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Cover
PCOM's administration building is the keystone of the City Avenue campus. After its purchase in 1957 and subsequent renovation, the Moss mansion served as administrative headquarters long before the existence of the hospital or Evans Hall. Today it houses a variety of offices and some health services. Visitors, patients and employees have always been fascinated by what it must have been like as a home. Thanks to the kind cooperation of a daughter of Frank and Anna Moss, the story is on page 10.
"...Now, more than ever, we need to believe in ourselves and believe in each other. The commemoration of Founders Day, which reflects upon the successful fruits of a man's endeavors, can help to inspire us all. Had our founder, Oscar John Snyder, been possessed by indecision, fear of public ridicule, or indifference to his work, our college would not be entering its 81st year.

If ever there was a time for inspiration, this is it. Today, we pause to honor our founder; may his example of leadership renew us."

Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., President
Founders Day, 1980
The Founders Day/Alumni Weekend dinner dance was held in the glittering ballroom of the Philadelphia Marriott on Saturday, January 26. It was an evening that honored not only the founder of the college but many distinguished alumni and leaders.

Leo C. Wagner, DO '26, MSc, FACOP, addresses the Founders Day assembly.

Leo C. Wagner, DO, MSc, FACOP, professor of pediatrics from 1945 to 1952, received the O.J. Snyder memorial medal, the college's highest award, given for leadership and service. Spencer G. Bradford, DO, received the alumni association's certificate of honor for his contribution to the osteopathic profession. Members of the class of 1930 were guests of the college and received medallions commemorating their 50th anniversary. The co-founder and first president of PCOM, Oscar John Snyder, DO, was recognized for his formidable courage and leadership.

And there was a surprise honoree. No one was more startled than the president, Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., who was cited for 30 years of service to PCOM. The tribute was delivered by Virginia Thompson, assistant to the president, and was highlighted by the presentation of his portrait by Robert Bressler, Robert England, DO, Samuel Caruso, DO, and Nicholas Pedano, DO, representing administration, faculty and professional staff. A standing ovation greeted the unveiling as the assemblage of more than 600 approved the tribute. The portrait will hang in the library's gallery of distinguished leaders and professors.

Saturday also included the general alumni luncheon during which Dr. Rowland spoke on PCOM's latest developments including new appointments and the 4190 renovations. Harrison F. Aldrich, DO '62, Unity, ME, was installed as president of the alumni association.

Later in the afternoon, at the Marriott, ten reunion classes met in two private rooms near the ballroom to reminisce and enjoy the private bar and hors d'oeuvres sponsored by the alumni association.

The Assembly

More than 200 members of the faculty, staff, employees and students assembled on Friday for the traditional address of the O.J. Snyder memorial medal recipient. Dr. Leo C. Wagner is a distinguished pediatrician, who was a PCOM faculty member for 34 years. He had been chairman of the department of pediatrics at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital in Michigan from 1960 until his retirement in 1975.

Dr. Rowland introduced him as a man who has demonstrated the complete role of the professional—renowned in his practice, revered as an educator and recognized through officership in his professional association.

The truth of those words was reflected in Dr. Wagner's address. His speech was warm, moving, descriptive, humble and humorous and always professional. He shared with his audience the almost unbelievable comparison of the present campus with PCO (as it was then called) of 1922 to 1926, "when we had two old brownstone houses with a small hospital behind them (19th and Spring Garden Streets)." And he shared his joy when he learned of Dr. Rowland's presidency because "I knew the future of this institution was assured."

He shared, too, his memories of Dr.
O.J. Snyder, a dynamic and forceful lecturer, a man who could easily convince a student he was in the right profession. And he noted with appreciation the many professors who were responsible for his success: Dr. Arthur Flack, Jr.; Dr. Raymond Ruberg; Dr. Edwin Cressman; Dr. Frank Gruber and especially Dr. Paul Lloyd, "the man who contributed more to my pediatric knowledge than anyone I knew."

The medal recipient's interest in pediatrics came with his marriage and desire for children. There were few courses in pediatrics and no osteopathic pediatricians and the (then) young senior was determined to learn all about children's diseases. Later Dr. Ruth Tinley and Dr. William Spaeth were to launch a department which Dr. Wagner (although he modestly did not mention this) would play a large part in developing. There were also no osteopathic pediatric residencies in those days and the few MD pediatricians were not interested in taking on any DO's in this young specialty. So, according to Dr. Wagner, what you did was to choose a physician with an active practice and ask to learn.

"If you were accepted," said Dr. Paul T. Lloyd, DO '23, FAOCR, emeritus professor of radiology and a former recipient of the O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal, was first to congratulate his old friend Leo C. Wagner, DO '26, FACOP, the 1980 recipient of the college's highest award.

Wagner, "the first thing he did was to give you a handful of marbles to put in your mouth to teach you to concentrate—to listen to the heart sounds, the breath sounds and disregard the clicking of these marbles. And when you could adequately describe these sounds, you were permitted to lose one marble a day. And when you lost all your marbles, you were a pediatrician."

He did find ways to learn and took post graduate courses in New York and at Temple through his friendship with the professor of pediatrics in the medical school. Much later, at Grand Rapids Hospital in Michigan, Dr. Wagner started a residency program and graduated seven men and one woman.

"If I have in some small way helped further the osteopathic profession, I am grateful," said this humble pediatrician who had maintained a successful pediatric practice in Lansdowne, PA, for 34 years. He concluded with his gratitude for receiving the O.J. Snyder memorial medal: "This day is the crowning of my years of pediatric practice."

The number of employees, physicians, professors and friends who stopped to congratulate him, and to speak of their gratitude for his caring for their children, was a heartwarming tribute to the pediatrician who came home after 20 years.

Portrait Unveiled

Also honored at the assembly was the late Otterbein Dressier, DO, dean of the college from 1944 to 1950. A portrait of Dr. Dressier, who was also a pioneer in osteopathic pathology, was dedicated for the library gallery of distinguished leaders. Assisting in the unveiling were four pathologists with whom Dr. Dressier had worked or had trained. See page B.

