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More than 850 people attended the 2018 Ohio Osteopathic Symposium, April 25-29 in Columbus, included attendings, residents, medical students, speakers, exhibitors, staff, and OU-HCOM faculty.

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Executive INSIGHT

The Value of OOA Membership

By Matt Harney, MBA

WHAT a fascinating time we're in! And I'm not even referring to national politics or international affairs! Much has been said about the future of professional associations. Some have suggested online access to information and smartphones will be the demise of associations as we know it. While technology has undoubtedly altered many segments of the economy—including everything from media and newspapers to transportation services and about everything in between—the services *our* association provides is irreplaceable. While our duty is essential, we're only able to achieve our mission through your membership and by promoting our value to your colleagues.

So why is it so important for you to serve as a member of the OOA? Our ability to protect and represent osteopathic medicine and principles through legislative advocacy will always be essential not only to the profession, but for patients and their wellbeing. Scope of practice issues are incredibly impactful as patient access must be granted according to education and training in an effort to maintain the highest standard of care. The protection of reimbursement rates will always be of great concern, especially to those in private practice. Advocating on behalf of the uninsured and underinsured is crucial to population health. Further, support for hospital systems helps undergird the health care infrastructure. Fighting unnecessary regulatory burdens helps our physicians spend more time with patients. This is just a small sampling of the public policy battles in which we regularly engage.

Beyond that, your association provides valuable continuing medical education that keeps you up-to-date on the latest trends in patient care (not to mention it provides the requisite CME that ensures licensure). Through the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium—cosponsored with OU-HCOM—we provide what is not only the state's largest annual osteopathic CME event but one of the largest nationally as well. In the coming year, I look forward to



exploring more educational opportunities for our members and will collaborate with other like-minded organizations when possible. As I see it, continuing medical education and advocacy are two of the most important strategies for enhancing the osteopathic profession.

The OOA also develops future osteopathic leaders through its elective health policy rotation. This rotation allows fourth-year students seeking active engagement in health policy to shadow me as well as other health-related officials in the state. Students can expect to actively track health care legislation, attend meetings, advocate for the osteopathic profession, and much more.

Moving forward, the OOA will be partnering with vendors that will serve as strategic partners who will benefit you—either professionally or personally. This speaks to the OOA's commitment to serve our members' evolving needs in our fast-changing world.

For these and many other reasons, our services will always be essential and we ask for your help in this endeavor.

Our association is only as strong as the members it's comprised of. You understand the importance of membership and a strong, shared voice. Please **DO** your part to ensure your colleagues recognize this value as well. I ask you to reach out to your business partners, colleagues, and friends to enlist OOA membership. They can become members by calling our office at 614-299-2107 or you can direct them to the members section of our website (oanet.org). If they're renewing, they can enlist on the "renew" section and if they're becoming members for the first time, you can direct them to the "apply" section of the (members) tab. Please let them know their support determines the success of the osteopathic profession and impacts patient care in Ohio! ■



Hauler installed as OOA PRESIDENT

Jennifer J. Hauler, DO, of Tipp City, was installed as president of the Ohio Osteopathic Association (OOA) during a special ceremony and luncheon at the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium on April 27 in Columbus.

Hauler, a family and emergency physician, is vice president and chief medical officer at Premier Health in Dayton. She is also a paramedic instructor and medical director of the Troy and Vandalia fire departments.

A leader within the medical profession, she has served on the OOA Board of Trustees since 2009 and was president of the Dayton District Academy of Osteopathic Medicine. On the OOA Board, her work has focused on membership and governance initiatives.

She is the recipient of numerous honors—starting when she was a student at Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, where she graduated in 2001: Student of the Year at the Southwest CORE; Intern of the Year and Resident of the Year at Grandview Medical Center in Dayton; Ohio ACOFP Young Family Physician of the Year; Frank W. George Family Medicine Research Award; and induction into the Sigma Sigma Phi Academic Honor Society.

The OOA is a non-profit professional association, founded in 1898, that represents Ohio's more than 4,700 osteopathic physicians. Osteopathic physicians represent 16 percent of all physicians practicing in Ohio and 28 percent of the family physicians in the state. Among the OOA's objectives are promoting the public health of Ohioans and maintaining high quality standards at all osteopathic institutions. ■

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In addition to her DO degree, she earned an MBA from the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University.

Hauler and her husband, Josh Julian, are parents to a son, Jonathan.



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2018 SYMPOSIUM

Recap

In April, nearly 500 DOs gathered in Columbus for the annual Ohio Osteopathic Symposium, a collaboration between the Ohio Osteopathic Association (OOA) and Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine (OU-HCOM). Attendees heard from a range of speakers, earned up to 31.5 Category 1-A continuing medical education credits, honored colleagues, and learned the latest in the art and science of patient care.

OOA President Jennifer J. Hauler, DO, noted the conference fell during Osteopathic Medicine Recognition Month, designated every April in Ohio, and a week after National Osteopathic Medicine Week. “What better way to celebrate osteopathic medicine!” she said. “The Symposium is an opportunity to learn but also to showcase the profession.” She said things like the awards ceremony, poster contest, and many DO lecturers all point to the talent and dedication within the profession.

