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PCOM's New President Meets the Family
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PCOM’s Fifth President

As this issue of the Digest went to press, Superior Court Judge J. Sydney Hoffman, chairman of the board of trustees, announced the unanimous election of Dr. Tilley to the presidency of PCOM, effective November 12, 1984.

A graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Tilley completed an internship and three-year residency in radiology at HPCOM. He joined the college’s faculty in 1966 and is currently professor and vice chairman of radiology, and director of nuclear medicine. Also he has been chairman of PCOM’s professional staff for the last two years.

An interview with PCOM’s new president will be featured in the next Digest.
Mayor Proclaims Osteopathic Medicine Week: High Spirits, High Tech, High Touch

Students and faculty crowded into Room 138 to hear and see Philadelphia's Mayor W. Wilson Goode declare National Osteopathic Medicine (NOM) Week in Philadelphia. He presented the proclamation September 19 to Judge J. Sydney Hoffman, chairman of the board of trustees, and J. Peter Tilley, DO, vice president of operational affairs.

The warm smiles and freshly painted welcome signs, reminiscent of a football stadium, were a visible display of the enthusiasm with which students greeted him. The mayor's proclamation paid tribute to the health care contributions of Philadelphia's nearly 800 DOs and three osteopathic hospitals. He spoke longer than originally intended, citing the warmth of his welcome as the reason. The theme of the week was "High Tech/High Touch," a blend of the latest medical advances with osteopathic physicians' traditional hands-on care.

After his remarks, the city's top executive visited the hospital to present gifts to the mother of the first baby born during NOM week. All hospital employees watched the mayor graciously give a NOM Week bib, diapers, and other items to the delighted mother.

Cindy Dudzinski, a hospital employee and president of the Student Associates Auxiliary, issued the invitation to Mayor Goode.

Across town, more than 30 PCOM students set up a booth at the Gallery, the center city Philadelphia retail complex, to provide free blood pressure screenings during NOM Week. Over 700 shoppers and store personnel sat down long enough to be screened for hypertension and blood sugar levels.

Later in the week, students conducted an open house in the college building, Evans Hall, for undergraduates in area colleges. Tours, refreshments, and discussions of osteopathic medicine were on the program.
Galen S. Young, DO, MSc (sur), FAAO, FACOS, DSc (hon), professor emeritus of surgery, will be honored by the college at its annual Founders Day ceremonies, January 25 and 26. The distinguished surgeon will receive the O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal in recognition of 45 years of service to his college, the osteopathic profession and to osteopathic education. The medal is the highest award given by PCOM and is presented annually in memory of the co-founder.

Dr. Young, class of 1935, has maintained a surgical practice for 45 years, earning the gratitude of patients all over the United States. He has taught students, interns and residents for 44 years, chaired the department of surgery and the division of general surgery, and conducted surgical clinics at North Center and 48th Street Hospitals for 35 years. He has served on almost every hospital committee and as chairman of the professional staff.

Devotion to his profession took the form of service as trustee and as president of the local, state and national organizations of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA). In 1959 he served with distinction as president of the AOA during the California crisis. And as a 17-year board member, he organized the AOA’s educational foundation. He has been president of PCOM’s Alumni Association, a 25-year member of the alumni board, and is currently its treasurer. Recently he was elected alumni representative to PCOM’s board of trustees.

The medal recipient will address a Founders Day Assembly on Friday, January 25, in the Medical Office Building, which is to be rededicated as Rowland Hall. The presentation of the medal will be made at the Alumni Dinner Dance on Saturday, January 26 at the Adams Mark Hotel.
# Founders Day/Alumni Weekend

**January 25, 26, 1985**

## Schedule of Events

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<td><strong>CONVOCAITION</strong>&lt;br&gt;Address by Galen S. Young, DO '35, O.J. Snyder Memorial Medal recipient&lt;br&gt;Dedication of Medical Office Building as “Rowland Hall”</td>
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<td>Alumni Class Reunions for the Classes of: 1925, '30, '35, '40, '45, '50, '55, '60, '65, '70, '75, '80&lt;br&gt;Class reunion photos will be taken at 6 p.m.</td>
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Meet the Class of 1988

When new students arrived at PCOM August 23 for registration and orientation, they faced a full program of activities: a round of receptions, open house, formal ceremonies, campus tours. Time was devoted to casual introductions and to getting to know one another until the official opening of the 94th academic year August 27. Then the serious studying began in earnest.

Statistically the 215 students look heterogeneous and bright. There are 61 women, eight veterans and 12 graduate degrees among them. They come from 16

"All ye who enter here, pause and remember that you are entering a profession that depends on your understanding of human compassion. If you feel you are unable, for whatever reason, to lend emotional support to human beings, then turn around and go away."

—Norman Cousins

(quoted by Emanuel Fliegelman, DO, professor of obstetrics and gynecology, in his address to the class of 1988.)
states and 95 colleges; 78 per cent are Pennsylvanians. The average age is 23.

In his convocation address, J. Peter Tilley, DO, vice president of operational affairs, warned the students that "health care has become too expensive, and the health care industry has been self-indulgent. Fiscal constraints are coming from both governmental and private sources of health dollars.