The eventful weekend had begun early Friday morning, January 25, with the placing of a wreath on the grave of Oscar John Snyder, DO, co-founder and first president of PCOM. Continuing medical education programs continued throughout Friday and Saturday, coordinated by Spencer G. Bradford, DO. Program chairman for Friday's program, "Selected Topics in Medicine and Surgery" was William H. Dickerson, DO, FACOI. John W. Becher, Jr., DO, served as program chairman for Saturday's seminar, titled "Emergencies in Practice." The weekend was ably coordinated by Hale T. Peffall, Jr., executive director of alumni relations.
Flounders Day Follies

There was nothing "fishy" about the amount of talent, time and theatrics that went into the 1980 student council "Flounder's Day Show." Formerly held at Christmas, the four-hour show launched Founders Day weekend on Friday night and featured faculty impersonations, original tunes, lyrics and jokes, and entertaining skits.

As in past shows, neither faculty members nor departments were spared. The class of '83 launched the "open season" on faculty with a skit titled "The Wizard of 48th Street." The theme, searching for the answer to the riddle of anatomy, continued throughout the first-year class portion of the show. Faculty impersonations included Dr. Gorilla (V.T. Cipolla), Dr. Groucho (N. Nicholas), Carol the Fox (Carol Fox), and Dr. X-Ray (Robert Meals).

Other first-year acts included several stand-up routines by Charlie Dutkowsky '83, who portrayed the disgusted husband of a medical student, and classical and pop musical selections on guitar and cello by David Roberts, PhD, associate professor of anatomy, James Lewis '82 and Marcy De Cou '83.

During the second half of the show, the class of '83 worked jokes about the profession, the faculty and medical school life into a daytime television format. The acts included "Morning Manipulations with Dr. Heilig," a soap opera titled "Osteopathic General Hospital," WPCOM News," and "Manipulation Impossible."

John Fitzgerald '82 stole the evening with his "General Patton" impersonation of Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr. At evening's end, the score was Students — 1, TMR — 0.

However, the president retaliated the following Monday. Please turn to page 13 for the continuing story of General Thomas M. Patton, Jr.
Alumni Survey: A Report

During the 1978-79 academic year, Dr. Rowland mailed an “Alumni Information Update” to some 4,000 living alumni of PCOM. The purpose of the study was to assemble accurate general data regarding the nature of the practices of the alumni and to identify those DO’s willing to participate in the clinical preceptor program.

A total of 1,418 alumni responded to the 17-item questionnaire, representing a return of 35.4%. General practitioners made up 55% of the total return, specialists made up the remaining 45%, providing a nearly equal representation for statistical analysis.

Currently serving as PCOM preceptors are 26% of the alumni. Another 33% were willing to become involved with the program and 41% were unavailable. Fifty-eight alumni indicated a capability to house students on rotations or preceptorships.

Of special interest is the use of osteopathic manipulative therapy in alumni practice. Of the total, 64% use OMT in their practice. A significant difference exists between the general practitioners and the specialists in this area, with 92% of the GP’s using OMT, compared with 29% of the specialists.

In the area of group vs. individual practice, 26% of general practitioners are in group practice and 34% of the specialists in group. Analysis of the total group of alumni returns indicated that 30% of PCOM alumni are engaged in group practice with 70% practicing as individuals.

A relatively small group of alumni are currently involved with the armed forces. Thirty-two alumni wrote that they are currently on active duty, representing 2.2% of the total group of respondents. Reservists accounted for .3% of the total alumni with five alumni now serving in the reserves.

The survey posed a number of questions about physician services, such as a) house calls, b) athletic team physician, school physician. A significant 43% of PCOM alumni make house calls; 15% serve athletic teams; 13% serve as school physicians. PCOM’s current preceptors were the most active in all three services.

Viewed from the GP/specialist perspective, the study showed that 70% of general practitioners make house calls, compared with 10% of the specialists; 24% of the GP’s served as team physicians, compared with 4% of the specialists; and 21% serve as school physicians compared with 3% of the specialists.

The final item of interest in the survey was a study of the type of community served by the PCOM alumnus. The results showed that the average PCOM alumnus serves a community of approximately 55,000 population. General practitioners differed significantly from the specialists, with the average GP practicing in a community of approximately 41,500 while the average specialist practices in a community of approximately 82,000.

Correspondingly, 34% of the GP’s practice in a rural or small suburban community of less than 20,000 population, contrasted to only 10.7% of the specialists. The urban area of more than 100,000 population is served by 63% of our specialists, compared with 40% of general practitioners.

This study is the most complete compilation of alumni data available to date. The obvious limitation of a voluntary return questionnaire is balanced by the high rate of return and nearly equal representation of practice types and environments in the returns. Although any survey group can only be termed a “sample” of the total PCOM educational product, the trends indicated by the sample studied in this survey appear to be genuinely representative.

—Robert Cuzzolino, assistant director of admissions
Profiles
Founders Day Honorees

O.J. SNYDER, DO

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine was founded on January 24, 1899, by two graduates of the Northern Institute of Osteopathy in Minnesota. Oscar John Snyder, MS, DO, became PCOM’s first president, and Mason Wiley Pressly, AB, BD, DO, the first secretary-treasurer.

Both physicians served as administrators and faculty members in the new school and maintained a joint practice. In addition, Dr. Snyder devoted himself to legislative lobbying in Harrisburg to win support for the college and for the osteopathic profession.

In 1905 both founders resigned their positions in favor of a new administration. Dr. Pressly left the college and, shortly after, the Commonwealth. Dr. O.J. Snyder remained with PCOM as adviser and member of the board of trustees until his death in 1947. He continued to campaign for legal recognition of the osteopathic profession, expanded the course of instruction from two to three and eventually to four years, and brought about the establishment of high standards of osteopathic education through which the Commonwealth’s recognition of both the college and profession was obtained.

The annual observance of Founders Day honors this man who “put the cause of osteopathic medicine above personal considerations.”

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LEO C. WAGNER, DO

Leo C. Wagner, a native of Philadelphia, graduated from PCOM in 1926. He was appointed to the faculty as a teaching assistant in osteopathic medicine, a field in which he later received a master of science degree. After undertaking postdoctoral study in pediatrics in New York, Post-graduate Hospital and Temple University, he opened a pediatrics practice in Lansdowne, PA. His practice lasted 34 years and won him the respect of the community.

