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An Institution on the Move

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here's a growing sense of excitement on our campus these days, a feeling that we are turning ourselves around, out of the slide we have been in for the past several years. There are many reasons for this renewed optimism; they all indicate clearly that we are an institution on the move.

The most significant development occurred on July 10, when PCOM officially acquired a second osteopathic hospital - the Parkview Division of Metropolitan Hospital. This 214-bed community hospital strengthens and expands our teaching capabilities for our third and fourth year students.

The Parkview acquisition enables us to move ahead in another important direction for the future of our college and our profession: expansion of our postgraduate teaching programs. Within one year's time, we have doubled the number of internship slots available through PCOM to osteopathic medical school graduates, to a total of 68 positions. We have done this by combining the Parkview and City Avenue programs and by forming teaching affiliations with St. Agnes Hospital and Germantown Hospital and Medical Center, two Philadelphia hospitals strongly committed to teaching.

We are expanding our residency programs as well, reinstating programs that had been discontinued in the past few years, bringing others back home, and looking to begin others that never had been offered. Our goal is to offer postgraduate training for our osteopathic graduates that is competitive with allopathic programs throughout the country. This will offer our students a valid reason to choose osteopathic, rather than allopathic, residencies.

Despite a downward trend in applications to medical schools, and the uncertainty at our institution over the past year, August brought us a strong freshman class. We look forward to building a bright future with these 221 men and women who represent the future of our profession.

The changes we are making are not being done in a haphazard manner. We are in the process of finishing a strategic planning process that includes a comprehensive master facilities plan. This plan, which will be completed by the end of September, will guide us in expansion and improvement of our campuses and in the development of programs to better position our hospital in the marketplace. In the coming months you will be hearing more about the strategic plan and the actions we are taking as a result.

Clearly we are on an upward swing. As you read this issue of DIGEST you will see evidence of the change. It is apparent even as you look at your alumni publication, which has been newly designed and updated, reflecting the movement on our campus.

While these are hectic and exciting times for PCOM, we still have a lot of work to do. However, we cannot do it without your assistance. You have been responsive through a difficult transition; I hope you will continue your interest in and support for your alma mater as we continue our move toward a strong future for our college and our profession.
It took three months of intense planning and negotiation, but on July 10 hope became reality as Metropolitan Hospital's Parkview Division officially became Hospital of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine - Parkview.

The next day a cheering crowd watched a workman in a cherry-picker lift off the large black metal Metropolitan Hospital logo and lettering from the front of the building on East Wyoming Avenue, exactly one year after Metropolitan Hospital had declared bankruptcy and plunged the 214-bed community hospital into an uncertain future.

For PCOM, the acquisition of the acute-care hospital in Philadelphia's Juniata Park section for $8 million bought the College far more than an additional clinical care facility. By doubling the number of teaching beds available to PCOM students, the joining of Parkview and PCOM strengthened the clinical teaching component of the College, adding depth and breadth to the training opportunities available both at the undergraduate and postgraduate training levels.

"Parkview is now an extremely important part of our osteopathic medical school. The additional beds give us the opportunity to improve our teaching, attract more students, provide additional internship and residency programs, and re-establish residency programs in every specialty. We are building from the inside out, and we will prove that we can be a major presence in osteopathic medical care in the city of Philadelphia. But we can't be complacent. For our college to survive in the face of increasing inroads from allopathic medical colleges we have to be competitive. This means we have to do a better job training our students, interns and residents," he continued.

One way to provide better training is to merge postgraduate programs at the smaller hospitals with larger, stronger training programs from other institutions. "This improved training will produce academic and clinical instruction programs that offer greater opportunities to our graduates, and give osteopathic students confidence that they are getting an excellent education," Dr. Finkelstein said.

That strengthening is already apparent in the opportunities offered to next year's internship class. Affiliation agreements with two other Philadelphia hospitals, St. Agnes and Germantown, create a 900-bed training ground that enables the College to offer internships to 68 graduating students, more than double the number of positions currently available.

The Parkview acquisition also provides an opportunity for PCOM to expand its residency programs. Pediatrics and ob/gyn residencies will be offered again at City Avenue in the fall of 1990. In addition, plans are underway for psychiatry and dermatology postgraduate programs.

"I think it's obvious that we are an institution on the move," said Dr. Finkelstein. "We are moving toward better education for our students, greater financial stability and all-around growth. This is an ideal position to be in as we look forward to our 100th commencement next June."
New Maternal-Infant Unit Provides Greater Patient Care and Teaching Opportunities

It was a long gestation -- almost two years -- but everyone agrees it was worth the wait.

The "arrival" on July 17 of the new Maternal-Infant Unit at Hospital of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine/City Avenue marked a milestone in the development of the entire institution, according to Leonard H. Finkelstein, DO, president and chairman, who cut the ribbon to officially open the unit.

"The completion of this state-of-the-art unit makes us competitive with area hospitals. We now have the makings for an outstanding teaching program," said Dr. Finkelstein.

To celebrate, preview tours were held on Sunday, July 15. Two days later the unit was officially opened with a mid-afternoon open house and tour. Hospital administrators, staff and employees were invited from 2 to 5 p.m. to view the facility and enjoy refreshments, including a cake decorated with the baby in the hard hat that had become the symbol of the construction process.

Galen S. Young, Sr., DO, chancellor of PCOM, also addressed the crowd of more than 150 staff and employees. "The opening of this unit is really a great occasion. We have one of the most beautiful maternal-infant units in the city of Philadelphia and I think we can look forward to having one of the best medical teaching institutions in the city. It is a great day of success and one of the happiest days of my life," said Dr. Young.

The Maternal-Infant Unit features four labor/delivery/recovery (LDR) suites, eight single-bed and two, two-bed postpartum rooms, two emergency and Caesarean delivery rooms, a nine-bassinet nursery and a Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

The LDR suite has the amenities of a luxury hotel. "Guests" are given a single room with a view, private bathroom with shower and whirlpool bath, hair dryer, refrigerator, telephone, television, pastel-colored wallpaper with matching curtains and beds, and a rocking chair.

LDR suites have become popular because they combine a "high-touch" approach to childbirth with "high-tech" equipment and capabilities. In LDR suites all steps of the birthing process happen in one room. The mother doesn't have to be moved from room to room for each stage of childbirth.

