

8-10

*"Tenth Annual General Practice Update and First Annual Miller Brewing Golf Tournament"*  
South Padre Island  
11 CME Hours; Category 1-A  
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# TOMA Needs Furniture



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Queen sized hide-a-bed .....	\$ 800 - \$1,000
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Dinette and four chairs .....	\$ 400 - \$ 600
Two full beds .....	\$ 300 - \$ 400 each
Two dressers .....	\$ 400 - \$ 600 each
Desk and chair .....	\$ 400 - \$ 600
Two drawer file cabinet (wooden).....	\$ 150 - \$ 250
Vacuum cleaner.....	\$ 200
Two chests of drawers.....	\$ 400 - \$ 600 each
Lamps .....	\$ 100 each
Television .....	\$ 400 - \$ 600
Stereo .....	\$ 350 - \$ 500
Loveseat hide-a-bed .....	\$ 600 - \$ 800
VCR .....	\$ 250 - \$ 350
Recliner.....	\$ 400 - \$ 500
Pictures.....	\$1,000 - \$1,500
Patio furniture .....	\$ 350 - \$ 500
Coffee/end tables .....	\$ 175 - \$ 300 each
Night stands.....	\$ 150 - \$ 250 each

Any help you can provide will be sincerely appreciated. We will be taking over occupancy of one side of the duplex (while keeping the other side rented) this September. An open house for legislators, TOMA members and friends is planned during the winter Board meeting of 1991, during the 72nd Legislature. Remember, the duplex will be a reflection of all Texas D.O.s and, as such, we would like to make it as attractive on the inside as it is on the outside.

Please send your contributions to the TOMA State Office. For further information, contact either Tom Hanstrom, TOMA Executive Director, 817-336-0549, metro 817-429-9755, toll free 1-800-444-8662; Joseph Montgomery-Davis, D.O., TOMA President, at 1-512-689-2493; or Robert L. Peters, Jr., D.O., FACGP, TOMA President-elect, at 1-512-255-3631.

Thanks for your support. ■

With TOMA's recent acquisition of the duplex in Austin comes the inevitable task of furnishing it for occupancy purposes. The duplex will be used by TOMA staff, physician leadership and other osteopathic representatives throughout the year, as well as osteopathic physicians serving on various state boards and committees which meet in Austin. Since it will be assuring the visibility of TOMA members, we want to make it an attractive showplace, one of which the entire membership can be proud. To that end, we are asking you to contribute and/or help in soliciting contributions of either money or furniture, in order that this task can be completed.

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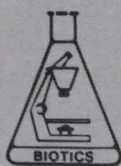
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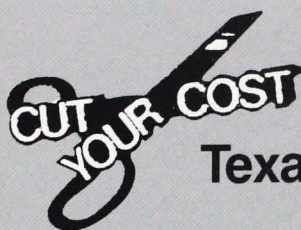
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Spouses, Military, Retired, Interns, Residents and Associates — \$150  
Students (includes meals) — \$75; Students (lectures only) — \$00.

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PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE — APRIL 15

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(first name for badge)  
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(first AND last name for badge)

### TOMA Annual Golf Tournament Registration

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½ cart, green fees, transportation  
(Cash Bar)  
Vista Hills Country Club  
Friday, May 4, 1990**

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## Refund Policy

The REFUND POLICY for the 91st Annual Convention is as follows: All cancellations must be received in writing; no telephone cancellations will be accepted. A \$25.00 processing fee will be charged to all registrants who cancel. If cancellation is necessary, the following policy will apply:

More than 45 days prior to program, FULL REFUND (less processing fee).

30-45 days prior to program, 50 percent of fees paid will be refunded.

15-30 days prior to program, 25 percent of fees paid will be refunded.

Less than 15 days prior to program, NO REFUND.



## Pre-Registration Deadline

April 15 is pre-registration deadline for the TOMA convention. If you have delayed in sending in your registration, you might wish to take the time to do so now in order to take advantage of the savings. Additionally, those who pre-register will be included in a drawing for a complimentary deluxe double room for four nights at the Westin Paso del Norte Hotel during their convention stay. The drawing will be held at 10:00 a.m. during the Saturday morning (May 5) refreshment break with the exhibitors at the El Paso Civic Center and, you must be present to win.

## Texas ACGP Meetings

The annual breakfast of the Texas Society of the ACGP is scheduled for Friday, May 4, at 7:00 a.m. in the El Paso Civic Center. Set those alarm clocks and plan to join your colleagues for this annual event.

The PACER's meeting will also be held on Friday, May 4, beginning at 3:30 p.m. in the Charlais Room of the Westin Hotel. The Texas ACGP will be celebrating their 37th anniversary so make your plans to attend this important event.

## POPPS

The traditional POPPS gathering is slated for Thursday, May 3, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., in the Court Yard of the Westin Paso del Norte Hotel. All distinguished past presidents are urged to attend this most enjoyable function.

Elmer Baum, D.O., will chair this eminent assembly. We guarantee a good time, so make your plans to attend.

Past presidents who are also sustaining members, and plan on attending the sustainer's party, are reminded that the buses will be leaving for Mexico at 7:00 p.m.

## AOA Luncheon

The site for the AOA luncheon is the El Paso Civic Center at 12:45 p.m., Thursday, May 3. The national AOA representative will be Mitchell Kasovac, D.O., FACGP, current AOA President-elect.

Plan to attend and give Dr. Kasovac a big Texas-style welcome.

## CME Program

The theme of the educational portion of TOMA's 1990 convention will be "The Future Trend of Medicine in the 1990s."

James E. Froelich, III, D.O., of Bonham, as this year's program chairman, has compiled an outstanding array of speakers and topics to fulfill the CME portion of TOMA's 1990 convention.

Many of the topics are designed to update physicians on what's new in various fields. Overall, says Dr. Froelich, this should prove to be a most beneficial program to help physicians meet the challenges of future trends in medicine.

The American Diabetes Association will be offering five hours dedicated to the diagnosis and treatment of diabetes. Additionally, a Risk Management Seminar will be held on Sunday, May 6, from 8:00 to 1:30 p.m. A total of five hours of risk management can be obtained by attending this seminar.

A total of 26 hours of Category 1-A CME is expected. Please note, however, that three of these are earned by visiting with ALL the exhibits. The Risk Management Seminar offers five hours of Category 1-B credit.

## Alumni Meetings

Alumni meetings will take place on Saturday, May 5, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine will be meeting in the El Paso Civic Center. Each will serve a continental breakfast, consisting of breakfast burritos, orange juice and coffee. University Health Sciences/College of Osteopathic Medicine will hold a Cocktail Hour on Saturday at 12:30. Alumni from other colleges are most cordially invited to attend either meeting.

## TAO Meeting

The Texas Academy of Osteopathy will be meeting on Friday, May 4, from 10 - 11:00 a.m. in the El Paso Civic Center. It should be noted that TAO will be offering "Structural Consultation and Treatment Service" on Saturday, May 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Civic Center. Anyone interested in participating in this service should contact Dr. Doug Vick.



## President's Night

Friday, May 4, is the date of the annual President's Night Reception and Banquet. This event will honor Joseph Montgomery-Davis, D.O., as outgoing President. Robert L. Peters, Jr., D.O. FACGP, will be handed the gavel during the evening as the new TOMA President.

The reception will take place at 6:30 p.m. in the Mezzanine of the Westin, and is being hosted by Marion Laboratories in honor of Dr. Montgomery-Davis.

The Banquet begins at 7:30 in the Westin Ballroom, with entertainment provided by the Ysleta High School Marimba Band.

