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60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Issue

Reviewing our history provides both an inspiration and a challenge. Osteopathic Medicine has come a long way in service and in physical facilities. We appreciate and admire those who have shaped our profession. We will continue to grow emphasizing osteopathic research and service that are relevant to our day and age. Concentration on primary care and health maintenance which are gaining recognition. Relating the neuromusculoskeletal system to health and disease continues to provide challenge and rewards. who have just begun their journey to the future of osteopathic medicine.



"You're telling me that Digest is 60 years old. . . well, I remember when it was first published. It's like an osteopathic family album. The thing I enjoy most is to read about people I've known for many years, and to learn where they are and what they're doing. I recall friendships and incidents that occurred, bringing back a lot of memories. Digest has been an excellent publication over the years, carrying many articles of interest to the profession, which has advanced greatly. And the changes are amazing to someone like me who has been in the profession for so long."

Frank Gruber, DO, '26 Professor Emeritus, PCOM Obstetrics & Gynecology O.J. Snyder Laureate, '79





"There were very few osteopathic physicians around when I went to southern New Jersey, and I felt somewhat alone here. Digest was a letter from home, so to speak, and gave me a sense of closeness to the profession and people who were at PCOM with me. It kept me abreast of what was going on. Today, I think that Digest is an excellent publication of school developments and future plans. It enables me to place myself in the whole scheme of things and to know where I fit in."

William J. King, DO, '63 Professor, Department of Family Practice, University of Medicine and Dentistry, School of Osteopathic Medicine, New Jersey.



"Digest is an important information base for me, even though I'm here at the college. Certainly our alumni must find it informative on changes that have taken place at the alma mater-the face changes, curriculum changes, and physical changes. Plus I really enjoy the updates on alumni themselves, all our graduates who we remember and value at PCOM. I think that Digest is a touchstone for physicians educated here. It gives all of us a sense of pride in the growth of this college, and serves as a bond to the holistic approach we cherish as alumni, faculty, and students."

Joseph A. Dieterle, DO, '70 Dean of PCOM



"Digest is a guide to news I can use in my practice, helping me find people with expertise in certain areas. I turn first to 'Class Acts' and find out what's happened to classmates and other DOs I know. It's easy to call someone I know in a specialty and ask for advice. The changes at the college are interesting for the same reason, and I want to know what's going on in the departments. Digest is very helpful to me as my career grows and I want updated information about PCOM and colleagues."

Susan D. Peck, DO, '79 PCOM Assistant Professor, Obstetrics/Gynecology



"When you belong to an institution, it's good to have the big picture. Otherwise, it's just day-to-day and trying to get through. Digest is a road map that initiates students and helps us become more involved. First year medical school is confusing because the education is hard, the process is new, and you have to learn the organization . . . all on top of caring for your family life. Digest goes a long way in keeping students informed about the latest at PCOM and what's being planned. We understand the administration better and feel part of the bigger picture."

Kris M. Belland, '89 PCOM Student Council President







### **Founders & Foundations**

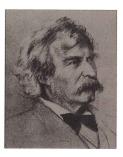
1898 The fiery Presbyterian preacher, Mason Wiley Pressly, BD, meets a public school teacher named Oscar John Snyder, BS, MS, at the Northern Institute of Osteopathy in Minneapolis. Each is retooling as a DO after a close relative was cured by the therapy, and they agree to team up. 1899 Pressly opens a practice (one room) and a college (the other room) in the Stephen Girard building at 21 South 12th Street, Philadelphia. The Phila-

delphia College and Infirmary of Osteopathy (PCIO) is chartered by New Jersey and O.J. Snyder arrives as a practice partner and the first college president. **1900** *PCIO* moves to the sixth floor of the new Witherspoon Building at Juniper & Walnut. O.J. Snyder defines the enduring educational norm: "We teach every-thing found in the curriculum of a reputable medical college. . .only the highest standards of competency and excellence should be

### maintained."

1900 The first graduating class is a man and a woman. W.B. Keene is elected the first Alumni Association president in 1903. Gene G. Banker practices in Germantown, PA, until her nineties and dies in 1969 just short of her 100th birthday, setting a 60-year practice record probably never broken. 1902 Pressly is a mobile information center on osteopathic medicine. He had already become A.T. Still's chief interpreter at Kirksville, edited the ASO Journal, and lectured nationally. Now he lobbies for New York State recognition with Mark Twain, a disciple of the osteopathic approach. **1903** *PCIO* moves to a large, gas lit stone mansion at 33rd and Arch Streets. "Build thee more stately mansions" becomes the campus theme of the growing, peripatetic college until it arrives at the Moss Estate 56 years later. **1905** An "August revolution" over faculty remuneration results in the resignations of Pressly and Snyder, and the college is governed by board presidents and deans until 1953. PCIO initiates the first threeyear program. O.J. Snyder becomes the principal mentor and advocate of the college and the profession during his lifetime. 1906 PCIO moves to a three story building at 1715 North Broad Street near Temple University, the fourth of six locations in the first 20 years.

## 1898-1913



Samuel Clemens & Mason Pressly are twain lobbyists for osteopathic medicine in 1902.

Inset: PCIO students in their 1907 Sunday best, two bow ties out of eleven cravats.

The O-Team burns up the track in 1907.

The college is launched in a local doctor's office. . . two rented rooms in the Stephen Girard Building at 21 South 12th Street.

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1909 The Pennsylvania Legislature grants osteopaths the license to practice and establishes a Board of Osteopathic Examiners as a result of O.J. Snyder's lobbying efforts. Surgery is still a disputed area of practice and the law is amended in 1915, 1917, and 1923. Pennsylvania passes an unlimited practice law in 1957. **1911** *PCIO* is the first osteopathic college to introduce a four-year course of study and receives a hospital charter from the state, graduating the first four-year class in 1912. **1912** The college moves to an apartment house at 822 Pine Street, establishes its first hospital around the corner at 419 South 9th Street, and acquires its first xray equipment. Charles J. Van Ronk, DO, '12 becomes one of America's great athletic physicians treating Phillies' players like Lefty Grove and Chuck Klein, also boxers Tommy Loughran and Jack Dempsey.



Oscar John Snyder

### The Founder

Founders Day bonors a man who put the cause of osteopathic medicine above personal considerations. That man was Oscar John Snyder, MS, DO, co-founder of the college and PCOM's first president.

**der** After resigning the office, he remained with PCOM for 42 years as adviser and member of the board. Dr. Snyder fostered the high standards of osteopathic education which were instrumental in obtaining legal recognition of the college and the profession by the Commonwealth.



1953 David S.B. Pennock, M.D., D.O. 1954 Margaret H. Jones, D.O. 1955 Chester D. Swope, D.O. 1956 Russell C. McCaughan, D.O. 1958 Phil R. Russell, D.O. 1959 Ira W. Drew, D.O. 1960 C. Paul Snyder, D.O. 1961 James W. Eaton, D.O. 1962 J. Ernest Leuzinger, D.O. 1962 J. Efflest Leuzinger, D.
1963 H. Walter Evans, D.O.
1964 Paul T. Lloyd, D.O.
1966 Angus G. Cathie, D.O.
1967 Carlton Street, D.O. 1968 Edwin H. Cressman, D.O. 1969 Edgar O. Holden, D.O. 1970 Frederic H. Barth, B.S., L.D, D.Sc.
1971 Joseph F. Py, D.O.
1972 George W. Northup, D.O.
1973 William F. Daiber, D.O. 1974 Herman Kohn, D.O. 1975 William S. Spaeth, D.O. 1976 Mortimer J. Sullivan, D.O. 1976 Mortimer J. Sullivan, D.O.
1977 A. Aline Swift, D.O.
1978 Foster C. True, D.O.
1979 Frank E. Gruber, D.O.
1980 Leo C. Wagner, D.O.
1981 R. MacFarlane Tilley, D.O.
1982 M. General Participation Provided Pro 1982 M. Carman Pettapiece, D.O. 1983 George H. Guest, D.O. 1984 Thomas M. Rowland Jr, B.S.,LL.D, D.Sc. 1985 Galen S. Young, D.O. 1986 David Heilig, D.O. 1987 W. Kenneth Riland, D.O.



Early professors like Charles Muttart, DO, are paid in nonnegotiable stock, one share earned for every 33 hours of instruction.



The 1912 Osteopathic Dispensary at 832 Pine Street, Philadelphia.



The 1908 anatomy dissection class in the basement at 33rd and Arch Streets.

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### **The Pioneer**

Osteopathic medicine honors a man whose purpose was, in his words, to give medicine "a start in a philosophy that may be a guide in the future." That pioneer was A.T. Still.

His story is one of remarkable personal conviction, political controversy, And and medical non-conformity. Dr. Still was a tireless student of health and the human body, an abolitionist, Civil War surgeon, state legislator, supporter of equal rights and women's suffrage.

As founder of our first college in Kirksville, Missouri, he is the pioneer of osteopathic education as well. Never the dogmatist, "the Old Doctor" bequeathed a philosophy of medicine still cherished by PCOM and the osteopathic profession to this day.