She also said the Symposium provided physicians a framework to prepare them to lead the transformation of primary care. “The Symposium brings together hundreds of DOs with the overall goal to advance the health of patients and prepare physicians to lead the health care team,” she said. “The entire agenda—the keynote speaker, panel discussions, specialty topics like the orthopedics boot-camp, dermatology roundtables, and psychiatry rapid fire session—is all developed to address our changing health care system and some of

society’s most pressing health issues.”

Keynote Speaker Andrew Morris-Singer, MD, challenged physicians to unite and outlined how to go from the *idea* of community to the *creation* of community in his speech, Igniting a Movement in Primary Care. He said physicians can look at social movements and how they build connections and foster grassroots to transform care delivery. “You are the osteopathic community – you were launched as a result of a movement,” he said.

Morris-Singer, president and founder of



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- 1 Keynote Speaker Andrew Morris-Singer, MD, presents *Igniting a Movement in Primary Care*.
- 2 US Army Colonel and Deputy Commander for Clinical Services Donald K. Spaner, MD, discusses battlefield medicine.
- 3 Tiandra Finch, who coordinates special projects at OU-HCOM, Cleveland, facilitates a session.

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Primary Care Progress (PCP), is a clinician, medical educator and primary care advocate. He founded PCP in 2010 and it quickly developed into an inter-professional, trainee-led, grassroots movement to reform primary care delivery and training. The organization has provided advocacy training and coaching to leaders across the country and has campaigned widely for greater awareness of the value of primary care. In addition, he is a frequent blogger, has been featured in mainstream media outlets including NPR, CNN and *The New York Times*, and speaks regularly at academic medical institutions and

professional conferences across the country.

Morris-Singer said when building a broad-based coalition around health care reform, it's important to remember that people are naturally drawn together in pursuit of a shared goal. "Simply put, we're wired for community," he said. "By working to engage all stakeholders and decentralizing decision-making to empower them, great stores of energy and creativity can be harnessed to create a system that delivers top-notch primary care."

He recounted his own experience working to advance protections for LGBTQ individuals, and before that, the effort

he led when Harvard Medical School administrators defunded the school's Division of Primary Care and Ambulatory Prevention. "Working alongside hundreds of health care professionals, faculty, and students, we leveraged many of the same tools I had used as an activist: bringing people together in town hall meetings, circulating petitions, and writing letters to the school's leadership to foster dialogue and find common ground," he explained. "Within weeks, not only was a plan for restored funding in place, but a plan for a standalone Center for Primary Care was underway." →



OSTEOPATHIC Update

Two national dignitaries attended the Symposium: American Osteopathic Association President Mark A. Baker, DO, who provided an update during the Friday luncheon, and Brian A. Kessler, DO, who serves on the Board of Governors of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP).

Baker, a longtime leader of the profession, grew up in an osteopathic household. His father was a DO, and the family tradition has continued into a third generation as his daughter is also an osteopathic physician. A radiologist, Baker has more than 30 years of clinical practice experience and nearly 30 years of teaching experience at the University of North Texas Health Science Center-Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, his alma mater. He highlighted several areas of focus, including improving the AOA's relationship with affiliate organizations and promoting unity within the osteopathic family.

Kessler, formerly of Ohio, was on hand to install Geraldine N. Urse, DO, as the new Ohio ACOFP president and give an update on national activities. A board-certified family physician, he discussed the vital role of primary

care physicians in training the next generation of osteopathic physicians and outlined the challenges of practicing community medicine. One of ACOFP's current projects is "Health is Primary," a collaborative communications campaign to advocate for the values of family medicine, demonstrate the benefits of primary care, and engage patients. For 2018, the campaign will focus on health care payment and aging.

Kessler is currently vice president and dean of Lincoln Memorial University-DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine in Harrogate, Tennessee.

Other program highlights included an OMM workshop, the always-popular dermatology roundtable, a three-hour orthopedics bootcamp. In addition to the education sessions, the Symposium offered opportunities to network, honor colleagues, and conduct business at the OOA House of Delegates. All totaled, the annual CME event drew about 850 people, including physicians, students, exhibitors, speakers, staff, and guests. →

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1 AOA President Mark A. Baker, DO (left), OOA Immediate Past President Sean D. Stiltner, DO, and OOA Executive Director Matt Harney.
2-6 A two-hour Symposium workshop, led by Benjamin V. Bring, DO (*photo 5*), focused on OMT for the cervical spine.

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The Eighth Annual Regional Osteopathic Poster Exhibition & Competition was held, Saturday morning April 28, during the Symposium.
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Annual poster contest CONTINUES TO GROW

The 2018 Osteopathic Poster Competition and Exhibition, open to osteopathic and allopathic students, interns, residents, and fellows, broke a record.

In its eighth year, the competition had 147 abstracts accepted, a 10 percent growth over last year. All totaled, 74 biomedical/clinical, 65 case reports, and eight exhibition posters were displayed. Residents and students from five states and six colleges of osteopathic medicine were represented.

For the fourth consecutive year, all osteopathic Family Medicine residents in an Ohio residency, ACGME or AOA, were eligible to compete for the Ohio ACOFP Award.

While the poster contest marks its eighth year as a regional event, it originally started in 2003 as a small, statewide competition.

