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THE COVER:
The buttons on the cover of the Digest symbolize more than 600 Alumni who attended the AOA Convention in Las Vegas and wore the PCOM button with pride. The button was designed by Don Hulmes of the Educational Communications Department.
Vegas '75 brought the greatest Alumni gathering it has been my privilege to attend. Over 600 PCOM graduates met in the Ziegfeld Room of the MGM Hotel to share lunch, conversation, and a slide presentation of recent developments at our College, Hospital, and Health Care Centers.

The feeling among the Alumni was high; the response positive, as we discussed everything from whole-time faculty to student morale to an anticipated annual fund. I can certainly say that I returned to our campus with a feeling of renewed enthusiasm.

If it is our students, faculty, and administration who are the life blood of our College, then it is our Alumni who are the heart.

I appreciate your support. And I repeat my pledge made in Las Vegas:

We will continue to work toward our two goals -- being the finest osteopathic College and at the center of osteopathic regionalization in our area.

I want each of you to be proud of your College.

[Signature]

Thomas W. Bowland
Alumni Weekend Joins Founders Day in January

June in January will be more than an old song come 1976. For on January 23 and 24 PCOM's Alumni Weekend will join the traditional Founders Day ceremonies for a new and gala celebration for Alumni, faculty, staff and friends of the College.

The change of date for the Alumni Weekend was voted into being at the June meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association. The change had been suggested due to the concentration of events around Commencement time. Members of the faculty have long voiced discontent at not being able to spend more time with returning Alumni due to the Commencement dinner and the graduation ceremonies. And Alumni have felt that a Saturday night dinner dance would attract more physicians who often have office hours on Friday evening. The combination with the Founders Day Dinner Dance should prove a successful compromise.

The 1976 Alumni Weekend will provide a combination of the camaraderie of class reunions (this year the classes of 1926, 1931, 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966 and 1971) with the honoring of PCOM's founders at the Founders Day Dinner Dance. All functions will be held at the Marriott Motor Hotel, across the street from PCOM.

The Founders Day Dinner Dance will be held in the Marriott’s Commonwealth Ballroom. Dress is optional. Highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal, awarded in recognition of leadership and service to the College.

The recipient will address a convocation of students and faculty on Friday, January 23 in Evans Hall.

Dr. J. Marshall Hoag '34, president-elect of the Alumni Association is chairman of the weekend and Dr. Albert D’Alonzo '56, vice chairman and clinical professor of the department of internal medicine and chairman of the division of cardiology, will direct the professional programs.

Professional seminars designed specifically to benefit the practicing physician will be held in Evans Hall over the two-day period. The Friday program, entitled “Update,” will review the latest in diagnostic and therapeutic modalities in the treatment of the five most commonly encountered entities in office or hospital practice.


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# Founder's Day and Alumni Weekend

**Friday, January 23 – Saturday, January 24, 1976**

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**Friday, January 23**
- 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Seminar Program, Evans Hall
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Convocation, Evans Hall - 6th Floor
  *Recipient of O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal will speak*
- 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. Seminar Buffet Luncheon, Evans Hall
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Seminar Program, Evans Hall

**Saturday, January 24**
- 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon Seminar Program, Evans Hall
- 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. General Alumni Meeting and Luncheon, Marriott Motor Hotel
  *Ladies Invited, $7.50 per person*
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Seminar Program, Evans Hall
- 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Major Class Reunions,
  *Check bulletin board in Marriott Motor Hotel for room assignments*
- 6:30 p.m. Cocktails, Marriott Motor Hotel's Commonwealth Ballroom
- 7:30 p.m. Founder's Day Dinner Dance, Marriott's Commonwealth Ballroom
  *$50.00 per couple. Dress optional.*

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**Reservations for the social events and seminars must be received by January 20, 1976.**

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**Make personal attention to Mr. John F. Weit, Phone (215) 667-0200**
A Message
From the Alumni President

I want to thank everyone whose participation and support helped to make Alumni Weekend 1975 a most successful one. Please make your reservations early for 1976 to make sure that the functions will run smoothly for the Alumni Weekend chairman (Dr. J. Marshall Hoag).

We are going to stress several items during the coming year and request your support and participation:

1. More Alumni involvement
2. A bigger and better weekend tied to Founders Day
3. Increased Alumni communication through THE DIGEST

PCOM is a better College today than it was yesterday. And under the leadership of Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., our president, and with the assistance, support and financial aid of loyal Alumni members, PCOM is destined to be a better college tomorrow.

The slogan for the current year is pride in our College. I appeal to all Alumni members to count your blessings and to be aware of the many reasons to be grateful and generous to our alma mater.

During my term of office I ask this of you: Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow. Don't walk behind me, I may not lead. But walk beside me and with me and together we shall accomplish much in 1976.

Alfred A. Grilli, D.O., '48
President
Alumni Association, PCOM
Come On to Our House

Visitors to Philadelphia during the 1976 Bicentennial year are most welcome to add PCOM to their list of touring places. The College has prepared a varied program for the Bicentennial year for visiting osteopathic physicians and their families, prospective students and visitors to Philadelphia's historical activities. Starting November 14, 1975, postdoctoral seminars, scientific exhibits and tours of Evans Hall will be available throughout 1976.

Postdoctoral programs, scheduled on Fridays and Saturdays from November 14 to August 13, 1976, allow the osteopathic physician to combine his continuing medical education with a pleasure trip to Philadelphia for the Bicentennial. All programs for Category I AOA-CME credits. The schedule is reprinted below.

At various times during the year scientific exhibits will be featured on several floors of Evans Hall, one of the best equipped medical college buildings in the country. The exhibits will include portions of two famous museum collections—the Angus Gordon Cathie D.O. collection, a display of special anatomical dissections, specimens and models, and a radiological collection established by Paul Turner Lloyd, D.O., emeritus professor and former chairman of the department of radiology. The Lloyd collection contains a number of pieces of rare equipment demonstrating the historical development of radiology. A third collection of pathological specimens is maintained in the department of pathology.

Tours of Evans Hall will be conducted every Friday from 2 to 5 p.m. by members of the Women's Guild and Students' Wives Auxiliary. Advance notice is required for tours on days other than Friday and should be given to the Public Relations Department.

We hope you will remember PCOM in your plans for the Bicentennial.

