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Dr. Pasquarello Assumes AAO Presidency

At the 2009 President's Banquet during the AAO Convocation in Little Rock, **George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO** was installed as AAO President for 2009-2010. Dr. Pasquarello is Board Certified in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine, received a Certificate of Competency from the Cranial Academy in 1997 and was conferred the degree of Fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathy in 2002.

Dr. Pasquarello has served on the Academy's Board of Trustees and just completed a one-year term as President-elect. Dr. Pasquarello has served as Chair of the AAO Postdoctoral Standards and Evaluation committee, Program Chair for the AAO Convocation in 2007 and the AAO program at AOA Convention in 2002 and served on the AAO's Education, Membership, C-NMM/OMM and OD&TE committees.

Also on the national level, Dr. Pasquarello has served on the AOA's Program Training Review Council and American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine.



At the state level Dr. Pasquarello has served on the Maine Osteopathic Association Board of Directors and as the Co-chair of their Education committee. He has served as the Chief of the Section of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at Mercy Hospital in Portland, Maine. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the American Academy of Osteopathy and the Board of Directors for the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

Dr. Pasquarello is a 1993 graduate of the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, Maine where he served a one year Anatomy/Osteopathic Principles and Practices Undergraduate Teaching Fellowship

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prior to graduation. He completed an AOA rotating internship at UMDNJ Kennedy Memorial Hospitals in New Jersey and a residency in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at UNECOM and Brighton Medical Center in Portland, Maine. He has served as the President of the UNECOM Alumni Association.

Dr. Pasquarello previously worked as an Associate Professor of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine and as a clinical specialist at Maine Spine and Rehabilitation and University Healthcare in Maine from 1996-2005. He served as Director of UNECOM's Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine Residency and Co-director of the FP/NMM Residency from 1998-2003. Dr. Pasquarello is currently in private practice in Neuromusculoskeletal and Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at East Greenwich Spine & Sport in East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

He was awarded the Maine Osteopathic Association physician of the Year Award in 2004 and the Young Physician of the Year Award in 2000. He was awarded the University of New England Residency Program Attending of the year award in 2000, 2002 and 2003.

Dr. Pasquarello lectures at the state, national and international level to physicians, house staff and students on the application of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine, Myofascial Pain and Trigger Point Injection, Prolotherapy and Chronic Pain Management. He is actively involved in clinical research and has several publications on osteopathic manipulation, prolotherapy and the conservative management of acute and chronic neuromusculoskeletal conditions. He has co-authored *Principles of Prolotherapy*.

Meet Your New President-Elect

Members elected Richard A. Feely, DO, FAAO to the office of President-elect at the Annual Business Meeting on March 26. He will serve a one-year term of office before taking office as AAO President in March 2010.

Dr. Feely is a 1978 KCOM graduate where he was a Predoctoral Fellow in the OT&M Department. He has practiced OMM in Chicago, IL since 1981. Dr. Feely is Board Certified in Family Practice, OMM, Acupuncture, Disability Evaluation, Independent Medical Evaluation, and Quality Assurance and Utilization Review. He also earned a certification of Competency from the Cranial Academy. Dr. Feely is a Fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathy, The Cranial Academy, American Academy of Disability Evaluating Physicians, and American Academy of Medical Acupuncture. He also serves as an adjunct associate Professor at CCOM and Western COM. Dr. Feely has active staff privileges at St. James Hospital in Olympia Fields, IL. In 2008, Dr. Feely became a registered Investment Advisor.



Dr. Feely has been involved in the AAO for more 27 years. He served as chairman of two committees; Louisa Burns Research Committee and Osteopathic Medical Economies. He has been actively involved on other committees such as By-Laws and Investments, as service to the Academy. Dr. Feely served as President of the Cranial Academy from 1991-1993 and President of the Cranial Academy Foundation from 2006-2009. He has served as member of the AOA House of Delegates for 7 years and in 2008 was a member of the AOA's Council on Scientific Affairs. Dr. Feely has served as Treasurer of the Illinois Osteopathic Medical Society since 2007. He has lectured nationally and internationally on Osteopathy, Cranial Osteopathy and Acupuncture as well as authored and edited books on Cranial Osteopathy and Scalp Acupuncture.