### **PCOM Presidents**

Oscar John Snyder, D.O., 1899-1905 William E. Brandt, D.O., 1953-1957 Frederic H. Barth, B.S., LL.D., D.Sc., 1957-1974 Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., B.S., LL.D., D.Sc., 1974-1984 J. Peter Tilley, D.O., 1984

### **PCOM Deans**

James E. Burt, D.O., 1902-1903 Charles W. McGurdy, D.O., 1903-1908 Charles J. Muttart, D.O., 1908-1911 Arthur M. Flack, D.O., 1911-1924 Edgar O. Holden, A.B., D.O., 1924-1943 Otterbein Dressler, D.O., 1943-1950 Frederich A. Long, D.O., 1951-1953 Sherwood R. Mercer, A.B., A.M., LL.D.,1954-1969 Paul H. Thomas, B.S., D.O., Ph.D.,1969-1972 Robert W. England, A.B., D.O., 1973-1984 Joseph A. Dieterle, D.O., 1985

Signs of the Times	1926
<b>The College</b> Student Body Alumni College Faculty Nursing Students Nursing Faculty	240 628 70 12 4
The Hospital Annual Patient Census Outpatient Census Osteopathic Treatments Average Daily Charge Highest Daily Charge	940 2,700 19,000 \$6.53 \$7.00



**Andrew Taylor Still** 

### The Spring Garden Era

**1914** O.J. Snyder is elected *AOA* president, the first college leader so honored, and is followed by nine alumni elected to the AOA presidency by 1987. On August 3, 1914, the Germans invade Belgium and France; Congress declares war on April 6, 1917; yet the Army Medical Corps refuses to commission the 675 DOs in service, often with medical units. 1916 On the move again, the college raises \$60,000 to purchase its own campus for the first

time, the residence of John E. Reyburn, Mayor of Philadelphia 1907-11. at 19th and Spring Garden Streets. It is to be the home for 13 years of remarkable growth and development in the departments of the college. 1917 The new 50-bed hospital constructed on the site is occupied along with a surgical amphitheater seating 150 students to watch David S.B. Pennock, DO, MD, founder of surgery at PCIO and chairman of the department from 1910 to 1945.

1914-1926



S. Canning Childs, philanthropist and college benefactor.

Our first collegeowned campus at 19th & Spring Garden Streets, former home of Philadelphia Mayor John Reyburn.



The 1925 baseball team at a college claiming "abundant opportunity for all students to take advantage of sports and regular exercise."

1917 The School of Nursing is founded under the clouds of war and continues under directresses like S.M. Johnson, Margaret Peeler, Helen Sterrett and Sarah Thompson until 1960. The first class of three nurses graduates in 1919. Women comprise almost half of the PCIO student body during the war. **1918** The Philadelphia College of Osteopathy (PCO) is the name chosen as the college and the hospital are merged under one

board of directors. 1918-19 A severe influenza pandemic grips the country the same year the Armistice is signed on November 11. DOs generally have more success in treating flu patients than those equipped with only premodern nostrum drugs and panacea serums. 1920's This is a roaring sports era at PCO as the college fields baseball, basketball, track, tennis and golf teams. The athletes are scanned by major league scouts, go up against world record

setters, and play at Wimbledon. Faculty vs. Student games are unforgiving on both sides, and the baseball team even receives uniforms in 1920. 1922 The DO course is extended to nine months in each of the four years, meeting licensing requirements in some states and matching medical college standards of the day. By 1925, applicants must show completion of one-year of college level chemistry, biology and physics.

1923 This class sets a record for alumni giving to date and contributes college greats like Paul T. Lloyd, the nationally prominent radiologist, and R. McFarlane Tilley who becomes Kirksville Dean and the second alumnus elected president of the AOA. 1925 Synapsis is born and becomes the glory and groaning of every third year class since. Dedicated to O.J. Snyder, its declared purpose is communicating 'the personnel and activities of one phase

of animated existence to another more remote,' whatever that means. 1926 A seed is sown. The grocery store magnate and philanthropist, S. Canning Childs, says he would be willing to contribute \$150,000 toward a new Marion Childs Unit at the hospital, a building now approaching the renovation-or-replacement decision point. It is "The British Connection" since Dr. C.D.B. Balbirne, '11, and Mr. Childs are friends, both born in Great Britain.



Inset: The exact class year is unknown, but the determination to succeed is certain.

PCO class of 1921.

### **Development & Depression**

1927 The first issue of the new, four-page tabloid named Osteopathic Digest appears on October 30th under the tutelage of Dean Edgar Holden. Devoted to osteopathic education and achievements, it also reports on athletic director D'Eliscue in Japan organizing an international branch of the A.A.U. 1927 Building fever rises at the June meeting of the Philadelphia County Osteopathic Society where physicians and friends are asked for a \$100,000 guarantee fund to purchase land for a new campus. O.J. Snyder makes a rousing speech, then leads with a \$200 pledge that he doubles before the meeting ends.

1928 On April 3rd, the board buys a prime tract of land from the Eli Kirk Price estate at 48th and Spruce Streets for \$615,000. When cost estimates for the new building pass the \$1 million mark, S. Canning Childs promises the last \$100,000 as well as the first. College tuition is \$250. October End 1929 The Stock Market crashes and the decade of the Great Depression begins with fortunes wiped out overnight. PCO faces the worst financial crisis in its history. The Spring Garden campus, offered for sale at \$430,000, finds no buyer. November 1929 The Alumni Association, the profession, and public

benefactors respond generously to raise \$1,044,000 in pledges and the building goes up during the Great Boom at a cost of \$1,030,000. Designated "the most beautiful building erected in the city in 1929." the Collegiate Gothic home for the next 45 years is completed. The cornerstone of the hospital wing is inscribed, "Marion Childs." **1930** Large pledges are defaulting, bills pile up, and the banks demand collateral other than land and pledges. "Truly, we are short of money, but we are as well off as if we were backed by millions of dollars, for we have on our faculty the best men in the profession-and we have a

building with the finest equipment obtainable. The point is, we want to keep it." (O.J. Snyder to students on October 23.) 1930 Dr. H. Walter Evans recruits a realtor friend, John G. Keck, to negotiate with the builders and bankers. Elected president of the board in 1941, he later also receives an honorary degree as O.J. Snyder says, ". . . but for the efforts of John Keck, this college would not have survived.' 1930's Body and soul are kept together through another decade of great athletes and also the creation of a 40-piece symphony orchestra. Student Harold Osborn, winner of the 1924 Olympic Decathlon in Paris, re-

ports for the track team and baseball is coached by George Gilham, former catcher for the St. Louis Cardinals. **1931** A former railroad worker, Angus Gordon Cathie, graduates and joins the faculty in 1933. He is to become a top OPP authority and the premier osteopathic anatomist in the country. Devoting his life to the college and teaching until his death in 1970, he once confided, "I never want to retire. My work is my pleasure. **1931** Now heading the Osteopathic Board of Examiners and the POA Legislative Committee, O.J. Snyder fights another battle for osteopathic independence and licensure. He says, "Medical doctors are not

# 1927-1936



The class of '36 is way ahead of the Surgeon General on smoking.

Ruth E. Tinley, DO, Class of '23, directs the pediatric clinic on Spring Garden Street. Edgar O. Holden, DO, Class of '22, college dean 1924-1943.

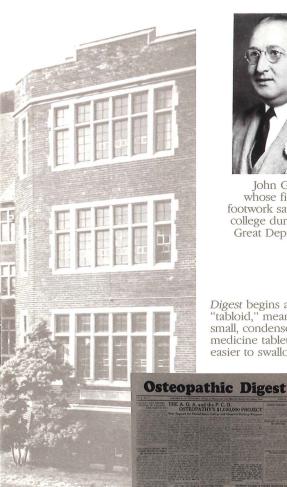
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Home of the college for 45 years, the Philadelphia Art Commision designates 48th & Spruce "the most beautiful building erected in the city in 1929."

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qualified to examine our students. . . We challenge the best trained medical students to take our examinations in these subjects. . . 1932 It is the best of times, the worse of times. Dean Holden holds the institution together as the full-tocapacity college pays splendidly and the hospital lives within its operating income-1,849 patients this year, average daily census 60, average length of stay 11 days. A free maternity clinic is opened on the old campus. 1933 The Graduate School of Osteopathic Medicine is opened so that PCO graduates might be fully licensed in New Jersey. The emphasis is on clinical subjects, laboratory work, and hospital rounds during the two-year course. 1933 Ruth É. Tinley, DO, '23, an associate professor for 10 years who has drawn national attention for her outstanding results with children, succeeds Dr. Ira W. Drew as head of the Pediatrics Clinic he developed on Spring Garden Street. 1936 A Republican Vermonter Osteopath jokingly runs as a dark horse independent candidate and becomes the surprised but Honorable Ira Walton Drew, Congressman from the 7th District of Pennsylvania. His Drew-Burke bill passes and osteopaths receive increased legal rights and national recognition.





John G. Keck, whose financial footwork saves the college during the Great Depression.

Digest begins as a "tabloid," meaning a small, condensed medicine tablet easier to swallow.



Herman Kohn, DO

### Spokesman, Class of 1927

"I opened my practice in the second floor rear bedroom of our row bouse in working-class, southwest Philadelphia. It was \$2 for an office or home visit, and I can remember weeks when my income was \$17.