**POSTDOCTORAL PROGRAMS**

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When Milt Kogan, D.O., '60, M.P.H., is not seeing patients at his storefront clinic in downtown Los Angeles, you might catch him on TV as the jackhammer operator falling into a pool for Nestea or as Officer Kogan on the situation-comedy “Barney Miller.”

Dr. Kogan, an alumnus of PCOM who was recently featured in an article in People magazine, leads a double life. He fulfills a lifelong ambition to act by appearing on TV commercials and accepting roles on such weekly shows as Rockford Files, Joe Forrester and Police Story. (He is especially proud of a character he played in “Little Boy Lost”—an episode of Police Story which was aired at the end of November).

Off the screen, Dr. Kogan is a general practitioner, who works at the Sunset-Echo Park clinic and a more elaborate diagnostic facility—Interhealth. He and his wife Dena joined the Peace Corps in 1970 and spent three years in Ouagadougou, Upper Volta, West Africa, where Dr. Kogan was the only physician within miles. As a result of that experience, both the doctor and his wife chose to go back to school and, this past June, earned their master’s degrees in public health at UCLA.

Although he has often been tempted to make acting a full-time career, Dr. Kogan is still a general practitioner, and refuses to give up his practice.

“I’m a doctor who’s also an actor,” he told the interviewer for People. “I couldn’t give up one or the other. What I like about medicine is the human stories that go on inside the examining cubicle. And as an actor I have the means of expressing what I learn about life and people.”

The doctor, the son of a Camden pharmacist, attended Cornell University before entering PCOM. The star player and high scorer in PCOM’s basketball league, he led the Atlas Club to the intramural championship in 1959.

Dr. Kogan’s story first came to the attention of the DIGEST editors when the article about him came out in People magazine. Since then he has appeared on TV several times, once in the much talked about special “Fear on Trial,” in which he had a minor role.

An interesting anecdote which appeared in the magazine article does well in summing up the irony of the doctor’s unusual situation. It was told as follows:

“At the Pasadena Playhouse he (Dr. Kogan) was giving artificial respiration to an actor who had fainted under the hot lights, when he heard someone say, ‘Move aside, please. I’m a doctor.’ Kogan—in loincloth and beard for a biblical drama—was able to reply, ‘That’s O.K. I am too.’ ”

“GEB”

There are probably very few members of PCOM’s Alumni Association who do not know “Geb”. They’ve met him at Alumni Weekends, efficiently handling reunions and reservations. They have received notices of alumni events from his office—always with a personal note penned in his spidery writing. And they have read his comments in the DIGEST’S “Geb’s Corner.”

Paul Gebert has been executive director of the Alumni Association for eight years. During that time he has evinced the energy and fresh ideas of a man much younger than his 79 years. He organizes Alumni Weekend, plans class reunions, sends out notices, keeps Alumni records, publishes the Alumni Directory, makes reports at the annual meetings of the Alumni Board of Directors and in between times comes up with an astonishing number of ideas for better communication with the graduates of PCOM.
“My policy,” says “Geb,” is to join three “c’s” (communication coordination and cooperation) to two “i’s” (interest and involvement) to carry any project or plan to successful implementation.”

Always interested and constantly involved describes this man of many activities. An inveterate letter-writer, he answers every letter that crosses his desk; he notes every interesting item regarding Alumni for insertion in the DIGEST, and always enjoys a chat with a visiting graduate.

The Alumni are very close to “Geb’s” heart. He claims that when he works on class cards, he can often feel the presence of the class members, as his memories of them crowd upon him. His only complaint is that Alumni do not keep his office apprised of their moves and are often “lost” for periods of time. Great is the rejoicing when a “lost” alumnus is “found.”

Before he adopted PCOM, “Geb” served for 14 years at Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science as registrar and executive secretary of their Alumni Association. During that time he established and edited the college’s alumni magazine. When he “retired” in 1967, the Textile Engineer printed a warm tribute to him, only to footnote the story with:

“Geb, believe it or not, has not retired. He’s now working for Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. You can’t keep a good man down.”

“Geb”, a native of Tamaqua, Pa., received his bachelor’s degree from Muhlenberg College in 1917 and taught social studies briefly at Allentown Preparatory School. At the outbreak of World War I, he enlisted in the ordnance department of the U.S. Army. He was commissioned a second lieutenant and served overseas with the AEF.

After the war “Geb” returned to Allentown and taught there until 1939, when he was appointed assistant registrar at Muhlenberg College. At Muhlenberg he served as director of the adult education program and later as registrar. In 1953 he received an appointment to Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science.

As a teacher and sociologist, “Geb” has always been interested in students and in education. In addition to his appointments, he served as field representative at both Muhlenberg College and Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science. For many years he was an advisor to the Alpha Iota Chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, and in 1972 he was awarded the fraternity’s prestigious Alumni Achievement Award, only the 10th time the award had been bestowed in the 91-year history of the chapter.

His love affair with life and work is obvious by the twinkle in his eye, the energy he brings to alumni activities and in the stories he will tell at the drop of a hat of his years in academe. He claims that his nickname is more than a shortening of Gebert.

“In the line of service to PCOM,” he says, “it stands for Gives Every Bit; in the line of seeking financial support for PCOM, it stands for Gets Every Bit.”

His objectives at PCOM were clearly defined in his January report to the Alumni Board of Directors—to develop goodwill and rapport between the College and the Alumni Association as expressed in Edwin Markham’s words:

“There is a destiny that makes us brothers; None goes his way alone. All that we send into the lives of others, Comes back into our own.”

Based on the love and enthusiasm in everything “Geb” sends into the lives of others, he should reap a bounteous harvest of goodwill.
The Entrance to 20th and Susquehanna Avenue HCC — 16 years ago

New HCC at Cambria Street

The first of December will mark the move of the 20th and Susquehanna Street Health Care Center to its new location at 2204 West Cambria, some 12 blocks away.

Those who remember the building that served as North Center Hospital and PCOM's School of Nursing for many years prior to its use as a health center will regret the move. But the stately old building, formerly Women's Homeopathic Hospital, was showing terminal signs of deterioration and was no longer economically feasible to maintain.

The hospital had been acquired in 1951 and added one million dollars to PCOM's assets at the time. The 145-bed facility played an important part in osteopathic care in Philadelphia and in the education of hundreds of students, interns, residents and nurses for 17 years.