2009-2010	
Board of Trustees	
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Don't Miss this Opportunity Refresh on Your Skills Learned at Convocation

The AAO made arrangements for audio recording of all major sessions at the 2009 Convocation. If you missed something or want to share some important topics with colleagues, use the order form on the link below to order your copy today.

<http://www.academyofosteopathy.org/Convocation2009/AAO.09.Index.pdf>

Dr. Pasquarello challenges Academy members to become involved

2008 was a challenging year for everyone. The US economy continues to struggle as we attempt to recover from the current recession. Medical organizations have not been immune to this recession and we are all feeling the effects of the economic downturn. To add to the financial strain, the Academy has been in a state of transition over the past year.

In May of 2008, Steve Noone retired after 16 years of service as the Academy's Executive Director. During his term, the Academy went from a small mom and pop organization to a more organized group with a long view of its role in the profession. Discipline and strict budgeting, coupled with the large influx of attendees at CME programs gave us a period of mild financial success. Since the closure of the practice track for board certification, attendance at our CME programs has decreased significantly. Combined with an overall decrease in travel, spending and financial contributions by members, the Academy again finds itself in challenging times. Change is always difficult and even more so during economic uncertainty.

Over the past 10 months, our new Executive Director, Harriet O'Conner has been directing our course and challenging us to push forward. Restructuring of the Academy staff has created opportunities and frustrations. New technology in the AAO office, an updated website and new ways to provide CME have all positioned the Academy to move forward. The Board of Trustees, Board of Governors and Committee Chairs have all stepped up to help accommodate these changes.

Advocacy, research and education are the key elements in the Academy mission. I believe there are three components necessary to accomplish that mission: communication, cooperation and participation.

This includes communication between the AAO and its members, between the members and committees and the Board of Trustees, between the AAO and AOA and between the AAO and the public. Cooperation with AOA, our component societies, other specialty colleges and state osteopathic associations will help promote our mission. I need to ask all of you for your participation by contributing time, money and experience to the Academy. This is OUR Academy and we all need to be involved to make it successful.

I'm always impressed when I see enthusiasm and support from Academy members; DOs and osteopathic students supporting our organization. We all know what it is to be an osteopathic physician with the range of professional and personal joys and stresses that go along with it. But I've been even more amazed at the commitment of folks who are not osteopathic physicians, but support us so fervently and promote and defend this profession more than most of its members. We are all truly blessed to have such a wonderful, committed and professional staff supporting us and grinding out the day-to-day work that needs to get done to keep our organization alive.

As the Academy continues to evolve in its current transition, I'd like to see an evolution in not only structure and services, but also in its relationships. I'm committed to continuing to work on relationships with the AOA, other specialty organizations, our component societies and all of our members to enhance communication, cooperation and participation.

With all of the stresses and challenges that face us, there is some good news. Difficult times bring us closer together and sharing the load will foster respect and appreciation. Being able to meet challenges together will give us all a sense of ownership that will improve our communication and strengthen the Academy.

When we leave here after this conference and go back to our own little piece of the world, let's remember a few things: You can always call if you need help or advice.

We may not always see eye to eye, but we must always respect and support each other.

There's a lot to do, so we all have to chip in and get our hands dirty.

I pledge to give my best effort over the next year and look forward to representing the Academy as your President.

Recognition of Committee Service

In appreciation for their expiring terms of service as AAO committee chairpersons, **Guy A. DeFeo**, DO presented the AT Still Founder resin plaque of service to: **Jane E. Carreiro**, DO (Education Chair); and **John E. Balmer**, DO (External Fundraising Chair).