"The economic climate may be different. But the basic needs of our patients are the same. In adapting our practices to economic necessities, we must clearly reaffirm our principles as osteopathic physicians. The focus continues on our patients."

The following month, families of first-year students were invited to a Sunday afternoon open house, where they met classmates and faculty members.
She Brings Warmth to a Cold, Cold Place
“Freeze-up” starts in early October, and barges don’t break the ice until the end of May—but Beth Mulvihill generates warmth, excitement and enthusiasm at the U.S. Indian Health Service in Bethel, Alaska.

Beth Mulvihill, DO, ’82, is a general medical officer with the U.S. Indian Health Service in Bethel, Alaska, 400 miles west of Anchorage. She is the only DO among 14 physicians who staff the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta Regional Hospital in Bethel. All had just completed internships in hospitals in New England, Colorado, Oklahoma and Washington State. And like Beth, who interned at HPCOM, all were returning a year to the U.S. Public Health Service for each year of a two-year scholarship.

“While our common denominator is the obligation to the service,” said Dr. Mulvihill during a visit to PCOM this summer, “We all wanted to serve. All of us wanted to be there.”

“There,” of course, is Alaska, and in particular the 50-bed hospital in Bethel that serves a 100,000 square mile area, plus 48 small villages along the coast of the Bering Sea and on the banks of two major rivers, the Yukon and the Kuskokwim. The total population of the region is 18,000, 88% of whom are native—Yupik Eskimo or Athabaskan Indian.

Dr. Beth Mulvihill is a general duty officer with rotating areas that include the emergency room, hospital wards and office appointments. She is also responsible for health care for four native villages. She maintains daily radio contact with the villages, advising the native community health aides who are trained to deal with such problems as otitis media, strep throat and lacerations.

Twice a year Dr. Mulvihill visits her assigned villages, usually by plane, since barges can make it up the Kuskokwim river only after ice “break up” at the end of May. “Freeze up” starts in early October.

“We see a lot of gonorrhea, hepatitis and t.b.,” she recounted, “as well as frostbite and hypothermia, since in winter months the temperature (with the wind chill factor) is 70 to 90 degrees BELOW zero.”

“Emergencies, we stabilize and medevac to the large Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Fortunately the 737’s can land in Bethel, and we send our serious patients to Anchorage, where most of the specialists are.”

“Here in Alaska, we contact our specialists in Anchorage by phone, which makes me really appreciate the physicians who taught me at PCOM. There was always an attending or a resident to turn to for help or answers. I’ve even made some telephone consults to Philadelphia.”

“I appreciate what I learned at PCOM and the Hospital. Even though the adjustment from academic to primary care medicine was jolting, I was very well prepared for my responsibilities as a general medical officer.”

“Not only have I gained perspective during this year in Bethel, I have a new respect for primary care physicians. Sometimes as a student, I tended to be critical of some physicians, just because they didn’t use a medication or treatment I had been taught to use. Now that I see the multiplicity of roles the primary care physician assumes and his involvement with his patients, I respect his methods. I find myself being counselor, travel agent, psychotherapist and teacher to my patients.”

Dr. Mulvihill has found adjusting to a new culture and new ways of communication a fascinating experience. Part of the Yupik language is silence and delays in answering questions. “Often one waits a long while for an answer to a question, but this is actually part of the language.

“From the Eskimos, I have learned basic values. They are a loving people. They love their families and love to share.” Before she left Bethel she received a necklace of porcupine quills from a native medical records technician as a going away gift. “I have learned a lot from this kind and gentle people.”

As a guest on the local radio station KWVK’s program, “Call the Doctor,” she has spoken out on the many preventable accidents she has seen. “I see so many adolescent patients with head trauma and fractures from carelessness with snowmobiles and RV’s, that I just had to lecture.”

There are not a lot of leisure activities in Bethel, so mostly the off duty physicians watch cable TV or VHS, hold potluck suppers or attend the popular dog sled races.

After a brief visit with her family in Swarthmore, Pa., this summer, Dr. Mulvihill went to the Gallup Medical Center in Gallup, New Mexico for a six-month educational program in obstetrics/gynecology. Currently she’s back in Bethel completing her final year of service. After that? She’s looking forward to a residency in ob/gyn, just where she’s not sure.

About her experiences in Alaska? “I would certainly recommend Alaska as a wonderful opportunity for students. The state is so popular that six- to eight-week rotations in Anchorage or Bethel are booked 16 months in advance. It really gives the student a chance to practice what he’s learned and to assess quickly his own strengths and weaknesses. And it’s fun to learn a new culture.”

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On January 29, 1984, 61 baseball "rookies" reported to the Clearwater, Florida, camp of the Philadelphia Phillies, the 1983 National League Champions. The only thing unique about this group was that their ages ranged from 35 to 74 and their weights from 142 to 290 pounds. The 74-year-old was my father, Henry Kodroff. The 142-pounder was me. For seven days we lived a dream.

A typical day was a wake-up call at 7:15 a.m. followed by breakfast at 8:00. At 9:00 we boarded the team bus for the short trip to the Carpenter Complex, where we entered the clubhouse and put on our official Phillies uniforms with our names on the back. At that moment, the $2,495.00 we paid for Dream Week was satisfied. A brief team meeting was held, and we then went to the field for calisthenics and laps around the field. We dispersed to one of five fields for instruction by our coaches on hitting, fielding, making the double play, catching pop-ups, running bases, stealing and bunting.