Biomedical/Clinical Category

First Place: Jordan Teitelbaum, DO - PGY 4, OhioHealth/Doctors Hospital – *Gender as a Factor in Donor Site Morbidity after Free Tissue Reconstruction*

Second Place: Elizabeth Jensen, OMS III, Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine – *Absence of Growth Hormone Action Alters Microbial Abundance and Diversity in Growth Hormone Deficient Mice*

Honorable Mention: Ryan Yavorsky, OMS III, Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine – *The Pathogenesis of Alzheimer's Disease: Investigating the Propagation of Tau In Vitro*

Cody Criss, OMS II, Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine – *Brain Neuroplastic Hip and Knee Control Changes in ACL Reconstructed Individuals*

Case Report Category

First Place: Maureen Cheung, DO – PGY 4, Western Reserve Hospital – *Genetically Identical Homologous Skin Grafting in a Pediatric Burn Patient*

Second Place: Christopher Kieliszak, DO – PGY 5, OhioHealth/Doctors Hospital – *Novel Case Examples of the Submental Island Flap in Pediatric Head and Neck Reconstruction*

Honorable Mention: Thomas Zink, DO – PGY 4, OhioHealth/Doctors Hospital – *Anterior Capsular Reconstruction (ACR) of the Shoulder for Chronic Instability Using a Dermal Allograft*, and James Brewster, DO – PGY 3, OhioHealth/Doctors Hospital – *Unilateral Traumatic Lumbosacral Facet Dislocation with Contralateral Perched Facet*

Ohio ACOFP Award

Lindsey Salchli, DO – PGY 2, Cleveland Clinic/Fairview Hospital – *A Musculoskeletal Mimic of Renal Colic* →

exhibitors

Thanks and appreciation to all Symposium sponsors and exhibitors. Their support helped to enhance the quality of the medical education program.

Exhibits were evaluated by a small committee of Symposium attendees who determined the three winning vendors: Kowa Pharmaceuticals – Best Overall; Capital Pharmaceutical – Most Educational; and J & M Distribution – Judges Choice.

Physicians who visited the trade show and obtained exhibitors' signatures were entered into a drawing for cash prizes totaling \$3,000.

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Role-playing during the Symposium session addressing racism in clinical settings.
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Workshop helps doctors DEAL WITH RACIST PATIENTS

Symposium attendees also participated in a workshop about responding to racism in a clinical setting. The forum theater experience, conducted by OU-HCOM Department of Family Medicine, is designed to help physicians and medical students respond mindfully to incidents of racism they may encounter during patient visits.

During the session, participants explored overt acts of racism, subtle insults that might be unintentional, and subconscious biases. Trained actors presented scenes based on experiences reported by medical students, and audience members split into small groups to discuss their reactions to what they'd seen. Participants then had a chance to role-play the incident and try out different ways the physician might have dealt with it. The practice offers a safe space for conversations about a difficult topic and allows participants to stumble or make mistakes without being judged.

Katy Kropf, DO, a workshop facilitator, noted physicians can have difficulty handling racism, as caring for the patient must be balanced against confronting prejudice. "They were grappling with this issue of how to support that doctor-patient relationship and support the patient in their health care needs without ignoring the racist overtones or the negative, discriminatory overtones of what the patient has said," she said. "It's really tricky."

Prior to the Symposium, the workshop had been presented to about 150 OU-HCOM students at its Dublin, Athens and Cleveland campuses. →

2018 AWARD Winners

Osteopathic physicians across Ohio are doing tremendous work for the profession, their patients, and their communities. Those accomplishments were recognized at a special ceremony and reception, April 26, during the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium. The Ohio Osteopathic Association (OOA), Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine Society of Alumni and Friends (OU-HCOM), and Ohio State Society of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (Ohio ACOFP) presented their highest honors.

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Athens



Ohio ACOFP Family Physician of the Year
 John F. Ramey, DO
Sandusky



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Coldwater



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 Alexandra M. McKenna, DO
Columbus – Doctors Hospital



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Columbus



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Dublin



OU-HCOM Honorary Alumnus
 Jon F. Wills
Columbus



OU-HCOM Recent Graduate
 Alanna M. Fostyk, DO
Chagrin Falls ■

Annual House of Delegates Convenes

OHIO DOs EVALUATE POLICY, ELECT LEADERS; ADVOCATES DISSOLVE

THE OOA House of Delegates met, April 27-28, during the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium where physician-delegates representing OOA's ten districts debated 11 resolutions and adopted an amendment to association bylaws regarding student representation. In addition to the bylaws change, one other new policy position was approved regarding OOA authority for certifying continuing medical education programs. The nine other resolutions were existing policy positions that were reviewed and amended as needed.

During the Symposium, Jennifer J. Hauler, DO, of Tipp City, was installed as OOA president. At the House session, delegates elected OOA officers for 2018-2019: President-elect Charles D. Milligan, DO, of Orville; Vice President Sandra L. Cook, DO, of Geneva; and Treasurer Henry L. Wehrum, DO, of Columbus.

The House also elected John F. Ramey, DO, of Sandusky, and M. Terrance Simon, DO, of Massillon, to the Ohio Osteopathic Foundation Board of Trustees and voted for a full slate of physicians to represent Ohio at the 2018 AOA House of Delegates in July.