Members Elect New Leaders

At the March 26, 2009 Annual Business Meeting, AAO members elected their leadership for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. President-elect George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO automatically assumed the office of President and **Guy A. DeFeo**, DO begins a one-year term as Immediate Past President. Newly-elected leaders include (all are one-year terms unless otherwise indicated):

President-elect – **Richard A. Feely**, DO, FAAO

Secretary-Treasurer – **Mark S. Cantieri**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Trustee – **Laura E. Griffin**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Trustee – **David Coffey**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **Stephen D. Blood**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **Boyd R. Buser**, DO (2012)

Governor – **Wm. Thomas Crow**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **John C. Glover**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **John G. Hohner**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **Kenneth J. Lossing**, DO (2012)

Governor – **Mark E. Rosen**, DO (2012)

Governor – **Charles J. Smutny**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **Melicien A. Tettambel**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Governor – **Richard L. Van Buskirk**, DO, FAAO (2012)

Nominating Committee – **Boyd R. Buser**, DO (Chairperson)

Nominating Committee – **Dennis J. Dowling**, DO, FAAO

Nominating Committee – **Karen M. Steele**, DO, FAAO

Nominating Committee – **Melicien A. Tettambel**, DO, FAAO

Nominating Committee – **Guy A. DeFeo**, DO (ex-officio)

Governors Name New FAAOs

At their meeting on March 25, the AAO Board of Governors approved the recommendation of Fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy (FAAO) for **Laura E. Griffin** DO of PCSOM in Pikeville, KY and **Daniel J. Kary**, DO of Lewiston, Maine. The candidates successfully completed the oral and practical examinations administered by the members of the Committee on Fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy, chaired by Judith A. O'Connell, DO, FAAO prior to the 2009 Convocation. On March 28th, AAO President **Guy A. DeFeo**, DO officially conferred Fellowship on Dr. Griffin and Dr. Kary at the President's Banquet.

AAO members who are interested in making application for FAAO can obtain required application and explanatory materials by contacting Debbie Johnson at (317) 879-1881. Please note the August 1, 2009 deadline for applications (possible conferment in March 2011).

For AAO members who have already applied, please note these forthcoming deadlines:

* May 1 – Deadline for final case histories rewrites

* Sep 1 – deadline for 2nd draft of scientific paper/thesis

* Feb 1 - Final scientific paper/thesis and examination fee due

* Mar 16 - Oral and practical examinations at the 2010 AAO Convocation in Colorado Springs, Colorado

New UAAO Chapters

On March 26, 2009, Rocky Vista College of Osteopathic Medicine (RVUCOM) and Pacific Northwest University of Health Science College of Osteopathic Medicine fulfilled all the requirements for creating UAAO Chapters that are outlined in the AAO Bylaws and Manual of Procedures. They were conferred as UAAO chapters by **Guy A. DeFeo**, DO.

Membership Approve Change in Bylaws

At the March 26, 2009 Annual Business Meeting, the membership approved a motion to make changes to Section 3 of the Academy Bylaws. The Academy had published the proposed amendments by a US Postal Service mailing to all AAO members and an additional notice sent to AAO member e-mail addresses in the month of March.

Membership Section 3 of the Bylaws will now read:

“Life Membership may be conferred upon any Active or Associate Member who has been in good standing paying regular dues for a minimum of five consecutive years immediately prior to application and who has paid his or her lifetime dues in one payment of the sum of 12 times annual active membership dues at the current membership dues at the time of the AAO members' application for life membership. Life members shall continue to hold all rights and privileges they held with their previous membership status.”

Guy A. DeFeo, DO, conducted this portion of the Annual Business Meeting and provided an opportunity for AAO members who wished to speak either in favor or opposed to the motion on the floor during the discussion period.