At noon we returned to the clubhouse for lunch. As rookies, we were entitled to a cup of soup, which we dipped ourselves from a soup line, Gatorade and Red Man Chewing Tobacco. At this time injuries were treated by the team trainer. There were no serious injuries but several strains, sprains and contusions. After lunch we broke into four teams and played each other in a six-inning game. Even though we played to win, competition was good-natured. Each of us will always remember our first hit, the put-outs made, the handshakes and cheers of our team-mates.

After five days of this routine, we participated in the "Big Game," which was played on Saturday at Jack Russell Stadium, pitting the rookies against the pros. Our game, directed and announced by Chris Wheeler, ended in a 3-3 tie.

The success of Dream Week was due to its organizer, Norman Amster and his staff. But the real credit should go to manager Richie Ashburn and his coaches, Granny Hamner, Chris Short, Tony Taylor, Lee Elia and a special word of praise to Larry Rojas who organized the rookies and to Maje McDonnell who pitched batting practice and made sluggers out of us all.

The most memorable part of Dream Week was the ease with which the pros swapped stories and reminisced with the rookies. We addressed each other by first names, and the pros were completely aware of the dream we were living.

The incident that stands out was the day my dad stroked a single over third base. I was playing on an adjoining field when I heard Larry Rojas, the pitcher, shouting, "Henry hit it, I knew he would hit it." I ran to the field in time to see my 74-year old father beaming on first base as both teams gave him a standing ovation and presented him with the game ball. This is what Dream Week was all about.

Although the week was fun, there was an element of stress. We tried to perform well to impress our peers and coaches. We also wanted to revive previous skills and make our dreams a reality. In an attempt to show the effects of stress on blood pressure, I monitored several blood pressures throughout the day. This was done with a Taylor digital-read-out machine with a printout tape. The results of this limited study revealed that blood pressure does rise under stress even when that stressful situation is a pleasant dream.

Also present at the Dream Week was another father-and-son-PCOM-team. Leon Cattolico, DO, ’74, Cornwells Heights, Pa., and his father Leo. And Morris Rossman, DO, ’69, Holland, Pa.

My dad and I will attend Dream Week again in 2004, maybe with my son. At that time my son will be 43, I’ll be 73 and my dad will be 94.
DO Wins Award for Excellence as Cable TV Producer Host

"There is a great need for mental health and psycho-social information, presented in an understandable manner, to be brought to the public's attention. I am pleased that I could respond to this need."

H. Michael Zal, DO, Bala Cynwyd, Pa., clinical associate professor of psychiatry, always wanted to write a column on mental health. "For some people," he said, "the media is the only way to get up-to-date psychological information." He had even selected the name of the column he wanted to write, "Mental Notes."

The psychiatrist's fantasy, however, turned out to be a Delaware County Cable TV show, called "Mental Notes with Dr. Michael Zal." And the monthly taped talk show, produced and hosted by Dr. Zal, has proved to be so informative that, in its first season, the series received an award for excellence in community programming.

The program was born after Dr. Zal made a successful appearance on cable TV. It took nearly a year for him to write and present the idea as a series. The show is the only one of its kind in the Delaware Valley and is a community service program. Dr. Zal donates his time, and volunteers from Springfield, Pa., operate cameras and serve as audio assistants. Paul Stern, of American Cablevision, directs the program.

The series is seen on Mondays at 4 p.m. and Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. on American Cablevision's Channel 22. It's a combination of topic presentations, patient interviews and professional guest interviews.

During 1983, Dr. Zal featured several faculty members from PCOM. Floyce McCauley, DO, associate professor of psychiatry, discussed problems of parents and children of divorce. Emanuel Fliegelman, DO, FACOOG, professor and director of human sexuality programs, taped a show "Sex After 60 Is Nifty."

According to Dr. Zal, the TV show is designed to answer questions on emotional and psycho-social problems of everyday life; to highlight information on local mental health programs and resources; to help remove the stigma of mental illness and reduce the fears associated with assistance with emotional problems; and to underline the fact that all people, sick or well, are human beings with common needs, desires and feelings.

A full range of emotional problems have been presented, including anxiety, problems of the elderly, alcohol addiction, mental retardation, menopause and the mid-life crisis, modern sexual problems, weight reduction, headache, child abuse, adolescent turmoil, homosexuality and anorexia nervosa and bulimia.
Philadelphia
Fair Entertains
PCOM Family

Fair weather and a fairly frolicsome dunk-me booth made a fair amount of profit for the fifth annual Philadelphia Fair, held September 8 and 9 on the campus. Local media celebrities, whose appearance helped sell raffle tickets, included Harry Gross and Steve Fredericks from WCAU-AM, Howard Eskin from KYW-TV, and Lisa Thomas-Laurry from WPVI-TV. The Seventy-Sixers’ mascot, Big Shot, tickled everyone’s fancy and some people’s children. The fair netted over $11,000, which will be used for new draperies in patient rooms.
"Fighter Doc" Earns Navy Commendation Medal

No sacrifice is too great for my country," says Joseph Piorkowski, DO 1980, (at right in photo) of his assignment to escort superstar Brooke Shields during the Bob Hope Show last December. Most of Dr. Piorkowski's responsibilities as flight surgeon with Fighter Squadron 31 have been challenging in a different way.