The Auxiliary to TOMA will hold their annual fund raiser immediately following the entertainment. ATOMA will be selling raffle tickets at \$10 each and several drawings will be held during President's Night, with the winners receiving various prizes. All tickets will then be returned to the drawing drum for the grand prize of a trip for two to the location of choice: London, England; Paris, France; or Frankfurt, Germany. The trip includes airfare, luxury hotel accommodations, a tour of the city of choice and one show. You are urged to buy up these raffle tickets, not only for the chance of winning a prize, but because monies generated from ATOMA's fund raising activities benefit the entire osteopathic profession.

## TOMA and ATOMA House of Delegates

According to T. Eugene Zachary, D.O., FACGP, Speaker of the TOMA House of Delegates, the gavel will fall precisely at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 2, in Ballroom C & D of the Westin.

Registration for TOMA delegates begins at 8:00 a.m. in the North Mezzanine of the Westin.

A luncheon break is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. in the Pancho Villa Room, with business continuing immediately thereafter.

Dr. Zachary would like all delegates to be present, if at all possible, and extends a special invitation to any member of TOMA wishing to attend.

The ATOMA House of Delegates will be meeting on Thursday, May 3, at 9:00 a.m. in the Pancho Villa Room of the Westin. ATOMA President Chuckie Hospers will be presiding over the ATOMA House. She urges all delegates to be present for this event and also invites any member of ATOMA, who would like to attend this important meeting, to do so.

## Golf Tournament

This year's Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, May 4, at Vista Hills Country Club. The fee is \$45 which includes 1/2 cart, green fees and transportation to and from the location. Buses will depart from the Westin at 7:00 a.m.

Golf chairman is Harvey Smith, D.O., of El Paso.

If you plan to play, better send in your reservation and check TODAY!

## Saturday Tour

On Saturday, May 5, convention participants and/or guests can take "A Jaunt into Old New Mexico." Attendees will meet in the Dome Bar Lobby of the Westin at 10:00 a.m. to leave for sightseeing, dining and shopping in the historic village of Mesilla, New Mexico. Mesilla was once the capital of the Arizona and New Mexico Territories, and was host to the Conquistadores, Billy the Kid, Pat Garrett, Kit Carson and Pancho Villa.

The bus will be stopping at Stahmann Pecan Farms, one of the largest pecan groves in the world, so that those wishing to do so will have the opportunity to sample and buy pecans and pecan candy. Arrival time in Mesilla will be about 11:30, and participants will have time for shopping and wandering on their own. The town features excellent galleries, leather goods, fine jewelry shops, an interesting book store, and souvenir shops, one of which was once a jail in which Billy the Kid was incarcerated for the murder of Sheriff Brady in 1881.

Lunch will be served at the beautiful Double Eagle after which there will be more time for sightseeing and shopping. History buffs won't want to miss the Gadsden Museum, full of fascinating memorabilia and a guide to tell the stories behind them. Around 2:30 or 3:00, the bus will head back to El Paso.

The cost is \$30 per person, which includes transportation, guide, lunch and soft drinks on the bus. Please note that those planning to participate in this event MUST have their checks in the TOMA state office NO LATER THAN APRIL 23. Space is limited, so mail your checks today.

## Fun Night

Fun night, held on Saturday, May 5, will literally be a night for the dogs, as we will be going to Juarez for an evening at the Juarez Race Track. We'll be seated in the Jockey Club, which features an excellent view of the greyhounds. A race will be dedicated to TOMA and upon this announcement, TOMA representatives will gather in the Winner's Circle for a photo session with the winning dog. A Mexican buffet will be served at the track. Buses returning to the Westin will be staggered so attendees can leave at will.



## Sustainer's Party

On Thursday, May 3, TOMA sustaining members attending the annual Sustainer's Party at this year's convention will be whisked across the border into the enchanting world of Old Mexico to spend "una noche en Mexico." This is one party you won't want to miss. The festivities will take place at the authentic Hacienda Solar de la Paloma, the home of a retired bull-fighter, and boasts of beautiful grounds and a mini-bullring.

The events include music, folkloric dancing with authentic costumes and caping of the bulls. Those brave souls who want to get physical will have the chance to try caping the bulls themselves (with a little help from some friends). In exchange, you'll receive a certificate for your efforts, guaranteed to impress family and friends.

As usual, this party is for sustainers only, and is a "gracias" type event for those who contribute an additional \$100 or \$150 with their usual membership dues. For those who like to spend "una noche en Mexico," the code word is sustaining member. Why not consider mailing us your check for either \$100 (sustaining) or \$150 (sustaining plus) PRIOR to the convention. Or, if you prefer, tack it on to your membership dues if you have not paid yet.

Sustainers will also have their annual chance to win a fully prepared black Angus steer, ready and waiting to be packed into your freezer. The steer has been donated by Bob Finch, D.O., of Dallas, owner of the Black Champ Farm, in memory of his partner and friend, the late Robert G. Haman, D.O., who actually began the Sustaining Membership Program in the early 1970s. The steer will be awarded during the "noche en Mexico."

## General Convention Breakfast

The convention will actually kick off on Thursday, May 3, when attendees will be "breaking their fasts" at the General Convention Breakfast, which begins at 7:00 a.m. The breakfast will be held in the Civic Center.

Featured speaker will be TOMA member Alfred R. Johnson, D.O., who serves as a board member of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Johnson will be presenting an "Update on the TSBME."

Everyone is urged to attend. You'll be treated to a great breakfast and be updated on activities of the TSBME.

## Board Meetings

The TOMA Board of Trustees will hold their traditional pre-convention board meeting on Tuesday, May 1, in the Board Room of the Westin Hotel at 1:00 p.m. Prior to the meeting, luncheon will be served at 12:00 noon in the Kohlberg Room of the Westin Hotel. TOMA President Joseph Montgomery-Davis, D.O., will be presiding over the meeting at which time he will be wrapping up this year's business as well as discussing future plans and strategies for the association.

Tuesday is also the date for the Caucus of the Districts, to take place in the Kohlberg Room of the Westin, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The ATOMA pre-convention board meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 2, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Westin Hotel. Luncheon will be served during the meeting. Presiding over the meeting will be Mrs. Chuckie Hospers, current ATOMA President.

The post-convention board meeting of the TOMA Board of Trustees is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, at 1:00 p.m. in the Charlais Room of the Westin. Luncheon will be served at 12 noon, immediately prior to the meeting in the Angus Room. Robert L. Peters, Jr., D.O., FACGP, as the new TOMA President, will be presiding.

ATOMA's post-convention board meeting, Saturday May 5, is slated for 7:30 a.m. in the Brahma Room of the Westin. Breakfast will be served. Presiding over the meeting will be Mrs. Claudette Miller, as the new ATOMA President.

## Spouses Luncheon Installation of Officers

Friday, May 4, is the date set for the important Spouses Luncheon and Installation of Officers. This event will be held in the Court Yard of the Westin, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Special guest will be Mrs. Glenda Carlile, President of the Auxiliary to the American Osteopathic Association. As the AAOA representative, she will also be addressing the TOMA House of Delegates and ATOMA House of Delegates on Wednesday and Thursday, respectively.

This is a function that all spouses should attend, as new officers for the State Auxiliary are installed at this time. Mrs. Chuckie Hospers, current ATOMA President, will be presiding.

A style show will be presented by Designer Classics of Fort Worth. The designs are unique and individualized fashions.

Make your plans to attend this annual event to meet Mrs. Carlile and most importantly, to show your support for ATOMA and its new officers.