Inpatient services of the hospital were discontinued in July 1968 after the opening of Barth Pavilion at City Avenue; however, North Center continued to serve the community of North Philadelphia as an outpatient facility.

The health needs of the community determined PCOM's effort to relocate within the area so that all of the former patients can be served. The Cambria Street Health Care Center will be located on the first floor of a large store—formerly a Pennsylvania State Store. Twelve rooms are available for the clinic area. Dr. Stephen Fedec, who has directed the 20th and Susquehanna Street Health Care Center since 1974, will be the full-time director of Cambria Street's HCC.

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New Appointments

Continuing the expansion of faculty and professional staff at PCOM, Dr. Rowland announced the following appointments of men and women in the areas of basic sciences and clinical education:

William J. Gilhool, D.O., assistant professor of internal medicine and chairman of the division of gastroenterology. Dr. Gilhool, a native of Philadelphia, is a graduate of Villanova University and received his D.O. from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1968. He interned at Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital, completed a residency in internal medicine at Tri-County Hospital and served a year's fellowship in gastroenterology at Mercy Catholic Medical Center. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Internists.

Dr. Gilhool and his wife, the former Christina Burlingame, reside in Swarthmore, Pa.

David M. Dunfee, III, D.O., '62, instructor in general practice and professional teaching supervisor at the 48th Street Health Care Center. He will serve on a whole-time basis. Dr. Dunfee maintained a general practice in New Holland, Pa. and was on the staffs of Ephrata Community Hospital and Lancaster Osteopathic, where he was elected president of the medical staff in 1973.

He is a graduate of Ursinus College, received his D.O. from PCOM in 1962 and interned at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. He is also a member of the American College of General Practitioners. Dr. Dunfee, his wife Wilma and their two daughters have recently moved to Havertown, Pa.

John W. Becher, Jr., D.O., '70 was appointed director of emergency room services at PCOM's Hospital. A staff of four full-time physicians will assist Dr. Becher in providing 24-hour emergency services 365 days a year. The physicians are Edward Sarama, D.O., '74; Thomas Devlin, D.O., '70; Ernest Colina, M.D. and Os­ mundo Lim, M.D.

Prior to his appointment, Dr. Becher served as emergency room physician at Community Memorial Hospital in West Grove, Pa. for four years. He is a member of the American College of Emergency Physicians and has served as participating instructor in the Emergency Medical Technicians' Training Program in Southern Chester County.

The new director is a graduate
of LaSalle College, received his D.O. from PCOM in 1970 and completed an internship at Flint Osteopathic Hospital, Michigan.

Dr. Becher’s wife, Paula, is corresponding secretary for the Hospital Women’s Guild. The Bechers, who live in West Chester, Pa., are the parents of a 14-month old son, John Patrick.

Michael B. Gabin, D.O., assistant professor of anesthesiology. Dr. Gabin is board eligible in anesthesiology and is a member of the International Anesthesia Research Society. He is a graduate of Albright College and received his D.O. from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. After completing an internship at Osteopathic General Hospital in North Miami Beach, Fla., he served a two-year residency in anesthesiology, during which time he studied at the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Pittsburgh, the Virginia Mason Clinic in Seattle and the University of Washington in Seattle.

Prior to his appointment at PCOM, Dr. Gabin was attending anesthesiologist at Metropolitan and Suburban General Hospitals.

Charlotte E. Greene, Ph.D., instructor in physiology and pharmacology. Dr. Greene, a resident of Cornwells Heights, Pa., is the former director of clinical laboratories at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. She received a bachelor’s degree in education from West Chester State College and a Ph.D. from Thomas Jefferson University. She has authored eleven publications which have appeared in scientific journals. Her memberships include the American Physiological Society, the Society of Sigma Xi, the Philadelphia Physiological Society and the Philadelphia Endocrine Society.

Barbara T. Nagle, Ph.D., instructor in physiology and pharmacology. She received a bachelor’s degree in biological sciences from Drexel University and her master’s and doctorate degrees in pharmacology from Hahnemann School of Graduate Studies. Three of her publications have appeared in scientific journals. Dr. Nagle is a member of the Philadelphia Physiological Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the New York Academy of Sciences.

Kathryn Picardo, M.L.S., assistant librarian and instructor of library science. Miss Picardo holds a bachelor’s degree in English from Chestnut Hill College and a master’s degree in library science from Villanova University. While attending Villanova, she worked part-time as serials librarian at the library of the College of Physicians in Philadelphia.

In addition to these new ap-
Dr. Heilig announced the whole-time association of two current members of the faculty—David Heilig, D.O., '44, professor of osteopathic principles and practice and Herman E. Poppe, D.O., '46, clinical professor of orthopedic surgery and chairman of the division of orthopedic surgery.

Dr. Heilig, a fellow and past president of the American Academy of Osteopathy, has been a member of the college faculty since 1948. He is a diplomate in orthopedic surgery and is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons and of the board of directors of the Academy of Osteopathic Orthopedics.

Dr. Poppe has been a member of the college faculty since 1948. He is a diplomate in orthopedic surgery and is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons and of the board of directors of the Academy of Osteopathic Orthopedics.

HEARING AND SPEECH CENTER

Two appointments were also made to the staff of the college's hearing and speech center, a diagnostic and treatment facility in the department of otorhinolaryngology. Kay P. Catherwood, M.S., of Springfield, Pa., was appointed audiologist and Joseph A. Stigora, Ph.D. of Phoenixville, Pa., was appointed speech pathologist.

Mrs. Catherwood is the former project coordinator for rehabilitative services at Temple University's speech and hearing center and audiological consultant at Hembold Educational Center in Corbin City, N. J. She received a bachelor's degree in speech communications from the University of Delaware and a master's degree in audiology from Temple University.

Dr. Stigora, who received his master's and Ph.D. in speech pathology from Bowling Green University, is assistant professor of speech pathology at West Chester State College, where he has been responsible for the supervision of all outpatient diagnostic evaluations at the college clinic. He has done extensive research into the causes and treatment of stuttering and voice problems, such as misuse of vocal cords and language stimulation in children with neurological impairment. He also founded the Chester County Laryngectomy Association, a social and self-help group for people who have had vocal cords surgically removed.