In 1945 PCOM appointed him clinical professor in the department of pediatrics and full professor in 1952. The quality of his teaching was excellent in the classroom, clinic and hospital. As a staff physician, his abilities were recognized and respected by his colleagues.

One of Dr. Wagner’s former residents said of him, “He commanded the respect of the students and house staff; if he had a difficult patient, he would stay with that patient until the case was resolved; and at no time did he speak in any but professional tones.”

Sincerely interested in childhood cancer, Dr. Wagner served as a member of the hospital tumor board and in the oncology program of the college. He devoted much study to acute respiratory disease in the newborn, congenital heart disease, crib deaths and the battered child syndrome, pioneering osteopathic medical involvement in these special interest areas.

This gentle and scholarly physician became a contributor to the medical literature, a sought-after speaker at local, state and national professional meetings, and a semiprofessional magician whose talents were in great demand at the Charity Balls. (During his recent visit, Dr. Wagner held four employees spellbound with some magic tricks, using a deck of cards he usually carries for the amusement of his friends.)

Active in his professional societies, Dr. Wagner was a member of the national, state and local osteopathic associations and served as president of the POMA in 1950. He was also a contributing member of the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians (ACOP).

Dr. Wagner

In 1960 Dr. Wagner left Philadelphia to assume the chairmanship of the department of pediatrics at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital in Michigan, a position he honored until his retirement in 1976. And from 1968 to 1970 he served as clinical professor of pediatrics at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He has been honored with life memberships in the AOA, POMA, Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and the ACOP. Illustrative of the esteem in which Dr. Wagner is held was a telegram, read at the dinner dance, from the mayor of Grand Rapids, congratulating him on his honor and thanking him for his services to the children of Grand Rapids, especially for free care to the city’s poor.

THE CLASS OF 1930

The fiftieth anniversary class has distinguished itself through a half-century of service to the communities of the United States. A transition class, the members of 1930, as freshmen, studied at the old college building at 19th and Spring Garden Streets and paid an annual tuition of $200.00. By the time they had become seniors they were at the new college building at 48th and Spruce and tuition had risen to $250.00. Class members who attended their 50th reunion are: (If in Winter
THOMAS M. ROWLAND, LL.D (hon)

Dr. Rowland is a native of Philadelphia who, during World War II, served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He holds a bachelor of science degree from Temple University, where he also undertook graduate work in public administration. On May 1, 1950, he became assistant registrar at PCOM. A keen interest in his job and an ability to work well with people prompted a steady rise through the administrative ranks.

In 1952 he was appointed registrar and director of admissions, a position he held for many years along with other titles and responsibilities. In 1959 he was appointed administrative assistant to the president; in 1961, assistant secretary to the board of trustees; in 1965, vice president for administrative affairs; in 1972 chairman of the department of community health; in 1973, executive vice president and in 1974 he was elected the fourth president of PCOM.

He is a man with an outstanding sense of humor, a genuine caring for people, a love of sports, a passion for history and politics and a dedication to the principles of osteopathic medicine and to PCOM. His scientific memberships include: the American Association for the Advancement of Science; the New York Academy of Science; the American Association for Laboratory Animal Science and the Physiological Society of Philadelphia.

His community responsibility prompt-

Osteopathic Educational Development and appointment to a number of other AOA committees.

He is probably the only medical school president who spends seven days a week in his office—an office simply decorated with a picture of 48th Street, a plaque designating him an honorary alumnus of PCOM, an American eagle and a quote by late Vince Lombardi that reads, “Leaders are made, they are not born. And they are made like anything else is made, by hard effort. And that’s the price that we all have to pay to achieve that goal or any goal.”

His administration as president is reflected in the strongest program of faculty development in PCOM’s history; the renewed and deep support of the alumni; the growth of the hospital and health care center programs; the establishment of the School of Allied Health and a revitalization of the corporate structure, among other highlights. (Photo on back cover.)

SPENCER G. BRADFORD, DO

A 1942 graduate of PCOM, Dr. Bradford joined the faculty the following year and rose through the ranks to become professor and chairman of the department of physiology and pharmacology. He has served as assistant dean for basic science and today heads the newest unit of PCOM’s corporation as director of the division of special and continuing education.

As an author, he has published medical and scientific articles in professional journals, served as assistant editor of “Osteopathic Medicine,” a book published in 1969 and has been a member of the editorial board of the Journal of the AOA.

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ed his work with the Boy Scouts of America, local civic and home and school associations, the Philadelphia Fellowship Commission and the American Heart Association.

In the osteopathic profession, he has served as past president and current vice president of the National Board of Examiners and as a member of the Advisory Committee on Continuing Education for the AOA. He is a member of the national, state and local osteopathic associations and the American Academy of Osteopathy.

Always an active member of the alumni association, he served as chairman of the publication committee responsible for the 75th anniversary history of the college and currently serves as historian of the association.

OTTERBEIN DRESSLER, DO

Dr. Dressier was one of the first osteopathic physicians in the eastern United States to specialize in pathology. At the time of his death in 1976, he had been responsible, either directly through his own teaching or indirectly through those he taught, for the training of most practicing osteopathic pathologists east of the Mississippi.

He was a native of Snyder County, PA, graduated from PCOM in 1928 and trained in pathology with Dr. Jacobson, a PhD who was serving as acting pathologist at the college. When Dr. Dressier was appointed professor of pathology in 1932, he became the first formally trained pathologist on the faculty. From then until 1950, he served as director of laboratories at the hospitals of PCOM.

Otterbein Dressier was an intense student who continued to study all his life. He was an excellent teacher, respected by his students. His interest in music, literature and philosophy was evident not only in his lectures, but in many of his speeches at convocations and public events during his deanship.

In 1944 in addition to his other duties, Dr. Dressier was appointed acting dean and then dean of the college, a post he held until 1950. During that time, he also served as deputy coroner for the City of Philadelphia and as a member of the special advisory committee to Major General Louis B. Hershey and the selective service system.

He established the first training program in pathology in the osteopathic profession—a fellowship program which eventually led to the residency program. His first “fellow” was William Silverman, DO, FAOCP, now consultant to PCOM’s department of pathology and laboratory medicine.