Although the LDR suites provide a hotel-like atmosphere, the environment is equipped for routine and emergency medical needs. Occupying one-third of the room and separated from the patient's bed by a curtain is medical equipment for infant resuscitation. In the headboard above the bed is equipment for routine medical procedures, such as fetal monitoring and blood pressure checks.

During the planning and construction of the Maternal-Infant Unit, great attention was paid to detail. For example, when visitors step off the elevator at the second floor they are greeted by a windowed area where they can view the fully-equipped nursery and its new arrivals. Graduated steps outside the nursery window allow proud new brothers and sisters to easily view their siblings. For security, the area has limited access. Visitors must press a buzzer for admittance.

Doors open to the nurses' station and the post-partum rooms, where mothers stay until they are discharged from the hospital. Next are the LDR suites. Toward the middle of the well-lit, pink and blue papered hallway is another nurses' station, followed by two new delivery rooms for emergency and Caesarean deliveries. Around the corner is the Level II NICU, where sick and premature infants are cared for until they are transferred to the nursery or sent home.

Hospital of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine/City Avenue provides a full range of services to women of all ages. Obstetricians, gynecologists and certified nurse-midwives offer wellness check-ups, prenatal examinations and counseling, and several labor and delivery options, including obstetrician/traditional births, midwife-assisted births and family-centered births, where family members are present.

The Hospital's Department of Family and Parenting Services offers programs in childbirth education, as well as parenting workshops, playgroups, counseling and adolescent maternity services. New parent orientations, which include a tour of the Maternal-Infant Unit, are available through the Department.

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Grants & Gifts

Richard M. Kreibiel, PhD, associate professor of anatomy, was recently awarded $18,900 by the AOA board of trustees in support of his research, "Effect of Ventriculomegaly on Neurochemical Anatomy of Cranial Contents."

Kramer-Warner Associates Aid the Hospital

A $1,000 gift to the Hospital of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine was made by Kramer-Warner Associates of Newtown Square, PA. The gift will be used to help expand the Hospital's community service programs. It was made possible through a matching grant feature of Continental Insurance's Community Circle Program.


Brian J.N. Stark, PCOM '93, "Gerosexuality... A New Area of Study... Hopefully," Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association Journal, April-May-June 1990.

Grants&Gifts

A $10,000 Rural Training Grant Received

PCOM is using a recently received $10,000 grant to expand its rural general practice training for students. Through the generosity of the Benjamin and Mary Siddons Measey Foundation, fourth-year students now have access to 10 rural training sites across the state.

In addition, the one-year grant enables the College to increase its clinical training rotations from three to four months. This means that fourth-year students will now spend two months in an urban general practice setting, and, for the first time, they will receive an equal amount of training at one of the 10 rural sites.

Assistant Dean for Clinical Education Robert Berger, DO, '58, commented on the changes made possible by this grant. "PCOM is one of the few medical schools in the nation to offer its students both rural and urban general practice rotations," he said. "This grant enables students to have equal opportunity for two types of training experience — the more structured, didactic training that comes with an urban setting, and the hands-on training inherent in the rural sites."

$30,000 Educational Innovation Grant to PCOM

Patrick Coughlin, PhD, assistant professor of anatomy, and PCOM student Mark Hysell, '92, received a $30,000 grant to combine computerized images and animation into a sophisticated educational software program known as "The Dynamic Spine."

The grant was awarded by the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine/Smith Kline Beecham FOCUS Program. The creative team will develop a computerized educational tool for use by students of anatomy and other sciences. It will also be designed to teach osteopathic manipulative medicine and related spinal anatomy.

CountryRoads

Come to Laporte October 13th for the 20th Anniversary

Over 2,500 alumni and students have fond memories of their upstate, "you-can-see-anything" rotations at the Sullivan County Medical Center. There were the long evenings of continuing medical education with conviviality at good ol' Blasi's Cafe across the road.

Invited to this gala, all-day Open House to celebrate Laporte's 20th anniversary are the former medical directors and all PCOM alumni and students who served rotations in Laporte. For this one day, the old Makoma Inn at Main and Muncy Streets will be opened to those who lived and worked there back in the 70s.

The Pennsylvania foliage will be parading its full glory in mid-October, an additional reason to visit Laporte on October 13th. Your signature may still be there on Blasi's wall. Reservations can be made at the Pine Tavern Motel, Laporte Hotel, Eagles Mere Inn or the Red Fox in Dushore.

Four Straight Championships for PCOM Rugby!

The burly PCOM Rugby Football Club masticated MIT (24-6) to win its fourth straight USA-Rugby East Graduate School Championship and reign supreme. The College hosted this year's tournament on its new Alumni Athletic Field, where it never surrendered the high ground or the advantage to its opponents.

Rugby East includes 20 graduate school teams and is the only territorial union to hold a graduate school play-off. PCOM's team plays spirited rugby under the able coaching of Walter Prozialeck, PhD, professor, physiology and pharmacology. Hale T. Pefall Jr., executive director of alumni relations and development, again provided strong support in organizing the event.
Up Up and Away
PCOM Admits a Class of Students Who Push the Basic Indicators Upward

Director of Admissions Carol Fox is thrilled about the Class of 1994. She's excited about class data showing that PCOM continues to attract top students.

This year, the College even reversed one indicator adversely affected by demographics. “For the first time in three years,” says Fox, “our applicant pool actually increased. We received a total of 890 applications, representing a 9 percent increase over 1989. By comparison, the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine reported that osteopathic colleges generally experienced an increase of only 2 percent.”

The MCAT scores were also higher this year, indicating that the College is drawing more high achieving students as well as more applicants. The MCAT score average of the entering class was eight points above that of the previous class.

A Stellar Record
The academic qualifications of the new class are well represented by first-year student Steve Sanet, who comes to PCOM with a cumulative GPA of 3.92. “The only smudge on my undergraduate record is the B+ I got in one course,” he confesses. Nevertheless, he's happy about early admission to PCOM after three years at Penn State and Villanova.

One slip seems negligible considering that he was running his own business 40 hours a week while carrying a full academic load. Sanet's Karate Studio in Springfield, PA, gained a reputation for innovative work with mentally handicapped children. And the DOs he met over the years impressed him as being more conscientious about total patient care.

Sanet liked osteopathic treatment as much as he disliked the way other medical schools in the area treated his early inquiries and requests for campus tours. “Their stand-offishness was an instant turn-off,” he says. “But Carol Fox was very helpful; every one I met here was really involved with students. I was only an undergraduate freshman at the time, yet they couldn’t do enough for me.”