PCOM's hearing and speech center, opened in 1973, is designed to adjoin the departments of otorhinolaryngology, ophthalmology and neurology so that all services required are centrally located for the patient's convenience.

Two large sound-treated suites are equipped with complete diagnostic facilities to test for a variety of sensory disorders. Among the patient caseload, which has tripled in the last year, are stroke victims and other adults requiring speech rehabilitation following surgery and children with learning disorders resulting in speech, hearing and motor dysfunction.

The center is accredited in audiology by the American Board of Examiners in Speech Pathology and Audiology—the first such accreditation in the osteopathic profession.
HEALTH CARE CENTERS
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Chestnut Street Health Care Center

Starting November 17, a family planning clinic will be added to the general medical services offered at the Chestnut Street Medical Center. The center was opened last July at 104 S. 20th Street to provide health care to those who live and work in center city Philadelphia.

Birth control counseling and general health care services for women will be included in the family planning program, which will be available three days a week. Evening hours are scheduled for Wednesday.

Since the center’s opening, patient visits have increased from 63 in July to 250 in October. Dr. Morton L. Rubin is the full-time director.

ALUMNI WEEKEND
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On Saturday, seminars start at 9 a.m. and include: 9-10 a.m., “The Peripheral Blood Smear as a Diagnostic Tool,” James Conroy, D.O., F.A.C.O.I., assistant professor and chairman, division of hematology and oncology; 10-11 a.m., “Hemolytic Anemias,” Joel Berman, D.O., staff intern, Delaware Valley Hospital; 11-noon, “Anemias of Chronic Diseases,” Ralph Gordon, D.O., chief, division of hematology, Metropolitan Hospital; 2-3 p.m., “Chronic Leukemias,” David Bloom, M.D., senior fellow, hematology, Hahnemann Medical College; 3-4 p.m., program to be announced.

A general alumni meeting and luncheon will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Marriott, and Alumni are cordially invited to bring their husbands and wives to the luncheon.

Tickets for the Founders Day Dinner Dance are $50 per couple. Tickets for the Alumni luncheon are $7.50 each. Out-of-town alumni should make room reservations directly with the Marriott. Reunions are scheduled to start at 4 p.m. on Saturday in various rooms reserved for each class. The Marriott’s bulletin board will have the scheduling.

Reservations for the social events and seminars must be sent to the Alumni Office before January 20, 1976. A complete schedule and reservation form are printed on page 3 for your convenience.

The Alumni Association and college administration look forward to a gala celebration combining social affairs with professional seminars and traditional events with a new and glittering format.

ALUMNI — PUHLEEZE

Many members of the classes from 1970 to 1974 are “lost”—mostly because your moves after internship were not sent to the Alumni Office. We cannot send you THE DIGEST or notices of reunions and CME programs unless we know your latest address. Please keep us informed.

THE SURVEY SPEAKS

An analysis of the readership survey which appeared in the March issue of the DIGEST has revealed a number of interesting facts, not the least of which is that osteopathic physicians do not like to complete surveys.

Less than 2 percent of our Alumni responded—a disappointing statistic to the editors, who appreciate feedback, be it favorable or unfavorable. However, those who did respond gave us an idea of how the publication is being received.

Happily, the large majority of our readers read most articles in the DIGEST. As for the general quality of the publication, 50 percent of those responding found it “good,” 42 percent “excellent” and 4 percent “fair.” (The remaining 4 percent did not respond). The majority also indicated that their favorite section is “Alumni News Briefs.”

Most of those responding (84 percent) would like to see more feature stories on Alumni. The editors always welcome news of Alumni, be it a brief note of an appointment or information about a new development in medicine which concerns a PCOM graduate. Other areas that ranked high were reports on CME programs, news of college functions and reports of faculty appointments. We will do our best to continue to include news of these and other areas in upcoming issues.

The one criticism we received was that the DIGEST frequently comes out late. We recognize this failure and are doing our best to correct the situation.

We thank those of our readers who did respond to the survey for their time and for their suggestions. And we hope Alumni will continue to send us their comments—both praise and criticisms—so that we may produce a publication that better responds to the varied needs of our readers.
Roswell B. Paine, coordinator of special projects, has been assigned the financial responsibility for Overmont House, one of the projects formerly held by Mr. John DeAngelis. Mr. Paine will assist the president in the overall direction of the senior citizens’ residence and will be responsible for the financial affairs of the operation. Mr. Paine holds a bachelor’s degree in economics from Harvard College and a master’s degree in economics from the University of Pennsylvania.

ACOOG Seminar
In September PCOM played host to the postgraduate course in ob/gyn sponsored by the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists. The three-day seminar was chaired by Daniel H. Belsky, D.O., ’57. The executive director was Arthur A. Speir, D.O.

Student Cares
Jack Danton, a fourth-year student, and his wife, were recently written up in the Jewish Exponent as a couple “who have made room in their lives for Jewish boys and girls in Philadelphia who need help.” Although Jack and his wife have a year-old son and although Jack works 72 hours at a stretch, he and his wife plan activities for groups of children who live in foster homes or group residences operated by the Association for Jewish Children. Bicycle trips, visits to museums and ball games are often the first evidence to the children that there are adults who care about them. Jack’s activities have appeared several times in the DIGEST. As a captain with the U.S. Army Reserves, he serves as advisor to a Medical Explorer Post and has coordinated tours of PCOM for young people interested in medical careers.

Christian Medical Society
A chapter of the Christian Medical Society, a national organization, was established at PCOM last April. Second-year student Layne D. Roberts became interested in the organization at a student leadership conference in Atlanta and invited one of the directors to speak at PCOM. About 30-35 future osteopathic physicians attended the meeting and planned a regular schedule for next year. Dr. Fairman L. Denlinger, chairman of the department of ob/gyn, has volunteered as faculty sponsor. The national organization numbers among its objectives “honesty, justice and fairness before God and man in the delivery of health care.”