Dr. Dressier was a founding member of the American Osteopathic College of Pathology and held certificate #1 as a fellow of the AOCP. He was one of the 12 men who formed the American Osteopathic Board of Pathology and he served as its chairman for seven years. In addition to serving on many committees of the AOA, he was a consulting pathologist to more than 35 osteopathic hospitals in the country.

Faculty Notes

William Dickerson, DO, FACOI, professor and chairman of internal medicine, was named a fellow of the College of Physicians in December.

James Conroy, DO, clinical associate professor of internal medicine and chairman of hematology and oncology, was appointed to the clinical cancer education committee of the National Institute of Health.

Thomas F. Powell, DO, clinical associate professor of surgery, was named a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons.

Nicholas S. Nicholas, DO, FAAO, professor and chairman of osteopathic principles and practice, served as program chairman of a CME seminar titled “Osteopathic Sports Medicine,” held at PCOM in December. Approximately 175 people attended the CME, including 40 athletic directors from area schools.

David Roberts, PhD, associate professor of anatomy, M.H.F. Friedman, PhD, visiting professor of physiology, and Donna Mack, DDS, visiting research associate, authored an abstract titled "Masticatory Muscle Activity, Level and Distribution of Bite Force." The Abstract was accepted by the International Association for Dental Research and American Association for Dental Research.

Emanuel Fliegelman, DO, FACOOG, professor of ob/gyn, discussed “Human Sexuality” on closed circuit television at Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital in January.

John P. Simelaro, DO, associate professor of internal medicine and chairman of pulmonary medicine, Richard Greenberg, chief therapist, and Joseph Cannavo, therapist, both of respiratory therapy, co-authored an article titled “Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation and CPAP.” Also, Dr. Simelaro, Michael Venditto, DO, resident in internal medicine, Mitchell Ghent ’80 and Phil Ginsberg ’80, coauthored an article titled “Effects of 2,3, DPG on Exercise Tolerance in Patients with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.” Both will appear in the AOA Journal.

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Robert L. Meals, DO, FACOR, professor and chairman of radiology, was elected president of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Radiological Society.

Joseph W. Stella, DO, clinical assistant professor in emergency medicine, was named “National General Practitioner of the Year” by the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. Dr. Stella is director of emergency and out-patient services at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital. He was named “Pennsylvania General Practitioner of the Year” by the college’s state society in 1975.

Eugene Mochan, PhD, DO, associate professor of biochemistry and instructor in general practice, received a continuation research grant of $6,000. The project is “The Role of the Cell Surface in the Modulation of Plasminogen Activator Secretion by Rheumatoid and Non-rheumatoid Synovial Cells in Culture.”

Leonard H. Finkelstein, DO, chairman of the division of urology, hosted a grand rounds and journal club meeting for the urologic and house staffs of Jefferson and Hahnemann Medical Colleges on January 9. This is the first time PCOM has hosted the urology meetings. The journal club meetings review current literature in urology.

Christmas Buffet

Members of the administration served some 1,378 members of the faculty, staff, students and employees at the annual Christmas buffet.

James J. Wolf, director of physical plant, and David Dunfee III, DO, medical director of the health care centers, manned the punch and egg nog.
PCOM employees who work in its elegant halls call it "The Mansion."

"Moss Estate" was its name when the college purchased the house and 16½ acres in 1957 to provide much-needed space for a new college and hospital.

It was renamed "The Administration Building" in 1959, when, after extensive renovation by the college, it became the center of PCOM's City Avenue campus.

But for 41 years it was "the home of Frank and Anna Moss," according to the Latin inscription and initials on either side of the front entrance—"ubi domus" on the left and "F & AM" (the former owners' initials) on the right side.

Certainly it is a house of grace and beauty—a house that was lived in and cherished by a family. It was always "a happy house," to use the words of one of the Moss daughters, who brought her own grandchildren back to visit the scene of her childhood. It was a house filled with the laughter of children—seven of them, three girls and four boys. It was a house filled with music, as three little girls in high-necked dresses practiced waltzes and polonaises on the grand piano, or gliding couples danced "the Maxixe" to the strains of a small orchestra tucked under the oaken stairs. It was a house filled with games as the children learned to roller skate in the basement, played touch football on the front lawn and went sledding "down the hill," long before that hill became Stout Road.

Frank H. Moss was a mortgage banker, so expert in real estate values and trends that he assisted in the development of much of Overbrook and Merion. Although he had to leave Central High School at 15 because of the financial panic that began in 1893, some 17 years later he had become a successful businessman.

He built the house in 1910 to bring his wife, the former Anna Hunter of Norris-town, his three daughters and one son (then) to live on City Line. Three more sons would be born before 1920 in the second floor master bedroom, now the offices of the department of psychiatry and neurology.

The house was Elizabethan, with a red tile roof and center detail of stucco and cross beams. It was a popular style of the day and several houses like it still stand in the area on both sides of City Line. The house was remodeled in 1928 and renovated extensively in 1958, but it still retains much of its style.

Louis Carter Baker, of the Chestnut Street firm of Baker and Dallett, was the original architect. But Frank Moss, who was a very precise man, supervised the building. He went to great lengths to ensure the perfection of his home, even peering down the chimneys from the roof to make sure that each of the five fireplaces would draw correctly. If so much as a brick protruded inside, the chimney had to be redone.

The house was built in a cornfield, and at that time there were practically no trees—one coffee bean tree and one ash, where the children fashioned a swing. But Frank Moss personally selected and helped plant many of the great oaks, beeches and magnolias that eventually all but hid the house on every side.

The lot to the west (now 4190 City Avenue) was also a cornfield whose autumn shock piles provided the background for wonderful games of hide-and-go-seek. (By the time PCOM purchased the property in 1957, the lot had become the athletic field for Friends Select School.) Directly across the street (Saks) was the Pencroyd Farm whose dairy cows were fed on the corn from the field. And the Moss children enjoyed fresh cream daily from the farm.

A three-car garage built of the same hand-hewn fieldstone housed the family cars, one a limousine. The garage had an extra room (used now by the maintenance department for garden tools) where the shiny dark green electric car was kept. It was known simply as "The Electric." In later years, when it was old and had stopped running, the "Electric" was towed "down the hill" where it served as a large toy to be climbed over and played in.