Last winter, he was deployed on the USS Kennedy for six months off the coast of Lebanon, where, "in addition to a little doctoring now and then, I flew several combat air patrol missions."

For his two years of service as flight surgeon on the staff of Commander Carrier Air Wing Three, he received the Navy Commendation Medal "... for unparalleled professionalism and innovation ... in the enhancement of medical care on board USS John F. Kennedy and Naval Air Station, Oceana Branch Clinic [Virginia Beach]."

On the day last May when he received the Commendation, the entire crew of the Kennedy earned four additional medals: the Navy Expeditionary Medal; the Meritorious Unit Commendation; and the Battle "E" and Brandenburg Cup for the best ship among the aircraft carriers in the Atlantic fleet.

The fighting DO underwent rigorous training, including familiarization with cockpit and weapon systems, to pass the Naval Air Training and Operating Standardization Program (NATOPS). Now he's qualified as a radar intercept officer on an F-14. "That means I can navigate and fire missiles."

Only after passing NATOPS does one's name grace the canopy of a plane (see photo). "It's standard to have your name on a plane," says the fighting doctor, explaining Navy tradition. "You don't always fly in the same plane, of course. At the end of a cruise, you usually fly 'your' plane in the fly-off; on the day before the ship pulls into home port, there's a ceremonial fly-off, with formations. The custom is to fly the plane with your name on it."

Last November he flew on a challenging 800-mile helicopter medevac mission, picking up a sailor with acute appendicitis from a German ship in the Caribbean and transferring him to a hospital on the island of Martinique. The ticklish part, he explains, is that helicopters have relatively small fuel supplies, and 800 miles stretch the limits of safety. "If we hadn't found the ship, we'd have had no other place to land or refuel." For this evacuation, Dr. Piorkowski and his crew were nominated to be "aircrew of the year" by the National Helicopter Association.

Now stationed at the Naval Air Facility in Washington, D.C., he is serving his second tour as flight surgeon. He was promoted in July to Lieutenant Commander and married in August to Marjorie Eldridge, a former ICU nurse. He attends law school at night; long-term career goals include "an appointed position, perhaps secretary of defense."

With six ribbons decorating his chest, the aviation medicine specialist is understandably bullish on the opportunities in the Navy. "Too many people focus on the discipline and the separation from the family that are part of the Navy—and rightly so. But there are many other aspects of service that are once-in-a-lifetime chances." Like helicopter rescue missions, citations, and meeting Brooke Shields.
New President of the AOA

Stanley N. Wilson, DO, a general practitioner from South Bend, Indiana, was elected president of the AOA, at the House of Delegates meeting in July. Dr. Wilson is a graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, class of 1950. During World War II, he served with the U.S. Army's 752nd Tank Battalion in the European and Mediterranean Theaters of Operations.

Andrea S. Buck, class of 1987, was awarded the Russell C. McCaughan scholarship, for academic achievement and osteopathic motivation. She is married to Murray Buck, DO, Clementon, N.J.

Carol Fox, director of admissions and student affairs, congratulates the 1984 winners of the Dr. Ethel D. Allen scholarships: Terri D. Wilson (center) and Lillian S. Hwee. The $5,000 scholarships are awarded to first-year minority women students by the William Penn Foundation in memory of Dr. Allen, PCOM '63, who was the first black woman elected to Philadelphia's City Council.

Student Featured

Second-year student Gwen Poles was featured in the Delaware County Daily Times, explaining how her dreams have come true. When the diagnosis of sickle cell anemia was made at age 3, her family was told she might not survive high school. But Poles, 31, graduated from Franklin & Marshall College, has had several careers, and is clearly a survivor.

A portrait of the late Dr. Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., former president, was presented to Overmont House on the occasion of its tenth anniversary, September 11. Unveiling the portrait are (from left) Baron Rowland, member of the board of trustees and brother of the late president, Superior Court Judge J. Sydney Hoffman, chairman of the board, and J. Peter Tilley, DO, vice president, operational affairs.

News from The OMCP
Faculty Notes

An article on an experimental PCOM study, "The Somatic Component to Myocardial Infarction" has been accepted for publication by the *British Journal of Medicine*. Authors include **Alex Nicholas, DO**, associate professor of osteopathic principles and practice; **Domenic DeBias, PhD**, professor of physiology and pharmacology, and assistant dean for basic science; **Walter Ehrenfeuchter, DO**, assistant professor of osteopathic principles and practice; **Katherine England, DO**, assistant professor of osteopathic principles and practice; **Robert England, DO**, dean; **Charlotte Greene, PhD**, associate professor of physiology; **David Heilig, DO**, professor of osteopathic principles and practice; and **Michael Kirschbaum, DO**, chairman, division of cardiology.