"Opening cold, I had enough time to listen and heard textbook symptomatologies missed by local MDs, who only charged 50 cents and had waiting lines out to the sidewalk.

We DOs were treating the allopathic failures and got better results. Remember, we had no antibiotics and did the best we could with what we had, and I for one treated my patients osteopathically.

"The '29 crash dropped the bottom out. Many unemployed patients couldn't pay, but I never turned any away. Some brought live chickens and vegetables as a fee. I was in homes where they were burning stair treads and bannisters to get some heat, and we had an epidemic of scarlet fever on top of it.

"As a prosector in the PCOM anatomy lab from 1928-35, I was a volunteer since we weren't paid, and was also a preceptee of Dr. D.S.B. Pennock, my role model. Even after I became a surgeon and developed by own techniques, I fell back on what he taught me when I got into tight spots. What a man!

"In 1933 they moved me to OB/GYN. The fee was \$50 then but it included prenatal care, home delivery, and after-care. Friday was my busiest practice night, but Dr. Evans said, 'You take the Friday night clinic.' And do you know what I said? Not, no I can't, but 'Yes Sir.'

"I remember sulfanilamide and how amazed we were by the results. PCOM was also the second hospital in Philadelphia to employ continuous caudal analgesia in OB.

*The college was in deep financial trouble* during the 30's. Dr. Balbirne took a large settlement check he got after being hit by a car and gave it to the hospital so that staff could be paid. His friend S. Canning Childs helped bail us out; and board president John Keck saved us by settling with creditors for 10 cents on the dollar. I'll never forget it.

"We were 'professional outcasts' in those days, often called 'fakes' by the medics. We did what they didn't do-listen to patients, treat them holistically, and make referrals. That's a lot more than five minutes plus a prescription and 'come back in two weeks.""

Dr. Kohn went on to become full professor of surgery at PCOM, then moved to Florida in 1972 and continued surgical practice until retirement in 1984 at age 77. He has been a member of the board for 43 years, and remembers when "my students forearms were like steel from giving each hospital patient two osteopathic treatments daily."

### President, Class of 1937

"Osteopathic medicine and surgery were my first loves. Two in our class were chosen to understudy Dr. David Pennock, and fortunately I was one. He was quite a man, you know. Even after I started practice in Lancaster, PA, I used to drive down to work with bim.

"One had to operate on cases in Philly for years because we DOs were shut out of the hospitals in Lancaster. Finally, you say, 'to bell with it,' and I became one of the charter fellows of the osteopathic hospital we founded there.

"Early in WW2, greetings came from Uncle Sam. It was absurd, but my draft board said I was going into the infantry and that was it. Not quite; I became a premed college student again while continuing to practice, then entered Habnemann Medical College.

"During the 3-year accelerated program, we were Pfc's in uniform who stood formation every morning. As we stepped off the graduation stage we got our commissions and orders to report for active duty, and you were now really in, Buster.

"It's curious. The military wouldn't commission me as a DO, but once in they recognized all my work under Pennock. I ran the surgical service at Camp Cook for several years. It wasn't until 1949, when I left active duty for private practice, that life really began for me."

Dr. Young went on to graduate a third time, at Penn where he underwent rehabilitation after a flying mishap that ended his surgical career, only to join the faculty of the same department for many years. He did numerous special assignments for the U.S. State Department, and also started a rehabilitation center for the State of Nevada that has declared him a "Living Treasure" who still practices in Las Vegas.

### Signs of the Times

- Lajos Biro of Hungary invents the ballpoint pen.
- The 40 hour work week is established in the U.S.
- FDR is re-elected as U.S. President for a 3rd term.
- Howard Florey develops penicillin as a practical antibiotic.
- The Japanese bomb Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941.
- War-related rationing in the U.S. includes items such as shoes, meat, cheese, fats, all canned goods, sugar, gasoline and coffee.
- The zoot suit becomes the popular men's attire.
- · Joe DiMaggio hits safely in 56 consecutive games.
- The war ends in Europe on May 8, 1945. (V.E. Day)
- The U.S. drops atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August of 1945.
- The average life expectancy in the U.S. is 64, up from 49 in 1900.
- The first "electronic brain" (or automatic computer) is developed in the U.S.



David G. Young, DO, MD

### The War Years

1937 Congressman Drew is the toastmaster for the November 6th testimonial dinner at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel for O.J. Snyder, founder and tireless promoter of the college and the prestige of the profession. **The 30's** Though the college discourages it, over a quarter of the student body holds parttime jobs with FDR's National Youth Administration in order to survive. The two \$300 scholarships available are usually subdivided, but student loans are available up to a maximum of \$300 per year. 1937 Russell Duane, a prominent Philadelphia lawyer who presided

over the board during hard times since 1931 steps down after instituting the college endowment and annual giving programs. The Osteopathic Digest announces a 1949 endowment goal of \$1 million. The Depression crisis shows sign of beginning to ebb. 1940-41 Prosperity is returning to the economy and the college. The war in Europe and Asia is remote, but a peacetime draft begins to demand more physicians for the military. The Pearl Harbor attack on December 7, 1941, catapults the nation into its largest foreign war. May '42 The hospital is placed on "a total war

1937-1946



Russell Duane

The PCO School of Nursing Class of 1939

Osteopathic physicians are finally recognized by the federal government.

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basis" for civilian defense and mobile casualty stations during air raids. Free corrective treatment for disabilities is offered to men rejected for military service and to war industry workers, a nationally acclaimed and pioneering service. June '42 PCO accelerates to a three-year program and introduces courses on the medical aspects of war and its related diseases. "Our students are being fitted for emergency service in any part of the world, ready to meet the shortage of physicians . . . and equipped to combat disease in every clime, from the Arctic to the

tropics." (Associate Dean Russell Erb) Summer '42 The adjacent athletic field is plowed into Victory Gardens named "The Back Acres" by bent over students. September '42 PCO begins its academic year with over 300 students enrolled. A faculty research team under Dr. Joseph Py begins work on diseases foreign to America under the college's Department of War Medicine, and the 50th Anniversary of osteopathic education is celebrated. November '42 The U.S. Manpower Commission announces that Os-

teopathic physicians will

be deferred from the draft where civilian needs warrant. "The osteopathic profession stands ready to step into the breach caused by the shortage of doctors . . . although our Government has seen fit to withhold recognition of our profession in the armed services." (Dean Edgar Holden) Founders Day '43 "Osteopathy has the searching glare of public approval, and we will make good, carrying on its heritage of phenomenal growth and public service. The outlook is bright, but is fraught with responsibilities never before faced by the profession."

(Dr. R. McFarlane Tilley, AOA President) 1943 Federal officials advise the college that Osteopathic physicians are now recognized as essential and are to be commissioned in the armed forces. "Our professional place in the sun is beyond question," says Dr. Francis Finnerty, PCO vice president. The decision, however, is not implemented by military field medicine. 1943 During the war years, the Women's Auxiliary steps up the services and fundraising it has done for decades. They make or buy all the linens used by the hospital. The nurses

solve the rubber band shortage by cutting up discarded surgical gloves-35 small bands from the fingers, seven big ones from the palm. Mid 40's The PCO School of Nursing is at its best during the war years, providing staff for military and civilian hospitals. By policy, each student nurse receives one osteopathic treatment a week wherein student doctors assist. This strict professionalism leads to a remarkable number of extra professional student marriages over the years, curiously enough.



### The Post-War Era

1947 O.J. Snyder is laid to rest, and his grave will be visited by college leaders each year on Founders Day.
1947 Frederic H. Barth is appointed to the Board of Directors, then is elected president of the college board in 1949. His vision sees the prospects for the college "as bright as the promises of God. . It will need more than just physical eyes to see

them—the unseen things are enduring." His era will leave large monuments to that vision, all of them very visible on campus. **1949** This year brings the celebrations of both the 50th Anniversary of the college and Osteopathy's Diamond Jubilee. All rejoice over the science of osteopathy having firmly established itself as a complete school of medicine utilizing all recognized procedures plus its own genius. **1950** Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., begins work in the Admissions Office and quickly becomes Registrar and Director of Admissions, a post he fills for 20 years and then is appointed Executive Vice President in 1973. He is someone on campus to watch. **1951** As the GI Bill swells class ranks and physicians fill all available beds, the college buys the 145-bed Women's Homeopathic Hospital at 20th and Susquehanna in North Philadelphia. Hospital staff quickly raises over \$300,000 to underwrite the expansion and *PCO* becomes the largest osteopathic facility in the country. **1952** Dr. William E. Brandt, '21, is persuaded to serve as Dean after retiring as Chief of Public Relations for the National League of Baseball Clubs, and also host for a national nightly radio show called "Thrills In Sports." The next year he is made president of the college, the first since the founder stepped down in 1905, and serves until 1957 when he goes to the *AOA* in Chicago. **Perennials** The students organize many

# 1947-1956



William E. Brandt, Class of '21, college president 1953-1957.

1951: PCO becomes the largest osteopathic facility in the country.