The Moss boys developed a tradition designed to age their sisters and the...
servants. At about six or seven, each boy decided it was necessary to walk the peak of the garage. No one ever fell and the shrieks of their sisters probably spurred the boys on to greater feats.

A stone wall leading from the house to the garage formed an enclosed area that became the laundry yard. Each day a laundress arrived to hand wash the family clothes in the cellar tubs. The outside cellar stairs led to the yard, where Mr. Moss' shirts and high collars, and the children's matching dresses and suits were hung out to dry.

In addition to the laundress, eight servants kept the house and grounds in order: two nurses, a cook, a parlourmaid, a housemaid, a chauffeur and two yard men. Those who "lived in" had bedrooms on the third floor's west wing (now the addressograph room, outpatient billing and supervisor's room), which was completely off limits to the children, by Mrs. Moss' orders.

On Sundays, the servants day off, the family walked to church, just across City Line. St. Asaph's Episcopal Church, at the corner of Conshohocken State Road and St. Asaph's Road, was the religious and social center of the families who lived in the area. All the Moss daughters were married in St. Asaph's, and Frank Moss' funeral services were held there in 1953.

The mansion's impressive entrance features two oak doors which were added in 1928. A small vestibule leads to the reception hall, also panelled in oak, which the family furnished with oriental rugs and a long table. The great fireplace which dominates the room is flanked by built-in hinged wooden seats with cupboards beneath. During the period before the first World War, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, like many other Americans, fell in love with the new dances, the "Boston," "Maxise," and many others. Often, the rugs were rolled up for dancing in the hall, with a three-piece orchestra playing in the niche under the stairs. Neighbors were invited, no liquor was served, and the dances were always over at 11 p.m. The children, in one piece pajamas with feet, sat at the top of the stairs admiring the glides and twirls. Much later, the Moss daughters would toss their bridal bouquets from those stairs.

When the Moss family lived in the house, the formal dining room extended the full width of the house from front drive to back terrace. Today, the desks of the accounts payable clerks hide the fireplace and the office of the accounting manager completely covers the terrace casement windows. Mrs. Moss presided at the breakfast table each morning at 7:30 a.m., even if she had danced till 11 the night before. She was a devoted mother of eight children, (seven of whom grew up in the house) and a prudent housekeeper who planned menus and personally ran the household. When she died in 1931, she left a family who had only fond memories of her and of their childhood.

The family took coffee after dinner in the library, a warm, paneled room with a fireplace and floor to ceiling bookshelves. Mr. Moss' portrait hung over the mantle which was (then) decorated with Florentine carvings. The older Moss children remember the library as an informal room filled with good conversation. However, the youngest Moss son remembers it as a formidable area of discussion and meting out of punishment. Frank Moss was usually an exceedingly kind man, but when his son tossed all his sisters' dolls out of a third floor window, he held a serious conference with the boy in the library.

An enclosed porch, now the office of the alumni director, was first built for plants and flowers. Later, Frank Moss added a billiard table for the enjoyment
of his family. The outer office, where the alumni secretaries type, served as a morning room and music room, and was furnished in light blue and gold. Here was the grand piano where the Moss girls played three-handed versions of musical pieces. When they were old enough for gentlemen callers, many evenings were spent at the piano singing songs of the day.

Fire partitions now enclose the handsome oak staircase that curves upward to the third floor. Leaded, floor-to-ceiling windows at each landing open to the terrace. The Moss family album contains a photograph of the children on the window seat at the second landing. And the stair bannister was used for sliding as attested to by the sons who repeated the performance of their youth when they returned for a visit.

The master bedroom on the second floor, used by Mr. and Mrs. Moss, the girls and the current baby, had three rooms, two baths and a small dressing room. The dressing room was made into a kitchenette when the Women’s Guild used the suite as a sewing and meeting room in the 1960’s. Each Fall, when the family returned from summering at the Jersey shore (before 1919) or Maine, Mrs. Moss assigned new rooms to the children depending upon their ages. The children’s bedrooms were usually on the second floor. As the boys grew older they preferred rooms on the third floor, possibly because they had easier access to the roof. And, as one son pointed out, the view of the fourth of July fireworks in Fairmount Park was spectacular from the southeast bedroom.

The children’s nurse also had a room on the second floor, where the elevator is now located. And when she fell asleep in her rocking chair, as she often did, the children would sneak out of their rooms and have what they called “hi jinks’” in the hall. Taking the pillows off their beds, they pranced and giggled up and down the hall until hushed and chased back to their rooms.

A large room at the west end (where five members of the accounting department now have their desks) was first a nursery and later a play room. The youngest Moss son built a stage in one corner for puppet shows, and the girls kept their dolls and little blackboards here.

At one time, Mrs. Moss established a school on the third floor and engaged a teacher for her own and the neighbor

PCOMEmployees like Joan Vorbach (above) use the mansion staircase where once the Moss daughters tossed their bridal bouquets and the sons slid down the bannister.

hood children. The children named the school “Sunny Hill” and thereafter the family called their home by this name. The east side of the third floor, now used by the public relations department and physician’s billing, was divided into bedrooms for occasional uncles and the older boys.

From all accounts the grounds of the estate were beautiful, with trees and flowering shrubs on all sides. Double lilac bushes lined the back drive. And beyond the terrace behind the house, stretched a formal garden, designed by Thomas Sears, a Philadelphia landscape architect. Debut and wedding photographs of the three daughters were taken in the garden; and wedding receptions and at least one debut dance were held on the terrace. At that time the terrace extended not only behind the house but outside the library on the east side, where it was covered by a red tile roof.

Mr. and Mrs. Moss were deeply committed to their community and devoted much of their time to charities and civic organizations. The list of their activities is long. Among many offices, Mrs. Moss served as chairman of the board of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania’s maternity ward committee and as president of the Garden Club of America. As president of the board of Philadelphia Lying-in Charity, Frank Moss effected a merger with Pennsylvania Hospital and served on the hospital’s board of managers for 26 years. He also served as president of the board of the Philadelphia Historical Society, in addition to holding many other offices.