**Jere M. Boyer, PhD**, professor and vice chairman, department of microbiology, received a grant from the Ben Franklin Partnership of the Advanced Technology Center, whose goal is to create a strong and diversified economy in southeastern Pennsylvania; and matching funds from SmithKline Beckman Laboratories. The grant supports Dr. Boyer’s study of *in vitro* and *in vivo* screening of new antifungal agents. He has also received a second-year grant from the National Osteopathic Foundation to continue studying the effectiveness of the thoracic (lymphatic) pump in the treatment of pneumonia.

**Emanuel Fliegelman, DO, FACOOG**, director of human sexuality programs and professor of obstetrics/gynecology, discussed "sex after 50" at a seminar called "The Middle Years: crises, transitions, resolutions," sponsored by Planned Parenthood of Camden, in October. A member of Physicians for Social Responsibility, he participated in an August 6 nuclear disarmament rally held on the anniversary of the Hiroshima bombing. And *The Female Patient* published an article by Dr. Fliegelman in August concerning the "pelvic model" program, in which a trained "patient" serves as a teaching aide. PCOM is thought to be the first osteopathic college to adopt the program.

**Joseph W. Stella, DO**, clinical assistant professor of emergency medicine at PCOM, received the dedicated service award at the Pennsylvania Osteopathic General Practitioners Society in September; he is director of emergency and out-patient services at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital.

Something new was added to the college calendar when a faculty reception was held on August 21 on the Moss House terrace. Designed to acquaint faculty members in both the basic sciences and clinical specialties with each other before the fall semester, the reception was deemed successful and will probably become a tradition.
Alumni News Briefs

1938
Elias Kaggen, Brooklyn, N.Y.—elected secretary of the New York State Chapter of the American College of General Practitioners in Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

1939
George W. Northup, Paradise Valley, Az.—awarded the Phillips Medal of Public Service from the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine and was keynote speaker at the college’s ninth annual convocation, October 27.

1945
John A. Cifala, Arlington, Va.—elected a trustee of the AOA. A specialist in rehabilitation medicine, he has practiced in the D.C. and Arlington, Va. area since 1947. He is a fellow of the AOCR.

Morton Terry, North Miami Beach, Fla.—president of Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine, one of the charter members of the Survivors Club, wrote to correct a caption in the summer Digest which indicated that the Club was founded 20 years ago. “The fine, thoughtful and generous friend of the PCOM house staff, Dr. Galen Young, founded this organization in 1946, 38 years ago.” The late Harry Binder, DO, then surgical resident, and Dr. Terry, the hospital’s first medical resident, served on Dr. Young’s committee and suggested the name of the club.

1950
Ruth E. Purdy, Columbus, Ohio.—awarded the Phillips Medal of Public Service from the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, October 27. A member of the boards of trustees of PCOM (since 1975) and Doctors Hospital of Columbus, Dr. Purdy is a fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Internists and is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine. At Doctors Hospital, Columbus, she served as director of the intensive care unit-coronary care unit; chief of staff; chairman, department of education; chairman, new procedures committee; and member, planning and policy committee. Her service to

the osteopathic profession has included participation in the AOA Intern Inspection Committee. She is also a member of the Central Ohio Diabetic Association and the Central Ohio Heart Association.

1951
Victor Bove, Lancaster, Pa.—received the 1984 Distinguished Service Award of Millersville University Alumni Assoc. Dr. Bove is assistant superintendent for clinical services at Millersville State Hospital.

1956
Barry D. Walp, Lancaster, Pa.—elected to the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Coroners Association, representing the southeastern region.

1957
Lawrence E. Miller, Short Hills, N.J.—elected a fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathic Surgeons (AAOS). He is the first psychiatrist to receive this degree in recognition of his many services to the Academy.

1960
Floyd Krengel, Asbury Park, N.J.—reelected vice speaker of the AOA’s House of Delegates. A family practitioner, Dr. Krengel is on the staff of the Jersey Shore Medical Center, Neptune, N.J. He is a fellow of the ACGP and is a past president of the AOA.

Raymond J. Saloom, Harrisville, Pa.—received the Frederick Solomon DO Award from the Pennsylvania Osteopathic General Practitioners Society during the September convention in Hershey. The award recognizes a physician whose educational contributions have enhanced the advancement of the osteopathic profession. Given in memory of the late Dr. Solomon, a founder, past president of the society and former vice chairman of general practice at PCOM.

1961

1962
Lawrence Nessman, Wayne, N.J.—served on active duty with the 322nd Army Reserve Hospital when the unit re-opened an Army Hospital in Neubrucke, Germany. Col. Nessman, a volunteer on this mission, commanded four platoons of enlisted medical personnel; while in Germany, he directed a triage exercise, which included other European armies.

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1964
Stanford A. Shor, Morton, Pa. — received the "General Practitioner of the Year" award from POMA during the August convention in Hershey. He is the current president of the POMA.

1966

1969
Sally Ann Rex, Slatington, Pa. — received a master of public health degree from Johns Hopkins University's School of Hygiene and Public Health. Her major emphasis of study was occupational medicine.

Steven L. Edell, Wilmington, De. — elected president of the Greater Delaware Valley Ultrasound Society for 1984-85. He is chairman of radiology and chief of staff at Riverside Hospital in Wilmington.

1971
Gerard M. Papp, Columbus, Oh. — appointed by the governor to serve a three-year term on the Ohio Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Board. Dr. Papp, the first osteopathic physician to serve on this ten-member board, was recently elected its president. Certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Orthopedic Surgery, he is a member of the department of orthopedic surgery at Doctors Hospital, Columbus.