The freshman class of 1948 under the collegiate gothic arch at 48th Street. social and professional societies over the years, beginning with *The Neuron Society* founded in 1902. Some will endure to the present. Others like *The Dig On Society*, named after a quip by A.T. Still when the Old Doctor once was asked what "DO" really meant, will mercifully pass. **1957** Soon after commencement, Dr. Barth is

unanimously elected

President of *PCO*. He is the holder of several textile and chemical equipment patents, and also had been the proprietor of industrial rubber and hardware companies before entering the educational area, first at the *Philadelphia Textile Institute.* 



Samuel L. Caruso, DO

### President, Class of 1947

"In the post-war era, PCOM opened up pediatrics and I was the first osteopathic pediatrics resident in 1948-49. Nothing was available when I finished, opportunities were m-i-n-i-m-a-l!

"So we bought a home in north Philadelphia and I opened a practice cold turkey. An office visit was \$3-\$5 and home calls were \$5-\$8. By definition, you sat and read murder mysteries or did crossword puzzles,

and friends sent you patients that they didn't want to handle.

"The widespread children's diseases were polio, mumps, measles and German measles. It was also the onset of the era of cortisones, steroids, and a whole array of antibiotics that were making our lives a lot easier. The infectious disease hospitals began to close, and community hospitals developed infection control and isolation procedures.

"The MD/DO thing was still a North/South Pole relationship. It was plain discrimination but nobody did anything about it, and the big change came only in the late 60's. I was never personally challenged in pediatric hospitals where I attended cases and was respected, but many DOs were hurt by the rejection or went through the back door to survive."

Dr. Caruso went on to become chairman of pediatrics at PCOM for eight years, served several years as medical director of the bospital, and then pioneered the PCOM program in Philadelphia public schools. With senior students in tow, he now works mornings in 12-14 public schools per month and is also engaged in private practice.

### Signs of the Times

- Philip Hench discovers Cortisone.
- Miltown, a meprobamate, comes into wide use in the U.S. as a tranquilizer.
- Antihistamines become a popular remedy for colds and allergies.
- J. Andre Thomas devises a heart-lung machine for heart operations.
- · Lung cancer is reported attributable to smoking.
- Dr. Jonas E. Salk, U.S. developer of antipolio serum, starts innoculating school children in Pittsburgh, PA
- Blacks in Montgomery, Alabama, boycott segregated city bus lines.
- Martin Luther King emerges as the leader of the campaign for desegregation.
- Julius and Ethel Rosenberg are convicted of espionage and executed.
- Color television is first introduced in the U.S.
- Jackie Robinson becomes the first black to sign a contract with a major league baseball club.
- More than 1 million war veterans enroll in colleges under the U.S. "G.I. Bill of Rights".



Hand carved stair posts from the north Philadelphia location.



Frederic H. Barth, college president 1957-1974.



### Spokesman, Class of 1957

"After my \$25 per month internship, I began practicing in rural Pennsylvania. The sign read, 'Entering the Village of Limeport,' and the census was one dairy, doctor, and botel; two general stores; three bars; and 40 bouses.

"Office visits were \$3 in 1958 and house calls \$5, including medicines, an OMT, and other modalities. I had either a large practice or a small waiting room because patients even sat on the stairs up to our apartment in a house rented for \$65 per month.

"People brought dogs in because it was too cold in the car. Farmers were encouraged to leave boots outside but bring in freshly butchered meat in lieu of payment. I had hours, but folks often just knocked instead of calling, and how can you turn the sick away?

"There was folk medicine, like kids said to be 'liver-grown and heart-sick.' I never diagnosed the disease but learned the cure. The kid crawls around a chair three times one way and three the other way. If that doesn't work, then you see the doctor!

"Mothers came in with home encyclopedia medical training and told me what was wrong, before asking 'What do you think, doctor?' If I disagreed, I had to defend myself and modern medicine generally.

"During big snowstorms, one lane was always plowed between my place and any bome where a pregnant woman was due. Syringes, gloves, and dressings were autoclaved in the office until disposables appeared. You had to run around and find the keys in order to use a hospital dispensary after six.

"A nearby osteoathic physician and I covered for each other, it seems with different OMT styles. His patients complained that I was too rough; my patients complained they couldn't tell he did a thing."

Later, Dr. Longenecker worked in the Allentown Osteopathic Hospital emergency and general practice programs, where he had been on the switchboard as a college student and first became interested in osteopathic medicine. He is now the medical director at Masonic Homes in Elizabethtown, a 480-bed facility along with a residence for 200 and a children's home.



William Longenecker, DO

### The Grandest Expansion

May Day '57 The college acquires the baronial, 16-acre Moss Estate on City Line Avenue for \$900,000. This magnificent new site is the eighth campus of PCO and promises to serve the projected needs of the expanding college well into its second century. "Ours will be among the most complete and modern medical teaching centers in any country, and we should be proud of the fact that Osteopathy will have attained it. (President Barth)

1958 Two alumni are honored as successive presidents of the AOA. George W. Northup, DO, '39, serves as the current president of the organization and Galen S. Young, DO, '35, presides the following year. "Every doctor and every nurse should have first, a sense of humor, and secondly, an inci-sion." (Dr. Andrew DeMasi to School of Nursing graduates.) 1959 The projected \$20 million development proceeds as several units move to the new cam-

1957-1966

The School of Nursing, a lamp that shone from 1917 to 1960, closes its doors.



Angus G. Cathie, DO, the anatomist

> . . . and a section of the Cathie Museum of Anatomy.



### Signs of the Times

- Dr. Michael DeBakey first uses an artificial heart to take over circulation of blood during heart surgery.
- · "Beat" and "Beatnik" take hold as new words to describe the "beat generation.
- · Miniskirts come into fashion.

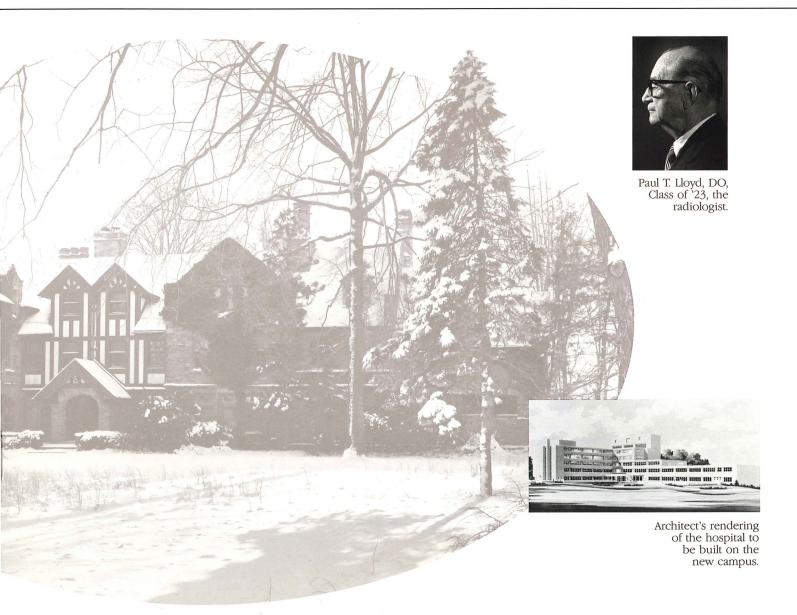
pus. A \$1 million grant is received from the State of Pennsylvania, signaling a triumph for the long-fought campaign to gain government recognition of the college as qualifying for state assistance like other medical schools. O.J. Snyder would have been proud to hear the news. 1960 The School of Nursing graduates its last class of 10 women because of growing deficits, while the Division of Post-Graduate Studies continues to grow. A record 258 physicians

and resident physicians are enrolled in the 21 courses offered. 1960 The newly established Lindback Foundation Awards for excellence in teaching are given to Angus G. Cathie the supreme anatomist, and to Paul T. Lloyd, who will also receive the O.J. Snyder Medal in 1964 as the premier radiologist of the Osteopathic profession. 1962 The college board urges the AOA to proceed against the AMA for "willful and damaging disparagement of

the Osteopathic profession in codes and documents published by the AMA," requesting removal of "the 'cultist' designation as untrue, as totally without foundation, and as a patent denial of the facts. 1963 To date, \$4,718,000 has been granted by Pennsylvania to the college for its building program, and the construction of the new hospital is underway. The president says: "We can now move ahead firmly toward an expanded facility

. . . handling twice the number of students we now have." The doctor shortage in the nation grows more acute. **1965** The new Hearing Laboratory is opened with the latest equipment enabling Otologists to do surgical repairs. \$50,000 worth of new radiological equipment is received under a federal grant. 1966 Medicine faces increasing socialization as Medicare becomes law, and also progressive mechanization as medical technology develops

rapidly. "It is here that the osteopathic concept, modern as tomorrow, comes to the aid of the physician. Properly used, it is his best instrument to protect and strengthen his human qualities in relation to his patients." (President Barth)



The Moss House becomes the nucleus of the eighth campus of the college.