When PCOM purchased the estate in May 1957, the house had stood vacant for more than a year. Unfortunately, it had been vandalized and stripped of most hardware and equipment, the gardens had been looted of flowers and shrubbery, and wild undergrowth and brush had overgrown the grounds.

Broken doors and windows had to be replaced, thousands of feet of outmoded electrical wiring were ripped out, partitions were removed, new walls built to blend with the existing interior, and wood was stained to match paneling. New plumbing, new fixtures, new lighting and drainpipes were installed. And the heating plant was converted from coal to oil and modernized.

On the first floor the fireplace was fixed, tiles reset and ornamental ceilings repaired to make a meeting room for the board of directors. The library would be used later as the president’s office for a few years.

First to move in to the new administration center (after its dedication on June 7, 1958) were: the controller, John DeAngelis, later to become vice-president for financial affairs; his accountants; Jean Hall, purchasing agent; her assistant Virginia Gavigan; secretaries and a receptionist. They occupied first floor offices in the mansion’s former dining room and in the old butler’s pantry and two kitchens to the west of the dining room. Dr. Victor Fisher, director of PCOM’s postgraduate studies and clinical professor of internal medicine, fashioned an office on the second floor, now the office of Robert A. Bressler, director of financial affairs.

Sometime next year, Moss Mansion will have a new name and another set of tenants. The division of financial affairs and its attendant offices will move to 4190 City Avenue, leaving only the alumni office and departments of public relations and psychiatry and neurology. The departments of personnel and security will move in.

But the grace and elegance and memories will remain. And another face will be added to the many faces of the old stone mansion.
**News from the College**

PCOM's president took the "General Patton" impersonation of him at the Founders Day Follies in the good spirit in which it was presented and returned it in kind. Monday morning found him striding into his Community Health class complete with helmet, whistle and official communiqué. Score on Monday: TMR — 2, Students — 1.

Anthony Silvagni, Pharm D, '82, spoke on "The Use of Diuretics in Hypertension," at the joint Pharmacy-Nursing Conference held at Lincoln Hospital, Bronx, NY, in January.

PCOM's basketball team is undefeated so far in both league and non-league play. The hoopsters have beaten Pennsylvania Veterinary, Temple Law, Pennsylvania Podiatric, Villanova Law and Temple Medical.

Virginia Thompson, assistant to the president, has been elected to Inter-community Action, Inc. (INTERAC), as a representative from East Falls. The non-profit community corporation administers a broad range of human service programs, including mental health and mental retardation services, to interested residents of Philadelphia areas.

Margery Ramacher-Gordon '82 (standing) has assisted in the revival of Delta Omega sorority, a women's professional organization. Ruth Purdy Zeller DO '50 (left), member of PCOM's board of trustees, was guest speaker at the first meeting held on January 24. Carol Fox, director of admissions and student affairs is seated at right.

Charles Diehl (center) was honored at a retirement party in January after serving 18 years in the department of financial affairs. Mrs. Diehl is at left and Robert Bressler, director of the department, is at right.

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News from the Hospital and Health Care Centers

Planning a spring luncheon and fashion show (by Suky Rosan) for the Women’s Guild are Mrs. Nicholas S. Nicholas, chairman, (standing) and her committee: (l-r) Mrs. Marvin Blumberg; Mrs. Robert Bressler; Mrs. William Dickerson and Mrs. Stephen Fedec. Proceeds will benefit the hospital.

From the Alumni Office

To bring you up to date on your alumni association: the Fall of 1979 saw the opening of the 89th academic session and the entrance of the class of 1983. The alumni association welcomed the class with a gift to each student of his own “class of ’83” coffee mug.

November brought many of our alumni together at the AOA’s 84th annual convention and scientific seminar in Dallas, TX. PCOM’s alumni luncheon was attended by over 300 people. Dr. Rowland spoke at the luncheon and, with the aid of a newly edited slide presentation, updated the campus developments and highlighted specific areas. An “open house” hospitality suite provided a casual atmosphere for alumni to gather and chat.

Founders Day/Alumni Weekend was a tremendous success. All the events were well attended as hundreds of PCOM alumni returned for the “homecoming.” After the Founders Day Assembly, your alumni board met for a productive session on Friday, January 25. The newly elected officers of the board for 1980 are: Harrison F. Aldrich ’61, Unity, ME, president; Robert S. Maurer ’62, Avenel, NJ, president elect; Gustav V. Conti ’53, Garden City, NY past president; Joseph Pellettiere ’48, Brooklyn, NY, vice president; Robert J. Furey ’52, Wildwood Crest, NJ, secretary; and Galen S. Young ’35, Chester, PA, treasurer.

The general alumni luncheon meeting on Saturday included the announcement of the new appointments and a report to the alumni by Dr. Rowland.

Continuing medical education seminars, coordinated by Spencer G. Bradford ’42, and chaired by William H. Dickerson, DO, FACOI, and John W. Becher, DO, were held throughout the weekend. Dr. Bradford continues to serve as historian for the alumni association.

The highlights of Saturday were the class reunions, cocktail party and the dinner dance. The alumni association

Catherine Woods RN received a certificate of appreciation from Dr. Rowland, recognizing her 27 years of service in the hospital nursery. Head nurse at 48th Street for many years, Mrs. Woods helped to set up the nursery in the new hospital at City Line in 1967.

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Reunions

Alumni may order photos of their reunion classes by sending $2.50 to the Public Relations Department. Please make check or money order out to PCOM.

Please note that not all reunion members were present when the photos were taken. We regret that it was impossible to get all class members in the photographs.

sponsored the reunions of the classes of 1930 through 1975. For the first time, reunion classes partied together for two hours of reminiscing, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a "good old time."

At the dinner dance, alumni president Harrison F. Aldrich presented the association's certificate of honor to Spencer G. Bradford, DO '42, for his outstanding service to the alumni, the college and the osteopathic profession. Dr. Aldrich also presented the members of the class of 1930 their 50 year medallions.

All in all, each event combined for a terrific "homecoming weekend." If you missed this one, mark your calendar for January 23 and 24, 1981 for the next one.

I look forward to working with you and the association. Please stop in the alumni office whenever you are in town.

Hale T. Ruff, Jr.