1972
John C. Carlson, West Chester, Pa. — elected vice chairman of the Delaware Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. A private practitioner in Wilmington, De, he is affiliated with Wilmington Medical Center, Riverside Hospital and St. Francis Hospital.

1973
Stephen T. Olex, Allentown, Pa. — elected a fellow of the American College of Cardiology.

Michael A. Zittle, Manchester, Pa. — certified in family practice by the American College of Osteopathic General Practitioners. He is currently medical director of Bowen McLaughlin, Allis Chalmers and Caterpillar Tractor Co. He is a member of the American Occupational Medical Assoc.

S. Thomas Greenstone, '75 Roswell, Ga. — president of the Georgia Osteopathic Medical Association (left), thanks Governor Joe Frank Harris for proclaiming National Osteopathic Medicine Week.
R. Michael Gallagher, Indian Mills, N.J.—presented a paper on “Menstrual Migraine and Propranolol HCL” at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Study of Headache, in San Francisco.

1978

Carlo DiMarco, Philadelphia, Pa.—joined the practice of John J. Kelch, DO, ’42, Drexel Hill in the specialty of ophthalmology. He completed a three-year residency in ophthalmology at PCOM.

Steven D. Kamajian, Pomona, Ca.—promoted to associate professor of family medicine at the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP) and to senior physician at the COMP Medical Center in Pomona.

John C. Pellosie, Jr., San Antonio, Tx.—served in the USAF Medical Corps., at Eglin AFB, Florida for 4½ years. He received a humanitarian medal for his work with Cuban refugees at Camp Liberty. Also he received the Air Force commendation medal and the meritorious service medal for his work on several government projects. He was elected systems command flight surgeon of the year in 1981. In 1983, Captain Pellosie, his wife Elizabeth and son Robby were assigned to San Antonio, where he was selected for an Air Force residency in aerospace medicine. He has completed a master of public health degree (MPH) and plans to complete the aerospace residency at Brooks AFB, Tx.

1979

Domenic J. Bontempo, Jr., Whitemarsh, Pa.—appointed to a two-year fellowship in peripheral vascular surgery at Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania Medical Center. He recently completed a residency in general surgery at Suburban General Hospital in Norristown.


1980

Mark Steven Finkelstein, Philadelphia, Pa.—presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America, November

26. The paper, “Ultrasound Evaluation of the Scrotum in Pediatrics,” was co-authored with three of his MD colleagues at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, where he is a fellow in diagnostic radiology. Also the paper had been presented in Kansas City September 19 at the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine.

Gerald V. Klim, Milton, Pa.—certified by the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He is a physiatrist at the Williamsport Hospital, Harry R. Gibson Rehabilitation Center, in Milton.

1981

Thomas G. Majernick, Scranton, Pa.—completed an emergency medicine specialty at Geisinger Medical Center in June and then bicycled from Oregon to Maine as a vacation. He is currently on the staff of the Emergency Medicine Dept., Mercy Hospital, Scranton.

Frank M. Tursi, Erie, Pa.—designated an aviation medical examiner of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Appointed by Katherine H. Halloran, MD, regional flight surgeon for the FAA at John F. Kennedy International Airport, N.Y.C. Dr. Tursi is authorized to perform Class II & III airman medical exams, which, are required annually for pilots and air traffic controllers.

1983

Patti A. Chambers, Strasburg, Pa.—joined her father, Richard K. Chambers, Jr., in the practice of family medicine in Strasburg where the Chambers have lived since 1959. The third member of the family, Patti’s husband, Scott Deron, ’83, is starting a residency in internal medicine at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. As an intern at York Memorial, he received two awards—one for exceptional ability in obstetrics and one for understanding and humanitarianism.

Karen R. Snyder, York, Pa.—serving a one-year family residency at York’s Memorial Hospital.

Stephen D. Mifsud, York, Pa.—participating in a two-year emergency medicine program at York’s Memorial Hospital.

Anthony Skiptunas, York, Pa.—serving a three-year residency in radiology at York’s Memorial Hospital.
New Appointments

Silvia Ferretti, DO, professor and chairman, physical medicine and rehabilitation, is from Erie, Pa. She is a graduate of Gannon College and PCOM, 1977. She interned at HPCOM, where she received an award for outstanding intern; and completed a three-year residency program in physical medicine rehabilitation at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP), where she was chief resident. From 1982-84 she served as assistant clinical professor in physical medicine and rehabilitation at HUP. She is board certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Rehabilitation Medicine and by the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. Dr. Ferretti is a member of the American Osteopathic College of Rehabilitation Medicine, the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine, and the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. She has participated in 23 CME programs and medical presentations in such varied areas as stroke rehabilitation, pain, amputation and prosthesis, low back pain, sports injuries, wellness, as well as several community lectures on pain, care of the disabled at home, and healing of body, mind and soul. Currently she is editor of the Newsletter of the American Osteopathic College of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

John Edwards, DO, assistant professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, is a Philadelphian. He holds a bachelor's degree in labor management relations, and a master's in education for vocational rehabilitation counseling, both from the Pennsylvania State University. A 1980 graduate of PCOM, he interned at the Baptist Medical Center of New York in Brooklyn, and completed a two-year residency in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Nassau County Medical Center in East Meadow, New York, where he was chief resident. He is a Captain in the U.S. Army Reserve Medical Corps, attached to the 343rd EVAC Hospital, Fort Hamilton, New York. His medical presentations include two, on amputees with delayed healing stumps, to the Annual Assembly of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and to the New York Society. He is married and is the father of a seven-year old son.