GPA and was inducted into the honor society for part-time students. “I started as a fashion merchandiser, but when I hit chemistry I loved it. Science intrigued me, so I headed in that direction.”

Then she studied at Temple University. Blackwell chose PCOM because of her personal experience with osteopathic industries meet OSHA standards on worker exposure to hazardous materials and taught at EPA approved training centers in Maine and Boston.

Ball then worked in San Francisco until the big earthquake ended her daily commute across the Bay Bridge. She then left for Los Angeles to prepare for the MCAT. Her parents, Robert Ball, DO, ’65, and Roberta Ball, DO, ’80, came to the AOA convention in Anaheim last November; she joined them at the PCOM alumni luncheon. Carol Fox talked about the new DO/Master of Public Health program with Temple University, and everything suddenly fell into place for Lauren Ball.

“I applied to PCOM because the new program will enable me to cross back over into the occupational safety and health field,” says Ball. “It all ties together beautifully. I’m currently pursuing certification as an industrial hygienist (CIH) through the American Board of Industrial Hygiene. Some day I’ll be proud to have after my name the letters DO, MPH, CIH. That’s what I’m shooting for.”

Second Career Students
The College has always looked favorably on qualified candidates who feel destined for medicine after starting other careers. Twenty-two members of the freshman class are over 30 and changing direction by entering PCOM. Kathryn Blackwell of Mt. Ephriam, NJ, is a 35-year-old mother whose son was born three months premature; she was visiting him twice daily in neonatal intensive care while cramming for the MCAT.

“After 15 years my career was going nowhere,” says Blackwell. “I started as a secretary and ended as a secretary, and I was determined to change that.” The new tack took her to Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science, where she had a 3.89 GPA and was inducted into the honor society for part-time students. “I started as a fashion merchandiser, but when I hit chemistry I loved it. Science intrigued me, so I headed in that direction.”

The New DO/MPH Program
Occupational safety and health is the consuming passion of Lauren Ball, who worked as an industrial hygienist in Maine for four years after receiving her Colby College degree in biology/environmental science. Her consulting firm served paper mills, asbestos abatement projects and Navy shipyards. As a consultant, Ball helped

A Preventive Medicine Officer
At age 29, he has seven years of Army service already behind him. Captain Don Robinson, PMO (Preventive Medicine Officer), left the Army only days before PCOM classes began. Earlier he had taken leave time to attend the College’s Summer Start program and get back into the academic swing. “The program was a good review covering areas where first year students often get hung up,” he says.

Long ago Robinson realized that college was the first step toward becoming a physician. “I’m proud that I made it to undergraduate school,” he says. “I had good grades, but no one in
Embracing a medical career are (left to right) Joe Micchia, Don Robinson, Steve Sanet, Lauren Ball and Kathryn Blackwell.

DO/MPH Program Prepares Physicians to Serve as Public Health Officials

**Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and Temple University** are offering a cooperative program that enables students to earn a Master of Public Health degree in addition to the Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) degree.

The five-year program is offered to first-year PCOM students in good standing after acceptance and completion of PCOM's first year, and will officially be in effect in the fall of 1991 for sophomore students.

The joint degree will prepare physicians to serve as public health officials and to fill positions in community, government, and health care agencies. MPH degree programs are particularly important since the MPH degree is becoming a requirement for certification in the emerging specialty fields of occupational medicine and environmental medicine.

my family had ever gone to college or knew how to help me get there. So I joined the Army for four years and learned the ropes before entering Bowie State University as a biology major. Then I served three more years as a Medical Service Corps officer to pay off my college debt and satisfy Army Reserve obligations."

He could be sent anywhere at anytime while attached to the Airborne Special Forces Group at Ft. Bragg. Robinson saw frequent duty in Central America under a DO who was chief PMO for the Southern Command. "He took the time to teach me about preventive medicine and osteopathic medicine, and he really impressed me," Robinson says. "That training, along with three months in Panama, gave me a lot of experience with trauma and tropical diseases."

**And Pinpoint Passing**
PCOM's rugby team may entice Joe Micchia over to the Alumni Athletic Field for a friendly game. Micchia comes to PCOM after playing professional arena football all summer with the Pittsburgh Gladiators. The ace quarterback missed his commencement at Westminster College when the pros drafted him with a eye on his phenomenal 31-0 college record, his pinpoint passing accuracy and two NAIA Division Two championships.

"I've always wanted to be a doctor, but I've always wanted to play professional football too," says Micchia, who lives in Sharon, PA. "At least it was a great summer job. If it weren't for the Gladiators I probably would have been working in the mills."

"Western Pennsylvania is DO country," he says, "and when you mention the names Conti and Henwood around here most people know them." Micchia is referring to some mentors — Joseph Conti, DO, his family physician, and William Henwood, DO, '76, chief of surgery at Shenango Valley Medical Center. "And my good friend Gary Voytik, a third-year student, is so excited about PCOM that he sold me on the place. Now I'm excited about the challenge ahead, at the same time . . . nervous."

**Student & Alumni Recruiters**
Carol Fox comments that PCOM students are playing an increasing role in recruitment efforts. "The Society for the Advancement of Osteopathic Medicine has a very active chapter on campus," she says. "Our students visit colleges to speak to prospective applicants from a student's point of view, and it's very effective. They also coordinate the tour program and student activities on interview day and maintain phone contact with those accepted."

The Admissions Office is also grateful for the work of the Alumni Recruitment Network. "Our family practitioners across the state are becoming more intentional about the influence they can have on students in the community," says Fox. "They take pride in their own training and are glad to recommend the profession and PCOM to students interested in medicine. The Class of 1994 shows it."

by Ralph Weltge
"This Joyous Gathering of Our Family"
The 99th Commencement, June 3, 1990

Pomp and Joyful Circumstances
Under the Academy of Music dome with its ornate frescoes and baroque goldleaf, they march down the aisle in gown and mortarboard. The procession follows a mace symbolizing the sovereign authority of the College to grant the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy.

One hundred and ninety-eight young men and women can barely maintain the solemnity required by the event. All their hopes, fears and years of preparation for this moment verge on exploding in cheers . . . and tears of joy.

Something Special
"For 28 years I’ve been waiting to speak to you," says President Leonard H. Finkelstein, DO, "and now I have a chance." He speaks of the history and special genius of osteopathic medicine, the changing climate of health care and his vision for the college administration:

"We will expand to develop strong residency programs, and we will affiliate and amalgamate to provide the best possible training . . . . It is my goal to strengthen our program so that you will choose it because it is the best . . . . I want to hear and feel and know that we are the best medical school in the country, and then we’ll really be something special."