Alumni Office
Class of 1940
L-r: L. Roy Dunkleberger, Ephrata, PA; William G. Morris, Woodbury, NJ; Betty H. Shultz, Lebanon, PA; Henry F. Perry, Hatboro, PA; Elizabeth Strathie, Newtown, PA; Walter Shultz, Lebanon, PA.

Class of 1945
L-r: Arnold Melnick, Cheltenham, PA; Morton Terry, N. Miami Beach, FL; John A. Cifala, Arlington, VA.

Class of 1950
L-r: William A. Somerville, Jr., Hewitt, NJ; Ruth E. Purdy Zeller, Columbus, OH; William Martz, Steelton, PA.

Class of 1955

Winter
Class of 1960
Kneeling, l-r: Thomas H. Halpin, Levittown, PA; Ronald J. Gelzunas, North Wildwood, NJ; Nazzareno S. Bernardi, Stratford, NJ; Tom Halpin, Jr. (not a class member). Standing, l-r: Seymour Kessler, Cornwell Heights, PA; Charles J. DelMarco, Ormond Beach, FL; Leonard Rosenfeld, Penn Valley, PA; George L. Colvin, N. Woodmere, NY; Barry L. Getzoff, Philadelphia, PA; Anthony LoBianco, Philadelphia, PA; Leonard Schaffer, Philadelphia, PA; Edwin L. Merow, Philadelphia, PA; Lewis Savar, Havertown, PA; Leon Gratz, Elkins Park, PA; Marvin Sultz, Philadelphia, PA; Sanford A. Gordon, Pittsburgh, PA.

Class of 1965
L-r: Robert A. Ball, Philadelphia, PA; Roslyn Gardner, Staten Island, NY; Joseph M. Hassman, Berlin, NJ; James Davis, Grand Rapids, MI.

Class of 1970
L-r: John J. Wasniewski, Jr., Philadelphia, PA; Vincent D. Gielmi, Lancaster, PA; John W. Becher, Jr., Dilworthtown, PA; Robert E. Stedman, Philadelphia, PA; Edward Allan Spoll, Easton, PA; James J. Nicholson, Blue Bell, PA; Jack M. Fireman, Warwick, RI.

Class of 1975

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Alumni News Briefs

1938

Ruth Waddel Cathie, Wilmington, DE—designated as the 1980 “Pathologist of the Year” by the American Osteopathic College of Pathologists (AOCP), in recognition of her service to the profession in general, and to the AOCP.

1951

Philip L. Mouer, York, PA—re-elected to a second term as president of the medical staff of Memorial Osteopathic Hospital, York. Dr. Mouer is co-chairman of the division of proctologic surgery and director of physical medicine.

1956

Stanley Orons, Upper Darby, PA—elected chairman of the surgery department at Tri-County Hospital, Springfield, PA.

Henry Salkind, Youngstown, OH—relocated his offices to 1323 Florencedale Avenue, Youngstown, and 611 Eastland Avenue, SE, Warren.

Andrew A. Trimble, Chamblee, GA, and S. Thomas Greenstone, ’75, Roswell, GA—met recently as high school football team physicians. They were surprised to run into each other as their teams battled it out on the football field. Both doctors have a tremendous interest in young people and have worked with several youth groups in the past. Dr. Greenstone was recently appointed by the Roswell Police Department to the Roswell Youth Council, organized to counsel juvenile offenders.

1957

Anita H. Atkins, Norristown, PA—named president of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Arthur F. DeMarco, Cherry Hill, NJ—named director of anesthesiology for the surgical care unit at Cherry Hill Medical Center. He was recently elected a fellow of the FAOCA.

1958

R. Dale McCormick, York, PA—named chairman of the department of surgery at Memorial Osteopathic Hospital, York. He is certified in general surgery.

1959

Domenic M. Falco, Allentown, PA—elected the 1980 chairman of the professional staff at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital.

1964

Stanford A. Shor, Morton, PA—elected the chief of staff at Tri-County Hospital in Springfield, PA. Dr. Shor, chairman of the department of general practice at the hospital, is a fellow of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

1965

Martin L. Lasky, Huntingdon Valley, PA—appointed medical director at Memorial Osteopathic Hospital in York, PA.

1967

Ronald R. Blanck, San Antonio, TX—appointed chief of medicine at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, TX. He is the first DO to serve as a department chief in a major military teaching center. Dr. Blanck is also the youngest full Colonel on duty in the US Army and one of the first osteopathic physicians to attain that rank.
Arnold Melnick DO '45, FACOP (left), and Morton Terry DO '45, FACOI, are the dean and president of the new Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine in North Miami Beach, FL.

Sheldon P. Wagman, Jenkintown, PA—assumed the position of president of the American Osteopathic College of Neuro-psychiatry at its annual meeting in Dallas. Dr. Wagman, who has been a member of Friends Hospital's (Philadelphia) staff for seven years, is the senior staff psychiatrist and serves as assistant director of adolescent psychiatry on the hospital's specialized Young Peoples Unit.

1968
James L. Harris, Bristol, PA—named attending surgeon at Frankford Hospital.

1969
Jack R. Briggs, Ulysses, PA—assigned to duty on the USS Independence. Dr. Briggs holds the rank of lieutenant commander in the US Navy.

1971
Douglas Ockrymiek, Pine Hill, NJ—appointed to the staff of John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Stratford, NJ. Dr. Ockrymiek was chief resident at the Monmouth Medical Center, Monmouth, NJ.

1973
Robert Labaczewski, Turnersville, NJ—elected chief of the medical staff of Washington Memorial Hospital, Washington Township, NJ. Dr. Labaczewski serves as one of three medical inspectors for the Washington Township school system.

1974
Fred A. Cox, State College, PA—certified by the American Board of Pediatrics. Dr. Cox served his residency in pediatrics at Wilmington Medical Center, Wilmington, DE. He practices in State College.

1975
Michael Centrella, Havertown, PA—announced the opening of his Havertown office specializing in family practice.

Jeffrey I. Jackson, Flint, MI—accepted for membership to the Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, Inc. Dr. Jackson is a resident in radiology at Flint Osteopathic Hospital.

