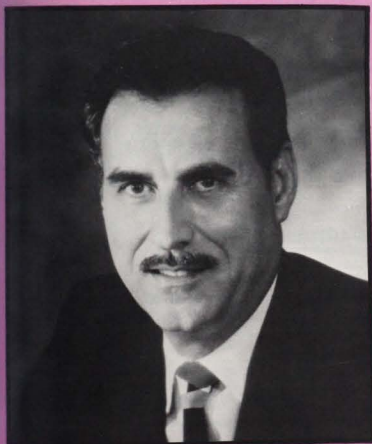


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of Missouri  
President-Elect**

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# Calendar of Events



## OCTOBER

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*TOMA Board of Trustees Meeting*  
Sheraton CentrePark Hotel  
Arlington  
7:00 p.m.  
Contact: TOMA - 817/336-0549

15-16

*TOMA Mid-Year Seminar/  
Legislative Forum*  
(formerly)  
*Public Health Seminar/Legislative  
Forum*  
Sheraton CentrePark Hotel  
Arlington  
15 CME hours expected  
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*Review for AOBGP Practical Exam*  
(Over, #'s 1-8)  
Speaker: David Vick, D.O.  
Sponsors:  
TCOM's Center for Osteopathic  
Research and Education; Texas  
Academy of Osteopathy  
Location:  
TCOM, Med Ed I, Room 632  
Accreditation:  
2 hours; Category 1-A; AOA  
Contact: Diane Russell  
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23-26

*Clinical Assembly of Osteopathic  
Specialists*  
Surgeons Group  
New York Hilton  
Contact: ACAOS Conv. Mgr.  
3132 Ponce de Leon Blvd.  
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## NOVEMBER

2-5

*"Optimizing Management of  
Primary Bone  
Tumors: An International  
Symposium  
Emphasizing the Multidisciplinary  
Approach"*  
32nd Annual Clinical Conference  
The University of Texas  
M.D. Anderson Cancer Center  
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Houston, 77030  
713/792-2222

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*Review for AOBGP Practical Exam*  
(Over, #'s 9-16)  
Speaker: Greg Dott, D.O.  
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Academy of Osteopathy  
Location:  
TCOM, Med Ed I, Room 632  
Accreditation:  
2 hours; Category 1-A; AOA  
Contact: Diane Russell  
817/735-2579

## DECEMBER

4-8

*Annual Convention and Scientific  
Seminar*  
American Osteopathic Association  
Las Vegas, NV  
Contact: AOA Bureau of Conv.  
142 E. Ontario Street  
Chicago, IL 60611-2864  
800/621-1773

6-7

*Educational Conference on  
Graduate Medical Education*  
American Association of Colleges  
of Osteopathic Medicine  
Las Vegas, NV  
Contact: Tarmara S. Johnstone  
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6110 Executive Bldg., Suite 405  
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## 1989 COMING EVENTS:

APRIL

27-29

*90th Annual Convention &  
Scientific Seminar*  
Texas Osteopathic Medical Assoc.  
Sheraton CentrePark Hotel  
Arlington  
Contact: TOMA  
817/336-0549

JUNE

15-17

*International Symposium*  
American Academy of Osteopathy  
Omni Netherland Plaza  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
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P.O. Box 750  
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# Dr. Marcelino Oliva, FACGP New AOA President

Marcelino Oliva, D.O., FACGP, has been elected president of the 18,300-member American Osteopathic Association (AOA). The election took place August 1 at the AOA's House of Delegates meeting in Miami Beach, Florida.

Dr. Oliva is a general practitioner in Dade City, Florida. He received his D.O. degree in 1964 from the University of Health Sciences/College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, Missouri. He is a Diplomate of the American Osteopathic Board of General Practice and has been named a Fellow of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic

Medicine and Surgery.

Dr. Oliva has served the AOA in numerous capacities, including terms as second vice president, trustee, and executive committee member. He has also been chairman of various AOA committees. Additionally, he has been a member of the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association since 1965, holding such offices as president, trustee and officer and, in 1978, was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.

TOMA extends its congratulations to Dr. Oliva on his election as AOA president. ■

# Dr. William H. Voss, FACOI, Elected President-Elect of AOA

William H. Voss D.O., FACOI, an internist in Jefferson City, Missouri, was elected president-elect of the 18,300-member AOA. The election took place at the AOA's House of Delegates meeting in Miami Beach, Florida.

Dr. Voss is on the staff of Charles E. Still Osteopathic Hospital in Jefferson City. There he serves as chairman, Department of Nuclear Medicine; director, Alcohol/Drug Rehabilitation Unit; and director, Internal Medicine Residency. He serves the hospital as a member of the teaching staff and a member of the Long Range Planning Committee of the Board of Trustees. He is also on staff of St. Mary's Health Center in

Jefferson City and Hermann Area District Hospital in Missouri.

Dr. Voss received his D.O. degree from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. He has been named a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Internists. The Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons selected Dr. Voss Physician of the Year in 1983 and presented him with the Distinguished Service Award in 1988. He has chaired many AOA committees and has served as a trustee, member of the Executive Committee and the Committee on Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education.

Congratulations to Dr. Voss on his election as AOA President-Elect! ■

## Primary Care Update V

Friday, Saturday, Sunday  
September 23, 24, 25, 1988

### PRESENTED BY

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### KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

AIDS, Medical Ethics

### TOPICS

**Gastroenterology** — Liver Function Test Abnormalities — What To Do Approach to Childhood Abdominal Pain; Intractable Ulcer Disease and Maintenance Therapy

**Geriatrics** — Comprehensive Assessment of the Elderly Patient; GI Disorders of the Elderly; Long-Term Care

**Nephrology** — Blocker Dilators; Converting Enzyme Inhibitors; Calcium Channel Antagonists

**Rheumatology** — Anti-Inflammatory Drugs; Rehabilitation of the Arthritic Patient; Fibrositis

**Preventive Cardiology** — Cardiovascular Prevention in Children; Hyperlipidemia and Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease; Hypertension and Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease

**Pulmonary/Infectious Diseases** — Newer Trends in Oral Antibiotic Therapy; Viral Infections and Asthma; Case Presentations

**Hematology/Oncology** — Assessment of Outpatient Screening for Cancer; Relief of Cancer-Related Pain; High-Risk Populations

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# TOMA Mid-Year Conference / Legislative Forum

Sheraton CentrePark Hotel - Arlington

October 15-16, 1988

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At-the-Door — \$100.00  
Spouses — \$35.00

## PROGRAM

15 CME HOURS  
Category 1-A

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1988

7:15 - 7:45 a.m.

*Registration and Visit with the Exhibitors*

7:45 - 8:00 a.m.

*Welcome —*

James E. Froelich, III, D.O., Clinical Program Chairman

William R. Jenkins, D.O., Legislative Program Chairman

8:00 - 8:45 a.m.

*"Infectious Complications Associated with AIDS"*

Ken Rolston, M.D.

8:45 - 9:30 a.m.

*"Importance of Being Involved in the Overall Political Process"*

Mr. Billy Clayton

9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

*"Silent Ischemia"*

Ernest Pickering, D.O.