Michael Harmelin, DO, assistant professor, anesthesiology, graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1976 and PCOM in 1980. He interned at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital and completed a two-year residency in anesthesiology at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. Last year he completed a fellowship in pediatric anesthesiology at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children. He is board eligible in anesthesiology and is a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists and the International Anesthesia Research Society. He is married and his wife, Mary Jo, is an amateur archeologist, who has been on two expeditions to Egypt.

Robert Newenhuis, BS, MS, PhD, associate professor of anatomy, is originally from South Dakota. He holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan;
Michael W. Rochowiak, PhD, DO, associate professor, ob/gyn, was born in Baltimore, Md. He holds a B.S. degree from Loyola College, Baltimore, a master's degree from the University of Michigan, and a PhD, in anatomy from the University of Nebraska, Omaha, Nebraska. He taught anatomy at Creighton University Medical School and at the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine, before receiving his DO degree from Kansas City in 1972. He interned at Lakeside Osteopathic Hospital, Kansas City, and completed a four-year residency in obstetrics/gynecology at Riverside Osteopathic Hospital in Trenton, Michigan. He taught ob/gyn at the Des Moines, Texas and Kirksville Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine and spent a year in private practice in Corpus Christi, Texas. Dr. Rochowiak is board certified and has published three scientific articles, one in anatomy, two in ob/gyn.

Arlie W. (Pete) Hedrick, DO, instructor, general practice, is a graduate of Ursinus College and PCOM, class of 1982. He interned and completed a residency in general practice at HPCOM. He completed a fellowship at the Royal Victoria Hospital of McGill University at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, in hospice/palliative care. Dr. Hedrick is a recognized consultant in the area of pain management in cancer patients, and a speaker for the American Cancer Society on palliative care. Also he is a member of the National Hospice Association. His special medical interests include ethical treatment and attitudes toward the terminally ill patient. His wife Debbie is a full-time Systems Engineer at General Electric Space Divisions and a part-time professor in mathematics.

Patrick J. Becher, DO, assistant professor, ob/gyn, is a graduate of Villanova University and PCOM, class of 1977. He interned at HPCOM and completed a two-year residency in ob/gyn at Metropolitan and HPCOM and a one-year residency in pathology at HPCOM. He is a candidate for certification by the American Osteopathic Board of General Practitioners. Dr. Becher was named resident of the year by the hospital's Survivors Club. He is married and lives in Abington, Pa.

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New Appointments

Randy Grinspan, DO, assistant professor of emergency medicine, is a graduate of St. Joseph's University and the College of Osteopathic Medicine & Surgery in Des Moines, Iowa. He interned at Metropolitan Central, completed a two-year residency at HPCOM, the last year as a chief resident. His memberships include Psi Chi (National Honor Society in Psychology), and the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians. He is currently eligible for certification in Emergency Medicine and has successfully completed Part I. He is certified by the American Heart Association as instructor and provider in Basic and Advanced Cardiac Life Support and in Advanced Trauma Life Support. He is married and has a daughter.

Susan D. Peck

Susan D. Peck, DO, instructor, ob/gyn, is a graduate of Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and PCOM, class of 1979. She interned and completed a four-year ob/gyn residency at Suburban General Hospital, Norristown, Pa. She is an associate member of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians & Gynecologists and of the Fertility Society, and has published three papers in her specialty. Dr. Peck is married and has one child.

Anthony DiPasquale, DO, clinical assistant professor, emergency medicine, is a graduate of St. Joseph's University, and PCOM, class of 1977. He interned and completed a two-year residency in emergency medicine at HPCOM; and is board certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine and the American Heart Association as instructor and provider in Basic and Advanced Cardiac Life Support. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians. Dr. DiPasquale is married and has one child.

Dennis Guest, DO, clinical assistant professor, emergency medicine, is a graduate of Temple University and PCOM, class of 1979. He interned and completed a two-year residency in emergency medicine at HPCOM, where he was chief resident. He is certified in his specialty by the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine, and the American Heart Association as instructor for Basic and Advanced Life Support and as provider in Advanced Trauma Life Support. He is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians, the American College of Emergency Physicians and is the author of a published article in his specialty. He is married and has two children.

Brian Silverman, DO, clinical assistant professor of emergency medicine, is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College and PCOM, class of 1979. He interned and completed a two-year residency in emergency medicine at HPCOM. He is certified by the American Heart Association as instructor and provider in Advanced Cardiac Life Support and Advanced Trauma Life Support, is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians and the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Dennis Guest

Bruce Margolis

Bruce Margolis, DO, assistant professor, internal medicine, division of pulmonary medicine, is a graduate of Temple University and PCOM, class of 1979. He interned, completed a two-year residency in internal medicine and a two-year fellowship in pulmonary medicine at HPCOM. He is board eligible for certification. His memberships include the American College of Chest Physicians and the American Thoracic Society. Dr. Margolis was selected intern of the year in 1980 and...
twice selected resident of the year. He is married and has two children.