Chancellor Investiture
Galen S. Young, Sr., DO, ’35, participating in his 55th commencement and now elevated to the post of Chancellor, charges the 60 women and 168 men in the Class of 1990:

"To the graduating class I would say, be a scholar all your life. Be proud that you’re an osteopathic physician. Take this as your service motto — always put service above self. Have faith in a higher power. Practice what your peers have taught you and go out and grasp, yes, grasp for the stars. And if you do these things, you will have a very satisfying and happy life."

Professor Emeritus
David Heilig, DO, ’44, beloved professor to generations of students, is called forth to be honored. Dean Daniel L. Wisely, DO, expresses the admiration of the PCOM college community:

"Dr. Heilig, you have given in great measure to our profession and to our college. Your tremendous enthusiasm for teaching, your intellectual generosity and your commitment to the osteopathic profession have earned you many honors. Today we add one more, among the highest honors that we can bestow, by conferring upon you the title of Professor Emeritus. We recognize your dedication and thank you very much."

The Magic Moment
First come the postgraduate degrees. A Master of Science degree in Otorhinolaryngology is conferred on Joseph P. Olekszyk, DO, ’85; and Robert L. Fiorelli, DO, ’84, receives a Master of Science degree in Urology.

Dean Wisely then says, "Dr. Finkelstein, I have the honor to present the Class of 1990, each of whom has successfully completed the requirements . . . . I present them, sir, to receive at your hand the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy."

Hooding and Oath Taking
In keeping with College tradition, 32 graduates who are the relatives of DOs proudly receive their hoods from their family members. The Osteopathic Oath is taken by the class, and Dean Wisely says at last, "You may now move your tassels from the right to the left. Now that feels better, doesn’t it?" After the sustained applause quiets down, he gives his final commission to the Class of 1990:

"You have achieved your goal, you are now osteopathic physicians. You are well prepared for the future, and I am confident that each of you will find a great reward in your chosen career. Serve well your profession that it may better serve you."
At the drop of his Panama hat, Chancellor Galen S. Young, Sr., DO, begins to tell fascinating stories about people who have become College legends or about the changing fortunes of the osteopathic profession. This elegant gentleman has been a premiere actor in both arenas for over half a century and knows the events firsthand.

A favorite is his encounter with General Dwight D. Eisenhower in Colorado Springs, where Dr. Young was leading a surgical symposium and the soon-to-be-nominated president was vacating. Armed with a door-opening letter from Senator Duff, Dr. Young chatted with Eisenhower, who discovered their birthplaces. Both had strict upbringings in the Brethren church, did hard summer farm work and saw their first movie in order to get osteopathic treatments in the Ike! twas their "I are the current appropriations for osteopathic golly, Snyder was a very dynamic, sacrificial and fearless man with a thick German accent. He used to play poker down at the shore with his three cronies — Henry Herbst, DO, the Cadillac Man, and D.S.B. Pennock, DO, MD, who took me along as his intern at the time to his shore home. When I was out on the beach I could hear them arguing in Pennock's house a half a block away.

"O.J. would come into staff meeting and say, 'Now gentlemen, ladies, this institution must continue. I may be in jail next week, I don't know. The MDs are after me again, and the Philadelphia Medical Society threatens to lock me up. I don't want to go, but if I go to jail I go to jail. Yet this institution shall continue. That's it.' He was a maverick, no question about it, a very determined osteopath who fought for what he believed. People either loved him or hated him, there wasn't much in between.

"O.J. got D.S.B. Pennock, a Kirksville man, to take an MD degree at Hahnemann in order to become the founder and first chairman of PCOM's department of surgery. I was one of his early residents and worked under my chief for five years. After I got pretty good at it, Pennock would scrub and dress but just sit on a chair in the operating room. If I ran into something that wasn't in the book, I'd say, 'Dr. Pennock, I find such and such and believe it is thus and so."

"He'd walk over, look at it and say, 'Now Galen, I had a case like this and here is what I did . . .'. That's surgical wisdom that you can't get from books. I did hundreds of cases before I could solo and knew I was on my own when Pennock didn't even bother to scrub any more."

Dr. Young went on to work under some of the finest surgeons, including Doctors Lahey and Catell at the Lahey Clinic in Boston. Thousands of cases and 54 years later, he is still approached while dining out by former patients who say, "Remember me, you operated on me 25 years ago."

Dr. Young was bound to emerge on the larger stage of the profession, first POMA and then the AOA, where he served as trustee for 18 years. As AOA president he inherited the whirlwind of the California secession, which he calls "my worst, most harassing experience. I walked the floor often during that episode," he remembers. Peers credit him with showing superb political and diplomatic skills in what came to be the pivotal crisis of the profession's history.

For 44 years, Dr. Young has listened and offered sound words of advice to successive generations of graduates, interns and surgical residents, earning their gratitude along with the respect of the osteopathic and allopathic communities. One of his many claims to fame in the College community is his founding of the Survivor's Club in 1945 for interns and residents of the Hospital. He is especially gratified to be a fellow in the prestigious College of Physicians of Philadelphia.

Chancellor Galen Young sounds like O.J. Snyder himself when expressing his passionate concern for the welfare of the College. "I'm not going anywhere," he says, "the only thing I care about is PCOM. My life's blood is in this institution, and I won't let anything happen to it."

by Ralph Welte
New Chairmen Appointed at College, Hospital

Several physicians have been named to head departments at PCOM and the Hospital of PCOM. Those educators/clinicians recently assuming their academic and clinical responsibilities are:

- **Herbert N. Avart, DO**, professor and chairman, department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.
- **Linda Anne Haegele, MD**, assistant professor and chairman, division of Hematology and Oncology, department of Internal Medicine.
- **Carlo J. DiMarco, DO, MSc**, professor and chairman, department of Ophthalmology.
- **Nancy M. Renzi, MD**, professor and chairman, department of Psychiatry.
- **Saul Jeck, DO**, professor and chairman, department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

**Ronald A. Kirschner, DO, MSc**

Dr. Kirschner brings to PCOM more than 20 years of experience in otorhinolaryngology and facial plastic surgery, including innovative laser surgical techniques. A graduate of New York University, he completed his medical education at PCOM in 1966. He pursued an internship at Le Roy Hospital in New York City and completed his residency training at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, OH, and the Hospital of PCOM. In 1972, he joined the faculty of PCOM as an assistant professor in surgery and was a clinical professor until his recent appointment.