### **Progress & Exhilaration**

May '67 The last class to complete four years at the 48th Street campus is graduated, and the 83 new DOs comprise 21 percent of the 400 DOs receiving degrees nationwide. The Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) becomes the current and enduring name of the school. June '67 The 228-bed hospital is completed at a cost of \$7.1 million and dedicated on June 10th as The Barth Pavilion. "PCOM is on the move. . . The spirit of our college is alert and vibrant. . .we are progressing because we are a family. Ever since this college was founded in 1899, members of this family have been giving of themselves, their

knowledge, and their substance to further our common cause." (President Barth) 1968 Six major surgery units, equipped with the best at a cost of \$1.2 million, are in full swing under the chairmanship of Dr. Carlton Street and colleagues Dr. Herman Kohn and Dr. Galen S. Young, Sr. **1969** The pressures of inflation, increasing health care demands, and a nation divided over the Vietnam War signal profound changes in the American ethos. Renovation of the old campus is accomplished as education thrives at both locations, and the 48th Street building begins evolving into a public clinic and health center.

1970 Contracts are awarded for the library and classroom building to cost \$6 million, later to be named for Dr. H. Walter Evans, '17, who dies at year-end. He had delivered 4,000 babies and, with John Keck, delivered the college from the Depression crisis with a pay-as-yougo scheme, and was a member of the faculty from 1920 to 1970 1970 The Rural Primary Health Care Center is opened in LaPorte, PA, to serve isolated areas of Appalachia. It will bear the brunt in aiding victims of the Great Flood in Pennsylvania during the summer of 72. By 1974, the college will also have health centers in North Philadelphia, Roxborough,

and on 48th Street. 1971 Basic curriculum changes in all four years of the program emphasize earlier clinical education in the PCOM hospital and practical training under physicians in practice at four other hospitals. Founders Day "The story of PCOM's success lies in the fact that of more than 5,000 doctors who have graduated since its founding, some 3,000 are still practicing and serving their fellow man. That is a pretty good endorsement of Osteopathic medicine.' (Dr. David H. Kurtzman, Pennsylvania Secretary of Education.) 1973 Overmont House for senior citizens is being built at a cost of

\$4 million, and all class work is now consolidated in Evans Hall. A new \$10,000 Alumni Student Loan Program is announced by the Alumni Association Board. The first lecture given on videotape is titled, "The Pharmacology of Tranquilizers and Sedatives. Founders Day '73 "The tradition of PCOM has been that of fostering an independent profession, of providing its students with a foundation on which to continue those traditions. It will not be easy; it will be 'the road less travelled by,' but it is the path of the future.' (President Barth) 1974 With the new campus buildings completed, PCOM is proud



Evans Hall, named for H. Walter Evans, DO, class of '17, who served on the faculty for 50 years.

of its human and physical achievements as Executive Vice President Thomas Rowland presides over the 75th Anniversary of the college. "If we are to build on our strength to meet our future, we must be osteopathic physicians, osteopathic hospitals, and osteopathic colleges. The holistic treatment of man is as pertinent today. . .as it was when it became the foundation for a school of medicine. . .I could not be more convinced that osteopathic care is different-and that it is better patient care.' (Dr. Rowland, inaugurated president, December 7, 1974.) 1974 The first Rugby Team is organized at PCOM and captures first

place in the Eastern PA Rugby Union Collegiate Tournament, later reorganized as the Graduate School Division. PCOM will take the championship three years straight-1979, 1980, and 1981, then do it again in 1987. Don't mess with rugged osteopathic ruggers! 1975 Digest devotes one issue to the story of women faculty and students at PCOM over the decades. "There is a place for the fair sex in the practice of Osteopathy—a place as high and noble as that occupied by men." (The amazing O.J. Snyder, February 18, 1900, two decades before women were franchised and a half-century before the modern women's movement.)



Thomas M. Rowland, Jr., college president 1974-1984.

> A new campus . . . a new name.



Inset: College leaders on Founders Day during the 75th Anniversary of the college.

> That final touch: the Barth Pavilion cornerstone. The hospital is complete.



George T. Pierson, DO

### President, Class of 1967

"My classmates, called me 'Pappy," and I started practice in Sparta, NJ, at age 38 after Korean War service and an insurance career. The charge for an office visit was \$6 in 1968, and smallpox was the contagious disease we were still fighting in our group pediatric practice.

"With only MD bospitals in the area, the biggest practice issue was receiving a staff appointment. It finally took a threatened law suit to

obtain staff privileges in 1970, and even then we had to prove ourselves going upbill. It kept us on our toes, though, and made us better doctors. Eventually I became chief of emergency services at the same hospital.

"During our first decade of practice we experienced the gas crisis, the early 70's recession, and the full impact of Medicare and Medicaid. I began serving nursing home patients and had a constant struggle trying to get paid for services. And it's been an uphill battle since then. The day of free enterprise medicine is gone. . .lost. . .and that's the most significant politcal and economic change in medicine during this century.

"You need a change now and then. From emergency work I went on staff at Fair Oaks, a premier psychiatric hospital. Now I'm the medical director of Sunrise House, a private, 75-bed inpatient program for alcohol and substance abusers. We're fully entangled with the state health care bureaucracy, so there's no escape. A lot of doctors say they may give it up, and sometimes driving a truck looks attractive. If they could afford it, the government would go to socialized medicine tomorrow. We're there anyway with Medicare."

### Signs of the Times

- Dr. Christian N. Barnard performs the world's first human heart transplant at Groote Schuur Hospital in Capetown, South Africa.
- Hospital care costs in the U.S. reach an average \$81 per patient per day, \$664.28 per average patient-stay.
- · Cigarette advertisements are banned from U.S. television.
- · Hundreds of thousands of people in several U.S. cities and on college campuses nationwide demonstrate their protests against war in Vietnam.
- · Apollo II lands its lunar module successfully on the moon's surface. Neil Armstrong takes his "giant leap for mankind" (July 20 & 21, 1969).
- · A gasoline shortage inconveniences Americans through the winter months and year-round Daylight Savings Time is adopted to save fuel.
- The Watergate affair unfolds, culminating in President Nixon's resignation and subsequent pardon. • "All in the Family" is the leading TV show in the U.S. • Twiggy (British model) takes U.S. fashion by storm.
- · Streaking becomes a fad in the U.S.
- Mickey Mantle hits his 500th career home run.

### President, Class of 1977

"In 10 years of work as a physician, I've never charged a patient one penny. I'm the exception rather than the rule for the class of '77. It was back to active duty in the Army where I had been for 11 years prior to medical school. Care there is free.

"Military medicine is the same but different. For one thing, you're a company doc, and that's a different philosophy. A civilian patient is assumed ill until proven well; but the GI is well until he's definitely proven sick.

"Also, people ask if I experienced prejudice and I say, 'Yes, all of it positive.' The DO is the preferred military provider and I had to work harder. Ten of the last 18 Physician of The Year Awards given by the Army Surgeon General went to DOs, including myself. DOs represent only one out of every 8-9 Army physicians, however.

"I have an oak table that I bought while a student at PCOM, one of those salvaged from the 48th Street location. And I've recovered it twice since I left Philadelphia because I have continued to be an active practitioner of OMT. That old table has gone with me to all my military assignments, including overseas to Korea.

"I'm proud of having helped create the Mobile Modular Medical Support System, the largest change in battlefield medicine since the Civil War; also the Neighborhood Family Practice Clinics at Fort Sill that increased health care access by doubling the patient load."

Much decorated and often awarded, Dr. Taveau recently retired from the military and opened bis private practice in Tulsa, OK. He says, "Now I have to decide what to wear every morning. All those years it was no decision, I just got up and put on my green suit."

### Signs of the Times

- High technology infiltrates everyday living through the introduction of such items as the personal computer, VCR's, CD's and banking ATM's.
- Fitness mania sets in as health food and exercise centers abound.
- Baby boomers reach their thirties representing one third of the U.S. population. With their maturation comes a demand for re-evaluation of such social concerns as child care for an ever increasing labor force, divorce, and care and treatment for the largest class of senior citizens this country has ever seen.

•	PCOM	College	Tuitions:	1900 -	•\$	10

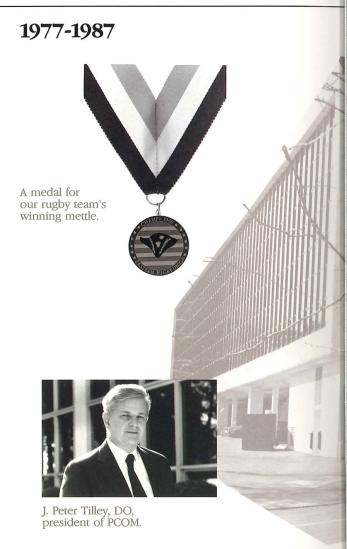
1927	-	\$ 200
1937	-	\$ 310
1947	-	\$ 450
1957	-	\$ 750
1967	-	\$ 1,000
1977	-	\$ 4,650
1987	-	\$12,900