The meeting saw a change of leadership as John F. "Jack" Uslick, DO, who presided over the meeting, stepped down as speaker at adjournment. He served as speaker of the House of Delegates for 10 years, and before that, was vice speaker for 14 years. Delegates praised Uslick's leadership with a standing ovation and leaders noted his talent as a parliamentarian.

David A. Bitonte, DO, MBA, of Uniontown, was elected the new speaker and Michael E. Dietz, DO, of Cincinnati, was elected vice speaker.

Representatives from the Advocates for the Osteopathic Association (AOOA) Becky Marx and Barb Wills informed delegates their organization intends to dissolve effective within 60 days. AOOA members met that morning and voted to disband citing lack of new members, particularly in leadership roles. The AOOA, formerly called the Auxiliary to the OOA, had its origin at the 1938 Ohio Osteopathic Convention in Marietta.

Marx reported the AOOA treasury would be donated to the AOOA Scholarship Fund at Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Advocates for the



David A. Bitonte, DO (left) accepts the gavel from John F. Uslick, DO, following the House of Delegates meeting, April 28. Uslick stepped down as House Speaker after serving in the leadership spot for 10 years. PHOTO BY MATT HARNEY

American Osteopathic Association, the Auxiliary to the ACOFP, and the Ohio Physicians Health Program.

Two reference committees met on the first day of the House session to evaluate each resolution and conduct a five-year review of existing policies. Committee chairs then provided a report the following day to the entire House.

Melinda E. Ford, DO, of Athens, lead the Ad Hoc Committee and the following served on the panel: John C. Biery, DO; Christine B. Weller, DO; Michael E. Dietz, DO; Nicole Barylski-Danner, DO; Ying H. Chen, DO; Katherine Hovsepian Eilenfeld, DO; Gregory Hill, DO; John C. Baker, DO; Henry L. Wehrum, DO; and Cheryl Markino.

Jennifer L. Gwilym, DO, of Athens, chaired the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, with the following serving on the committee: Sharon L. George, DO; Roberta J. Guibord, DO; Edward E. Hosbach II, DO; Mark S. Jeffries, DO; Kimbra L. Joyce, DO; Tejal R. Patel, DO; Paul T. Scheatzle, DO; Philip A. Starr, DO; Noor Ramahi, OMS I; Dubem Obianagha, OMS I; Adam Rabe, OMS I; and Carol Tatman.

Next year's House of Delegates is scheduled for April 26-27 in conjunction with the Symposium.

For more information and the complete text of each resolution, go to the Members Only section at www.oonet.org. ■



Heritage College Executive Dean Kenneth H. Johnson, DO.
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College prepares to roll out **MAJOR** **CURRICULUM** **MAKEOVER**

WHEN the newest cohort of medical students begins classes at Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine (OU-HCOM), they will be on the front line of a bold advance for the college, as it rolls out a new medical school curriculum designed to train physicians for the rapidly changing world of modern health care.

“At the Heritage College, we aim to lead the way in transforming how primary care physicians are trained, and this new curriculum is a flagship project in that regard,” said Executive Dean Ken Johnson, DO. “It incorporates what we know from research about how people learn most effectively, and aligns our teaching with the collaborative, patient-centered approach that physicians need to deliver quality health care in the 21st century.”

While the existing curriculum imparted the skills and knowledge needed to become a highly capable osteopathic physician, OU-HCOM leaders saw an opportunity to convey

that training in a way more aligned with today’s evolving best practices in care delivery, to improve the care provided to patients and communities, and to formalize the College’s commitment to the personal wellness of its students during medical school and beyond.

Pathways to Health and Wellness Curriculum (PHWC) will cover traditional medical school material in an innovative way that takes into account the latest thinking on best education practice; mirrors the holistic, patient-centered approach that trademarks osteopathic medicine; instills in students the team-based outlook that’s reshaping modern health care; and values the healer’s wellness along with the patient’s. It will also maintain and enhance what has long been a signature strength of the College’s training – early and frequent experience with patients in clinical settings.

The PHWC will integrate the clinical, biomedical and social science aspects of medicine into an all-encompassing, long-arc approach that follows patients, over the course of the two years, through the stages of wellness, acute illness,



The end result will be that students will learn the material in the context in which they will use the material, as opposed to isolated silos.

- Jody Gerome, DO, Associate Dean of Curriculum



chronic illness and return to wellness. Each semester, students will grapple with 10 to 15 patient cases, drawing on the expertise of faculty in different areas of medicine and medical-related science.

Most training will take place in active, collaborative learning sessions, where students will work together and with faculty to problem-solve and understand each case in all its human and scientific complexity. Instead of a teaching approach that’s heavily reliant on lectures, students will take more control over preparing for the active learning sessions through self-directed independent study, taking advantage of recorded lectures and modules they can access on their own schedules. Faculty, too, will enjoy more control over course content and how they teach it.

“Material in the new curriculum is organized by patient presentations, and the content is integrated,” explained Associate Dean, Curriculum Jody Gerome, DO, who with her faculty colleague Peter Coschigano, PhD, served as a co-director of the PHWC. “The end result will be that students will *learn* the material in the context in which they will *use* the

material, as opposed to isolated silos.”