Student Chapter of ACGP
The student chapter of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery sponsored a buffet-lecture on October 2. Dr. R. McFarlane Tilley, ’23, editorial consultant for the Osteopathic Annals, was the guest speaker; his topic was the “Direction of Osteopathic Medicine in the Future.” A one-day seminar is scheduled for December 6 in Evans Hall with 7 CME class 1-A credit hours. The program will be free to interns, residents and students. Topics are planned to cover areas from endocrinology to psychiatry within the perspective of the general family practitioner.
Welcome
To
The Class of '79

"The physician who is a leader is the one who realizes that hard work, dedication and commitment to his profession never end; one who has the patient, not himself, as the center of his life; one who understands that personal sacrifice is necessary and that the patient always does come first. You can be a physician or you can be a physician and a leader. The choice is up to you."

Convocation address by
Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., President

First-year students and their families were welcomed at a faculty reception that featured tours of Evans Hall and refreshments. From left, Carol Fox, director of admissions and registrar; Richard Leshner, '79; Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., president, PCOM, and Alan Scott, '77, vice-president, student council.
Dean Robert W. England (right) greets members of the class of 1979 at the orientation of 200 first-year students. From left, Mike Korpa, Farrell, Pa.; Jack Laughner, Butler, Pa.; Glenn Miller, Roxborough, Pa., and Jeri Miller, Willow Grove, Pa. Members of the class include 165 Pennsylvanians, 30 women and 17 sons and daughters of D.O.'s.

George Kenis, '79 (right) considers the fit of his first white jacket purchased from members of the Student Wives' Auxiliary (from left), Pat Agostini, Eileen Robin, Nancy Adkins and Joanne Schuricht.
Fall Activities

Mrs. Oneida Eaton (center), a West Philadelphia resident, buys a "Happiness Edition" of the Philadelphia Inquirer from students Linda Augelli, '77 and Ben Shore, '77. The students, who are on rotation at the 48th and Spruce Streets Health Care Center, volunteered to raise funds for the Variety Club's Camp for Handicapped Children.

Philadelphia Mayor Frank Rizzo presented an official proclamation designating Osteopathic Seals Week in Philadelphia to officers of the Students' Wives Auxiliary (l-r) Carolyn Pope and Leah Bonchak, co-chairpersons of the campaign, and Marie Taveau, president of SWA.

Mrs. Harold Saikind (left) and Mrs. Nicholas Pedano were on hand to insure the success of the October luncheon and fashion show sponsored by the Women's Guild for the benefit of the Hospital Equipment Fund. Mrs. Pedano, whose husband is assistant professor of surgery, is president of the Guild.
Dr. Morris Thompson (seated, third from left), president of the National Osteopathic Foundation, and Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., PCOM's president, met with members of the Pharmaceutical Advisory Council of the National Osteopathic Fund at a recent luncheon and discussion held at Evans Hall. From left, seated, Jim Walter, Squibb Pharmaceutical Co.; Ralph Snyder, Merck, Sharp & Dohme; Tom Walsh, Wyeth Laboratories, Inc.; Don Pearson, Warner Chilcott Laboratories. Standing, back row, Spencer G. Bradford, D.O., assistant dean for basic sciences and Robert W. England, D.O., PCOM's dean.

Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., presides at the first anniversary of the opening of Overmont House. The senior citizens' apartment residence was developed by a non-profit corporation under the college sponsorship. Assisting in the celebration are (from left) Sarah Zwerling, resident; Morris Bloomfield, past president of Overmont's Social Club; Mrs. Beatrice Tucker, manager of Overmont, and Judge J. Sydney Hoffman, chairman of PCOM's board of trustees.
1932
Harry E. Friberg, Portland, Me.—celebrated his 66th birthday as a patient. A double coronary bypass operation was performed on him at the Osteopathic Hospital of Maine. Dr. Friberg is feeling fine now and has resumed his many extracurricular activities, which include golf, fishing, hunting, rabbit hunting and cross-country skiing.

1941
Anton H. Claus, Lebanon, Pa. — appointed clinical assistant professor of psychiatry in the College of Medicine of the Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Claus is a staff psychiatrist at Philhaven Hospital in Lebanon.

1944
Melvin Elting, Teaneck, N. J. — co-author with Seymour Isenberg, D.O. of a book on obesity You Can Be Fat Free Forever, inaugurated the 1975-76 series of programs for the Beaver County Medical Society under the auspices of the University of Pittsburgh Medical School. Dr. Elting's topic was “Can the Medical Profession Clear the Air Regarding Obesity and its Treatment?” The co-authors have another book on the press tentatively titled, Before You Have Surgery, which will tell the patient what to expect in a hospital.

1945
John J. Mclaughlin, York, Pa.—elected president of the York-Adams chapter of the American Heart Association. Dr. Mclaughlin joined the staff of Memorial Osteopathic Hospital in 1950 after completing an internship and residency in pathology. He has been on the board of the local Heart Association chapter for four years and also serves as chief deputy county coroner.

1950
Herbert L. Orloff, Massapequa, N. Y.—wrote the DIGEST of his involvement in an unusual search, conducted in the press of New Haven, Conn., his former hometown. During Dr. Orloff's tour of duty in Australia in WW II, he kept a diary of his experiences as a private in the U.S. Army. The diary was left in the attic of his Connecticut home and turned up some 30 years later. By then the house had a new owner, who instigated the search for Herbert Orloff in the New Haven press. It was heart-warming to discover how many friends and relatives contacted the print media with news of his whereabouts. Headlines read, “Orloff Found,” although actually Dr. Orloff was unaware he had been lost.

1951
Eli H. Stark, N. Bellmore, N. Y., editorial director and R. McFarlane Tilley, '23, New Milford, Conn., editorial consultant of Osteopathic Annals, a monthly osteopathic journal, have co-edited a book, Clinical Review Series: Osteopathic Medicine, which will be published by Sciences Group, Inc. This new osteopathic practitioner's reference clarifies and brings into perspective problems encountered by clinicians in their practice. Each chapter is an in-depth study of practical osteopathic management and seeks to interpret the role of manipulation within the entire framework of modern medicine. The book is a compendium of selected papers from Osteopathic Annals.

C. Eugene Wilson, Allentown, Pa.—appointed to the Physicians' Advisory Panel of the Governor's Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse. Dr. Wilson is director of the drug detoxification unit at Muhlenberg Medical Center and medical director of the methadone maintenance clinic for Lehigh and Northampton counties. He has been on the staff of Allentown Osteopathic Hospital for 24 years.