10:15 - 10:45 a.m.

*Coffee Break with the Exhibitors*

10:45 - 11:30 a.m.

*"Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Risk Factors"*

Robert G. Garmon, D.O.

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

*"Current Concepts in Cholesterol Treatment"*

Stephen Weis, D.O.

12:15 - 1:45 p.m.

*Luncheon —*

*"What's New in the 71st Legislative Session Regarding Health Care"*

Senator Bob Glasgow, Texas State Senate

1:45 - 2:30 p.m.

*"Newer Therapeutic Approaches in Cardiovascular Disease"*

Christian S. Hanson, D.O.

2:30 - 3:15 p.m.

*"New Rationale of ACE Inhibitors in the Management of Congestive Heart Failure"*

Thomas Haffey, D.O.

3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

*Coffee Break with the Exhibitors*

3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

*"Record Keeping of Controlled Substances"*

Captain B.C. Lyon, Dept. of Public Safety

4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

*"Use of Anti-Anxiety Agents in Addicted Patients"*

Louis Faber, M.D.

5:15 - 6:15 p.m.

*Cocktail Hour with the Exhibitors*

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1988

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

*Registration and Continental Breakfast with the Exhibitors*

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.

*"Medicare's Explanation of Maximum Allowable Actual Charges (MAAC)"*

Barbara Harvey, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas

9:15 - 10:00 a.m.

*"What's New in the Treatment of Industrial and Environmental Allergies"*

Alfred Johnson, D.O.

10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

*Coffee Break with the Exhibitors*

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

*"Work and Findings on Special Committee on Post Secondary Medical, Dental and Allied Health Education"*

Greg Hooser, Attorney-At-Law

11:15 - 12:00 noon

*"AIDS and Related Therapies"*

Richard M. Olson, D.O.

12:00 - 12:45 p.m.

*"Update on Thrombolytic Therapy"*

Richard J. Feingold, D.O.

12:45 - 1:30 p.m.

*"Gastropathy Non-steroid Anti-Inflammatory Drug"*

James W. Hugin, D.O.

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# Comments From Tom Hanstrom TOMA Executive Director

## AOSED Annual Meeting

It was my privilege to attend the Annual Meeting of the Association of Osteopathic State Executive Directors (AOSED) held prior to the AOA House of Delegates in Miami Beach at the end of July. An excellent program was put together by Warren Lawless, AOSED program chairman, from the Washington Osteopathic Association, and hosted by Steve Noone, executive director of the Indiana Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, in his capacity as AOSED president.

The first day was highlighted by a keynote address delivered by the Honorable Elaine Y. Gordon, member of the Florida House of Representatives. Discussions took place about grooming volunteer leadership for associations with panelists Jon Wills, of the Ohio Osteopathic Association; Matt Weyuker, Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California; Bob Jones, Oklahoma Osteopathic Association; and Phillip Pumerantz, Ph.D., president of the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific.

Later in the day discussion centered around legislative affairs and political action committees, with speakers from the Ohio Osteopathic Association, Florida Osteopathic Medical Association, Oregon Association and me. The highlight of the day was a luncheon address by Marcelino Oliva, D.O., president-elect of the AOA.

The second day's meetings were highlighted by demonstrations of various techniques of osteopathic manipulative treatment and proved quite informative for the participants. Additionally, Betsy Beckwith, associate director of Governmental Affairs of the AOA Washington office, updated us on the AOA's activities in Washington. Howard M. Levine, D.O., AOA trustee and chairman of the AOA Bureau of Research, brought a very stirring and enthusiastic presentation of the AOA research program.

New AOSED officers were elected for the new year. They are Steve Noone of Indiana, president; Hal Reihm of Kansas, program chairman and vice president; Matt Weyuker of California, executive vice president; and elected to two-year terms on the AOSED Board of Trustees are Tom Hanstrom of Texas and Steve Winn of Florida.

I also attended the AOA House of Delegates meetings, but I will leave the details of those meetings to the delegates and their reports contained partially in this issue and next month's issue.

## NorthStar Leasing Bankruptcy

In July we were informed that NorthStar Lincoln Mercury, the endorsed leasing company for TOMA, was being taken over by Ford Motor Credit Company and sold to a new owner. This is a "nice" way of saying that the previous owner had bankrupted the company and that it was really going out of business. However, Ford doesn't actually let that happen but converts to another owner. TOMA's endorsement of NorthStar Lincoln Mercury as our leasing company therefore expires because Ford Motor Credit does not allow companies in NorthStar's current position to have endorsement-type programs.

If you are contacted by NorthStar concerning cars, although you shouldn't be, and mention is made of TOMA endorsement, please remember that effective immediately, there is no further endorsement of NorthStar Lincoln Mercury by the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association.

## Newsbrief

### MEDICARE NEWS

The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) has indicated that the following service may not be covered under Medicare Part B:

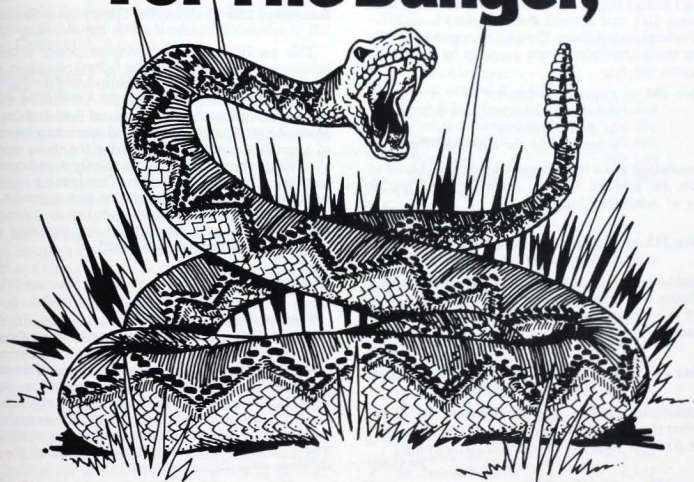
\*Charges for services furnished by a physician/supplier to his/her immediate relatives or members of his/her household.

Medicare law defines "immediate relative" as: husband and wife, natural parent, child and sibling; adopted child and adopted parents; step parent, step child, step brother, and step sister; father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparent and grandchild.

Medicare law defines "household" as: persons sharing a common abode with the patient as part of a single family unit including those related by blood, marriage or adoption, domestic employees and others who live together as part of a family unit. Roomer or boarder is not included.

Note: Medicare may make payment on out-of-pocket expenses the provider has incurred in furnishing covered items or supplies; e.g., expenses for covered drugs, biologicals, prosthetic devices, etc.

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# Texas Delegates Report on AOA House

## **WILLIAM R. JENKINS, D.O.** **Report on Committee on Professional Affairs**

This report is a combined report of Dr. William R. Jenkins, who was on the Committee on Professional Affairs, and of the following members of the delegation who attended the Committee meeting and contributed to this report: Robert Peters, D.O.; Robert Maul, D.O., Jerome Armbruster, D.O. and Donald Peterson, D.O.

The Professional Affairs Committee considered the following resolutions which were acted on by the House of Delegates.