A widely known speaker at medical conferences, Dr. Kirschner has presented over 200 professional lectures, papers, seminars and workshops in the United States and abroad. He is an editorial consultant for the *Journal of the American Osteopathic Association* and is a contributing editor of *Photonics Spectra* and *Laser Applications*, where he writes a monthly column on laser medicine and surgery. Active in a number of professional societies, Dr. Kirschner is president of the Institute for Applied Laser Surgery and chairs the committee on medicine and biology of the Laser Institute of America.

Among his professional awards are the 1974 Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching at PCOM and the 1984 Outstanding Survivor Award by OMCOP for distinguished service to the College, the profession, and humanity. In 1988, Dr. Kirschner was nominated to the National Academies as a Distinguished Practitioner and last year was elected as a Fellow to the Philadelphia College of Physicians. Most recently, he served as a NATO visiting professor at the Center for Scientific Culture at the International School of Quantum Electronics in Erice, Sicily.

**Herbert N. Avart, DO**

After graduation from Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, GA, Dr. Avart earned his degree from PCOM in 1978. He completed his internship at Southeast Medical Center in North Miami, FL, and his residency training in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Temple University. Avart pursued a Fellowship in brain injury rehabilitation at Moss Rehabilitation Hospital, Philadelphia, PA, through the Drucker Brain Injury Center, and completed postgraduate studies in head trauma and stroke therapy at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital, Downey, CA, and the Motor Control Analysis Lab at Moss. He is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Dr. Avart has published in the medical literature and has presented at medical conferences on topics ranging from neurologic and pain rehabilitation to treatment for spinal cord and traumatic injuries. His professional memberships include the American Osteopathic Association, the American Academy and American Congress of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, the American Academy of Pain Medicine and the Board of Directors, Pennsylvania Association, National Head Injury Foundation.

**Linda Anne Haegele, MD**

A graduate of Temple University, Dr. Haegele earned her medical degree from Temple's School of Medicine. She completed her internship and residency training in Philadelphia PA, at Albert Einstein Medical Center's Northeast Division and pursued a Fellowship in hematology and medical oncology at Hahnemann University Hospital.

Dr. Haegele is a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine. She has published several papers in the medical literature concerning carcinoma, chemotherapy and biomedical safety.

Her professional memberships include the American Medical Association, the American College of Physicians, the Pennsylvania Medical Society and the Philadelphia County Medical Society.

**Carlo J. DiMarco, DO, MSc**

An alumnus of La Salle College, Dr. DiMarco is a 1978 PCOM graduate and holds a master of science degree in ophthalmology. He completed his internship and residency training in ophthalmology at the Hospital of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. DiMarco has been published widely on innovative methods for treating patients with both common and rare eye problems. He has a private practice in Drexel Hill, PA.

**Robert Berger, DO**

Dr. Berger earned his undergraduate degree from Temple University and graduated from PCOM in 1958. He pursued his internship at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital and a pediatric preceptorship at Delaware Valley and Parkview hospitals. In 1976, Dr. Berger joined PCOM's faculty as assistant professor, Pediatrics, was promoted to associate professor in 1978 and then full professor in 1984. Since 1986, he has served PCOM as assistant dean for clinical education. He will continue to hold that position in addition to his new role as chairman of Pediatrics.

Dr. Berger is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics and is a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians, the Ameri-
can Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine and the Philadelphia College of Physicians. He has been published widely in medical and scientific publications on various topics in pediatrics.

Nancy M. Renzi, MD,

Dr. Renzi joins PCOM from Norristown State Hospital, where she had been assistant administrator of the intensive treatment unit, clinical director of the subacute unit and a faculty member of the residency training program.

A private practitioner in Norristown and South Philadelphia for several years, Dr. Renzi was staff psychiatrist at Montgomery County Geriatric and Rehabilitation Center. She has served on the staffs of Sacred Heart Hospital, Montgomery Hospital and Methodist Hospital. She is certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

Dr Renzi is a graduate of Hahnemann Medical College and Villanova University. She interned at Misericordia Hospital and completed a residency in psychiatry at Medical College of Pennsylvania.

Saul Jeck, DO

Dr. Jeck brings to his new position more than 30 years of clinical and teaching experience in obstetrics and gynecology. Until his new appointment, he had been a clinical associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology at PCOM. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and the Des Moines College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery, he served an internship at Metropolitan Hospital and his obstetrical and gynecology residency at Parkview Hospital. Since 1982, Dr. Jeck has been chairman of the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at HPCOM/Parkview.

A Fellow and former president of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists, he has received that organization’s Outstanding Service Award, President’s Award and Fellows Award.

Recognized by the Four Chaplains Legion of Honor, Dr. Jeck also received the Simon M. Lubin Award in obstetrics and gynecology from Parkview in 1986 and the American Medical Association Physician Recognition Award in 1987.

Certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Dr. Jeck is a member of Lambda Omicron Gamma, a past president of its Calvaria Chapter, and a member of Psi Sigma Alpha National Osteopathic Scholastic Society. He is a former member of the board of directors of Delaware Valley Medical Center.

Hale T. Peffall, Jr., Named Director of Development

Hale T. Peffall, Jr., is one of the few people who can say he knows "at least one-half the living alumni of the College." Peffall will meet more alumni and others in his new position as Director of Development. He will also continue as Executive Director of Alumni Relations, which he has been for the past 11 years.

During his 15 years at the College, Peffall has met the students, now alumni, in his roles as Assistant Director of Admissions and Student Affairs, and Assistant to the Dean. In addition Peffall has had a strong association with students through his participation in the athletic program, particularly rugby, where he is a principal organizer.

As Director of Development, Peffall will direct the College's annual fund campaign. He will work with the President's and Dean's offices to explore and pursue opportunities for grants and other funding sources, including foundations, corporations, private industry and individual donors.

Peffall's other responsibilities are to create and coordinate fundraising programs for the Hospital and the College. He will do this by bringing the Alumni Relations and Development departments together to produce a more comprehensive program. Peffall's agenda includes strengthening development activities with alumni, developing the student giving program and supporting future capital campaigns.

Peffall considers his constant communication with the Alumni Association and its Board of Directors a top priority in developing all alumni giving programs.