1976
Joseph E. Rogevich, Lancaster, PA—appointed chief resident in anesthesiology at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, PA. Dr. Rogevich will begin a fellowship year on July 1, specializing in regional anesthesia-pain control.

1977
Edward L. Lundy, Cherry Hill, NJ—appointed to the staff of John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Stratford, NJ.

Scott R. Burg, Cleveland, OH—will begin a fellowship in July in rheumatology at the Case-Western Reserve University Hospitals, Cleveland.

1978
Herbert N. Avart, Bala Cynwyd, PA—appointed a first-year resident in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Moss Rehabilitation Hospital, Philadelphia.

Ernest R. Gelb, Wilkes-Barre, PA—appointed primary care physician at the new Exeter Township Medical Center.

Murray Schwartz, Blackwood, NJ—announced the opening of his family medicine practice in Blackwood.

1979
Peter Gent, Philadelphia, PA—and wife, Linda, announced the birth of Justin Morgan, 6 lbs. 14 1/2 ozs., on December 31, 1979.
In Memoriam

Harriet Gosper Miller '28, Philadelphia, PA, died on December 7, 1979. Dr. Gosper had celebrated her 50th reunion at Founders Day/Alumni Weekend, January 1979. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Harry Buck, Jr., and a granddaughter, Harriet Spinka. In a moving tribute to “Gobbo,” her granddaughter wrote: “She had a full and rewarding life laced with determination and accomplishment. Her life span covered the days of the horse and buggy to the space age. She knew poverty and wealth. She survived the depression, weak health, a plane crash, and the loss of two husbands and two children. She served the medical profession for fifty years, bringing new life to the world, and helping usher the sick to their recovery and the elderly to their quiet repose with grace and dignity. She was physician, friend and confidant to all who knew her.”

John W. Sheetz, Jr. '40, Villanova, PA, died suddenly on January 11. He was 64. Dr. Sheetz was clinical professor of otorhinolaryngology, had been a member of the faculty for 37 years and served as vice chairman of the ENT department for six years. A fellow and former president of the American Osteopathic College of Ophthalmology and Otorhinolaryngology, Dr. Sheetz was a clinical examiner in his specialty for the National Osteopathic Board of Examiners from 1958-1964. He served on the professional staffs of eight osteopathic hospitals, including PCOM’s, and maintained a practice in his specialty for 37 years. A photography enthusiast who carried his camera constantly, Dr. Sheetz maintained a photographic atlas in his specialty and prepared five teaching films. He worked for numerous community groups and institutions, including the executive council of the Montgomery County Heart Association and the Valley Forge Council of Boy Scouts of America. He was director of medical services at Valley Forge Military Academy from 1971 through 1973 and consulting physician at the state correctional institution at Graterford. Dr. Sheetz was a Mason, a member of the Union League of Philadelphia, the AOA, the POMA and the Alumni Association of PCOM. He is survived by his wife Dorothy, five sons, his mother Harriet L. Sheetz (a member of PCOM’s Women’s Guild), and two grandchildren.

Leland A. Barnes '53, New York City, died January 11. He had practiced in New York City from 1950 until his retirement in 1972. Dr. Barnes was also a Methodist minister. He is survived by his wife, two sons, two sisters and three grandchildren.

George Holmes, chief engineer of PCOM’s former health care center at 20th and Susquehanna Avenue, died on December 6. He was ’76. George retired in 1973 after ten years of service to the college. As the health care center (which had been PCOM’s North Center Hospital) slowly deteriorated in its last days, George held its equipment together with “Scotch tape, spit and devotion,” to quote a department head. His duties as chief engineer also included plumbing, painting, electrical wiring, and carpentry, all done with a smile and pride in his work. He is survived by his wife, the former Anna Johnson (who served as an LPN in PCOM’s hospital) and three sons.

Loren G. Woodley '40, Allentown, PA, died in December, 1979.

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Hal Edward Tucker ’75, Palm Springs, CA, died suddenly on September 12, 1979.

Paul Elinson, DO, chairman and professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, died suddenly on February 28 in San Francisco. He was 56.

Dr. Elinson had served as a member of the faculty and professional staff at PCOM since 1976. He was certified in both general practice and rehabilitation medicine, and was licensed to practice in New York, Michigan, Missouri, Florida, California and Pennsylvania.

From 1963 to 1974, Dr. Elinson maintained a general practice in New York State. He held a BS degree from the College of New York City in 1945 and his DO degree from Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1962. He interned at Ziegler-Botsford Hospitals, Detroit, MI, and served a two-year residency in his specialty at City Hospital, Elmhurst, NY, and Mt. Sinai Hospital Services, New York City.

He was a member of the AOA, POMA, American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery, American Osteopathic College of Rehabilitation Medicine, American Osteopathic College of Rheumatology, New York State Osteopathic Society and Florida Osteopathic Medical Association.

Dr. Elinson was survived by his wife, Irma Hill, a member of the Women’s Guild; a son, a daughter and his mother.

NURSES ALUMNAE

Ottolie Redman, Pittsburgh, PA, class of 1928, died November, 1979.

Margaret Pontz Rossman, Amarillo, TX, class of 1942, died during the summer of 1979.

Elizabeth Wright, Philadelphia, class of 1943, died during the summer of 1979.
The "Old School" Tie

PCOM has its first official college tie—maroon and gray—and it features the college logo. You may purchase one (or more) @ $10.00, in the college bookstore or send a check or money order (made out to PCOM) to Mr. Vince Albano, bookstore, PCOM.

HELP!

The office of alumni relations and the department of public relations are conducting a search for the oldest living alumnus or alumna by class. Please send us your suggestions.

Also, the public relations department continues to search for class photos to complete the collection in Evans Hall. You may donate your class photo or merely lend it for copying and it will be returned to you. Missing classes are: 1899 through 1919, 1920, 1922, 1926; 1930 through 1939; 1940 through 1949; 1950.

Any and all memorabilia of PCOM—letters, programs, photographs, books, etc.—will be gratefully accepted by the archivist, Dr. Shanker Vyas. We will appreciate your assistance.
Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., accepts his portrait presented for the college library's gallery of distinguished leaders. The surprise presentation was made at the Founders Day/Alumni Dinner along with a moving tribute to PCOM's fourth president.