1954
Earl A. Gabriel, Allentown, Pa. — assumed the presidency of the American Osteopathic Association. Dr. Gabriel has served as president of the Lehigh Valley and Pennsylvania State Osteopathic Societies. He has been a member of the AOA house of delegates since 1966 and has served on its board of trustees for the past three years. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania division of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

Recently the staff and board of trustees at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital, of which he is a member of the professional staff, honored him with an informal surprise dinner. Both Dr. Rowland and Dr. Feinstein, assistant dean for clinical affairs at PCOM, attended the affair.

1955
Norman H. Ilowite, Saddlebrook, N. J. —heads the department of dermatology at Saddle Brook Hospital and is consulting dermatologist at Brookchester and Saddle Brook nursing homes. He is also medical director for Hair Replacement Specialists of New Jersey.

Dr. Gabriel

Dr. Ilowite
1958
Richard J. Citta, Stratford, N. J. — named chairman of the department of general surgery at John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital. Dr. Citta completed an internship at Grandview Hospital in Dayton and a residency at Delaware Valley Hospital. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons.

1959
Bertram Greenspun, Cherry Hill, N. J. — elected president of the Philadelphia Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Society. Dr. Greenspun currently serves as program chairman of the Pennsylvania Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. This past spring he appeared on WCAU-TV's “Wake Up,” on which he discussed the problems of handicapped people. He has also served as coordinator for a course in lower extremity prosthetics for residents in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Jefferson, Temple and the University of Pennsylvania.

1960
David Rosenthal, Phila., Pa. — presented a paper titled “Transportation Feasibility for the Disabled Arthritic Patient” before the 60th annual Latin American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine, which convened in Caracas, Venezuela in August. Dr. Rosenthal is assistant medical director for clinical services at Moss Rehabilitation Hospital and assistant professor at Temple University Health Sciences Center.

1962
Robert S. Maurer, Iselin, N. J. — opened a general practice in association with Dr. Joel S. Mayer in Avenel, N. J. Dr. Maurer is president-elect of the New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and is past-president of the Middlesex County Osteopathic Society.

Lawrence Nessman, Wayne, Pa. — elected chairman of the department of family practice at Paterson General Hospital, Paterson, N. J. Dr. Nessman is president of the Passaic County Osteopathic Society and a diplomate of the American and New Jersey Colleges of General Practitioners. He is also active in Wayne civic affairs and Israeli-American organizations and is a member of the International Acupuncture Research Society.

1966
William F. Ranieri, Stratford, N. J. — was invited to speak on depression at the annual banquet of the Camden County Psychological Association. Dr. Ranieri completed a fellowship in psychiatry at the Philadelphia Mental Health Clinic and is now associated with John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital. He is also a consulting psychiatrist with the Camden County Vocational and Technical High School and pursues a private practice in Stratford.

1968
Carl Mogil, Cherry Hill, N. J. — performed a complete elbow replacement on a victim of rheumatoid arthritis at Cherry Hill Medical Center. The operation was the first of its kind to be performed in Southern New Jersey. Dr. Mogil completed his internship and four-year residency in orthopedic surgery at Cherry Hill Medical Center, where he was chief resident from 1971 to 1973. He has studied joint replacement techniques and advanced bone surgery techniques in Berne, Switzerland, and plans to return there for further studies.

1969
Calvin Dubrow, Phila., Pa. — a member of the department of ophthalmology at Parkview Hospital, has been performing phaco-emulsifications for the removal of cataracts. The new, internationally accepted technique removes cataracts by ultrasonic emulsification and aspiration through a three millimeter incision. After completing an internship and two-year residency in ophthalmology at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, Ohio, Dr. Dubrow studied and later taught the phaco-emulsification technique in a fellowship program at the Kelman Research Foundation in New York.

1970
Edwin J. Sullivan, Passaic, N. J. — announced the opening of a practice in urologic surgery in Saddle Brook, N. J. in association with the Surgical Group of Saddle Brook. Dr. Sullivan interned at Metropolitan Hospital and completed a one-year residency in surgery, a two-year residency in urologic surgery and a one-year residency in urology at Cherry Hill Medical Center.

Joseph J. Wallis, Succasunna, N. J. — joined the medical staff of Dover General Hospital. Dr. Wallis served an internship at St. Michael's Medical Center and completed residencies in internal medicine and obstetrics-gynecology. He maintains offices in Succasunna.

1972
L. Edward Antosek, New Freedom, Pa. — joined Edward Lentz, '72 in family practice in Lykens, Pa. Dr. Antosek interned at York Memorial Osteopathic Hospital and is on the attending staff of Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

Michael Callahan, Galetan, Pa. — opened an office in Galetan for the practice of general family medicine. His office is temporarily located in a mobile home, until a permanent medical center is completed in Galetan.

Patrick J. Flynn, Lindenwold, N. J. — opened a practice in internal medicine in Elmer, N. J. Dr. Flynn completed a residency in internal medicine at St. Michael's Medical Center and at Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia.

H. Allen Strunk, Easton, Pa. — completed a two-year residency in internal medicine at Harrisburg General Hospital.

Joseph H. Stewart, III, Waynesboro, Pa. — maintains a family practice in Waynesboro. Dr. Stewart completed a three-year residency in family practice at the University of Maryland in Baltimore. He was co-chief of 32 residents in the program.

1974
Luther E. Beil, Bath, Pa. — announced the opening of his office for general practice in Bath. Dr. Beil completed an internship at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital, where he is now a member of the staff. At Dr. Beil's suggestion the local paper announcing his practice inserted a lengthy explanation distinguishing the D.O. from the M.D.


Robert L. Meals, D.O., professor and chairman of radiology, was elected to a three-year term on the board of trustees of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology.

Ronald R. Ganelli, D.O., instructor in surgery, was appointed to the American Osteopathic Association's Liaison Committee with HEW Regional Office, District III. Dr. Ganelli has also been appointed as committee chairman for the Credentials Committee of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association.

William E. Betts, D.O., assistant professor of radiology, was invited to deliver the Trenery Memorial Lecture at the annual clinical assembly of the American Osteopathic College of Radiology held this year in Washington.