Kenneth J. Veit, DO, MBA, was appointed Assistant Dean for Postgraduate Education. Dr. Veit's new responsibilities include working with the program directors to administer all postgraduate programs. He continues as Director of Medical Education for HPCOM/City Avenue and the Health Care Centers.

Dr. Veit has been a faculty member of PCOM's Department of General Practice since 1981. A 1972 graduate of Muhlenberg College, he attained his DO degree from PCOM in 1976, and his MBA from Temple University in 1989. An internship at the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital at Staten Island, N.Y., and postgraduate work in occupational and environmental medicine at Rutgers Medical School followed.

Board certified in general practice in 1982, Dr. Veit has instituted a variety of clinical programs in rural and urban health care centers in Pennsylvania. He served on the Mayor's Commission on Health from 1981-1984, and has held clinical and faculty positions in several national, state and local medically-related organizations.
J. Brendan Wynne, DO, '56, professor of orthopedics, has been elected a distinguished practitioner in the National Academies of Practice. The academies advise Congress in matters of health care practice and delivery.

Sandra Gawchick, DO, clinical associate professor of pediatrics, has been named president of the Pennsylvania State Allergy Association. She is the first osteopathic physician to hold this office.

Stephen D. Smith, DMD, director, Temporomandibular Center, lectured to the Holistic Dental Society in Columbus, OH, on “TMJ and Cervical Interrelationships” at the National TMJ Symposium. He also lectured on “Temporomandibular Disorders and Craniofacial Pain” at the Eastern Regional Osteopathic Association meeting in Atlantic City.

John Fernandes, DO, chairman of pathology and laboratory medicine, was elected vice-president of the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners.

Howard M. Rosner, DO, '84, has been appointed assistant professor of medicine. He was recently certified in cardiovascular medicine after being board certified in internal medicine in 1989.

Elliot L. Ames, DO, orthopedics, was recently elected to membership in the American Society for Surgery of the Hand.

Eugene Della Badia, DO, clinical assistant professor of psychiatry, received the Horsham Clinic Annual Award for Clinical Scholarship. He also presented a paper, "Group-As-A-Whole Concepts and the Therapeutic Milieu on the Inpatient Psychiatric Unit," at the 10th International Congress of the International Association of Group Psychotherapy in Amsterdam.

Alumni Assume Key POMA Leadership Positions

This May, PCOM was strongly represented by faculty and alumni who assumed many of the key offices in the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association (POMA) during its 82nd Annual Clinic Assembly held in Philadelphia.

Nicholas C. Pedano, DO, '61, chairman, department of surgery and division of general surgery, PCOM, was installed as POMA's 75th president. Robert L. Meals, DO, '56, chairman and professor of radiology, became president-elect. Installed second in presidential succession as POMA's 1990-91 vice-president was Carlo J. DiMarco, DO, '78, chairman and professor, ophthalmology. William A. Wewer, DO, '79, of Harrisburg, was elected to his second term as secretary-treasurer. During the state banquet awards, out-going POMA president Alfred R. D’Angelo, DO, '76, Red Lion, received the POMA presidential medallion and a presidential resolution. William G. McDowell, DO, '54, of Farrell, was elected to an unprecedented 24th term as speaker of its House of Delegates. Hymen Kanoff, DO, '52, of Cheltenham, was re-elected vice speaker of the House of Delegates, where he has served as a member or officer for over 30 years.

Elected board trustees-at-large during the clinical assembly were John D. Angeloni, DO, '75, chairman and professor, department of general practice at PCOM; Frank H. Guinn, DO, '76, of Huntingdon Valley; C. Glenn Kramer, DO, '66, of Quakertown; Arnold Sokol, DO, '82, of Norristown; and Kent E. Weise, DO, '80, of Lancaster.

Alumni Receive Clinical Teaching Awards

Two PCOM alumni have been honored by the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine (OU-COM) for their clinical teaching achievements. Ruth E. Purdy, DO, '54, was appointed a Master Clinical Teacher for her eight years of instruction at Doctors Hospital in Columbus. Alan Meshekow, DO, '74, clinical professor of general surgery, also received this honor for his teaching at Doctors Hospital in Massillon. The awards were presented “for distinguished contributions to the OU-COM clinical teaching program and for achievement of excellence as a teacher and a physician.”
1938
Robert C. Erwin, Palm City, FL, was elected to a two-year term as president of the Martin County unit of the American Cancer Society. He also presented a paper on "Benign Breast Conditions" to the Northwest Osteopathic Convention in Blaine, WA.

1947
John L. Cionci, Dresher, PA, represented the Philadelphia AIDS Task Force as the first western physician to provide AIDS education and training for Chinese physicians under an exchange program of the Chinese and American Red Cross organizations. He was also honored for volunteer service by Blacks Educating Blacks about Sexual Health Issues.

Alan M. Fallick, Levittown, PA, spoke on nutrition on WBCB-AM's "Heartline" radio program.

1951
Victor M. Bove, Lancaster, PA, who practices at Wernersville State Hospital, was recently certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Medical Management.

1958
Albert S. Kroser, Philadelphia, PA, was appointed to the board of directors of the Delaware Valley Geriatrics Society.

1960
John J. Naughton, Cinnaminson, NJ, who specializes in chemical dependency and addictionology, has joined the Burdette Tomlin Memorial Hospital medical staff.

1962
Robert S. Maurer, Edison, NJ, received the "1990 Physician of the Year" award from the Eastern Regional Osteopathic Association and was cited by the New Jersey General Assembly for public service.

1963
John A. Pettineo, Bryn Mawr, PA, was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the medical staff at St. Agnes Medical Center, Philadelphia.

William J. King, Woodbury, NJ, became director of the family practice residency program at Underwood-Memorial Hospital, where he is chairman of the department.

1964
John F. Duffy, Conyngham, PA, has been named medical director of Good Shepherd's outpatient satellite centers in Allentown and Bethlehem.

1966
C. Glen Kramer, Quakertown, PA, received the Frederick Solomon Award at the AGCP luncheon during the POMA convention.

H. Michael Zal, Narberth, PA, recently spoke at a Writers' Conference on Men's Health, sponsored by the AOA in Chicago, on "Panic Disorder: A Problem for Men, Too."

1967
Miles G. Newman, Elizabethtown, PA, was given a distinguished service award by the Jaycees for outstanding contributions to the community.

Nelson E. Ziets, Wallingford, PA, who practices family medicine in Newtown Square, was elected a corporate member of Pennsylvania Blue Shield.