H. Sprague Taveau IV, DO

### **Arrivals & New Departures**

1977 The campus expands once more as the college buys the modern, five-story office building at 4190 City Line Avenue for \$2.2 million. PCOM becomes the only osteopathic college with a bar and discotheque under its own roof while still qualifying for a \$442,624 HEW grant. 1978 To graduate students without a commitment to the osteopathic profession and without enough osteopathic internships open to them means that "our struggle for identity will be worse than it has ever been. . .at a time when osteopathic practitioners are being welcomed by the AMA. Adversity breeds loyalty, and many of the adversities we once knew are no longer present." (President Rowland to the American Academy of Osteopathy.) 1978 PCOM opens its School of Allied Health. "PCOM in the last five years has advanced meteorically. There is a momentum here that cannot be denied. . .indomitable courage, absolute flexibility, and comprehensive planning have all contributed to this." (Superior Court Judge J. Sydney Hoffman, 30-year member of the board and chairman for the last 15 years.) The Women's Guild of the hospital celebrates its 60th Anniversary. 1979-80 The Pew Memorial Trust grants PCOM \$1 million to con-



solidate its campus. The largest private grant ever awarded the college becomes a launching pad for the successful \$4 million capital campaign during the early 80's with the theme, "In Our Hands and Yours." Our college alumni and alumnae prove their loyalty and generosity once again. 1981 The PCOM basketball team wins its fourth championship in six years, much to the musculo-skeletal chagrin of those allopathic competitors with slower mens et manus reaction times! 1982 The old 48th & Spruce building is sold to a church group; more than 3,000 DOs were educated in the Gothic hall that graduated its

first class in 1930 and its last in 1972. Tradition, like the gift of a wishbone pin begun by Dr. Sherwood Mercer, is kept because "the spouse of an osteopathic medical student must have a funny bone, a backbone, and a wishbone" to endure the four years. Founders Day '83 "There is no doubt about the awesome power and drive of O.I.: and it is understandable how he was able to establish an osteopathic institution in a medical hotbed and keep it afloat for the first formative years." (Dr. George Guest, '36, recipient of the O.J. Snyder Medal.) 1984 J. Peter Tilley, DO, is unanimously elected president of the

college. A Kirksville graduate, he completes his internship and residency in radiology at PCOM before joining the faculty in 1966. The first DO to hold the office since 1957, Dr. Tilley is also the youngest president since the founder himself. The medical office building is named Rowland Hall after TMR, who devoted himself to PCOM for 34 years 1985 "In many ways, PCOM has sold its soul to its sources of funding. Now, many of those sources of income have dried up, and what's left? We're left with what we started with-the osteopathic profession. Let the osteopathic component shine through! We're different from an allopathic hospital. It is

important that we continue to focus on this difference. (President Tilley) 1986 A major reorganization is achieved, creating five separate corporate entities under the parent holding company named the Osteopathic Medical Center of Philadelphia. Much dust and banging are necessary to create the new Surgi-Center, the Bone and Joint Diagnostic Center which is the first component of the larger Musculoskeletal Institute, and three completely redesigned medical wings in the PCOM Hospital-Cardiology, Psychiatry, and Intensive Care. Off campus, the college opens its new Osteopathic Medical

Care Facility at Philadelphia International Airport. 1987 "Changes are occuring in medicine at a rate that challenge the adaptive capacity of both institutions and individuals. Our role, as a college, is to prepare our students and support our osteopathic colleagues in being successful in this environment. Our profession has grown and thrived fundamentally because it is on the right track in providing health care. . . The imperatives for success that we face today are as important as those our predecessors faced in the past, and we must be as successful.' (President Tillev)



Rowland Hall, named for the man who served the college for 34 years.

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### **Faculty in Focus**

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Burton D. Mark, DO New Chairman of the Psychiatry Department



Burton D. Mark, DO, FACN, has been appointed chairman of the PCOM Department of Psychiatry. A 1963 graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Mark is board certified in psychiatry and in quality assurance and utilization review. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the American College of Neuropsychiatrists in 1984. Most recently, Dr. Mark has been in private practice in West Chester, PA, and has been affiliated with the faculties of West Chester University and the South Eastern College of Osteopathic Medicine in Florida.

John D. Angeloni, DO, chairman of the Department of General Practice, was elected chairman of POMA District One, and also received the Raymond J. Saloom, DO, Memorial Award.

**Emanuel Fliegelman**, DO, director of Human Sexuality, recently lectured to physicians at Parkview Hospital.

**David Heilig**, DO, was a guest lecturer and demonstrator at the New England Osteopathic Convention meeting in September.

Osteopathic Medical News has published proceedings of a roundtable on the management of hypertension that was moderated by **William A. Nickey**, DO, PCOM chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine, and addressed by **Stephen S. Levin**, DO, Division of Nephrology and Hypertension, and **Alan Geisler**, DO, of the Division of Cardiology.

Joseph V. Uri, MD, PhD, adjunct professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, authored a paper entitled "Antibacterial Antibiotics: the Unchallenged 'Miracle' Drugs" in the Boston Bulletin on Chemicals and Disease.

John T. Lohr, PhD, assistant professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, coauthored a paper entitled "Evaluation of a Monoclonal Antibody Typing System for Herpes Simplex Virus" in Oral Surgery, Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology.

Labor Day saw the resignation of Walter R. Brand, executive director of the PCOM Hospital since 1984. Mr. Brand was a key figure in the development of the SurgiCenter, the refurbishing of three hospital wings, and weathering the heavy changes in the health care reimbursement system. The responsibilities of the executive director have been assumed ad interim by Herbert Boulden, vice president for OMCP Corporate Finance.

M.H.F. Friedman, PhD, visiting professor of physiology, has been elected president of the PCOM chapter of Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society. The secretary elected for the current academic year is Richard Notzold, PhD, professor of anatomy, and the treasurer is Mervyn H. Kline, PhD, associate professor of biochemistry. Elected to membership in Sigma Xi were Michael H. Davis, PhD, David Heilig, DO, John Fernandes, DO, Leonard H. Finkelstein, DO, and Alexander S. Nicholas, DO. A certificate of recognition was given to **Dean Joseph A.** Dieterle, DO, in appreciation for his strong support of research being done at the college.

PCOM student **John Gimpel**, '88, was elected national treasurer of the Council of Student Council Presidents of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine.

### **Two Grants Received**

The Osteopathic Medical Center of Philadelphia recently received two grants that will help the needy. The W.W. Smith Charitable Trust of Rosemont, PA, gave \$12,000 for the purpose of supporting OMCP free care programs for the poor and needy in the community. The Benjamin & Mary Siddons Measey Foundation of Media, PA, gave \$11,060 for the purpose of aiding needy and worthy PCOM students in the third and fourth years of study. We are very grateful to each foundation for awarding OMCP a grant to aid the deserving.

### **Roxborough** Opening

The Osteopathic Health Care Center in Roxborough showed its new facility to the public during an open house on September 17. Now located at 6183 Ridge Avenue in the heart of the business district, the center offers a more convenient location along with updated facilities and equipment for primary care. Nearly 250 members of the community joined the celebration, received gifts, and took advantage of free health screenings. John Flaherty, DO, '54 is' Medical Director.

### **Deeply Indebted Students**

Fully 94 percent of all senior osteopathic medical students are in debt, and the average amount carried is \$55,400. Those 1986 figures were recently released by the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine. Compared to 1982, when AACOM first calculated the height of student hock, the latest figure shows a 79 percent increase above the 1982 graduate's average indebtedness of \$31,000. The financial aid office says that the average debt of the 1987 PCOM graduate was \$56,924.

### Erratum

In listing the shared authorship of the paper *A Somatic Component to Myocardial Infarction*, on page 10 of the spring '87 issue of *Digest*, the name of **Alexander S. Nicholas**, DO, was omitted. The editors of *Digest* apologize for this regrettable inadvertence with a renewed sense of fallibility. . . if it were ever in doubt. Mary Beth Bolliger, '89, was one of five osteopathic medical students participating in a health care professional schools lobbying effort on Capitol Hill. The students addressed the impact of tax reform on student loans and scholarships, and also appropriations for primary care training.

### Alumni Aid Lacrosse

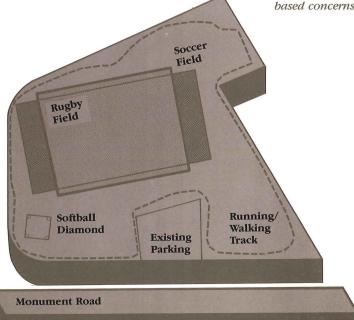
The Alumni Association has generously supported PCOM's newest sport, the Philadelphia Med Lacrosse Club that will play a full schedule this coming spring on the new athletic field. The team has just been accepted as a member of the Central Atlantic Lacrosse League according to Phillip Caterbone, '88, one of the team organizers. A game of American Indian origin, the name comes from the French, la jeu de la crosse, "the game of the hooked stick."

### The Earth Moved

Bulldozers have been rumbling back and forth for weeks in order to level PCOM's new athletic field, so dear to the hearts of the college rugby, soccer, lacrosse, and softball teams. Thanks to the financial good sportsmanship of the Alumni Association, OMCP administration, and the Student Council, the fallow land on the other side of Monument Road will become a finished fitness facility in time for spring practice. It is calculated that it will take 1, 920 lbs. of rye and fescue grass seed to paint the six-acre field green and to soften the inevitable falls. Now pray for rain.



Mary Beth Bollinger, '89, (extreme left) is shown bere with four other students of osteopathic medicine. The group of five joined 52 students from other health profession schools in lobbying key members of Congress and their staffs on studentbased concerns.