# TOMA 91st Annual Convention & Scientific Seminar

Westin Paso del Norte Hotel / El Paso Civic Center

May 1-6, 1990

## Program

### Tuesday, May 1

- 12:00 noon TOMA Board of Trustees' Luncheon  
Westin Hotel
- 1:00 p.m. TOMA Board of Trustees' Meeting  
Westin Hotel
- 6:30 p.m. Caucus of the Districts  
Westin Hotel

### Wednesday, May 2

- 8:00 a.m. - TOMA House of Delegates' Registration
- 12:00 noon Westin Hotel
- 9:00 a.m. - TOMA House of Delegates' Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Westin Hotel
- 11:30 a.m. TOMA House of Delegates' Luncheon  
Westin Hotel
- 1:00 p.m. ATOMA Board of Trustees' Luncheon/Meeting  
Westin Hotel
- 2:00 p.m. - Early Registration
- 4:00 p.m. Westin Hotel

### Thursday, May 3

- 7:00 a.m. General Convention Breakfast  
"Update on TSBME"  
Alfred R. Johnson, D.O.  
El Paso Civic Center
- 7:30 a.m. - Registration: Exhibits Open
- 4:00 p.m. El Paso Civic Center  
(All lectures will be held at the El Paso Civic Center unless otherwise stated)
- 8:30 a.m. - "Management of Acute M.I."  
9:15 a.m. Russell Fisher, D.O.
- 9:00 a.m. - ATOMA House of Delegates' Meeting
- 12:00 noon Westin Hotel
- 9:15 a.m. - "Lumps and Bumps; Dermatology for the Primary Care G.P."  
10:00 a.m. Alicia Monroe, D.O.
- 10:00 a.m. - Refreshment Break with the Exhibitors
- 11:00 a.m.
- 11:00 a.m. - "AIDS and the Health Care Worker"  
11:45 a.m. Gilbert D'Alonzo, D.O.
- 11:45 a.m. - "HDL & Coronary Heart Disease"  
12:30 p.m. Christie M. Ballantyne, M.D.

- 12:45 p.m. AOA Luncheon  
El Paso Civic Center
- 2:00 p.m. - "Estate Planning Seminar
- 4:00 p.m. Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine"
- 2:00 p.m. - "Office Management of Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease"  
2:45 p.m. Gilbert D'Alonzo, D.O.
- 2:45 p.m. - "NSAIDS"
- 3:30 p.m. Paul A. Greenberg, M.D.
- 3:30 p.m. - "Post Surgical Intra-abdominal Septicemia"
- 4:15 p.m. Steve Dougherty, M.D.
- 4:15 p.m. - Visit with the Exhibitors
- 5:15 p.m. Champagne Party for TOMA's 90th Anniversary
- 5:00 p.m. - POPPs Party
- 6:30 p.m. Westin Hotel
- 7:00 p.m. - Sustainer's Party
- 11:00 p.m. Hacienda Solar de la Paloma  
Juarez, Mexico

### Friday, May 4

- 7:00 a.m. - Buses leave for Golf Tournament  
Vista Hills Country Club
- 7:00 a.m. - Texas ACPG Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. El Paso Civic Center
- 7:30 a.m. - Registration; Exhibits Open
- 4:00 p.m. El Paso Civic Center
- 8:30 a.m. - "Ventricular Arrhythmia Pathophysiology"
- 9:15 a.m. Russell G. Fisher, D.O.
- 9:15 a.m. - "CHF: What's New?" (A primary care approach to CHF)
- 10:00 a.m. Robert Chilton, D.O.
- 10:00 a.m. - Refreshment Break with Exhibitors
- 11:00 a.m.
- 10:00 a.m. - Texas Academy of Osteopathy Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. El Paso Civic Center
- 11:00 a.m. - "Diabetes: The Family Application" Part I
- 12:30 p.m. Brian R. Tulloch, M.D.  
Veronica K. Piziak, M.D.
- 11:30 a.m. - ATOMA Installation Luncheon
- 2:00 p.m. Westin Hotel
- 12:30 p.m. - Lunch with the Exhibitors
- 2:00 p.m. El Paso Civic Center
- 2:00 p.m. - "Diabetes: The Family Application" Part II
- 4:30 p.m. Brian R. Tulloch, M.D.  
Veronica K. Piziak, M.D.
- 2:00 p.m. - "Insulin Resistant States as Mechanism for Hypertension"
- 2:45 p.m. Len Scarpinato, D.O.



- 2:45 p.m. - "Quinalones: Future Trends in Antibiotic Therapy"  
3:30 p.m. Gary Butka, M.D.
- 3:30 p.m. - Pacer's Meeting  
5:30 p.m. Westin Hotel
- 3:30 p.m. - "Use of Calcium Channel Blockers in the  
4:15 p.m. Treatment of Hypertension"  
Speaker to be announced
- 4:15 p.m. - "Nuts & Bolts Approach to Treating Cholesterol"  
5:00 p.m. (A primary care approach)  
Len Scarpinato, D.O.
- 6:30 p.m. - President's Night Reception  
7:30 p.m. Westin Hotel
- 7:30 p.m. - President's Night Banquet/Dance  
1:30 p.m. Westin Hotel

- 11:45 a.m. - "Diagnosis and Treatment of AIDS and the Role  
12:30 p.m. of the Primary Care Physician"  
Jack Austin, M.D.
- 12:00 noon - TOMA Board of Trustees' Luncheon/Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Westin Hotel
- 12:30 p.m. - Lunch on your own  
2:00 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. - UHS-COM Alumni Meeting/Cocktails  
2:00 p.m.
- 2:00 p.m. - "Treatment of Ventricular Arrhythmia in the 90s"  
2:45 p.m. James M. Atkins, D.O.
- 2:45 p.m. - "Current Management of Gallstones"  
3:30 p.m. David James, D.O.
- 3:30 p.m. - "Future Trends in Neonatology to include  
4:15 p.m. Exogenous Surfactant"  
Greg Lund, D.O.
- 4:15 p.m. - "The Polysymptomatic Patient: Is It  
5:00 p.m. Environmental Illness?"  
Alfred R. Johnson, D.O.
- 7:00 p.m. - Fun Night Party  
Buses leave for the Juarez Race Track

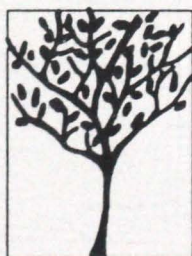
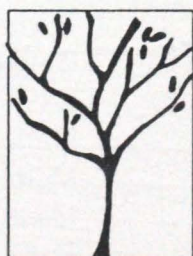
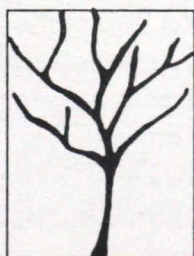
## Saturday, May 5

- 7:30 a.m. - ATOMA Board of Trustees' Breakfast/Meeting  
9:00 a.m. Westin Hotel
- 7:30 a.m. - Alumni Meetings/Breakfasts  
8:30 a.m. El Paso Civic Center
- 8:00 a.m. - Exhibits Open  
11:00 a.m.
- 8:30 a.m. - "Structural Consultation and Treatment Service"  
12:30 p.m. (Anyone interested in participating in this service,  
please contact Dr. Doug Vick)
- 8:30 a.m. - "Downside of Hypertension Therapy on the  
9:15 a.m. Kidney"  
Jack O. Gratch, D.O.
- 9:15 a.m. - "Ace Inhibitors; Current Trends"  
10:00 a.m. Gregory J. McWilliams, D.O.
- 10:00 a.m. - Buses leave for "A Juant into Old New Mexico"  
4:00 p.m. Tour for the Ladies and/or guests
- 10:00 a.m. - Refreshment Break with Exhibitors  
11:00 a.m.
- 11:00 a.m. - "New Approaches to Gram-Negative Therapy"  
11:45 a.m. Joseph H. Talley, M.D.