### **Resolution 200 — Request for Charter —** *American Osteopathic Academy* *of Addictionology:* *submitted by the Board of Trustees*

This resolution was a recommendation that a charter of affiliation be granted to the American Osteopathic Academy of Addictionology.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 213 — Acupuncture: submitted by the** *Committee on Health Related Policies*

This resolution was a reaffirmation of the previous policy of the House which recognizes that acupuncture may be a part of the armamentarium of qualified and licensed physicians.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 216 — Dual Degrees: submitted by Committee** *on Health Related Policies*

This resolution on dual degrees confirms the AOA's opinion that the issuance or acceptance of dual degrees in medicine (D.O. or M.D.) is contrary to AOA policy.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 217 — Physician Definition: submitted by the** *Committee on Health Related Policies.*

This resolution reaffirmed the the AOA's policy that only fully trained and licensed D.O.s and M.D.s be identified as 'physicians'.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 218 — Physician Assistants: submitted by the** *Committee on Health Related Policies*

This resolution reaffirmed the policy of the AOA that physician assistants should be utilized only in the presence of a licensed physician.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 229 — Impaired Physician, Assistance:** *submitted by the Committee on* *Health Related Policies*

This resolution changed the terminology used by the AOA policy from "disturbed" physicians to "impaired" physicians.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 235 — Goals and Objectives of the American** *Osteopathic Association: submitted by* *the Committee on Long-Range* *Planning*

This resolution was a reaffirmation of the long-range objectives of the AOA and passed without opposition.

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 250 — Physician Competency Retesting:** *submitted by the Board of Trustees*

This resolution was a statement policy submitted to develop a policy because of the federal programs and state programs that are evolving on competency testing. It resolved, "that the American Osteopathic Association encourages its specialty colleges and the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners to develop and administer examinations of appropriate medical knowledge for those osteopathic physicians who desire to be voluntarily tested; and further resolved, that the American Osteopathic Association opposes any attempt by federal or state agencies to mandate recertification or retesting, either as a condition of re-licensure, or as a requirement for receiving payment under a health benefits program."

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 251 — Registered Nurse Shortage: submitted** *by the Board of Trustees*

This resolution received resounding support from the House. The resolve was, "that the American Osteopathic Association expresses its unalterable opposition to the assumption of registered nursing functions by lesser-trained personnel, and, further resolved that the American Osteopathic Association calls for appropriate changes in nursing compensation, professional incentives, and augmented public and private funding for nursing education to address the principal root causes of the growing shortage of registered nurses"

**PASSED**

### **Resolution 254 — Report of the Task Force to Explore** *Alternative Approval Mechanisms for* *Postdoctoral Training: submitted by the* *Board of Trustees*

The report was evolved over a period of 18 months of committee work and is a recommendation for several sweeping changes in postdoctoral training and in the acceptance for certification of osteopathic physicians who have had allopathic training programs. Anyone interested should get a copy of the report of the task force either from the AOA or from the TOMA office.

The resolution resolved, "that the Report of the Task Force to Explore Alternative Approval Mechanisms for Postdoctoral Training be approved in principle and a plan for implementation by the appropriate AOA committees be presented to the House of Delegates in July 1989; and further resolved, that the appropriate committees take into consideration state licensure requirements."

There was much discussion over this during the committee hearing and some discussion on the floor of the House, but the resolution did pass without opposition.

**PASSED**

**Resolution 256 — Postdoctoral Training Designations:**  
submitted by the Oklahoma  
Osteopathic Association

This resolution dealt with attempting to standardize the delegation of the postgraduate years. It was resolved, "that the House of Delegates of the AOA direct the Bureau of Professional Education and the Department of Governmental Affairs to study the osteopathic training designations and recommend the maintenance of the current designations or appropriate changes in them."

**PASSED**

This concludes the report of the actions of the Committee on Professional Affairs of the House of Delegates to the American Osteopathic Association.

**JOHN H. BURNETT, D.O.**

**Report on Task Force on Post Doctoral Training**

An important item on the agenda of the July 1988 AOA House of Delegates meeting in Miami Beach, Florida was the report of the Task Force to Explore Alternate Mechanisms for Approval of Postdoctoral Training. This Task Force was chaired by Myron S. Magen, D.O. This report made three major recommendations. These are to accept the following in principle:

*Alternate paths to approval of postdoctoral training of D.O.s who have completed or will complete an AOA approved internship and then complete or have completed non-AOA approved residency training.*

These physicians will be given the opportunity to apply for AOA approval of that training on an individual basis. The Committee on Postdoctoral Training (COPT) would send the physician's application material to the Evaluating Committee of the appropriate specialty college for review and comment. The criteria reviewed would include the program's scope, quality and supervision, and objectives in relation to the volume. The Evaluating Committee would return its review and comments to COPT for approval or disapproval. In the event of approval, the D.O. may then apply for examination for certification from the AOA through the appropriate certifying board.

*An alternative internship model:*

This restructured internship is designed to meet the goal of better integration between the internship and residency programs. The proposed revision would have fewer required rotations and place more emphasis on ambulatory rather than hospital-bed care. One of the proposals is for one month of hospital general surgery, one month of general ambulatory pediatrics, one month of ambulatory gynecology, four months of general/internal medicine and three months of electives.

*Expansion of D.O. postdoctoral training programs in osteopathic hospitals and colleges:*

In 1977-1988, 114 additional internships and 149 additional residency programs were created. The AOA Office of Education has been working with members of the profession on a strategy for even further expansion, both in osteopathic hospitals and in college-coordinated programs.

Each of these recommendations has the potential for major impact on the osteopathic profession. Accordingly, the Task Force recommendations will be implemented by appropriate AOA committees with formal and informal input from all interested entities within the profession.

**GERALD P. FLANAGAN, D.O.**

**Report on Joint/House Budget Review Committee**

This committee met on July 27, 1988 in Miami, Florida at 1:30 p.m. The controller, Mr. Ronald J. Bordui, gave a line item review of the actual 1987-88 budget as well as the proposed 1988-89 AOA budget. His analysis of the 1988-89 income for the proposed budget follows:

Publications		
Total publications	\$2,023,000	
Less direct costs	2,500,376	(477,376)
Central office		
Membership dues	4,065,100	
Fees, hospital		
accreditations	451,800	
Fees, interns, Residents,		
Fellows	334,400	
Fees, specialty processing	56,000	
Investments	429,000	
Royalties	308,000	
Contributions	125,000	5,769,300
Conventions		
Net income		300,000
Other income		
Federal contract (Net)	—0—	
Miscellaneous	50,000	50,000
Total income 1988-89		\$5,641,924
Expenses		
Administration	\$1,087,295	
Communications	549,857	
Education	1,038,856	
Executive	303,865	
Finance	579,573	
Governmental Relations	382,349	\$3,941,795
Committee expenses		
Education affairs	874,864	
Professional affairs	76,850	
Public affairs	9,300	
Business affairs	28,825	
Governmental relations	50,825	
Elective officers	501,489	
Other committees	7,000	\$1,549,153
Total operating expenses		5,490,948
Other expenses (deferred		
contri.)		75,000
Total expenses		5,565,948
Excess operating income		
over expenses		75,976

The committee recommended to the AOA House that the 1988-89 proposed budget be approved. The House passed this budget on August 1, 1988.