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Arnold Melnick, DO Class of 1945



Albert J. Fornace, DO Class of 1944

### 1942

**Geraldine S. Ramsdell**, RN, retired in 1986 after a career in infection control nursing that began as an army nurse in Europe during WW II, and took her to Boston, San Antonio, and Orlando where she now lives.

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1944

**Morris J. Cherry**. Clifton Heights, PA, was elected secretary-treasurer of POMA District II.

Albert J. Fornace, Jeffersonville, PA, was promoted to the rank of Professor Emeritus in recognition of his more than four decades of service to PCOM.

**Joseph LaCavera Jr.**, Elmer, NJ, was recently appointed as Elmer Community Hospital's first medical director.

### 1945

**Arnold Melnick**, North Miami Beach, FL, is dean of SECOM and delivered the AT. Still Memorial Lecture at the recent AOA annual meeting.

### 1948

Alfred A. Grilli, Pittsburgh, PA, a former president of POMA, was elected to serve as trustee of District VIII.

Alphonse Salerno, West Orange, NJ, was elected chairman of the Board of Surgery, AAOS.

### 1952

**Hymen Kanoff**, Cheltenham, PA, was elected vicespeaker of the POMA House of Delegates. **1953 Gordon L. Lerch**, Laurel Springs, NJ, became a member of staff, Department of Pediatrics, West Jersey Hospitals.

**Leonard S. Papel**, Saddle Brook, NJ, was elected chairman of the Board of Radiology, AAOS.

**John C. Pellosie**, Orlando, FL, was elected a member of the Board of Surgery, AAOS.

**Irving Tenenbaum**, Cape May, NJ, was certified by the Board of Internal Medicine in Dermatology, AAOS.

1954

**William G. McDowell**, Hermitage, PA, was re-elected as speaker of the POMA House of Delegates, marking his 21st year in that position.

**Thomas P. Woodward**, Franklinville, NJ, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Board of Neurology and Psychiatry, AAOS.

### 1955

**William F. Douce**, Saraguro, Ecuador, has breen directing a medical clinic high in the Andes mountains for 25 years.

**James R. Tyler**, Fort Worth, TX, became a member of the Board of Surgery, AAOS.

### 1957

**Lawrence E. Miller**, Short Hills, NJ, was elected vicechairman of the Board of Neurology and Psychiatry, AAOS. **Donald F. Stanton**, East Lansing, MI, was elected to the board of directors of the Kenny Michigan Rehabilitation Foundation.

### 1958

**Richard J. Citta**, Hammonton, NJ, was appointed to staff, Department of Surgery at West Jersey Hospitals.

Harold Lightstone, Cherry Hill, NJ, was appointed to staff, Department of Anesthesiology, West Jersey Hospitals.

### 1962

**Donald R. Eck**, Muskegon, MI, received the honorary degree of Fellow from the AAOS.

### 1963

**Robert D. Hayes**, Tampa, FL, received the honorary degree of Fellow from the AAOS.

John N. Stathakis, Phoenix, AZ, was certified by the Board of Internal Medicine in Dermatology, AAOS.

### 1964

Martin D. Bascove, Norristown, PA, has opened his practice in internal medicine and family practice.

**Charles W. Lowney**, Hyde Park, MA, was elected president of the corporation, Massachusetts Osteopathic Hospital and Medical Center.

### 1965

**Robert M. Mandell**, Farmington Hills, MI, was awarded an honorary membership in the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association for 20 years of service in athletics.

### 1966

**Harvey A. Harris**, Philadelphia, PA, was selected as chief of medical staff at Metropolitan Hospital's Parkview Division, and will become president of POMA next May.

**Merril Jay Mirman**, Springfield, PA, lectured and demonstrated the use of hypnosis in respiratory therapy at the Hahnemann School of Allied Health.

### 1967

Louis D. Ellis, Cherry Hill, NJ, was elected secretarytreasurer of the Board of Radiology, AAOS.

**Arthur L. Koch**, Hazleton, PA, was elected chairman of POMA District IV and trustee to the POMA board of directors.

**James C. Rossi**, Yardley, PA, was elected chairman of the Department of General Practice, Delaware Valley Medical Center, Langhorne, PA.

**Frank J. Steinberg**, Skokie, IL, formerly vice president of medical affairs at Abbott Laboratories, has been appointed president of Lorex Pharmaceuticals.

### 1968

**Joel E. Noel**, Dallastown, PA, was appointed to the staff of Memorial Hospital in the Department of Family Practice.

### 1969

**Morris I. Rossman**, Holland, PA, chief of cardiology at DVMC, presented a program on the management of chest pain to PCOM students. **Richard C. Simmers Jr.**, Cherry Hill, NJ, joined the staff of West Jersey Hospitals in the Department of Pediatrics.

**Donald C. Tilton**, Wilmington, DE, is president-elect of the Academy of Radiologists, AAOS.

**Barclay M. Wilson**, Milton, PA, was elected secretary-treasurer of POMA District V.

### 1970

**Marshall M. Gottlieb**, Newtown Square, PA, was elected president of the West Philadelphia Branch of the Philadelphia County Medical Society.

### 1971

**Richard E. Parcinski**, Johnstown, PA, was certified in pulmonary and internal medicine, and became public relations officer for the Academy of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

### **1972**

Louis E. Antosek, Jacksonville, FL, was promoted to captain and accepted in the Navy's Aerospace Residency Program.

**John C. Carlson**, West Chester, PA, was elected chairman of the Delaware section of the American Colelge of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

**Charles W. Hash Jr.**, York, PA, was recognized as "Attending Physician of the Year" at Memorial Hospital's graduation ceremonies.

1973

John M. Ferretti II, Erie, PA, was elected chairman of POMA District VII. **Frank M. Lobacz**, East Islip, NY, became a member of the Academy of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**Robert C. Luderer**, York, PA, will pursue a master's in immunology at Johns Hopkins University.

### 1974

**Frank J. Brooks,** Bethlehem, PA, began a residency in OB/GYN at St. Luke's Hospital in Bethlehem.

### 1975

**Joseph D. Flynn Jr.**, Yardley, PA was elected vice chairman of the Department of Radiology, DVMC.

**Charles S. Hoag**, Portland, ME, was certified by the Board of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**J. Michael Keller**, Ephrata, PA, was granted privileges by Good Samaritan Hospital in Lebanon.

### 1976

**Robert H. Biggs**, Bethlehem, PA, presented a paper on "Acute Interventions in Myocardial Infarctions" to the POMA convention.

**Ted S. Eisenberg**, Philadelphia, PA, was re-appointed chairman of POMA's Subcommittee on Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

**Robert J. Falbey**, Norfolk, VA, graduated from the Armed Forces Staff College and is now serving as a division surgeon. **Stephen N. Finberg**, Phoenix, AZ, was certified by the Board of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**Frank H. Guinn**, Philadelphia, PA, was elected secretarytreasurer of POMA.

**Edward E. Janus**, Fairview, PA, was certified and became secretary-treasurer of the Academy of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**Robert D. Multari**, West Middlesex, PA, was elected president of the Academy of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**Paul T. Shellenberger**, York, PA, was certified for general practice by the AOA.

**John H. Weis**, Canton, PA, was elected vice chairman of POMA District VI.

### 1977

**Warren M. Cohen**, Philadelphia, PA, was elected vice president of the Academy of Radiologists, AAOS.

**Gary C. Gelesh**, Alkron, OH, won the Golden Apple Award a second time for his teaching as professor of emergency medicine at Northeastern Ohio University.

Richard M. Gladding, Jr.,

Scottsdale, AZ, was board certified in cardiology and internal medicine by the AAOS.

**Robert B. Goldberg**, New York, NY, was elected president of the American Osteopathic College of Rehabilitation Medicine. С

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**Rita M. Hanly**. East Norriton, PA, was appointed medical director at Norristown State Hospital where she serves as a preceptor to PCOM students.

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**Jay B. Lipschutz**, Allentown, PA, was board certified in pulmonary and internal medicine by the AAOS.

**Robert M. Luber**, Allentown, PA, was elected to the exective advisory committee of HMO-PA.

**Michael C. Saltzburg**, Hollidayburg, PA, received the honorary degree of Fellow from the AAOS.

### 1978

**John A. Bonchak**, Sharon, PA, was elected chairman, Board of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**Carlo J. DiMarco**, Springfield, PA, was elected chairman of POMA District II.

**W. Stephen Gefvert**, Cumberland, ME, was board certified in gastroenterology by the AAOS.

**William J. Herbert III**, West Middlesex, PA, received the Distinquished Alumni Award from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

**Edward F. Schreiber**, Blue Bell, PA, was certified by the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians.

### 1979

**Alfred R. D'Angelo**, Red Lion, PA, was elected vice president of POMA. **David M. Callahan**, Avondale, PA, was board certified in pulmonary and internal medicine by the AAOS.

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**Samuel G. Joseph**, Tacoma, WA, completed his fellowship in pulmonary diseases at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Alan R. Maniet, Jr., Lower Merion, PA, was certified in cardiology and internal medicine, and is president-elect of the Academy of Internal Medicine, AAOS.