1969
John P. Bruno, St. Davids, PA, was named vice president for medical affairs at Riverside Hospital, Wilmington, DE.

Carl A. Giombetti, Newtown Square, PA, opened a pediatrics practice in Havertown.

1971
Samuel Strauss, Abilene, TX, who is chief of aerospace medicine at Dyess AFB, completed his USAF residency in aerospace medicine and was appointed aerospace medicine specialist for the B-1 bomber.

1972
Bernard C. McDonnell, Villanova, PA, was elected to the board of Suburban General Hospital, Norristown, where he serves as chairman of otorhinolaryngology.

1973
Jerome M. Horwitz, Cherry Hill, NJ, received the 1990 Physician Excellence Award given by the Cherry Hill Division Medical Staff of Kennedy Memorial Hospitals.

1974
William K. Daiber, Harrisburg, PA, was elected treasurer of the medical staff at Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

Edward J. Sarama, York, PA, was elected president of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians.

1975
John D. Angeloni, Gladwyne, PA, was honored for outstanding service as co-chairman of the annual POGPS convention.

Larry M. Espenshade, Hershey, PA, was elected medical staff vice president at Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

Peter Giammanco, Jenkintown, PA, has moved to a new office in Jenkintown.

1976
Scott G. Barnes, Harrisburg, PA, was re-elected president of the medical staff at Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

Jack A. Danton, Huntingdon Valley, PA, was named commander of the Pennsylvania National Guard's 108th Combat Support Hospital after serving on active or reserve duty for more than 22 years.

Michael Dudnick, Linwood, NJ, has joined Burdette Tomlin Memorial Hospital as the medical director of emergency medicine.

Ted S. Eisenberg, Philadelphia, PA, lectured on breast enlargement, reduction and reconstruction surgeries to a recent LOG seminar in Lancaster.

William R. Henwood, Sharon, PA, was named "Volunteer of the Year" by the Mercer County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

Rex A. Herbert, Harrisburg, PA, was elected secretary of the medical staff at Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

1977
John L. Runyan, Bloomsburg, PA, was elected president of the Bloomsburg Hospital medical staff.

1978
Edward J. Dzielak, Carbondale, PA, passed the American Board of Internal Medicine examination in critical care medicine and is also certified in geriatric and internal medicine.

Harry J. Morris III, Avondale, PA, has been appointed to the
courtesy staff, department of medicine, section of family practice at The Chester County Hospital.

1979
Glenn G. Miller, Conshohocken, PA, was honored for outstanding service as co-chairman of the annual POGPS convention.

1980
Thomas M. Bozzuto, Jacksonville, FL, was on ABC's "Good Morning America" when the show came to the Baptist Medical Center and interviewed him as medical director of hyperbaric medicine.

Victor B. Farrah, Meadville, PA, was recently certified as a diplomate of the American Board of Emergency Medicine and elected chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Meadville Medical Center.

Harold E. Feiler, Yardley, PA, completed the requirements for board certification in internal medicine and is chairman of the department of emergency medicine at Delaware Valley Medical Center, Langhorne.

Phillip C. Ginsberg, Wynnewood, PA, lectured on bladder cancer at the recent national meeting of the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group of the National Cancer Institute. He is also the principal investigator for an FDA trial use of microwave hyperthermia for the treatment of benign prostate enlargement.

Victor J. Scali, Springfield, PA, was appointed director of emergency medicine at Havertford Community Hospital, Havertown.

1981
Joel P. Chack, Cherry Hill, NJ, has been appointed medical director at Lakewood of Voorhees, a 240-bed long-term convalescent and rehabilitative care center.

Michael G. Moncman, Hollidaysburg, PA, was certified in neurological surgery by the American Osteopathic Board of Surgery and is involved in implanting spinal cord stimulators for pain control.

Nancy A. Mondero, Lancaster, PA, received board certification from the American Osteopathic Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and is in practice with Mark Cooperstein, DO,72.

1982
Gary A. Matusow, Vineland, NJ, received his board certification for internal medicine in gastroenterology.

John E. Muscalus, Jr., Harrisburg, PA, was elected member-at-large of the medical staff at Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

Dennis W. Rhodes, Reynolds­ville, PA, was appointed chair­person of the medical department at DuBoise Regional Medical Center.

Paul J. Sisbarro, Lancaster, PA, now practices with Lancaster County Urological Associates and is on the active medical staff at Ephrata Community Hospital.

Wayne J. Stuart, Seymour, TN, was elected president of the Tennessee Osteopathic Medical Association and has a family practice in Knoxville.

1983
Darlene Ann Dunay, Old Forge, PA, recently appeared on three radio and TV broadcasts in the Scranton area to speak on premenstrual syndrome treatment, flu prevention and healthcare maintenance.

Pamela D. Murphy and Mark E. Wagner, Reading, PA, have opened a husband and wife team family medicine practice at Strausstown Medical Center.

Howard A. Hassman, San Diego, CA, finished two years of research on Ipsapirone and is currently investigating use of Jeparone and Busparone. He was appointed an instructor in the department of psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

1984
Terence R. Baker, Oley, PA, left Michigan and opened a family medical practice in what used to be Glase's General Store, across from the Oley Valley Inn.

Mark S. Boland, Harrisburg, PA, has opened a practice of plastic and reconstructive surgery; he is affiliated with Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

Craig B. Danshaw, Washington, DC, was appointed staff cardio-thoracic anesthesiologist at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. His next assignment will be William Beaumont Army Medical Center, El Paso, TX.

Charles J. DeNunzio, Jr., Clinton, PA, was featured in an article titled "Healing in the Hinterlands," appearing in the Beaver County Times.

1985
Greg R. Ehgartner, Altoona, PA, has joined Altoona Hospital's medical staff in the department of medicine, clinical service of internal medicine.

Robert W. Hostoffer, Jr., Homewood, AL, was awarded a Fellowship at the University of Alabama and won a first place award at the university's sixth annual clinical research symposium.

Jeffrey T. Kirchner, Abington, PA, received a clinical faculty appointment in the department of community and family medicine at Georgetown University School of Medicine, Washington, DC.

John W. Paulish, Beaufort, SC, now certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine, is practicing with the Beaufort-Jasper Comprehensive Health Service.

David J. Young, Narberth, PA, joined the medical staff at Quakertown Community Hospital after completing his physical medicine and rehabilitation residency at Temple University Hospital.