## Sunday, May 6

- 8:00 a.m. - "Update on Controlled Substances and  
9:00 a.m. Dangerous Drug Laws and Rules of the Texas  
Department of Public Safety"  
Lt. Jeffrey S. Mitchel, D.P.S. Narcotics Service
- 9:00 a.m. - "Insurance Codes to include H.B. 18 and other  
10:30 a.m. Insurance Laws affecting physicians"  
Mr. Bret Dahl, Texas State Board of Insurance
- 10:30 a.m. - Coffee Break  
10:45 a.m.
- 10:45 a.m. - "How to Protect Yourself from Professional  
12:30 p.m. Liability Suits"  
Michael G. Victor, D.O., J.D., F.C.L.M.
- 12:30 p.m. - "Update of the Medical Practice Act and Rules  
1:45 p.m. of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners"  
Michael Young, J.D., TSBME

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The year 1990 ushered in the 20th anniversary of the opening of Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine to its first class in 1974. As part of TCOM's planned celebration, TCOM President David M. Richards, D.O., FACGP, appointed the college's first employee, Ray Stokes, as college historian and commissioned him, along with an Editorial Board, to prepare the history of the college, which will be published for the September, 1990 convocation.

The board needs your help in making this portion of the celebration a success. The book will be an informal history based on oral interviews and will be a valuable keepsake. It is to be funded by donations, which is where your help is being sought. Your contributions will assure an accurate, first-class portrayal of recollections of the first twenty years.

According to Stokes, only three of the 15 osteopathic colleges in the U.S. have printed similar histories: The University of Health Sciences/College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, Missouri; Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine; and Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

This is a milestone in Texas' osteopathic history; the 103-member class of 1989 brought to 1,093 the number of physicians who have graduated from TCOM in its 16 commencements.

We urge you to help in making the 20th anniversary of Texas' only osteopathic medical school a success. Contributions should be made out to TCOM, and mailed to Ray Stokes, Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, 3500 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas 76107.

Thanks for your assistance. ■

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# ATOMA NEWS

## Are You A Participating Member?

By Claudette M. Miller  
*ATOMA President-Elect*

Memberships are an accepted aspect of almost everyone in this day and age. All types of "benefits" are used as enticements to get you to join! American Express offers travel savings if you pay with their card. Sam's Wholesale Club gives you a price break if you're a business member. The Dallas Zoological Society will admit you free-of-charge if you're a member. The list goes on and on, but eventually you come to the realization that MEMBERSHIPS are often misnomers for many of these organizations.

When I am a member of an organization, it is because I agree with their basic philosophy, feel that their goals are beneficial to society, and that the time I spend working for them is worthwhile. Our time is too valuable to waste on meaningless endeavors.

The Osteopathic Profession has been good to all of us. We have benefited in countless ways, and these benefits are much more intrinsic than travel savings, price discounts, and free admissions!

Membership in the Auxiliary begins at the District Level. As a general rule, the District Dues are \$10, State Auxiliary Dues are \$20 and National are \$40. All three levels send out separate statements, so just because you've sent in your dues once doesn't mean that you're a paid member at all three levels. This can be confusing so I wanted to clarify it.

Every organization needs funds to operate. Ours is no different. Paying your dues is one way of participating in ATOMA. It would be great to have you actively participate by attending your District Meetings and helping out at the State Level with committee work, etc.; but if that's just not what you're interested in, then PLEASE support ATOMA and participate by paying your dues so that we can continue to work for YOU and the Osteopathic Profession!

The Osteopathic Physician has greatly increased in respect and recognition at the local, state and National level. YOU can be a part of our future!! Contact the TOMA office in Fort Worth to find out if your State Dues are paid; your District Treasurer for information regarding your District Dues; and the AAOA office in Chicago for National Dues information.

## ATOMA District V Valentine Sock-Hop

By Claudette M. Miller  
*Fundraiser Chairman*

ATOMA District V took a nostalgic trip back to the fifties at their February 17 Valentine sock-hop! The fundraising activity was held amid hundreds of black, white

and hot pink helium-filled balloons at the Fairmont Hotel in the lovely Venetian Room.

Deejay Joe Swift, alias the Wolfman, and his assistant, Lonnie, kept the rock-n-rollers out on the dance floor with the Hokey Pokey, Stroll, Bunny-Hop, and various contests. Winners included Bill and Darlene Wa first place in the Twist contest; Jim Speece and Dodi first place in the Jitterbug contest; Michelle Wright and Lisa Burke, winners of the Hoola Hoop contest; and Linus Miller, winner of the Elvis lip-sync.

Popular male attire was blue jeans, white tee shirts and black leather jackets, with greased-back hair and cam packs rolled up in the sleeves of their tee shirts. The ladies preferred poodle skirts and pony tails.

A delicious buffet was available all evening, as well as an Ice Cream Sundae-Shake-Banana Split buffet, and an open bar. The fifties theme was enhanced by a Tattoo Parlor and a Graffiti Board.

A Silent Auction proved to be a popular and profitable activity. Interns from Tri-City Hospital were present and recognized as honored guests.

Special thanks go to Susie Burke and Anne Madzia who were of great help to me, and to our sponsors, contributors and all who attended. It was a really fun and successful evening!!

ATOMA District V Wishes to Express Appreciation to the Contributors of our Valentine Sock-Hop:

Dallas Family Hospital: Mike Mastez, Administrator  
Tri-City Hospital: Danny Morten, Administrator  
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## ATOMA District XV News

By Mary Eileen Del Principe  
*President, District XV*

Thanks to all our members who attended our Valentine's Dinner-Dance and meeting. Hopefully, everyone enjoyed the music and friendships. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 19 at the Radisson Hotel off of Highway 360. We plan to have Sharon Jutkins speak on the right and left side of the brain. It should be a very informative meeting.

Also, the ATOMA fund-raising committee is selling raffle tickets for a trip to either Paris, London or Frankfurt. They would also like each district to donate prizes. Anyone wishing to donate a gift will be acknowledged in print. So, bring the check book and help buy and sell raffle tickets. Winners do not have to be present to win, so all those not going to El Paso can help support the fund raiser, too.

District XV is still planning a night out at the ballpark, but as of this writing, the owner's lockout continues. By our April meeting, more details will be available.

We're still recruiting new officers, so if anyone is interested, let one of us know. Our slate of officers looks great so far.

Remember El Paso, May 3-5, 1990. ■

## Newsbrief

### JOHNS HOPKINS TO BEGIN DRUG TESTS OF DOCTORS

In a highly controversial move, Johns Hopkins Hospital has announced plans to begin randomly testing physicians for drug use. Under the mandatory program, approximately half of 750 physicians up for reappointment this July will be tested.

Critics of the plan contend it is an invasion of privacy; that random tests are flawed, having a high rate of false positives and negatives; and that the hospital is using it as a public relations ploy to calm a public already concerned about the wide spread of drugs.

# Shopping for Malpractice Insurance

Purchasing malpractice insurance is something most physicians will eventually confront in the course of their careers. However, initial purchasing or even changing carriers can oftentimes be a hit-or-miss situation. It's important that physicians do some reviewing and research on a company before making a final decision.

To that end, the following list of questions, although not all inclusive, has been developed in an effort to assist physicians in making as intelligent a choice as possible in insurance selection.