**S/D CRAIG THOMAS**

**Computer Match Internships to Begin With Class of 1989**

The Class of 1989 will be the first class to select their internship programs using a computer match system, according to Douglas Ward, Ph.D., Director of the

Department of Education of the AOA. Dr. Ward, in speaking to the Council of Student Council Presidents (CSCP) executive board, during the recent AOA House of Delegates meeting in Miami Beach, outlined the major points of the new internship match program.

The computer match system will begin the middle of August each year with the AOA sending out packets of informational material and registration forms to all senior osteopathic medical students and all Directors of Medical Education (DME's) having AOA-approved internship programs. At the same time, third-year osteopathic medical students will also receive an informational packet explaining the computer match system but it will not contain any of the registration forms.

Each student will be asked to list in order of preference five internship programs he/she desires to attend. Each DME will be asked to fill out an A, B and C list. The A list would contain the names of those students the hospital would most prefer to fill its available internship positions. The number of names would be limited to the number of internship slots at a given hospital. The B and C lists would be filled out in a similar fashion identifying the next most preferred students in a prioritized manner.

The students and the DME's will have until January 6 to submit their priority lists to the AOA, who will conduct the computer matching of students with hospitals. This later date will allow more time for interviewing and give students more time to complete rotations at prospective internship sites. Additionally, it will allow unmatched military to compete for AOA internship positions.

On February 1, 1989, the results of the first AOA internship computer match system are scheduled to be released to all participating students and DME's.

Dr. Ward, in summing up his presentation, felt that this new system will improve the internship selection process benefiting both students and DME's. The goal of the computer match is to optimize student preferences with hospital preferences, while minimizing student anxiety as much as possible.

#### **TCOM Student Elected To CSCP Executive Board**

The Council of Student Council Presidents (CSCP), during its recent meeting in Miami Beach, elected Craig Thomas, TCOM Class of 1990, to its 1988-89 executive board. S/D Thomas will serve as Treasurer of the board, overseeing council finances and publication of CSCP Proceedings, the official newsletter of the CSCP.

#### **CSCP—The Student's Voice In the AOA**

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#### **ROYCE K. KEILERS, D.O.**

##### **Report on Ad Hoc Committee**

It was my pleasure to serve as vice chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee. Bill H. Puryear, D.O., helped to monitor the proceedings. Following are the actions that were taken:

##### **Resolution 201 — Request for Charter — National Association of Osteopathic Foundations: submitted by the Board of Trustees**

This resolution resolved that a charter of affiliation be granted to the National Association of Osteopathic Foundations.

**PASSED**

##### **Resolution 203 — Measles: submitted by the Committee on Health Related Policies**

This resolution was a reaffirmation of the policy adopted by the AOA House of Delegates in July, 1983 on "Measles" and resolved, "that the American Osteopathic Association supports the Centers for Disease Control in its goal to eliminate indigenous measles."

**PASSED**

##### **Resolution 204 — Patient Education: submitted by the Committee on Health Related Policies**

This resolution was a policy adopted by the AOA House of Delegates in July, 1983 on "Patient Education" and was editorially corrected to resolve, "that the American Osteopathic Association affirms its commitment to the advancement of patient education to promote a better understanding of personal health and wellness."

**PASSED**

##### **Resolution 211 — Pharmacies, Physician Owned: submitted by the Committee on Health Related Policies**

This resolution was deleted as this is addressed in the present AOA Code of Ethics.

##### **Resolutions 221, 222, 223 — Physician Assignment: submitted by the Committee on Health Related Policies**

These resolutions were deleted and a new policy on physician assignment was adopted by another committee.

##### **Resolutions 225, 226, 227 — Anatomical Gifts: submitted by the Committee on Health Related Policies**

These resolutions were deleted and a new combining resolution, 224, which follows, was presented.



**Resolution 224— Organ Donor Identification Program:**  
*submitted by the Committee on  
Health Related Policies*

The three existing statements on this subject were combined to resolve, "that the AOA supports public awareness of the need for and means to provide organ donation, including 'required request' laws"; and further resolved, "that the AOA supports the use of a convenient identification program for organ donors"; and final resolved, "that the AOA recommends the establishment of a federally-supported, central donor/recipient information center to allow for fair and ethical distribution of organs to patients most qualified to receive them."

PASSED

**Resolution 234 — Alcohol Desocialization:** *submitted by the Committee on Health Related Policies*

Relevant portions of this resolution were incorporated into a new statement on alcoholism in another committee.

**Resolution 249 — Readers Digest Article/The Complete Manual of Fitness & Well-Being:**  
*submitted by the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons*

This resolution dealt with incorrect and derogatory information regarding the osteopathic profession which was published by Readers Digest in The Complete Manual of Fitness & Well-Being. The Missouri Association had requested an immediate retraction in addition to an informative and corrected article regarding the osteopathic profession, however, Readers Digest has failed to take action.

Thus, this resolution resolved, "that the American Osteopathic Association support Missouri's effort to have an immediate retraction of the Article contained in 'The Complete Manual of Fitness & Well-Being'"; and, "that the American Osteopathic Association join in efforts requesting an educational article printed in Readers Digest containing accurate information regarding osteopathic medicine"; and further resolved, "the American Osteopathic Association offer to supply this article to the Readers Digest"; and further resolved, "that the American Osteopathic Association urge all state associations and AOA members to join in this endeavor"; adding a new, final resolve, "that the AOA be instructed to pursue all legal remedies available."

PASSED

**Resolution 255 — Advertising:** *submitted by the Illinois Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons*

This resolution dealt with a ban on all advertising of tobacco and alcohol and resolved, "that the AOA endorses a ban on all advertising of tobacco and alcohol."

PASSED

**Resolution — Hepatitis B Immunizations:** *submitted by the Reference Committee*

This new resolution was a Reference Committee resolution which was added at the last minute. This resolved, "that the American Osteopathic Association encourages its members to make their patients aware of the availability of the Hepatitis B vaccine and to use the vaccine where appropriate."

PASSED

## Panel to Review Charity Provided by Non-Profit Hospitals

Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox has formed a 66-member task force in an attempt to define charity care, decide how much charity care non-profit hospitals should provide and establish record-keeping and other data collection standards for identifying charity. Formation of the task force had been expected as part of the state's ongoing investigation of the amount of free care provided by non-profit hospitals.

Although no set amount of health care for the indigent is currently required from non-profit hospitals, many do their fair share while others could be more actively involved. Thus, one of the committee's goals will be to determine an amount of charity care that non-profit hospitals should be required to provide. Due to the increasing number of uninsured people coupled with indigent health care reaching crisis proportions in public hospitals, some rural and smaller urban hospitals have been forced to close their doors.

Mattox stressed that non-profit hospitals cannot serve the entire population without medical insurance, referring to restrictions on state Medicaid recipients and federal Medicare programs. "The purpose of our task force will be to help us better respond to those problems," he said.