Instead of building up over weeks to a few high-stakes, high-pressure exams that can make or break a course grade, students will undergo more frequent, lower-stakes testing. This will provide them with ongoing feedback on how well they’re mastering the material and allow them to promptly address areas where they may be struggling. It will also offer an effective preparation for taking the boards.

The osteopathic ethos puts a high value on personal wellness for the physician as well as patients, and the PHWC puts that principle into action. Both students and faculty will have protected wellness time – a guaranteed time-out from academics for nurturing their own well-being of body, mind and spirit. Each student will also pursue ongoing professional development with the aid of an assigned faculty mentor, who will offer counsel and support as students build a portfolio in which they set goals, monitor progress and reflect on their clinical experiences.

When they emerge from the PHWC, these new DOs

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will be prepared to function efficiently in – and lead – caregiver teams. They will also be trained in important new areas needed by today’s health care professionals, such as interprofessional interaction and health systems science – essentially the study of how health care systems work.

“One of the guiding principles of PHWC is the integrated multidisciplinary approach to learning activities,” Coschigano explained. “Health systems science involves basic, clinical and social sciences and is ideally suited for the PHWC integrated curriculum. Similarly, interprofessional teamwork is integrated and specific activities are being designed for delivery.”

Though current OU-HCOM students will continue their education with the existing curriculum, their input was sought in creating the new one. Two students who sat on the PHWC steering committee said that while some aspects of the new curriculum, such as the need for more self-direction in pre-class preparation, may pose an initial challenge to incoming students, they expect this approach will help student doctors master course material in a more integrated way and smooth their transition into third and fourth years.

Amber McDermott, OMS IV, predicted that the more holistic approach “is going to be one of the more positive things about the new curriculum,” as will the centering of the curriculum around the concept of wellness. “I’m looking at it from where I am,” she said. “When you get to this point, you realize how important it is to understand ‘normal.’ And I think that focusing on that wellness first, and what normal is for all of the body systems, will help them a lot when they go to learn acute and chronic illness.”

Sunny Sharma, OMS III, said the “flipped classroom” concept featured in the new curriculum – in which foundational material is made available for absorption outside the classroom, and activities once treated as homework are moved into the classroom – has been shown to help students better master and retain what they’re taught.

“Although it veers from the traditional classroom setting, several of us students are excited to see how the curriculum will play out,” she said – adding that she would definitely advise incoming students in the PHWC to “stay caught up on the material presented in the independent reading and video series in order to ensure that their knowledge base is solidified when tackling cases.”

To help prepare faculty to thrive in the new curriculum, numerous types of development activities have been provided, and many faculty have participated in pilot projects over the last two years. A teaching excellence team has been created and will work to assist in developing course material and delivery.

Curriculum transformation was one of the goals attached to the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation’s historic \$105 million *Vision 2020* award in 2011, and the college has been working steadily toward this makeover of its curriculum since 2014. It fits into a wider transformation of US medical education, which includes the pending unification of the osteopathic and allopathic college accreditation processes into a single accreditation system under the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. ■



Health care bills of interest to OOA members

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Ohio House of Representatives opened its legislative flood gates, June 20, 2018, and started passing dozens of bills after weeks of inaction. The backlog was caused by the sudden resignation of Speaker Cliff Rosenberger for possible wrong-doing and a failure of majority Republicans to reach a majority vote on his successor.

This year's law-making timeline is also disrupted, since 2018 is a major election year. The Legislature recessed for the summer to allow all members of the Ohio House of Representative to campaign for the November election. House members will be joined on the campaign trail by half of Ohio's state senators, who are also on the ballot. Ohioans will also choose a new Governor, State Auditor, Treasurer, Attorney General, all members of the U.S. House, one of our US Senators, along with two members of the Ohio Supreme Court.

Rep. Terry Johnson, DO, who has been a tireless advocate for the osteopathic profession during his eight years in the House, is term-limited and will not be running for reelection. That will leave Rep. Steve Huffman, MD – who is running for an open seat in the Senate – as the only other physician in the Ohio General Assembly if he wins his election.

The 132nd session of the Ohio General Assembly will end in December. The new Speaker of the House, Rep. Ryan Smith, has scheduled 12 voting sessions, although five of those are only being held on an 'as-needed' basis. Senate President Larry Obhof has not yet announced the Senate's schedule. In the meantime, OOA continues to monitor and advocate for numerous bills, as we prepare for a marathon lame-duck session after the November election.

Here is a run-down on the current status of key health care legislation of interest to the OOA.

Substitute HB 7

Addresses medical claims and provider immunities

After numerous hearings and amendments in Committee, the bill passed the House, June 27, and now heads to Senate for committee assignment and additional hearings. The amended bill provides qualified immunity for physicians and EMTs during disasters; clarifies the definition of a "medical claim" and the "I'm Sorry" statute; and sets new timelines for discovering additional plaintiffs and potential medical claims not in the original complaint.

Substitute HB 131

Modify physical therapy laws

OOA and other physician associations initially opposed this bill, which would have allowed physical therapists (PTs) to order tests and diagnose physical disabilities. OOA representative, Jason Dapore, DO, of Columbus, testified on behalf of the association and participated in several interested party meetings with the bill sponsors. OOA is now neutral on the bill since it only allows PTs to make a limited physical therapy diagnosis for reimbursement purposes only. The bill passed the House and has been referred to the Health, Human Services and Medicaid Committee in the Senate.