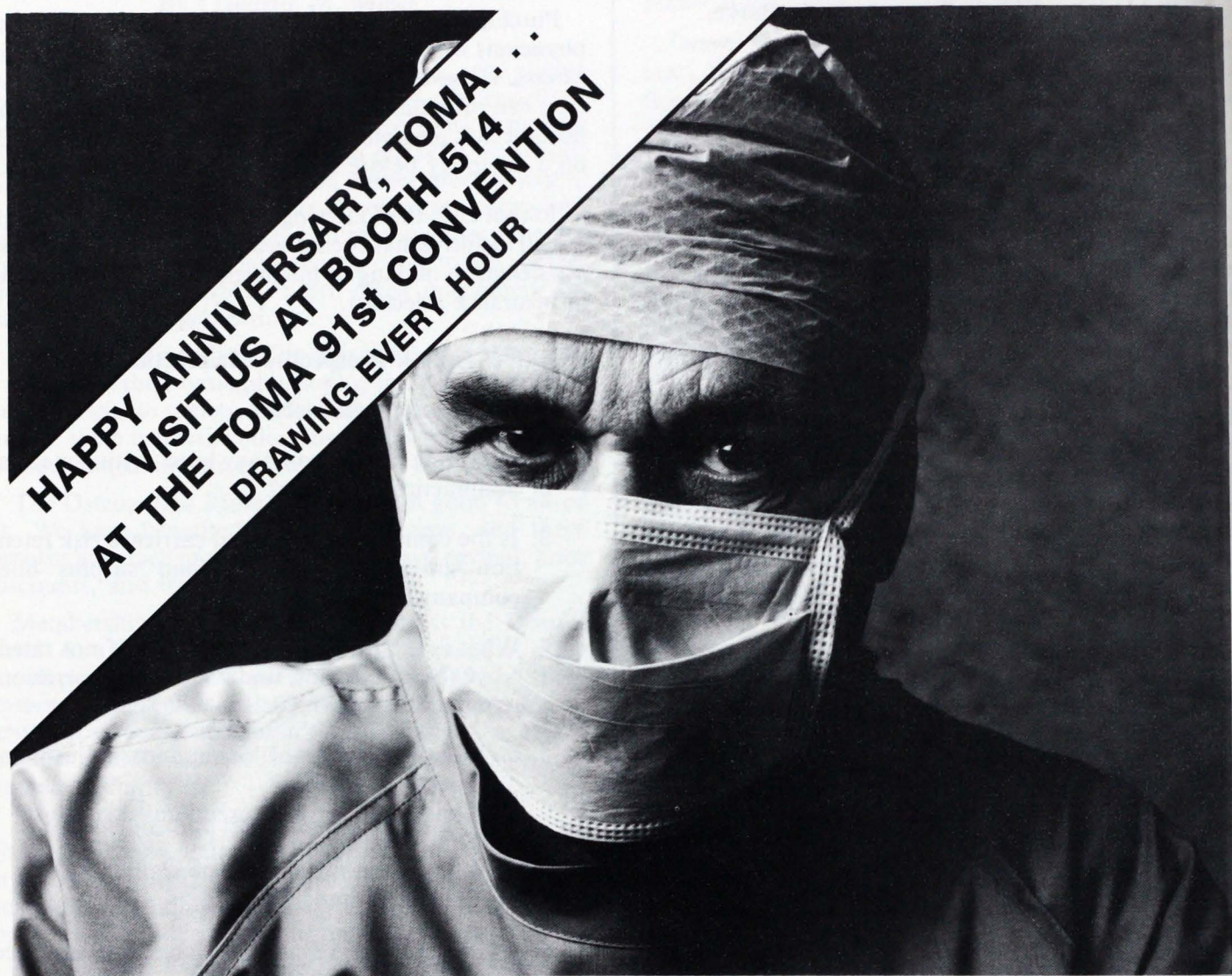
## Questions to Ask Prospective Malpractice Insurers

1. Is the policy assessable?
2. How long has the company been writing medical malpractice insurance?
3. Is the company an admitted carrier, a risk retention group or an excess and surplus lines company?
4. What is the rating by A. M. Best? If not rated, why? (New company, under five years operation, reorganization, insufficient data, etc.)
5. a. What is the ratio of loss and loss adjustment expense to surplus?  
b. What is the ratio of premium to surplus? (Should be under 4 to 1).  
c. What is the ratio of assets to liability? (Should be under 3 to 1).
6. Who is the reinsurer and how long have they acted as reinsurer for the company?
7. Is the underwriting and claim staff accessible to the doctor direct, or do the doctors go through an agent or intermediary?
8. Can changes easily be made to the policy as practice conditions change?
9. Does the company provide specialized policies, interest free financing?
10. How many insureds are there in Texas and how many total insureds for medical malpractice?

Additionally, just prior to contracting with a carrier, physicians should contact the Texas State Board of Insurance to determine if there are any problems and/or complaints concerning the carrier. ■



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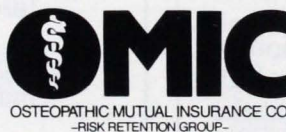
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## HELP FOR TCOM STUDENTS FACING ACADEMIC HARDSHIPS

The February 2 edition of *Dateline*, a TCOM publication, reported that some students may be unaware of the existence of the Student Advocacy Committee (SAC), a student organization that provides help to students during times of academic difficulty. Established by the Student Government Association, SAC is comprised of students from each class enrolled at TCOM.

SAC provides guidance and emotional support to students facing academic and related problems. By maintaining working relationships with student affairs, registrar, financial aid and academic assistance, SAC members are in a good position to offer guidance in dealing with these departments. Members are also familiar with administrative procedures concerning Performance Committee review, remediation and academic appeal.

SAC becomes involved only at a student's request; members do not have access to academic records; and contact between a SAC member and a student is strictly confidential unless the student authorizes otherwise.

Students wishing more information on SAC should contact TCOM student affairs at X2505 or academic assistance at X2407.

## FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, critical of the small and hard-to-read health warning labels on liquor bottles and beer cans, began a letter-writing campaign in an effort to make some changes in this area. "There had been some really creative efforts to make the labels as illegible as possible," said a spokeswoman for the Council. In response, 13,000 public

comments were received by the Treasury Department's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, resulting in new published regulations. Soon to come, the words "government warning" must be printed in bold type and capital letters on bottles and cans.

## NEW SURGICAL LASER APPROVED

The FDA has given the nod to Laserscope Inc., of California, to begin marketing of a surgical laser that vaporizes herniated spinal disks. The outpatient procedure requires only one week of recovery time.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Although these haven't exactly captured national recognition yet, the following, as listed in *Chase's Annual Events*, are actual annual events:

April 15 — National Grippers Day: This day provides a forum for those who want to gripe when no one will listen. Appropriately enough, it falls on the deadline date for filing income tax returns.

May 19 — May Ray Day: This day is set aside to celebrate the beginning of the warm rays of the sun. Additionally, it is a day especially for people named Ray.

June 1 — National Simple-Speak Day: This day is used to encourage politicians, educators, executives, bureaucrats, lawyers and everyone else to use ordinary, understandable language.

## BOY SCOUTS SEEK TO TEAM UP WITH OSTEOPATHIC HOSPITALS

The American Osteopathic Hospital Association reports that the Boy Scouts of America and osteopathic hospitals may be able to help each other out. The Scouts want to set up their Exploring Program with osteopathic hospitals so high-

school-aged men and women can get a closer look at health care and medical careers. The monthly program brings scouts to hospitals for lectures, tours and volunteer activities. By being in the hospitals, scouts get a chance to observe health care professionals at work, to find out about the type of training they might need and to talk with people currently employed in health care.