The task force will be co-chaired by Dr. Ron Anderson, chief executive officer of the Dallas County Hospital District, and David Hitt, chief executive officer of Methodist Hospitals in Dallas. According to Dr. Anderson, "It will be a lot of work and a learning mission as well. We are being asked to discuss the responsibility of non-profit hospitals, which is a legitimate question that will require examining the unique burden on certain non-profit and public hospitals suffering under the penurious restrictions of Medicaid."

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used to. The 12's and 14's are so much smaller.

Even people are changing. They're so much younger than they used to be when I was their age. On the other hand, people my own age are so much older than I am. I ran into an old classmate the other day, and she's aged so much that she didn't recognize me.

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*Reprinted from March 1988 Badger D.O.* ■

## Tuning in to Tornadoes

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Mr. Rainey played a major role in the formation of Health Care of Texas, Inc., the parent company of the Medical Center and other corporate entities including One Day Surgery Center; Diagnostic Imaging Center/NOVUS, The Woman's Diagnostic Breast Center; Executive Printing Company and HCT Management and Ventures Company.

Prior to joining Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital, Mr. Rainey had served as president and administrator of Seton Medical Center in Austin. He also is former administrator of Memorial Hospital in Denison, administrator of Lakeland Medical Center in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and medical administrative officer of Veterans Administration Hospitals in Muskogee and Temple. In 1946, he received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Navy Hospital Corps.

Mr. Rainey is a fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives and the College of Osteopathic Healthcare Executives. He is a member of the American Hospital Association and the Texas Hospital Association.

He served on the board of directors of Health Care of Texas and Southwest Osteopathic Hospital in Amarillo. He has also served as a member of the TCOM Advisory Council; the College of Osteopathic Healthcare Executives Nominating Committee; the TCOM/FWOMC Liaison Committee; the Area V Health Systems Agency; the Area V Health Systems Agency Certificate of Need Committee; the Texas Hospital Association Committee on Prepaid Health Plans; the Tarrant County General Hospital Coordinating Council; the AOA Subcommittee on Intern Training and Subcommittee on Preceptorships.

# Increased Reimbursement for Rural Hospitals Target of Legislators

A group of Texas rural legislators have formed the Rural Health Caucus, and are calling for higher state payments to small-town hospitals. State Senator Richard Anderson of Marshall, speaking at a news conference, said the disparity is too great between Medicaid payments to urban hospitals and those in rural areas. He pointed out that a Houston hospital can bill and collect \$7,800 from the Medicare and Medicaid programs for treating a case of pneumonia. However, on the flip side of the coin, many rural hospitals will only be reimbursed approximately \$2,400 for treating a similar case. "This imbalance is clearly out of reasonable proportion and threatens the continuation of rural health care in Texas," said Senator Anderson.

Reimbursement differences exist because Medicare sets different rates for hospitals of different sizes, while the Texas Department of Human Service's (DHS) Medicaid system is based on a formula involving set prices for treatment of illnesses, average hospital costs and actual costs of doing business. Smaller hospitals generally receive less money from the state because business costs are usually lower in these smaller hospitals and additionally, many are less likely to treat individuals needing intensive and extensive care.

Senator Anderson suggested that the DHS, in order to increase payments to rural hospitals, add \$6.9 million to the reimbursement system. Senator John Montford of Lubbock believes "...we should try to reach a degree of parity."

Representative Stan Schlueter of Killeen said that the Legislative Budget Board has ordered the DHS to review the reimbursement system, adding that operating costs of urban hospitals may increase if people in rural areas, because of hospital closings, have to seek hospital care in larger cities. He said that 52 rural hospitals in Texas have been forced to close their doors in the last four years, with one in Hamilton being in his district. Senator Anderson commented that two hospitals closed in his district in 1988, however, they were able to reopen due to local funding.

In a related matter, the Texas Department of Health reports that seven Texas hospitals have closed in 1988. Of 24 that closed in 1987, seven have reopened. Most of the closures were rural and small urban hospitals.

According to a national poll by Touche Ross and Company, small, rural and government-owned hospitals remain at high risk for closure. Nearly half of the hospital executives who responded expect their institutions to close within five years, mainly because of inadequate Medicare payments under prospective payment.

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Participants in the UNIVERSAL LIABILITY program buy stock in Osteopathic Medical Protective, Inc. (OMPI), the company backing the UNIVERSAL LIABILITY malpractice insurance program. Ownership of OMPI stock enables a UNIVERSAL LIABILITY policyholder to share in the financial results of the program. The first offering of shares of Osteopathic Medical Protective, Inc., closed on May 31. Purchasers bought over 134,000 shares of stock for \$1 per share. That stock was valued as of that date, for redemption purposes, at \$6.38 per share in the Form 10-Q released on 13 July 1988. Total assets of OMPI exceed \$2 million.

UNIVERSAL LIABILITY policyholders who do not now own stock (primarily those who have joined the program after the May 31 closing of the first offering) will buy OMPI stock in the second offering, with the closing now scheduled for 1 October. The purchase price will be \$1.45 per share, a \$.45 increase over the initial share price — reflecting the increased value of OMPI. If you have not already received a current prospectus, you may obtain one from Commercial Investment Alternatives, Inc., the sales agent for OMPI. Call or write Commercial Investment Alternatives, Inc., 1250 Church Street, St. Helena, CA 94574, 707/963-2400.

Stockholders also elect and give input to OMPI's Board of Directors. Osteopathic physicians on the board include Dr. Russ Jenkins (president of the OMPI board and past president of TOMA), Dr. Bill Puryear (director of OMPI and president of TOMA), Dr. Jerry Armbruster (director of OMPI and past president of TOMA). Tom Hanstrom, executive director of TOMA, is also a director of OMPI.

D.O.s continue to join the TOMA-sponsored malpractice insurance program, UNIVERSAL LIABILITY. Some physicians choose UNIVERSAL LIABILITY for its strong combination of coverage and potential for a share of the program's profits while others look to the financial stability of the policy-issuing carrier, Security Insurance Company of Hartford, with over \$90 million in surplus to back claims. And, of course, the continuous emphasis on education for good practice management to reduce exposure to malpractice suits is also an important benefit of the program.

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# In Memoriam

## Mrs. Alleen R. Bailes

Alleen R. Bailes, wife of TOMA member William W. Bailes, D.O., of Fort Worth, passed away June 24. Mrs. Bailes was a native of San Marcos and had been a Fort Worth resident since 1959.

Services were held June 27 at Calvary Presbyterian Church and also at graveside. Interment was at San Marcos City Cemetery, San Marcos.

Survivors include Dr. Bailes; one son, Bruce William Bailes of Fort Worth; two daughters, Erlene B. Pry of Sugarland and Kathleen B. Waldrup of Beaumont; four grandchildren, Christopher Alan and Alicia Rose Waldrup, and Travis Paul and Daniel William Pry; two brothers, E. Lee Moeller of Santa Monica, California and Leonard O. Moeller of San Marcos; and one sister, Alice Oldham of Wimberley.

TOMA extends its condolences to the family of Mrs. Bailes.

## Mrs. Frances G. Williams

Mrs. Frances G. (Fran) Williams, wife of TOMA member Wallace S. Williams, D.O., of Waco, passed away on May 26, 1988.