Substitute HB 72/SB 56

Establishes requirements for step therapy protocols

OOA has been a key proponent for this bill during interested party meetings. Identical substitute versions have been accepted by the House and Senate Health Committees. The Ohio Association of Health Plans continues to oppose both bills, although the Ohio Chamber of Commerce chose not to testify as an opponent after amendments were made that address their concerns. The Legislative Services Commission has helped calm opposition in the business community by ruling that the bill is NOT an "insurance mandate."

HB 145

Establish confidential program to treat impaired practitioners

The bill was signed into law by the Governor, February 8, and was effective 90 days later. The Medical Board of Ohio has recently promulgated rules to implement the law, but OOA is part of the Medical Association Coalition opposing the rules as drafted and seeking changes through normal rule-making channels.

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Substitute HB 167/SB 119

Address opioid prescribing and addiction treatment
These bills originally imposed rigid opioid prescribing guidelines on primary care physicians and dentists that have since been addressed in emergency rules of prescriber licensing boards at the request of Gov. John Kasich. The bill, called "Daniel's Law," now focuses on access to emergency treatment for opioid addiction and amends the Ohio Revised Code to allow pharmacists to dispense a short-term supply of buprenorphine/naloxone in emergency situations when the prescriber is unavailable. The bill has been favorably reported by both the House and Senate Committees and is expected to be passed by both chambers before the legislature adjourns in December.

HB 273

Prohibit requiring physicians to have maintenance of certification

This bill remains in committee as physician specialty associations remain divided on the intent. William J. Burke, DO, of Columbus, testified as an interested party on behalf of the Ohio and American Osteopathic Associations to explain the Osteopathic Continuous Certification requirements. Meanwhile, the American Board of Medical Specialties and the American Osteopathic Association are seeking to address concerns about maintenance of certification and continuous osteopathic certification through medical channels.

HB 317

Allow tax deduction to physician providing free services
OOA and AOA submitted joint written testimony in support of this legislation, although allowed deductions are minimal. The bill remains in the House Ways and Means Committee.

HB 416

Requiring cost estimates for scheduled health care services
This bill was introduced by Rep. Steve Huffman, MD, as an alternative to current law that requires physicians to furnish an estimate of health care services to patients when an appointment is scheduled. In November 2017, the OOA joined the Ohio Hospital Association and Ohio State Medical Association to file a lawsuit in Williams County Court of Common Pleas, challenging provisions that were included in the state budget. An injunction against implementation was granted, but a hearing has been delayed until the fall as a result of State Rep. Jim Butler's decision to intervene in the lawsuit.

HB 479

Disclose drug price information to patients
HB 479 was initiated by the Ohio Pharmacists Association to prevent Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) from imposing claw backs and gag orders that prevent pharmacists from providing alternative drug pricing information to patients. The bill unanimously passed the Ohio House of Representatives and now heads to the Senate for assignment to Committee, where opposition from PBMs is increasing.

For questions about any of the legislation,
contact the OOA office at 614-299-2107.

HB 191

Regards practice of registered nurse anesthetist
The OOA remains opposed to this bill, which allows CRNAs to prescribe medications. OOA has been participating in interested party discussions. The bill remains in the House Health Committee without further hearings scheduled at this time. Alternatives are being explored in the Senate.

Amended HB 226

Regarding fireworks, fireworks moratoriums, fees, and sales
This bill creates a Fireworks Study Group to consider legalization of consumer discharge of dangerous 1.4g fireworks in Ohio and would end a moratorium against discharging such fireworks purchased in Ohio by 2020 if a study committee fails to make a decisive prohibition recommendation to the Ohio General Assembly. OOA has joined Prevent Blindness Ohio in visiting senators in opposition to the bill. HB 226 was approved in the House by a vote of 77-12. Hearings continue in the Senate Government Oversight and Reform Committee.

Substitute HB 286

Identify need and provide support for palliative care
This bill creates the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Council to consult with and advise the Ohio Department of Health on matters related to palliative care initiatives. James Preston, DO, of Sandusky, and Cleanne Cass, DO, of Dayton, have joined OOA staff in advocating for the bill, which passed the Ohio House, and is currently being revised in Senate Health Committee.

Substitute HB 326

Authorize psychologists to prescribe psychotropics
Substitute versions of this bill have been accepted in the House Health Committee to require psychologists to have consult agreements with a physician and to increase education requirements in order to prescribe. OOA remains opposed to the latest substitute version, with the Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Association (OPPA) taking the lead in opposition. OPPA President William Resch, DO, testified against the latest version and physician groups continue to seek changes.

HB 464

Recognize stroke centers and establish stroke protocols
This bill has been approved by the Ohio House Representatives and is waiting for assignment to a committee in the Ohio Senate. The bill creates a process for state recognition of hospitals as comprehensive stroke centers, primary stroke centers, or acute stroke ready hospitals. It further requires the establishment of written protocols for use by emergency medical service personnel when assessing, treating, and transporting stroke patients.