**Terrence J. Obringer**, Pittsburgh, PA, was board certified in pulmonary medicine by the AAOS.

**Barbara A. Vilushis**, Hazleton, PA was elected secretary-treasurer of POMA District IV.

### 1980

Arthur L. Albers, Blythewood, SC, graduated from the residency program in urology at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

**Richard B. Esack**, Largo, FL, became a member of the Board of Anesthesiology, AAOS.

**Paul S. Karlin**, Philadelphia, PA, was appointed to the staff of Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital.

**John J. Kryston Jr.**, Dallas, PA, joined the Geisinger Medical Group in Wilkes-Barre as an associate in pathology. Louis V. Stefanowicz, Orrville, OH, joined the staff of the Wadsworth-Rittman Hospital in general surgery.

### 1981 John M

John M. Bauman, Erie, PA, joined the staff of Metro Health Center in anesthesiology.

**Joseph J. Calabro**, San Francisco, CA, was promoted to the rank of major by the U.S. Army and serves as an emergency medical services chief.

**Charles E. Eaves, Jr.**, El Paso, TX, is board certified and serves as chief of emergency medical services at a major military teaching facility.

**Fred K. Khalouf**, Pittsburgh, PA, assistant prof at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, was promoted to chief of anesthesia.

Michael-Gerard Moncman, Altoona, Pa, joined a private neurosurgical practice.

**Clarence A. Scott Jr.**, Troy, PA, was elected chairman and trustee of POMA's District VI.

### 1982

John J. Fitzgerald III, Philadelphia, PA, completed his OB/GYN residency at Temple where he was chief of service last year, and joined a practice in Norristown.

**Lisa Ost Fritz**, York, PA, joined the White Rose Obstetrical and Gynecological Association. **Robert A. Fritz** joined the staff of Memorial Hospital in the department of internal medicine.

**David N. Geiger**, Naples, Italy, completed a four-year residency in general surgery and is practicing with the Navy. **Susan M. Geiger** entered family practice at the same naval clinic in Naples.

**Richard A. Greco**, Pottsville, PA, opened a medical office in the practice of urology.

**James V. Kiernan**, Lancaster, PA, joined the Department of Emergency Medicine at St. Joseph Hospital.

**Scott Silverstein**, Bridgeton, NJ, joined the staff of Bridgeton Hospital as a pulmonary specialist.

**Darlene D. Snider**, Canton, OH, was board certified in emergency medicine and practices at Doctors Hospital.

**Neal E. Soifer**, Clarks Summit, PA, joined a private practice in Scranton.

### Cindy Fine-Williams,

Muskegon, MI, joined a pediatric practice and the staff of Muskegon General Hospital.

### 1983

**Dominick A. Barone**, Hohokus, NJ, was appointed to staff at West Jersey Hospitals in pediatrics.

**Ronald E. Bokulic**, Kenner, LA, began a fellowship in pediatric pulmonology at Tulane University, New Orleans. **Louis A. DiToppa**, White Oak, PA, attended the birth of triplets at McKeesport Hospital where all expected only twins.

**Michael A. Donegan**, Danville, PA, joined the emergency room staff at Bloomsburg Hospital.

**Darlene A. Dunay**, Old Forge, PA, opened an office for the practice of family medicine.

Arne Hasselquist, Mountain Home AFB, ID, was named chief of aerospace medicine at the base hospital.

**Merijeanne A. Moore**, Moreno Valley, CA, is on duty at the 22nd Strategic Hospital at March Air Force Base, CA.

Anthony J. Skiptunas III, Davenport, IA, is staff radiologist at the Davenport Medical Center.

John T. Turski, III, Mifflinburg, PA, was appointed medical director of the emergency department at Fulton County Medical Center.

### 1984

**James Batcheller**, San Francisco, CA, assumed a duty station at the Letterman Army Medical Center, Presido.

**Walter D. Bender**, Conroe, TX, completed family practice training and will do a Texas U affiliated residency. **Ross Contino**, York, PA, completed a two-year emergency medicine residency at Memorial Hospital.

John A. Damiano, York, PA, joined the Department of Emergency Medicine at St. Joseph Hospital.

**Charles J. DeNunzio, Jr.**, Bridgeville, PA, was elected chairman of POMA District VIII.

**Philip W. Kocoloski**, San Antonio, TX, is a resident in anesthesiology at Wilford Hall Medical Center of the Air Force.

Michele L. Mikolajczak, New Wilmington, PA, a surgical resident at SVMC, began specialized training at Farrell Hospital.

**Daniel E. Oberdick**, York, PA, completed his residency and joined the emergency department staff at Memorial.

1985

**Jill Bortz**, Allentown, PA joined a family practice at Macungie Medical Group.

**Robert O. Detweiler**, Norristown, PA, was appointed to general practice staff at Suburban General Hospital.

**Mark Franz**, Connellsville, PA, was appointed to the staff of Health First Medical Center in physical medicine.

Leilani Heller, Zionsville, PA, joined Sally Ann Rex, '69, in Health Dimensions doing general practice and occupational/preventative medicine. **Eric D. Kane** of Allentown and **James W. Manley** of Whitehall Township have established Lehigh Valley Family Practice Associates at Routes 512 & 22.

**Mark Osevala**, Norristown, PA, won the first place Golden Quill Award in the POMA medical essay contest.

**Phillip E. Tobash**, Orwigsburg, PA, opened his general practice in family medicine in Schuylkill Haven, PA.

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### Sun Coast Hospital Celebrates Its Founder & 30th Anniversary

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"I was hospitalized twice at age eight," says Dr. Alan Snider, "and starting my own hospital was a crazy notion I developed while bedridden." The young child's fantasy has become an impressive reality as Sun Coast Hospital in Largo, Florida, saluted its founder and the institution he built over three decades.

The hospital's beginnings were as improbable as the child's dream. Dr. Snider purchased the 18-bed Brookside Nursing Home and 5.6 acres in 1957 for \$75,000. Today, Sun Coast is a 315-bed osteopathic teaching hospital on the original site, with more than a hundred physicians on staff and 650 employees.

Herman Kohn, DO, '27, PCOM board chairman and a Largo resident, says, "Alan Snider pioneered osteopathic hospital care and is largely responsible for the development of our profession in this region. PCOM is proud that he is one of our graduates." The mayor of Largo congratulated Sun Coast on its pivotal role in community health care as Pinellas County's first and largest teaching hospital. Rare is the physician who has his *curriculum vitae* transformed into an 8x23 foot wall mural, but Dr. Snider can now see the waystations of his life painted large in the hospital hallway. Designed and rendered by Art Wilhelm of the physical plant staff, the mural traces Dr. Snider's personal journey from his 1911 birthplace in Ft. William, Ontario, Canada, to the Sun Cost.

PCOM's old building at 48th and Spruce Streets appears in living color, reminding the hospital founder of his 1931 arrival in Philadelphia with \$950 to his name. Titled "*The Life & Times of Dr. Alan J. Snider,*" the mural includes the one-room school where he taught, his homes in Maine and Massachusetts, and also the *Service to Mankind Award* he received in 1971.

PCOM extends its congratulations to Dr. Alan Snider and Mrs. Charlotte Snider in this anniversary year, and joins the Sun Coast community in celebrating a gracious and caring gentleman who is a dedicated physician and the founder of a thriving osteopathic institution. L. Reid Laughton, '28, Neffsville, PA, died on August 1 at age 84 after a long illness. Born in Niagara Falls, NY, Dr. Laughton was in private practice for many years in Manheim, PA, and also served on the staff of Community Hospital in Lancaster. The Manheim Lion's Club honored him in 1981 for 50 years of service to the club and to the community, and he was a trustee of the Banner Home in Manheim for 43 years.

In Memoriam

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Warren A. Pratt, '35, died on July 1 at his home in Lima, PA, at age 75. Dr. Pratt taught courses in anatomy at PCOM during the 1940's. He maintained a medical practice for 50 years, first in Oneonta, NY, then in Upper Darby and Lima. He was a member of the AOA, the POMA, the Academy of Orthomolecular Psychiatry, and the American Holistic Medical Association.

### Clifford G. Dorf, '88,

Wyndmoor, PA, died on August 14 at the age of 27, having suffered cardiac arrest while running on the beach at Margate. Mr. Dorf was a 1981 graduate of Lafayette College where he received his BS degree in electrical engineering, and had worked for Leeds & Northrup before entering PCOM. His brother, **Steven N. Dorf**, DO, '84, is a resident in otorhinolaryngology at PCOM.

Dr. Alan Snider is shown side-by-side with the mural that honors him.



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# Coming EventsNovember 30<br/>December 1,2Alumni Phonathon for<br/>Annual GivingPCOMDecember CME's5 - Osteopathic Principles & Practice<br/>12 - Pulmonary MedicinePCOMJanuary CME's16 - Diabetes Update<br/>30 - ProctologyPCOMJanuary 22-23Founder's Day Convocation<br/>and Dinner DancePCOM<br/>Adam's Mark HotelJanuary 23-31Post-Founder's Day CMESt. Thomas,<br/>USVIFebruary 7-14ACGP-General Practice Convention<br/>DiseasePAIm SpringsMarch 26CME—Infectious DiseasePCOMApril 14-17EROC Convention<br/>23 - RheumatologyAtlantic CityApril 27 - May 1POMA ConventionValley Forge



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