Mrs. Williams was born in Montgomery County near Conroe, Texas, and had resided in Waco since 1965. Prior to moving to Waco, she had been a resident of Fort Worth from 1956-64, where she taught school and substituted in the Fort Worth area. She was a member of the DAR and of the First United Methodist Church and had been an active member of ATOMA.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, John Conley Williams, Major Stuart F. Williams, D.O. and Wallace Clark Williams; two sisters, Mary A. Roth of Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Mrs. Fred B. Petty of Falls Church, Virginia, one brother, J. M. Golding of Conroe; and her mother, Mrs. Eunice A. Golding of Conroe.

The family has requested that in lieu of usual remembrances, memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association Student Loan Fund.

TOMA extends its sympathies to the family of Mrs. Williams.

# HHS Publishes Anti-Dumping Rules

A long-expected proposed ban on "dumping" of uninsured hospital patients finally appeared June 16. The new rules would prohibit transfer of a patient before an appropriate examination and treatment or stabilization. If a transfer is to be made, the receiving hospitals must agree in advance to accept the patient and to provide treatment once the patient arrives. Violators (hospitals or doctors) risk losing Medicare payments or being fined as much as \$50,000 per violation.

Under the rule, reports of suspected violations are to be directed to one of 10 regional Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) offices or to state health departments. If it is determined a Medicare suspension is not in order, the Inspector General can choose to levy a fine.

A federal bar on "economic transfer" took effect August 1, 1986 in response to reports of transfer problems attributed to Medicare's cost containment system.

Since then, HCFA and the HHS Inspector General have been enforcing the law without regulations, which were hung up at the Office of Management and Budget.

The House Government Operations Committee charges that hospitals transfer 250,000 emergency patients each year, mostly for economic reasons. The Committee says dumping is on the rise, but HHS says it has received and investigated only 129 complaints and penalized only four hospitals in the past two years. Representative Ted Weiss of New York, Chairman of the panel's investigation subcommittee, attributes the lack of complaints to insufficient knowledge about the anti-dumping law, particularly among emergency room users. He wants HHS to educate the public, require display of patients' rights in all hospital intake areas and emergency rooms, and require that patients receive written and verbal explanations of their rights before transfer. ■

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# House Panel Approves Physician Education Funding

The AOA reports that a House subcommittee approved legislation on July 7 that would authorize \$546 million over three years to help pay education and training costs for physicians. HR 4983 reauthorizes Title VII of the Public Health Service Act, which provides federal loans and grants to educate health professionals.

Despite estimates by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that the aggregate supply of physicians will soon exceed overall requirements, the Health and Environment Subcommittee continued to fund the programs, citing shortages in family medicine and pediatrics. About five percent of the nation's population, approximately 13 million people, live in areas with a shortage of primary care physicians.

The bill would authorize a total of \$118.5 million over three years for programs to train professionals in general practice and family medicine and \$97.6 million to recruit and assist students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Among new programs authorized are a loan repayment program for health workers who agree to conduct AIDS research, and a project aimed at drawing more health professionals to areas along the U.S.-Mexico border. The AOA assisted in bringing attention to U.S.-Mexico border

healthcare needs by actively supporting legislation which would provide grants to osteopathic and medical schools to further health promotion and disease prevention along the border. Similar provisions have been included in H.R. 4983. Under the measure, HHS would contract with schools to provide healthcare along the border, as well as in other needy areas.

On another issue, it has been reported that an amendment will be offered at full committee level which would prohibit discrimination against foreign medical graduates (FMGs) in licensure and postgraduate training matters. The bill, sponsored by Representative Jim Bates of California, would prohibit the use of different licensure exams for foreign and American-trained physicians. It would also prohibit discrimination against FMGs in qualifying for residency positions and hospital staff privileges. The AOA Washington Office notified Subcommittee Chairman Henry A. Waxman of California of AOA opposition to the proposal. The AOA asserts that there is no proven need for federal intervention in this traditionally-state regulated area. AOA suggests that a study be undertaken to learn the depth of the problem.

The Full Energy and Commerce Committee is expected to take up this measure in the fall. ■

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## Texas Railroad Medicare — Recent Update

TOMA has been in communication with the fiscal intermediary for Railroad Medicare in Texas, The Travelers, concerning uniform allowable charges for OMT performed on Texas Medicare patients.

The Travelers has recently taken several steps to ensure that their allowables match those of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas for OMT procedures. If a Texas osteopathic physician has a customary charge established for OMT codes MO702 through MO730 that is lower than the statewide allowances established by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, then The Travelers' system would automatically reduce their allowance to that physician's customary allowance. If an osteopathic physician

does not have a customary charge established for the OMT procedure, then The Travelers' allowance would be limited to the statewide allowance as developed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas. When The Travelers' allowance is reduced to the osteopathic physician's customary allowance, that physician may request a review, and The Travelers will be glad to change that osteopathic physician's customary allowance to reflect the allowances made by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas.

TOMA wishes to thank The Travelers for their promptness in addressing this question of uniform allowable charges for OMT performed by osteopathic physicians on Texas Medicare patients. ■

# ATOMA NEWS

By Nancy Martin  
Public Relations Chairman  
ATOMA District II

September is here and I can assure you that all the folks involved with our group just keep me a'hopping trying to get all of our news written. It has definitely been exciting being a part of all the news and I hope everyone becomes invigorated by all of our past events as well as future events being planned. So, "Come on down," as one of our TV shows puts it, and become involved or more involved with our functions after this little update of our activities.

The Medical Staff Party of FWOMC was celebrated at the Rivercrest Country Club on June 24. The theme was the "Olympics" and I heard there were some really terrific costumes.

The graduating interns and residents were recognized and honored for their services. Also, the incoming intern class and residents were welcomed and introduced.

The Annual Bonehead Award was presented to Jay Sandelin, Chairman of the Board of FWOMC, by Dr. Irwin Schussler. Dr. Roy B. Fisher was presented with the Bonehead hat. Previous Bonehead recipients were present for this event. Dr. Jay Beckwith received the Medical Staff Award but was unable to attend, so his wife, Becky, accepted the award for him. Dr. Beckwith has been with FWOH since approximately 1974 and we offer our most sincere congratulations for his dedication and outstanding services.

Well, of course, I must tell you who won the best dressed awards. Dr. James Hall was selected as best dressed male, as the leader of the East German's Women's Swim Team. I heard he look simply marvelous in his swimsuit! Dr. Michael Lee Armstrong's wife, Nancy, was selected as best dressed female and was outfitted as an ice skater. The best dressed couple was Dr. Tracy Papa and Dr. Robin Hall who were dressed as synchronized swimmers. They did a water ballet performance. Anyway, it sounds as if those of us who were unable to attend missed out on a great party.

As most of you know, National Osteopathic Medicine Week (September 25-October 1) will soon be here. I want to remind all physicians who wish to order the illustrated coloring book called *Smart Kids, Safe Kids - Aware Not Afraid*, and/or the short stories that can accompany it, must have their orders in by September 7 to receive it

in time for NOM Week. Please contact Chris Brenner, if you need to, in reference to your orders. Her address is: Route 2, Box 77BB, Aledo, Texas 76008, phone 817/441-9770. Our Auxiliary is still working on distributing the coloring book with short stories in a special manner to our community during NOM Week. Details of the distribution will be available later.