Many state hospital associations and individual institutions already have cooperative relationships with the Scouts. And in return, these health care groups have identified and encouraged future employees, promoted public relations within the community, and offered employees opportunities to lead youth groups. For more information about sponsoring this Boy Scouts program, contact the AOHHA Headquarters at 703/684-7700.

## AZT APPROVED FOR CHILDREN

The FDA has approved Zidovudine, commonly called AZT, under a Treatment IND (investigational new drug) program for children under the age of 13 with AIDS or symptoms of advanced HIV infection. The Treatment IND program is based on clinical data that the drug may prolong survival and relieve severe symptoms in children, as it does in adults. Pediatric trials of AZT began in 1986 and have involved more than 200 children. Under the new protocol, physicians caring for children three months to 12 years of age who have symptoms of advanced HIV infection will be eligible to receive the drug at no cost from Burroughs Wellcome. A recently approved strawberry-flavored syrup form of the drug will be used. AZT is believed to have similar side effects in children as in adults.

Physicians interested in enrolling patients in the Treatment IND protocol may call the Burroughs Wellcome toll-free number at 1-800-829-PEDS. Contact: Brad Stone, FDA, (310) 443-4177. ■





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## TCOM Names Associate Dean For Admissions

T. John Leppi, Ph.D., has been named associate dean for admissions and professor of anatomy at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. Leppi previously was assistant dean for admissions and professor of biomedical anatomy at the University of Minnesota School of Medicine in Duluth. He also was chairman of the Department of Biomedical Anatomy from 1971 to 1988.

Dr. Leppi also served as assistant dean of student affairs and director of admissions at the Duluth medical school. He was a faculty member at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque from 1966 to 1971.

He earned his Ph.D. degree in anatomy from Yale University and his undergraduate degree in zoology was received from Albion College in Michigan.

A native of Minnesota, Dr. Leppi is a licensed pilot and was appointed to the Duluth Airport Authority in

1988. He is a member of the American Association of Anatomists and the American Association of Clinical Anatomists. ■





# Texas ACGP Update

By Texas ACGP Editor

It's springtime in Texas once again and that means it is time for TOMA's Convention and Scientific Seminar. This will be a special occasion since TOMA will be celebrating its 90th anniversary. This year, the TOMA convention will be held at the Westin Paso del Norte Hotel/El Paso Civic Center, from May 1-6, 1990.

There will be a birthday party to celebrate the 37th year of existence of the Texas ACGP. The founding of the Texas ACGP was May 2, 1953 at the Gunter Hotel in San Antonio. The officers elected at that time were R. O. Brennan, D.O., of Houston, president; L. N. McAnally, D.O., of Fort Worth, vice president; Joe Love, D.O., of Austin, secretary/treasurer; D. D. Beyer, D.O., of Fort Worth, trustee; W. N. Hesse, D.O. of Dallas, trustee; and R. J. Brune, D.O., of Corpus Christi, trustee. Dr. Joe Love is the only surviving member of the 1953 founding fathers.

Several Texas ACGP events will take place at the TOMA convention in El Paso, Texas. Friday, May 4, the Texas ACGP Breakfast is scheduled for 7:00 a.m. The "PACERS" meeting is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. The presentation of the annual "Texas GP of the Year" award will take place at the President's Night Banquet, which begins with a reception at 6:30 p.m.

Members of the Texas ACGP can assist us in order that adequate breakfast servings are available by calling TOMA on the toll-free number, 1-800-444-8662, indicating that you will attend the breakfast function. We want to have enough food for everyone, so please let us know if you will help us celebrate the 37th birthday of our Texas ACGP State Society.

The locations of both of these meetings will either be mailed to participants in the near future or will be posted at the Texas ACGP convention booth. Stop by our booth at the TOMA convention and say hi.

I would like to remind our Texas ACGP membership of our policy regarding new members. It has been compared to a finder's fee. For each new member signed up, a voucher for \$25 will be given to the sponsoring Texas ACGP member. These vouchers can be used to defray the cost of any Texas ACGP-sponsored educational program.

As you are aware, the Texas Industrial Accident Board, which administers the worker's compensation program in Texas, has a policy of not reimbursing osteopathic physicians for an office visit and OMT on the same day. Representatives of TOMA will have an opportunity to meet with the appropriate subcommittee of the TIAB to discuss changing this policy in March 1990. Until such time that this policy is reversed, Texas D.O.s will continue to have to choose whether it is more advantageous

to charge for an office visit or OMT, but not both. An explanatory paper to help you file claims will be available by request from TOMA by calling the toll-free number 1-800-444-8662. In future Texas ACGP updates, we will keep the membership abreast of future developments on this issue as it evolves.

On 2-13-90, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners published another set of proposed rules dealing with the "Authority of Physicians to Supply Drugs." The new set of proposed rules is similar to those previously published in the *Texas Register* on 11-10-89, with the addition of a separate section dealing with recordkeeping for controlled substances.

I would like to remind our membership that Texas law requires that an inventory of controlled drugs be kept in a special log book, which has been approved by the Texas DPS. To order this log book, address your correspondence to Texas Veterinary Medicine Association, 6633 Highway 290 East, Suite 201, Austin, Texas 78721. The cost is \$17 per book, which includes tax and postage and your check must accompany your order. Also, be sure to specify that you are ordering the Controlled Substance Record Book.

The upcoming ACGP annual program during the first weekend in August will be held August 3-5, 1990, in Arlington so please mark your calendars, bring the kids and have a great time while getting excellent AOA-approved 1-A credits. Further information concerning the program will be coming out shortly.

I hope to see a real good turnout on the part of Texas ACGP members at the TOMA convention in El Paso this year. Espero encontrarlos allí! ■

## In Memoriam

### Alice Burns Ganz

Mrs. Alice Burns Ganz passed away February 6, 1990, at Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital. Burial was in Kansas City, Missouri.

She was born in Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1890. Her husband, Sam Ganz, passed away in 1934.

Survivors include two sons, Samuel B. Ganz, D.O., FACGP, of Corpus Christi; and Richard H. Ganz, M.D., of Spokane, Washington.

TOMA extends its condolences to the family and friends of Mrs. Ganz.



# State Offers Loans for Veterans

Physicians who are military veterans are eligible for housing, land, and home improvement loans from the Texas Veterans Land Board.

Since the board began making loans in 1949, Texas veterans have been eligible for a maximum \$20,000 fixed-rate, 30-year loan to buy a minimum of one-half acre of land.

The Texas Veterans Housing Assistance Program was initiated in 1984, offering home loans of up to \$20,000 to use in conjunction with a Veteran's Administration, Federal Housing Administration, or conventional loan from a private lending institution.

The new Texas Veterans Home Improvement Program offers \$17,500 on a 15-year, fixed-rate note to make substantial repairs to an existing home. Eligible improvements include room additions, roofing, attached garages, patios, and driveways.

Loans are available to veterans who have lived in Texas for at least five consecutive years immediately prior to filing an application or who were a bona fide resident of Texas when entering military service. Applicants also must have served at least 90 consecutive days of active duty with the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard.

A recent decision by the Texas Veterans Land Board allows veterans to use all three programs, rather than just one. These Texas loan programs are not associated with the federal VA, so veterans who have used their VA benefits will still may be eligible.

For more information about these loans, call the Texas Veterans Land Board at 800/252-VETS. ■

# Increased Nursing Enrollment Isn't Enough to Overcome Shortage

An increased enrollment in nursing programs during the 1989-90 academic year isn't enough to overcome the nursing shortage, according to findings of a recent survey.

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing recently announced enrollment of first-time nursing students in universities and four-year colleges increased for the first time in five years. Enrollment of new nursing students pursuing baccalaureate degrees rose from 57,154 in 1988-89 to 60,522 in 1989-90, a 5.8 percent increase.