Substitute SB 259

Revise physician assistant practice laws
The OOA and other physician organizations are now neutral on the latest version of the bill, which is awaiting action by the Senate after being favorably reported out of the Health Committee. The bill increases to five (from three) the number of PAs that can be supervised by a physician at any one time. It also makes procedural changes in the PA Drug Formulary process and streamlines licensure requirements with the state medical board.

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NEW PRESIDENT



Terri Donlin Huesman

was selected as president of the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation and the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation of Nelsonville. She assumed her new role effective January 1, 2018, replacing longtime chief executive Richard A. Vincent.

Donlin Huesman has been employed by the Foundations for 20 years, serving in several capacities, most recently as executive vice president. She is a graduate of Bowling Green State University and has an MBA from Franklin University.

“Ms. Donlin Huesman has a successful history with our organization and the Board is proud to select her as our chief executive,” said Board Chair Robert Palma, DO. “We are confident in her ability to lead the Foundation in the future.”

Donlin Huesman has directed the grant programs for both Foundations and more recently assumed additional responsibilities in the operations of the Foundations. She has been instrumental in developing meaningful collaborative funding arrangements with other philanthropic organizations within the state, augmenting funding from the Foundations to advance the mission and serve the community through education, research and service consistent with the osteopathic heritage.

“The Foundations’ have a long, productive history with the Ohio Osteopathic Association, and I look forward to strengthening our strategic partnership and exploring new opportunities to further position Ohio as the best place in the country for osteopathic medical students to learn, train and practice – as well as contribute to the broader community,” Donlin Huesman said.

Ohio Osteopathic Association Executive Director Matt Harney, MBA, echoed the sentiment. “Terri’s extensive career with OHF has already benefited the profession considerably,” he said. “I look forward to witnessing Terri’s leadership and working with her to serve Ohio’s osteopathic family in the months and years ahead.”

According to Frederick Oremus, who chairs the

Osteopathic Heritage Foundation of Nelsonville, “Terri has developed strong relationships throughout Southeast Ohio and as a result of these relationships and collaborations, the Foundation has had the privilege to support countless programs that help serve the most vulnerable within our communities.”

Vincent, who retired December 31, noted the Foundations have a long history of service to the communities through direct philanthropic support as well as enhancing access to osteopathic medical care. “Ms. Donlin Huesman has been an exemplary representative of the Foundations’ philosophy and culture and will be an excellent leader in advancing that mission,” he said.

Donlin Huesman serves on a number of councils and boards, locally and beyond, including the OhioHealth O’Bleness Governance Council, National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners, National Association of Osteopathic Foundations and Appalachian Funders Network.

In other news, the Foundations celebrate 20 years of grantmaking this year. Over the two decades, the Foundations have approved more than \$240 million in funding awards, partnered with 381 organizations, been involved with more than 1,400 programs, and impacted tens of thousands of lives.

The Foundations—the nation’s largest, private foundation committed to osteopathic principles and philosophy, and Ohio’s largest health-supportive private foundation—have designed proactive funding strategies to further a mission of improving health and quality of life in central and southeastern Ohio as well as advancing, on a national scope, osteopathic medical care, biomedical research and osteopathic medical education. ■

Largest class ever graduates at OU-HCOM, includes historic first Dublin contingent

When Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine graduated its 39th class May 12, the Commencement carried an added significance, as the first students from the college's Dublin campus received their degrees—making it the largest-ever class with 178 graduates.

“I couldn't be any more excited, or more proud, of the work this first group of students has been able to do,” said Heritage College, Dublin, Dean William J. Burke, DO. Of the 50 students in the campus's inaugural class, 48 graduated this year. The remaining two have been chosen as primary care associates who will spend an additional year as junior faculty before graduating.

Funded in part by a transformational \$105 million gift from the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation, alongside pre-eminent education partner OhioHealth, and with the partnership of the city of Dublin, the Dublin campus launch was a key part of the college's

strategic campaign to remake care delivery in Ohio. Already a leader in training primary care physicians from Ohio who stay here to practice, the college aimed to plant its mission in one of the state's population centers with its expansion into central Ohio in 2014 and into northeast Ohio the following year.

Burke said long-term partnerships with health care partners and others in central Ohio have been vital to the campus's success. “The success of our Dublin campus, and the subsequent graduation and residency placement of our inaugural class, would not have been possible without the Vision 2020 grant from the OHF, which transformed my alma mater, and the commitment by our pre-eminent community health care system partner, OhioHealth, and significant support of Nationwide Children's Hospital and the Mount Carmel Health System.”

All but two of the 48 graduates from the Heritage College, Dublin, are from Ohio.

Almost 70 percent have matched to Ohio residency programs, with 37 percent in central Ohio. Sixty percent are pursuing primary care specialties, and 13 will enter OhioHealth residencies.

All totaled—with both the Athens and Dublin campuses—about 47 percent of the class of 2018 will undertake residencies in primary care fields and about 62 percent of the class will stay in Ohio for residency. The class also includes the first four graduates of a DO/MBA dual degree program, and 13 members who are pursuing careers as military physicians.