As I mentioned in last month's article, our Auxiliary has selected some special daytime function dates in addition to our evening meetings. These daytime meetings are scheduled as follows: October 13, 1988; February 16, 1989 and April 13, 1989. We certainly want to welcome everyone to come and especially those who can't attend our evening meetings. Hours for these functions will be available at a later time.

A new-member morning coffee has been planned for September 23 at Loretta Stone's home. This is our opportunity as members to introduce ourselves to new members, intern/resident spouses and have an enjoyable get-together. Invitations will be mailed. If you have any questions please call Loretta Stone at 926-5050. Hope to see a lot of old and new members there!

Please give me a call with any information that you would like me to report in the Auxiliary newsletter, which will be included with the notices for the evening TOMA and ATOMA meetings. My number is 483-6001. I would love to hear from you!

Dr. Alex Guevara is doing well after some recent surgery in July. We are certainly glad to hear of his rapid recovery.

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Barry Ungerleider on the birth of their little girl, Ashley Anne. Ashley Anne arrived July 19 and weighed in at 6 pounds, 13 ounces. We wish the very best for these happy parents.

Congratulations are also in order to Dr. Suzanne McLaughlin and Dr. Robert Irvin on their recent marriage. They have moved to Tulsa where Suzanne is doing a residency in ophthalmology.

Please give Valorie Lowry, our Courtesy Chairman, a call on news relating to births, marriages, bereavements, etc.

Remember to support NOM Week and I'll be reporting to you about more events next month! ■



# Texas ACGP Update

By Joseph Montgomery-Davis, D.O.  
Texas ACGP Editor

The Texas State Society of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery (ACGPOMS) held its Fifteenth Mid-year Clinical Seminar/Symposium at the Arlington Hilton in Arlington, Texas, August 5, 6 and 7, 1988. Special guests included Ron Goldberg, D.O., ACGPOMS President and Mr. Tom Hanstrom, TOMA Executive Director.

The program chairman was Richard M. Hall, D.O., who put together an outstanding CME program, the theme of which was "Emphasis On Caring." The turnout for this excellent program was an all time high of 223 registrants.

Election of Texas ACGP officers for 1988-89 took place during the annual session and they are as follows: Nelda Cuniff, D.O., President; Richard M. Hall, D.O., President-Elect; Leland B. Nelson, D.O., Vice President; T. R. Sharp, D.O., Secretary-Treasurer; and Constance I. Jenkins, D.O., Immediate Past President.

There were three Texas ACGP Presidential appointments: Eugene Zachary, D.O., Parliamentarian (ex-officio); Robert Maul, D.O., Liaison to ACGPOMS (ex-officio); and Joseph Montgomery-Davis, D.O., Editor (ex-officio).

The six full-voting Texas ACGP Trustees currently are: M. Lee Shriner, D.O.; Rodney Wiseman, D.O.; Craig Whiting, D.O.; Howard Galarneau, D.O.; Jim W. Czewski, D.O.; and Carla Devenport, D.O., who was elected at this annual session.

The two non-voting Texas ACGP Trustees are: L. L. Bunnell, D.O., TCOM Observer (ex-officio) and S/D Sarah Smiley, Zeta Chapter Representative (ex-officio).

Other business conducted during the annual session on August 6 involved the election of Texas ACGP members to the 10 standing committees of the Texas ACGP, as well as Texas delegates to the ACGPOMS Congress of Delegates to be held March 8-12, 1989, in San Antonio, Texas.

The PACER Committee of the Texas ACGP held a long-range planning meeting on August 6. Those past presidents of the Texas ACGP in attendance were: Donald M. Peterson, D.O.; Robert L. Peters, D.O.; R. Greg Maul, D.O.; Robert Maul, D.O.; Connie I. Jenkins, D.O.; T. R. Sharp, D.O.; Richard W. Anderson, D.O.; Douglas Sharp, D.O.; T. Eugene Zachary, D.O.; and Joseph Montgomery-Davis, D.O. Ron Goldberg, D.O. and Nelda Cuniff, D.O. were special guests at this PACER meeting.

Part of the summation of national ACGP concern

presented by Ron Goldberg, D.O., ACGP President, on 8-6-88, included the impending probability of federal legislation by 1990 that would require non-certified physicians who participate in Medicare to take a competency exam every seven years as a condition of participation. This would not apply to certified physicians and should encourage all non-certified national ACGP members to push for their certification as rapidly as possible.

You will no doubt receive solicitations in the mail to join other organizations and to seek certification with those groups; however, just remember to "dance with the one who brung ya", which is osteopathic medicine.

Those D.O.-G.P.s who have further questions regarding ACGPOMS general practice certification should contact R. Greg Maul, D.O., at 803 Washington Drive, Arlington, Texas 76011. A review course to help D.O.-G.P.s prepare for the ACGPOMS general practice exam is in the planning stage.

In closing, the next Texas ACGP Board meeting has been set for 1 p.m. on October 16, 1988 at the Sheraton CentrePark Hotel in Arlington, Texas. ■

## Dr. Edward Brooks to be Featured on Sammons Cable TV

TOMA member Edward M. Brooks, D.O., of Bedford, will be making the air waves on Sammons Cable TV in a special feature where he will be discussing lipo-suction.

The airings will take place on September 13 at 5 p.m.; September 16 at 5:30 p.m.; September 18 at 7:30 p.m.; September 19 at 5:00 p.m.; and September 20 at 6:00 p.m.

In Fort Worth, the show will be on channel 42; in Keller, Hurst and North Richland Hills, on channel 11; and all other cities and towns serviced by Sammons, on channel 5.

Dr. Brooks has practiced in Bedford, Texas since 1977. His new office, at 316 Harwood Road, Bedford, has self-contained operating and recovery rooms and a physician anesthesiologist to provide general anesthesia for patient safety and comfort.

Good luck to Dr. Brooks and we urge TOMA members in the Sammons viewing area to watch for this special.



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## CONGRESS ORDERS MILITARY DRUG TESTING

Congress has mandated a \$3.1 million program whereby the Defense Department will start testing all enlisted recruits, as well as officer candidates applying to military academies and the ROTC, for cocaine, alcohol and marijuana abuse. This was done over the objections of several Defense Department officials questioning the cost and necessity of such a program, since all active duty military personnel face random testing.

## AOA LIFE MEMBERS NEED CME CREDIT

Physicians who are AOA life members should note that the AOA Committee on Continuing Medical Education has ruled that life members will be required to complete 150 hours of CME every three years, starting with the 1989-91 CME cycle.

The AOA reports that the CME committee, in appropriate circumstances, will waive or reduce such requirements. However, requests for special consideration must be submitted in writing, with a thorough explanation of why such a waiver or reduction is indicated. This information will be kept strictly confidential by the committee.

## AOA WASHINGTON OFFICE RELOCATES

The Department of Government Relations of the AOA moved to new offices in Washington, D.C. effective June 30. The new offices are in a restored Capitol Hill townhouse purchased jointly by the AOA and the American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI).