Combined enrollment, including first-time students and registered nurses returning for bachelor degrees, currently is 89,546, compared with 87,700 a year ago, marking a 2.1 percent increase.

Association director Geraldine Bednash said although enrollment may be on the upturn, it is a long way from reducing the shortage. She added that enrollment dropped 31.9 percent from 1984-88.

In 1988, total graduations of first-time nurses were 16.2 percent lower than the year before. ■

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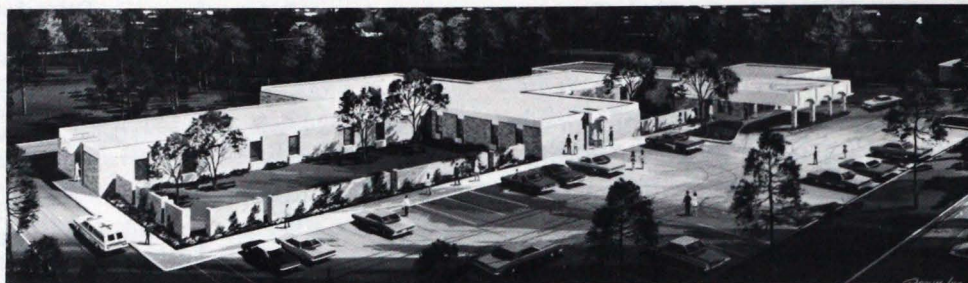
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# Medicare News

By Don Self  
Medical Consultants of Texas

## Refiling Incomplete Claims

A new HCFA policy that may go into effect as early as May 1, 1990, could dictate that your claims may be erased from Medicare's computer if they lack basic processing data (BPD). BPD includes appropriate procedure codes, ICD-9 codes, dates of service, provider number, correct HIC numbers, etc. These claims would be returned to the physician for resubmittal, meaning you would have to start over on the claim. Currently, Medicare puts the claims into the system and sends you a development letter, which when answered, pulls the claim out and continues the processing to be paid or denied. Under the new system, HCFA wants the carrier to reject faulty claims. This is not a denial, as a denial makes the appeal (review, hearing, ALJ) process to continue. The rejection just means the claim is as if it never existed. Non-assigned claims will not be affected by the new policy and will continue to be "developed."

## New MAAC Monitoring Plan

HCFA has decided that too many physicians are getting "slapped" by the MAAC Violation letters that Medicare is so fond of sending out, and consequently, has decided to focus on the "largest" offenders. Medicare's computer has had a \$100 "trigger," in that if all of the violations for the quarter totaled more than \$100, Medicare was supposed to "investigate." The new policy, which should go into effect soon, will set the trigger at \$300 and it will now be a semi-annual period, rather than quarterly.

We would also like to take this opportunity to explain a few facts about the "teeth" that Medicare has on these violation letters. Medicare cannot order you to "reimburse" the patients the violated amount, as they do not have the authority to do so. Congress and HCFA have not given them the right to do so. They are also not "out to get" the unintentional violator. They want those physicians that are repeatedly and intentionally violating the MAACs. If you receive a MAAC violation letter from Medicare, there is no reason to panic, take valium or jump off a bridge. Just call us, send us a copy of the letter, and let us take care of it for you. So far, 100 percent of our clients have avoided the MAAC violation penalties that Medicare loves to frighten you with. ■

## NEW AIDS INFORMATION NUMBER

Please make note of the new AIDS information number:

TEXAS AIDSLINE 1-800-299-AIDS.

# Fluoridation Is Safe In Drinking Water

Officials of the Texas Department of Health have reassured Texans that the state's fluoridated water systems provide safe drinking water. "At the level of fluoride in natural and 'adjusted' drinking water systems, no evidence of increased health risk has yet been documented," said Donald Crow, D.D.S., chief of the TDH Bureau of Dental and Chronic Disease Prevention. He added, "Only the health benefit to humans is evident — that of decreased tooth decay in all population groups at all economic levels."

The recent media reports suggesting possible adverse health effects of fluoride, said Dr. Crow, are based on "premature and incomplete data, leaked from a study being conducted by the National Toxicology Program." Early data from the study showed that in a two-year test, groups of laboratory rats drank water with increasing levels of fluoride concentration. After the fluoride dose was increased to 45 times the normal amount in municipal water, the first abnormality in one rat out of 50 began to occur. When the rate was raised to 79 times the normal concentration, four out of 80 rats developed abnormalities, Dr. Crow explained.

He said that state and national officials found no cause for public alarm, since the fluoride concentrations affecting the test rats had been so much greater than that of water fluoridated at levels sufficient to reduce tooth decay in children and adults. "Those same authorities also noted that if fluoride had been a significant cancer causing agent, there would be higher than normal cancer rates in areas of the country where the naturally-occurring fluoride level in drinking water is several times higher than the ideal," Dr. Crow explained.

Repeated National Cancer Institute studies using human subjects — including a study in Texas — show that cancer mortality neither increases nor decreases with the presence of fluoride in community drinking water. ■



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**Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility**—A two-year oral carcinogenicity study in rats with doses as high as 500 mg/kg/day (about 80 times the recommended daily therapeutic dose) showed no evidence of a carcinogenic effect. There was a dose-related increase in the density of enterochromaffin-like (ECL) cells in the gastric oxyntic mucosa. In a two-year study in mice, there was no evidence of a carcinogenic effect in male mice, although hyperplastic nodules of the liver were increased in the high-dose males as compared with placebo. Female mice given the high dose of Axid (2,000 mg/kg/day, about 330 times the human dose) showed marginally statistically significant increases in hepatic carcinoma and hepatic nodular hyperplasia with no numerical increase seen in any of the other dose groups. The rate of hepatic carcinoma in the high-dose animals was within the historical control limits seen for the strain of mice used. The female mice were given a dose larger than the maximum tolerated dose, as indicated by excessive (30%) weight decrement as compared with concurrent controls and evidence of mild liver injury (transaminase elevations). The occurrence of a marginal finding at high dose only in animals given

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an excessive and somewhat hepatotoxic dose, with no evidence of a carcinogenic effect in rats, male mice, and female mice (given up to 360 mg/kg/day, about 60 times the human dose), and a negative mutagenicity battery are not considered evidence of a carcinogenic potential for Axid.

Axid was not mutagenic in a battery of tests performed to evaluate its potential genetic toxicity, including bacterial mutation tests, unscheduled DNA synthesis, sister chromatid exchange, mouse lymphoma assay, chromosome aberration tests, and a micronucleus test.

In a two-generation, perinatal and postnatal fertility study in rats, doses of nizatidine up to 650 mg/kg/day produced no adverse effects on the reproductive performance of parental animals or their progeny.

**Pregnancy—Teratogenic Effects—Pregnancy Category C**—Oral reproduction studies in rats at doses up to 300 times the human dose and in Dutch Belted rabbits at doses up to 55 times the human dose revealed no evidence of impaired fertility or teratogenic effect; but, at a dose equivalent to 300 times the human dose, treated rabbits had abortions, decreased number of live fetuses, and depressed fetal weights. On intravenous administration to pregnant New Zealand White rabbits, nizatidine at 20 mg/kg produced cardiac enlargement, coarctation of the aortic arch, and cutaneous edema in one fetus, and at 50 mg/kg, it produced ventricular anomaly, distended abdomen, spina bifida, hydrocephaly, and enlarged heart in one fetus. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. It is also not known whether nizatidine can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman or can affect reproduction capacity. Nizatidine should be used during pregnancy only if the potential benefit justifies the potential risk to the fetus.