Marvin P. Backal, D.O., instructor in pediatrics, was renamed president of the Camden County Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Backal, chairman of the department of pediatrics at John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Stratford, N. J., is also assistant speaker of the House of Delegates of the New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

Sherman Leis, D.O., '67, plastic-reconstruction surgeon, attended the fourth International Congress of the International Society of Plastic Surgeons, held in Paris in August. Dr. Leis was extended a personal invitation by the society's president, Professor Claude Dufourmentel, to attend the series of meetings and seminars with plastic surgeons from around the world.

Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., president, was the commencement speaker at the September graduation exercises of the Schools of Allied Health Professions at the Institute for the Advancement of Medical Sciences. Dr. Rowland was also invited to speak at a meeting of the Ararat Square Club, an Armenian fraternal society. In September he attended the inauguration of the seventeenth president of Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, Dr. John V. Bergen.
Leonard Finkelstein, D.O., associate professor of urologic surgery and chairman of the division of urology, spoke to proctologists at the AOA convention in Las Vegas on urologic aspects of proctologic disease and urologic management of urinary retention following proctologic surgery. Dr. Finkelstein’s display for the ACOS convention, an adaptation of which appeared in Las Vegas, won second prize in the urology division. In September he chaired a symposium on urology at PCOM attended by over 200 physicians. The doctor is also happy to report that the second recipient of a urinary bladder pacemaker implanted at Barth Pavilion is doing well.

Emanuel Fliegelman, D.O., '42, associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology, was a guest on the show in September and spoke on human sexuality.

Robert C. Erwin, D.O., professor and chairman of surgery, was invited to speak on the role of surgery in the osteopathic profession on Washington, D.C.’s WAVA radio. Dr. Erwin was in Washington during the convention of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons.

Emanuel Fliegelman, D.O., associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology, was named chairman emeritus of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at Parkview Hospital. Dr. Fliegelman served as co-chairman of the department with Dr. Simon M. Lubin, '38, until 1973.

Donald R. Hulmes, B.F.A., director of educational communications, was elected president of the osteopathic educational communications association, an association representing that department at each of the nine osteopathic colleges.

Albert J. Fornace, D.O., associate professor of internal medicine, was honored for his 25 years as physician, teacher and innovator in the field of medicine at Suburban General Hospital during a special third anniversary dinner. Dr. Fornace, who chairs the hospital’s department of internal medicine, headed the medical team that was responsible for the first heart pacemaker implant operation ever performed in the Norristown area.


Romano H. DeMeio, Ph.D., visiting professor of physiological chemistry, published a chapter in the new edition of Metabolic Pathways, an authoritative reference series published by Academic Press of New York. His chapter on “Sulfate Activation and Transfer” was one of fifteen invited contributions in volume one of the series: Metabolism of Sulphur Compounds. Dr. DeMeio has published over 100 scientific papers and reviews.
The PCOM family was profoundly shocked and saddened at the death of vice president for finance and treasurer John DeAngelis on September 27. The College's chief financial officer had been hospitalized shortly before his death, but the loss was unexpected and plunged PCOM into deep sorrow. Mr. DeAngelis, a resident of Springfield, Pa., was 57.

John DeAngelis served the college administration for 24 years. The high professional standards that characterized all his work were evidenced from his initial appointment as controller in 1952 until his death. For nearly a quarter of a century his service to PCOM was marked by loyalty and unqualified dedication. In addition to serving as vice president of financial affairs, his responsibilities included an associate professorship of medical economics, the treasurership of Overmont House, the college-sponsored nonprofit organization that administers the senior citizens' residence on campus, and membership on the Board of Directors of Inter-County Hospitalization Plan, Inc.

He was a native of Brooklyn, N. Y. and a graduate of Southeastern University, Washington, D.C., where he earned both a bachelor's and master's degree in commercial science. Before joining the College, Mr. DeAngelis, who was also a CPA, was a senior certified public accountant with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co., of Philadelphia.

In 1961 he was appointed treasurer of PCOM and in 1970 was elected vice president for finance. The skill and wisdom that he brought to the responsibilities of his positions as he directed the financial growth and development of the College proved of inestimable benefit.

In his daily contacts with colleagues, he showed a rare capacity for working with people, a kindness and understanding that was appreciated by all who knew him. He always had time to advise and counsel, he always had time for gentle humor. And in all aspects of the operation of PCOM, he brought a high quality of insight, judgment, reason, and integrity. Truly he enriched the College and all who were associated with him.

Mr. DeAngelis was a member of a number of professional associations and organizations, among them the Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Hospital Financial Management Association. He was an associate member of the American and Pennsylvania Osteopathic Associations, and had served on the Hospital Advisory Group to the Hospital Survey Committee and on the Advisory Panel on Osteopathy of the National Academy of Science's Institute of Medicine. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia and of Sigma Sigma Phi, national osteopathic honor fraternity. He was a veteran of World War II, where he served in the U.S. Army Artillery.

Surviving are his wife, the former Amelia Masar, who is an officer of the Women's Guild; a son, John D., who lives in Lancaster, Pa.; and two daughters: Christine, a graduate student at George Washington University and Patricia, a student at the University of Delaware.

Donations in his memory may be made to Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.
Clarence E. Baldwin, D.O., '34, Brant Beach, N. J., died September 11 at the Hospital of PCOM after a long illness. He was 63.

The distinguished professor emeritus and retired chairman of the department of internal medicine had been associated with the College for 40 years, spending his entire professional career as student, practitioner and teacher at PCOM. After his graduation in 1934 he held appointments to the faculty and staff, beginning as fellow and advancing to associate dean, practitioner and teacher in pathology; then from associate professor and chairman of the department of internal medicine to distinguished physician, respected teacher and loyal alumnus were always gratefully acknowledged by his College. In 1972 he was awarded the Lindback Award for distinguished teaching. At the Founders Day dinner in January, 1975, he received a distinguished service plaque, and at the Alumni Dinner Dance in June he was presented with the Certificate of Honor of the Alumni Association.

A native of Philadelphia, Dr. Baldwin was educated in the Philadelphia public schools, graduated from Simon Gratz High School and attended PCOM's pre-osteopathy school. For many years he maintained a practice at 2225 Spring Garden Street.

He was a member of the American and Pennsylvania Osteopathic Associations, a past master of lodge #3 F & AM and a member of Lu Lu Temple Shrine.