Located just a few short blocks from the U.S. Capitol Building on the Senate side, the new address is: 300 5th Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002. The new telephone number is 202/544-5060. The toll free number remains the same: 1-800/962-9008. The ACOI will move to the new location later this year.

## GOVERNMENT APPEALS MEDICARE RECOUPMENT

The federal government is appealing the preliminary injunction halting the \$13.5 million Medicare recoupment effort. The appellate hearing is scheduled before the U.S. Court of Appeals in New Orleans the week of September 5. The injunction has been in effect since October 29, 1987.

## CALIFORNIA PSYCHOLOGISTS TREKKING TO STATE SUPREME COURT

The California Association of Psychology Providers, challenging a state law that limits hospital practice by psychologists, led a trial court to order the state to develop more liberal regulations. However, an appeal by medical, hospital and psychiatric groups has resulted in a California appellate court ruling that states psychologists cannot admit patients to acute-care hospitals for treatment of mental disorders. The psychologists are now taking their case to the California Supreme Court.

## RVS DELAYED AGAIN

The latest step in a plan to change the way physicians are reimbursed for Medicare services has been delayed again. Originally scheduled to be delivered to the Health Care Financing Administration in mid-July, the Harvard study has been postponed until late September.

The study establishes relative values for procedures and services in 18 specialties. HCFA will have one month to analyze the Congressionally-mandated study before it is released publicly.

## REMINDER

As reported in the July issue of the *Texas DO*, as of July 1, 1988, The Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery merged with Oklahoma State University.

Please note the new name: College of Osteopathic Medicine of Oklahoma State University (COM-OSU). The address and phone number remain the same: 1111 West 17th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74107-1898; phone 918/582-1972.

## REMINDER TO NON-PARTICIPATING PHYSICIANS

Physicians electing not to participate in HCFA's physician assignment program this year should keep in mind a key change affecting sanctions for over-billing. Previously, a physician was subject to sanctions only if he or she knowingly, willfully and repeatedly billed in excess of the maximum allowable actual charge (MAAC) amount. Physicians participating in the physician assignment program are no longer subject to the MAAC limits. However, non-participating physicians are now subject to sanctions if any single charge exceeds the MAAC amount. ■

# Drs. Beckwith and Friess Recognized During FWOMC Medical Awards Night

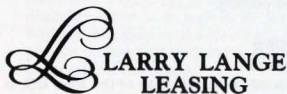
Jay G. Beckwith, D.O., and Gregory Friess, D.O. received special recognition during Fort Worth Osteopathic Medical Center's (FWOMC) annual Medical Awards Night. Dr. Beckwith was honored as the recipient of the 1988 Medical Staff Award, while Dr. Friess received the honor of being named 1988's Teacher of the Year.

The Medical Staff Award recognizes a doctor who has given FWOMC outstanding leadership and dedicated service. The award is voted upon by the active medical staff of FWOMC. A graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Beckwith completed an internship in Tulsa, Oklahoma and a three-year residency in internal medicine at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital. His residency was followed with a fellowship in gastroenterology at Tufts Medical Center in Boston. Dr. Beckwith is board certified in internal medicine and a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Internists,

and currently serves as a member of the board of directors of FWOMC and Health Care of Texas, Inc. Some professional affiliations include TOMA, the AOA and the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy.

The recipient of the Teacher of the Year award was selected by the 1987-88 graduating interns of FWOMC. The winner, Dr. Gregory Friess, is a specialist in medical oncology at the Medical Center. A TCOM graduate, he completed training in internal medicine at Eisenhower Army Medical Center in Georgia and in medical oncology at Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston. Dr. Friess is board certified in both internal medicine and medical oncology. Professional affiliations include TOMA, the AOA, the American Society of Clinical Oncology and the Southwest Oncology Group.

Congratulations to Drs. Beckwith and Friess from TOMA. ■



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Procedures moved to List A include: conization of cervix, dilation and curettage off uterus (diagnostic and therapeutic), removal of fallopian tube and/or ovary without hysterectomy, Cesarean section delivery, vaginal delivery, removing fibroids, uterine suspension, cervix removal, vaginal hernia repair, and abdominal suspension of the bladder. Additionally, written disclosure is now required of risks involved in transfusing blood and blood components. These transfusion-related risks include: fever, transfusion reaction, which may include kidney failure or anemia, heart failure, hepatitis, AIDS and other infections.

The Medical Disclosure List is being upgraded on the TOMA computer as a membership service and will be available shortly to TOMA members requesting a copy.

## HEALTH CARE OF TEXAS SELECTS NEW LEADERSHIP

David M. Beyer, D.O., has been selected as president of Health of Texas, Inc., according to Jay E. Sandelin, chairman of the board. Robert Anderson, former HCT senior vice president, has been named executive vice president and

chief executive officer. Dr. Beyer and Anderson will share the former duties of Claude G. Rainey, who retired July 1.

Dr. Beyer, a Fort Worth general practitioner and surgeon, also serves as president of Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital, Inc., and the Health Care Foundation, Inc.

A member of the TOMA Board of Trustees, Dr. Beyer is chairman of the Department of Professional Affairs. He has served on the board of directors for the Tarrant County Easter Seal Society; the American Cancer Society; the Amon Carter Blood Center; Senior Citizens of Tarrant County, Inc.; the Texas Wesleyan College Alumni and the Botanical Research Institute of Texas.

## MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT UPDATE

A problem has been occurring when a physician accepts assignment on a Medicare claim whereby the check for reimbursement has been going to the patient rather than to the physician. The reason for this is: the dollar amount collected from the patient is only important when the patient has not met his/her deductible of \$75. Once the \$75 deductible is met, no 20 percent co-payment should be listed on future claims as collected from the patient. If this is done, the carrier, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, will submit the 80 percent allowable reimbursement to the patient instead of to the physician.

It is recommended that once the \$75 deductible has been met and so indicated on the claim form, that any 20 percent copayments after that time NOT be listed on line 28 of the claim form.

## AOA WASHINGTON UPDATE — INTERNATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE CORPS PROPOSED

Pending before the House Foreign Affairs and Energy and Commerce Committees is legislation to establish an International Health Service Corps. The bill, sponsored by Representative Mickey Leland of Texas, models the program after the National Health Service Corps.

The International Health Service Corps would consist of two separate branches: 1) the International Health Development Corps would assign professionals to serve in underdeveloped nations to help meet long term health care needs of an area; 2) the International Health Emergency Corps would provide short term health assistance in times of crisis — either natural disasters, such as famines and earthquakes, or serious accidents like the one at the Soviet Union's Chernobyl nuclear-power plant.

Like its domestic counterpart, the new corps would entice volunteers by offering to repay up to \$20,000 per year of their educational loans. Participants in the development corps would have to agree to serve at least six months, while those in the emergency corps would have to agree to serve for at least three months. Osteopathic physicians would be fully eligible to participate in the program. In addition, the creation of an International Health Service Corps could have a favorable effect on the ability of American D.O.s to obtain full practice rights abroad. ■

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