Sanford Levy

Sanford Levy, PhD, assistant professor of radiology. Dr. Levy holds an AB in physics from Hunter College, NY, a master's degree in physics from New York University, and a PhD in mathematical physics from Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana. He was formerly a physicist with the department of radiation therapy and nuclear medicine of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, where he served a fellowship in medical physics. He has taught theoretical optics at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry and was postdoctoral scholar and postgraduate research engineer at UCLA's School of Engineering & Applied Science in Los Angeles. He has published six articles in his specialty.

Joan Gable, DO, clinical assistant professor, emergency medicine, is a graduate of Gwynedd-Mercy College and PCOM, class of 1980. She interned and completed a two-year residency in emergency medicine at HPCOM. She is certified by the American Heart Association as instructor and provider for Basic Life Support, and as instructor and provider in Advanced Trauma Life Support.

Eileen Singer, DO, assistant professor, emergency medicine, is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University, and the College of Osteopathic Medicine in Des Moines, Iowa in 1981. She interned at Kennedy Memorial Hospitals — Stratford Division, and completed a two-year residency in emergency medicine at HPCOM. Dr. Singer is certified by the American Heart Association as instructor and provider in Basic and Advanced Cardiac Life Support and as provider of Advanced Trauma Life Support. She is a member of the American College of Emergency Physicians and the American Medical Women's Association.

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Currently, the American College of Osteopathic Internists is developing a compendium of memorials to Dr. Cathie to recognize his work and highlight his contributions to osteopathic medicine. Naturally, some of Dr. Cathie's anatomical illustrations would complement the issue.

If you have any appropriate illustrations and would be willing to lend them for copying, please contact Ruth Waddel Cathie, DO, 323 New Darlington Road, Media, PA 19063, (215) 459-1279.
In Memoriam

Arthur Weinert '23, Wapwallopen, Pa., died October 9. He was 89. He served in the Army Ambulance Corps during World War I. His Allentown medical practice spanned 53 years. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, a son and daughter.

William Stern Delp '24, Lansdale, Pa., died September 27. He was 91. A U.S. Army veteran of World War I, he practiced in Lansdale for over 40 years. He is survived by a son and daughter.

Warren Edward Baldwin '31, Upper Darby, Pa., died on October 16. He was 76. Dr. Baldwin maintained a general practice, first in Highland Park and then in Upper Darby for more than 50 years; and had retired in 1981. He is survived by his widow and four children.

Joseph L. Sikorski '31, Wilmington, De., died August 30. He was 76.

Harry Bonier '35, Cherry Hill, N.J., died August 24. He was 73. In addition to his family practice in Camden and Cherry Hill from 1935 until 1971, Dr. Bonier was an original member of the medical staff of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Stratford; he served as medical director, vice president of professional affairs and president of the medical staff. The hospital recently dedicated an intensive care unit in his honor. In 1978, NJAOPS named him physician of the year.

Clifford Wayne McClintock '39, Mt. Airy and Lafayette Hill, Pa., died October 27. He is survived by his widow, a son and daughter. Memorials in his name may be sent to PCOM.

Leo J. Robb, Jr. '57, Deerfield Beach, Fla., died in July.

Denise D. Burke-Lewis '83, Philadelphia, died October 11 in a tragic automobile accident on City Avenue near HPCOM. At the time of her death, at age 29, she was in the first year of a psychiatric residency at Norristown Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Christopher Lewis, and her parents, who have created a PCOM scholarship fund in her name. Donations to the Dr. Denise Burke-Lewis Memorial Scholarship Fund may be sent to the Treasurer's Office, PCOM.

Vichazelhu Iralu, PhD, professor and chairman of PCOM's department of microbiology since 1977, died September 13. He was 60. Dr. Iralu was a native of Nagaland, India, earned a BS degree from Presidency College in Calcutta and a master of public health degree and PhD in medical parasitology from the University of North Carolina. He was a noted parasitologist, who had been associate professor of microbiology and immunology at Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, and directed the parasitology and mycology laboratory, a subsidiary of the Upjohn Company, at Hahnemann. He served as assistant chief of microbiology at the William Pepper Laboratory, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and taught pathology at the University of Pennsylvania's Medical School. He was a diplomate of the American Board of Medical Microbiology in public health and medical laboratory parasitology, a member of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, the Medical Mycological Society of the Americas, the American Public Health Association, the American Society for Microbiology (local and national branches) and a consultant in microbiology and public health to the national board of examiners for osteopathic physicians. He had published 23 technical articles and presented numerous seminars, papers and films. His areas of special interest included tropical medicine, hookworm commonly found in the southern United States and organisms involved in sexually transmitted diseases. He is survived by his wife Tefta, a clinical biologist, who assisted his research projects at PCOM, a son and a daughter.

Louise Lyons Moody, class of 1935, Capitola, California, died October 17. In addition to her RN, she held a BS degree in public health nursing. She was the widow of Robert Russell Moody, DO, '41.
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