1987

Jean Golden-Tevald, Elizabeth, NJ, has joined the medical staff at Hunterdon Medical Center in the department of family practice.

John F. Lozowski, Emmitsburg, PA, recently became board certified by the American Osteopathic Board of General Practice and is affiliated with Gettysburg Hospital.

Larry N. Finkelstein, Philadelphia, PA, opened an office in Bala-Cynwyd; the new general practice features a registered nutritionist on staff.

1988
Neal M. Davis, Clark's Summit, PA, was elected chief resident at the Wyoming Valley Family Practice residency program in Wilkes-Barre.
Stanley N. Brainard, '23, GP, East Hartford, CT, died February 5 at age 90. "Doc" Brainard was a well-known and much-loved citizen, practicing in East Hartford for 50 years until his retirement in 1975. His office on Burnside Avenue was located in the same house in which he was born. An Army veteran of World War I, he was deputy judge of the East Hartford Police Court for 14 years, chaired the town zoning board for eight years and served many civic and fraternal organizations.

Thomas P. Dunleavy, '32, GP, Barre, VT, died March 24 at age 80, having practiced more than 50 years in the Barre area before retiring in 1987. Dr. Dunleavy served as chairman of the Vermont State Board of Health and was a member of the Vermont State Mental Health Board. He was a past president of the Vermont State Osteopathic Association and chairman of its legislative committee and was instrumental in the founding of the Central Vermont Medical Center, where he was active on the medical staff until retirement.

Thomas C. Satterthwaite, Jr., '43, GP, West Chester, PA, died May 16 at age 82. A graduate of Ursinus College and Temple University, he practiced in Ambler for 25 years. Dr. Satterthwaite retired in 1968 after he suffered a stroke that left his right side paralyzed.

Alfred A. Grilli, '48, S, Pittsburgh, PA, died May 7 at age 67. In private practice in New Cumberland, WV, until 1956 and in Robinson, PA, until he retired in 1988, Dr. Grilli was a founder, administrator and executive director of West Allegheny Hospital. He was past president of the Ohio Valley Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and of POMA, which honored him for distinguished service in 1982. He was a member of the AOA, the state Board of Osteopathic Examiners, the Southern Allegheny County Hospital Association, the American College of Osteopathic Hospital Administrators and the ACOS.

Charles H. Moses, Jr., '50, S, Fort Lauderdale, FL, died March 16 at age 64. He settled in Fort Lauderdale in 1954 and retired there 31 years later. Dr. Moses was a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons, a member of the AOA, FOMA and the Broward County Osteopathic Medical Association. He was affiliated with Las Olas Community Hospital and the University Medical Center in Plantation, FL.

Joseph J. Azelvandre, '52, GP, Longwood, FL, died January 24 at age 66. He practiced in Hialeah, FL, from 1954 until 1979. A World War II veteran, Dr. Azelvandre was former chairman of the department of family practice at West Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine, medical director of the Community Health Center in Sanford, FL, and a founder of Osteopathic General Hospital in North Miami Beach. In 1983 he opened a Longwood office and practiced with his daughter, Jacqueline Azelvandre-Cordell, DO, '81, until retirement a year before his death. His son-in-law is Jeffrey L. Lebow, DO, '77.

Harold C. Walmer, '52, SCLE, Elizabethtown, PA, died May 25 at age 63 after practicing for 38 years. He was a trustee and past president of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sclerotherapy, a diplomat of the American Board of Chelation Therapy, and a founding member of the American Association of Orthopedic Medicine. Dr. Walmer was well-known for orthopedic and preventive medicine, nutritional therapy and complementary medicine. He trained extensively in non-traditional methods in North America, Europe and Asia, being one of the first American physicians allowed into China to study acupuncture techniques.

Irvin F. Smith, '56, GP, Stratford, NJ, died at age 62. A Camden County physician for 33 years, he was associated with Metropolitan Hospital for 10 years before joining Cherry Hill Hospital. Dr. Smith organized the department of general practice at Kennedy Memorial Hospital/Stratford Division and became its first chairman in 1971, serving as chief of staff the following year. From 1973 to 1976 he was a clinical supervisor for PCOM. He was a member of the AOA, NJAOPS and the Camden County Osteopathic Society.

Robert C. Greer, III, DO, '57, GP, Lake Park, FL, died on June 3 at age 63. After some years in Texas, he moved to Lake Park in 1961 and affiliated with Humana Hospital of the Palm Beaches, serving as town physician and practicing until 1988. An AOA member and ACGPOMS Fellow, Dr. Greer served many FOMA offices and helped found the Florida Society of General Practice, which elected him president, "1983 General Practitioner of the Year" and gave him its Humanitarian Award in 1989. He was clinical associate professor at SECOM, a Florida Osteopathic Medical Examiner, FAA Aviation Medical Examiner, U.S. Coast Guard contract physician and served on reservations under the Bureau of Indian Affairs. To practice rural missionary medicine, he often flew his plane to Honduras. Dr. Greer was a strong supporter of PCOM's Alumni Association and with his family, including Robert C. Greer, IV, DO, '77, Jordan H. Greer, DO, '82, and his son-in-law Joseph G. Gunselman, DO, '82, generously underwrote the renovation of the first year classroom in Evans Hall.

Milton J. Poulsbock, '61, GP, Cheltenham, PA, died May 11 at age 53. He practiced in the Lawndale section of the city for 25 years, retiring in 1987 due to illness. Dr. Poulsbock was a member of professional associations on the county, state and national levels and was affiliated with Lawndale Community Hospital, Jeanes Hospital and Metropolitan Hospital's Parkview Division. He was also a member of the Medical Providers Association and the LOG medical fraternity. His son is Andrew Poulsbock, DO, '89.

Norman Horvitz, '64, GP, Huntingdon Valley, PA, died February 23 at age 55. He graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. Dr. Horvitz was the former national medical director of Nutri-Systems, Inc. and was instrumental in developing medical and dietary aspects of the firm's programs. His son Steven Horvitz is a member of the PCOM class of 1991.

Martin J. Schecter, '77, EM, Newtown, PA, died June 14 at age 38. A clinical instructor in emergency medicine at PCOM, he was chairman of the department of emergency medicine at Delaware Valley Medical Center and served on its board since 1984. Dr. Schecter was president of the Bucks County Emergency Services Advisory Board for many years, volunteered as a team physician for high school football squads in Bristol Township and helped initiate the Fight Against Drugs program of the Falls Township Police Department.
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