Dr. Baldwin is survived by his wife, the former Allison Vance, a graduate of PCOM's School of Nursing and a member of the Hospital's Women's Guild; his mother, Mrs. Cena Baldwin and a brother William J. Baldwin, Jr., D.O. of York, Pa. Donations in his memory may be made to PCOM.

Phil R. Russell, D.O., a recipient of PCOM's O. J. Snyder Memorial Medal, former president of the AOA and the Texas Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, author and moving force in osteopathic medicine, died on June 19 at Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital. He was 80.

A physician who totally dedicated his life to delivering health care to the people, Dr. Russell was considered "a key force in the solid establishment and recognition of osteopathic medicine, both as an art and as a science.” He was one of the pioneers of the profession, one of the founders of Fort Worth Osteopathic Hospital and a dynamic force in the building of the AOA headquarters in Chicago. With Judy Alter he wrote "The Quack Doctor,” published in 1974. Although the title was written tongue in cheek, the content has better informed the general public regarding osteopathic medicine.

Dr. Russell was born in Commerce, Texas. His mother Maude Graham Russell, D.O., attended the American School of Osteopathy (now KCOM) after his birth. Dr. Russell also was graduated from ASO, receiving his D.O. degree in 1916.

Recognition of his work for his profession came from many areas. The AOA presented him with the Distinguished Service Award in 1942; the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery granted him an honorary doctor of science degree in 1944; the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine conferred upon him the honorary degree of doctor of science in osteopathy in 1951; PCOM awarded him the O. J. Snyder Memorial Medal in 1958 and the Andrew Taylor Still Medallion of Honor was bestowed upon him by the American Academy of Applied Osteopathy. For his work on the medical advisory board of the U.S. Selective Service System during World War II, President Franklin D. Roosevelt awarded him a certificate of citation.

Dr. Russell is survived by his widow, Zelma and a son Col. Roy Russell of California.

Charles J. Van Ronk, D.O., '12, Norristown, Pa., died July 20. He was 87.

A baseball and basketball player himself, Dr. Van Ronk became one of the country's best known athletes' physician. His patient registry was a veritable Who's Who of Sports that included Dizzy Dean, Tony Lazzeri, Charlie Gehringer, Hugh Critz, Steve Hams, Benny Bass, Ray Impellitteri, Pete Latzo, Jim Londos, Ty Cobb, Whitey Randoir, Lou Diegel and Al Ettor.
In addition to his individual practice, he acted as the osteopathic physician for the Phillies, Boston Braves, St. Louis Browns, Pittsburgh Pirates and Baltimore Orioles; St. Joseph's, Villanova and Lafayette colleges, the German-American Soccer Club and various athletic organizations.

Jimmy Wilson, once a Phillies' catcher-manager, credited Dr. Van Ronk with keeping him in baseball ten years longer than he had expected to play. Lefty Grove and Howard Ehmke, pitchers for Connie Mack's Athletics, were relieved of physical problems in time to pitch World Series victories against the Chicago Cubs in 1929. Jimmy Fox, a power-hitting first baseman, outfielder Al Simmons and Yankee first baseman Lou Gehrig all were restored to their team's lineups by theministrations of Dr. Van Ronk.

Dr. Van Ronk traveled extensively, visiting 103 countries in every continent. He once estimated that he traveled well over 1.5 million miles. For the last few years he lived a quiet life of retirement, although he frequently received calls from sports figures.

In addition to his wife, Viola, Dr. Van Ronk is survived by a daughter, Dr. Marian Van Ronk, and a grandson.

Marion E. Futer Sanders, D.O., '23, of Lansdowne, Pa., died at the Hospital of PCOM at the age of 73. Dr. Sanders maintained a general practice in Lansdowne, Pa. until she retired in 1968. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and West Philadelphia High School Alumni Association. There are no immediate survivors.

Samuel Melnicoff, D.O., '27, died at his home in Philadelphia. Dr. Melnicoff had maintained a practice on West Lehigh Avenue in Philadelphia for more than 35 years when he retired four years ago. He is survived by two daughters and two grandchildren.

J. R. McSpirit, D.O., '29, of Teaneck, N. J., died August 11 in Saddle Brook General Hospital at the age of 71. Dr. McSpirit had practiced medicine in Teaneck for the past 36 years. He also assisted the Teaneck Volunteer Ambulance Corps and was physician to the Teaneck High School athletic teams. Dr. McSpirit, a founder of Saddle Brook Hospital, retired as chairman of the hospital's board of directors in 1973. He also served on the board of the North Jersey Osteopathic Hospital in Dumont. He is survived by his wife, the former Lucy Bedford; a daughter and two grandsons.

Robert E. Goudy, D.O., '34, of Wilson, N. C., died at the age of 74 on July 1. Dr. Goudy maintained a practice in Wilson for 41 years and also served as Wilson County coroner. Surviving are his wife, the former Bertha Schwalm; a daughter, a son, a sister, Dr. Ruth Surfield, '33 and two grandchildren.

Dewaine L. Gedney, D.O., '38, of Wayne, Pa., on September 22 at Suburban General Hospital. He was 69. Dr. Gedney, who maintained offices in Norristown, had been a member of the PCOM faculty since 1949, when he became instructor in surgery. He was named associate professor emeritus in 1972. Dr. Gedney was also chairman of the department of surgery at Riverview Osteopathic Hospital, now Suburban General Hospital, until 1968 and had served as chairman of the hospital's professional staff. He was a member of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons. Surviving are his wife, the former Isabella DeWolf; two sons, Dewaine L., Jr. and Philip; two brothers, a sister and 12 grandchildren.

Charles McKinley Brown, '20, Altoona, Pa., died October 29th in Altoona Hospital. He was 79.

Dr. Brown attended Juniata College, served in the armed forces in World War I and was a life member of the AOA. After graduating from PCOM he maintained a practice in Altoona for 52 years, retiring in 1972.

He is survived by his wife, Anna Jean, two daughters, Mrs. Joan Cahow of Dearborn, Michigan and Mrs. Charlotte de Lissvoy of State College, Pa. and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made in his name to PCOM's Student Loan Fund.

Richard Greenstein, '73, of Mt. Laurel, N. J., died August 4 at the age of 27 in a tragic automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, the former Rita Chat; his parents, Leon and Beatrice Greenstein; a daughter; a sister; a brother and his grandmother.
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