Heritage College Executive Dean Kenneth H. Johnson, DO, praised the students for their hard work and professionalism, adding that “It is you, the class of 2018, that will lead the transformation of patient care and carry forward the rich traditions of our college and our profession. I have no doubt that you are totally up to the challenge!” ■

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Deaths in the Family

OOA Life Member **Donald G. Burns, DO**, a pillar at Grandview Medical Center, died June 28, 2018, at his residence. He was 88 years old.

Burns received exposure to the possibility of a medical career when he worked as an orderly at Middletown Hospital during the summer after he graduated from high school. He went on to graduate from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

After being in family practice for six years, he decided to pursue an internal medicine residency. Soon after, he realized he preferred hospital consultation rather than office practice. That led him to take a course in pulmonary medicine, which at the time was just forming into a specialty area. DOs were not allowed to pursue fellowships, so Burns did it on his own. He set up his own five-year program to educate himself on pulmonary medicine. He was the first DO to be named a fellow in the American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST) and when he took the CHEST examination, he scored in the 95th percentile.

He leaves a lasting legacy at Grandview, where he practiced from 1955 until his retirement in 2000. He started the Pulmonary Medicine Department and helped establish the hospital's first pulmonary medicine fellowship, served as medical director of respiratory therapy for 31 years, was medical director of the sleep lab, and chaired the Institutional Review Board for nearly 10 years.

Burns received a Distinguished Service Award from the hospital and a Gold Medallion from Kirksville COM.

Active in his retirement, he enjoyed painting and writing and wrote his autobiography for his grandchildren.

In addition to his wife Carol, he is survived by two daughters, nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grandview Hospital Foundation Education Fund, 405 Grand Avenue Dayton 45405.

OOA Past President **Philip Golding, DO**, formerly of Columbus, died June 28, 2018, in Florida.

He was a leader in the profession, serving as OOA president in 1977-1978. During the late 70s and early 80s he was particularly

instrumental with regard to professional liability insurance and medical board issues. He also served terms as president of the Columbus Osteopathic Association and American Osteopathic College of Pathologists.

Active at Columbus Doctors Hospital, he chaired the Pathology Department and Laboratory Medicine for 26 years.

In 1987, Golding was awarded the Phillips Medal of Public Service from Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine.

He retired from active practice in 1986 when he moved to Delray Beach, Florida.

Paul R. Gutheil, DO, died peacefully at

DO Named TO STATE MEDICAL BOARD



Gov. John Kasich appointed **Sherry L. Johnson, DO**, of Cincinnati, to the State Medical Board for a term expiring April 25, 2023. Johnson, a 2001 graduate of Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine, practices

obstetrics and gynecology in Batavia. She is the OB/GYN medical leader at HealthSource of Ohio, where she works with family medicine residents through the Wright Center for Graduate Medical Education.

She replaces Anita M. Steinbergh, DO, of Columbus, whose most recent term expired in April after 20 years of service.

his home, June 23, 2018, after an extended illness.

He was a leader throughout his career—whether it was serving in Vietnam, testifying in support of Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, teaching students, running a private family medicine practice, or chairing a well-timed department meeting at Columbus Doctors Hospital.

In 1966, he received his DO degree from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and then entered the US Army during Vietnam as chief of anesthesiology at a US army hospital in Long Binh, Vietnam.

At Doctors, Gutheil was chair of the Family Medicine department for eight years.

He also served on the OU-COM Advisory Board and was medical director for the Franklin County Sheriff's Department for 13 years.

Active in his community, he was a 23-year member of the Ohio Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, where he held multiple leadership roles; a member of the local American Legion and Amvets; a 32nd Degreed Mason; and an Aladdin Shrine member.

Most importantly, he was a loving husband, father, physician, and friend.

Gutheil is survived by his wife of 44 years, Jimilea; five children including OOA Member Paige S. Gutheil, DO; 11 grandchildren; and a large circle of family and friends.

Memorial donations may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 2215 Citygate Dr. Suite A, Columbus 43219 or National Kidney Foundation 2800 Corporate Exchange Dr. Columbus 43231.

OOA Life Member **Carl F. Hoyng, DO**, of Englewood, died, June 30, 2018. He was 71 years old.

A family physician, he had his own practice in north Dayton from 1985 until 2014. He was on staff at Kettering and Grandview hospitals and was a founding member of Providence Medical Group.

He graduated from Ohio State University with a BS in Zoology in 1969, received his MT (ASCP) Med. Tech Certification from Christ Hospital in 1972, graduated from University of Dayton with his MS in Clinical Microbiology in 1974, and received his DO degree from West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in 1984. He served his internship at Grandview.

Hoyng was a dedicated and active member of the Dayton District Academy of Osteopathic Medicine.

He enjoyed golfing, bowling, and traveling and was very passionate about photography.

He was a big fan of the Bengals, Dayton Flyers, and Ohio State Buckeyes. He was a longtime parishioner at Precious Blood Catholic Church.

He is survived by Vicki, his wife of 46 years and a large circle of family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society and Hospice of Dayton.

Physician News

Charles R. Fisher, DO, of Pickerington, was named to the Healthcare Collaborative of Greater Columbus Board of Directors. HCGC works to improve the value of health care by catalyzing collaboration among public and private partners. Some of the organizations initiatives are Medical Neighborhood, Quality Transparency, Collaborative Learning and Patient-Centered Medical Homes. ■

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