**Nursing Mothers**—Studies in lactating women have shown that 0.1% of an oral dose is secreted in human milk in proportion to plasma concentrations. Because of growth depression in pups reared by treated lactating rats, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

**Pediatric Use**—Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

**Use in Elderly Patients**—Healing rates in elderly patients were similar to those in younger age groups as were the rates of adverse events and laboratory test abnormalities. Age alone may not be an important factor in the disposition of nizatidine. Elderly patients may have reduced renal function.

**Adverse Reactions:** Clinical trials of varying durations included almost 5,000 patients. Among the more common adverse events in domestic placebo-controlled trials of over 1,900 nizatidine patients and over 1,300 on placebo, sweating (1% vs 0.2%), urticaria (0.5% vs <0.01%), and somnolence (2.4% vs 1.3%) were significantly more common with nizatidine. It was not possible to determine whether a variety of less common events was due to the drug.

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**Hepatic**—Hepatocellular injury (elevated liver enzyme tests or alkaline phosphatase) possibly or probably related to nizatidine occurred in some patients. In some cases, there was marked elevation (>500 IU/L) in SGOT or SGPT and, in a single instance, SGPT was >2,000 IU/L. The incidence of elevated liver enzymes overall and elevations of up to three times the upper limit of normal, however, did not significantly differ from that in placebo patients. Hepatitis and jaundice have been reported. All abnormalities were reversible after discontinuation of Axid.

**Cardiovascular**—In clinical pharmacology studies, short episodes of asymptomatic ventricular tachycardia occurred in two individuals administered Axid and in three untreated subjects.

**CNS**—Rare cases of reversible mental confusion have been reported.

**Endocrine**—Clinical pharmacology studies and controlled clinical trials showed no evidence of antiandrogenic activity due to nizatidine. Impotence and decreased libido were reported with equal frequency by patients on nizatidine and those on placebo. Gynecomastia has been reported rarely.

**Hematologic**—Fatal thrombocytopenia was reported in a patient treated with nizatidine and another H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist. This patient had previously experienced thrombocytopenia while taking other drugs. Rare cases of thrombocytopenic purpura have been reported.

**Integumental**—Sweating and urticaria were reported significantly more frequently in nizatidine- than in placebo-treated patients. Rash and exfoliative dermatitis were also reported.

**Hypersensitivity**—As with other H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonists, rare cases of anaphylaxis following nizatidine administration have been reported. Because cross-sensitivity among this class has been observed, H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonists should not be administered to those with a history of hypersensitivity to these agents. Rare episodes of hypersensitivity reactions (eg, bronchospasm, laryngeal edema, rash, and eosinophilia) have been reported.

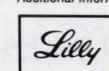
**Other**—Hyperuricemia unassociated with gout or nephrolithiasis was reported. Eosinophilia, fever, and nausea related to nizatidine have been reported.

**Overdosage:** Overdoses of Axid have been reported rarely. If overdosage occurs, activated charcoal, emesis, or lavage should be considered along with clinical monitoring and supportive therapy. Renal dialysis for four to six hours increased plasma clearance by approximately 84%.

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# AOA Washington Update

## AOA To Assist In Redesign of NHSC

The AOA has a golden opportunity to redesign the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) — the federal program which provides health personnel to underserved areas.

The NHSC uses incentives such as scholarship and loan repayment programs in return for a required term of service in a federally-designated health manpower shortage area (HMSAs). The goal is to encourage personnel to establish practices and remain in the HMSAs as career providers.

While NHSC has had some success in retaining personnel, there are many physicians who serve their term and subsequently leave the area. Congressman Michael Andrews (D-TX) has sought AOA's input because he believes D.O.s have a unique perspective and have demonstrated success in training primary care physicians to serve in rural and other underserved communities. The Washington staff will continue meeting with Congressman Andrews to develop a comprehensive overall redesign of the program to better serve the health care needs in underserved areas.

In addition, Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA) has drafted legislation to revitalize the program. Kennedy's bill would set priorities for the Scholarship and Loan Repayment Programs, provide special consideration to populations with high rates of infant mortality, substance abuse and HIV infection and improve the flexibility of the program to address concerns about personal and professional needs of corps members.

## PROS to Evaluate Outpatient Care

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through its Peer Review Organization (PRO) Program, began implementation on December 1, 1989 of a pilot project to examine methods to evaluate outpatient care. The project is expected to run two years.

The Wisconsin PRO was awarded the primary contract in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin and six other state PROs (WA, AZ, UT, IN, CT, NC) which will participate as subcontractors using Wisconsin's proposal.

The study will use medical specialties and regularly occurring conditions to determine the best methods to evaluate care. It will attempt to link existing claims information with clinical medical records to make it useful in evaluating patients on a continuing basis. Criteria will include severity of illness, sequence of care provided and the variety of treatment selected.

Participation in the pilot project is purely voluntary. There is no penalty for noncompliance.

The Wisconsin PRO is proceeding with advisory committee meetings of select geographically distributed physicians. The committees will identify the information needed from

physician offices to review diagnostic and therapeutic practices. Actual review of conditions will commence April 1, 1990.

## Council Approves Generic Drug Resolution

In response to recent reports about shortcomings in the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) testing and approval process for generic drugs, the AOA Council on Federal Health Programs endorsed a resolution which would strengthen the AOA's current position on generic drugs. The resolution must be approved by the AOA's House of Delegates before becoming AOA policy.

The Council-approved resolution "urges the FDA to strengthen its inspection and approval procedures . . . to ensure that generic drugs approved by the FDA are therapeutically equivalent to the brand drug for which they are to be substituted." The resolution also opposed the use of generic drugs unless they are produced by reliable pharmaceutical houses. ■

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**GENERAL PRACTICE — FOR SALE**; Irving, Texas. Young (20 months), rapidly growing practice. Great location. X-Ray and Lab on site. Gross over \$230,000 first year. 40 hour week. Fee for serve — no insurance/HMO. No Medicare/Medicaid. Available on or before July 1, 1990. Owner pursuing residency. Evenings 214/790-6878. (15)

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**ARLINGTON** — The Arlington Medical Center has a 1200 square foot fully equipped office for rent. Join four family practitioners, Ob/Gyn, Industrial Medicine specialist in the fastest growing part of Tarrant County. Lab and x-ray in building. Contact Dean Peyton D.O., 1114 E. Pioneer Parkway, Arlington, 76010; 817/277-6444. (22)

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## Newsbrief

### WHAT THEY'RE REALLY SAYING

A recent issue of *Newsweek* revealed what some personal-injury attorneys actually mean (out of court, that is) when they use the following jargon:

Bad-baby cases: Medical-malpractice cases involving a troubled delivery.

Greenback poultice: A hefty settlement.

Beaten with a bag of money: Settled out of court.

Widow robber: Attorney for an insurance company.

Home run: A case with everything — good liability, good injuries and a defendant with a lot of assets. Usage: "She was hit by a Pepsi truck. That case will be a home run."

Capper: A free-floating agent for personal-injury attorneys; i.e., someone at an accident scene — a tow-truck driver, perhaps — who refers a victim to an attorney. Usage: "That driver capped the case for me."

## TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL PRACTICE UPDATE

### FIRST ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

JUNE 8-10, 1990

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William McIntosh, D.O.

#### Sleep Disorders Update and Review

Thomas Trese, D.O.

#### Pneumonia of the Elderly

C.T. Maxvill, D.O.

#### Preventive Cardiology

Michael Clearfield, D.O.

#### Progression and Regression of

Cornary Artery Disease

Russell Fisher, D.O.

#### Diagnosis of Pneumonias

David Ostransky, D.O.

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