Re-Certification of AAO Component Societies

At the 2009 Annual AAO Business Meeting, Guy A. DeFeo, DO affirmed the following Arizona Academy of Osteopathy; Florida Academy of Osteopathy; Indiana Academy of Osteopathy; Iowa Academy of Osteopathy; Michigan-Great Lakes Academy of Osteopathy; New England Academy of Osteopathy; New Jersey Academy of Osteopathy; New York Academy of Osteopathy; Northern California Academy of Osteopathy; Northwest Academy of Osteopathy; Ohio Academy of Osteopathy; Oklahoma Academy of Osteopathy; Pennsylvania Academy of Osteopathy; Presque Isle Academy of Osteopathy; Puget Sound Academy of Osteopathy; Rocky Mountain Academy of Osteopathy; Texas Academy of Osteopathy; The Cranial Academy; Sutherland Cranial Teaching Foundation; and Upper Mississippi River Osteopathic Study Group.

AAO Awards A. T. Still Medallions

At the President's Banquet during the 2009 Convocation, AAO President **Guy A. DeFeo**, DO presented the Academy's most prestigious award -- the A. T. Still Medallion of Honor -- to **Donald V. Hampton**, DO, and **Edward G. Stiles**, DO, FAAO. The Andrew Taylor Still Medallion of Honor is awarded to deserving members of the Academy who have exhibited among other accomplishments in scientific or professional affairs, an exceptional understanding and application of osteopathic principles, and of the concepts which are the outgrowth of those principles.

Dr. Hampton has been an active member of the American Academy of Osteopathy. He is a 1954 graduate of the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Hampton has practiced osteopathic family medicine/osteopathic manipulative medicine.

Dr. Hampton served as Professor and Course Director of Osteopathic Principles & Practice from 1994-2004 at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Erie, Pennsylvania. Dr. Hampton currently holds the title of Professor Emeritus of OMM at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Erie. He is Course Director/Professor of OMM and also serves on the Educational Council on Osteopathic Principles at the Bradenton Campus. He continues to be involved in patient care and teaching at LECOM on a part-time basis. Dr. Hampton's research interests include Osteopathic Principles and Practice.

Dr. Hampton became board certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Special Proficiency in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine in 1993. In addition to the American Academy of Osteopathy, he is also a member of the American Osteopathic Association, Ohio Osteopathic Association, and the Cranial Academy.

Dr. Hampton was an active member of the Educational Council on Osteopathic Principles (ECOP) until 2006. He has been an active contributor of items for the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners, Inc. and the Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination.

Dr. Stiles has served the osteopathic medical profession since his graduation from KCOM in 1965 and became a Fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathy in 1975. Dr. Stiles completed a rotating internship in Waterville, Maine, began a private practice and then had the unique experience of learning from and taking over Perrin T. Wilson, DO's practice.

Dr. Stiles became one of the first students of Muscle Energy, learning from Fred Mitchell, Sr. directly and then teaching what he learned to countless others. Dr. Stiles established the first hospital based osteopathic manipulative service in modern times in 1973 in Waterville, Maine; and has served in numerous locations taking care of patients in private practice. Dr. Stiles has served as a Visiting Clinician for the AAO since 1970; a Clinical Professor at MSUCOM, teaching in their postgraduate CME program; and a Professor and Chairman of the OMM Departments at both Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine and Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine. He also serves as a member of the AAO's Undergraduate Academies committee as PCSOM's Advisor.

He currently serves as Director of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine in the Pikeville Medical Center Family Practice Plus-One residency. Dr. Stiles has taught extensively in the United States, Canada and Europe, averaging between 15 and 25 small group seminars per year from 1980-2001.

Dr. Stiles has been honored as the Scott Memorial Lecturer in 1975, the T. L. Northup Memorial Lecturer in 1996, and the A.T. Still Memorial Lecturer for the AOA House of Delegates in 2004. Dr. Stiles received the Founder's Medal from TCOM in 1981, and an AOA Presidential Citation at the AOA House of Delegates in 2006.

Stephen J. Noone Presented with 2009 Academy Award

Stephen J. Noone, MS, CAE was honored on March 26 at the AAO Annual Business Meeting with the 2009 Academy Award for his dedication to the field of osteopathy.

Stephen J. Noone, MS, CAE served as the Executive Director of the American Academy of Osteopathy for 16 years. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Spanish/Latin from Marian College and a Masters degree in Educational Administration from Butler University. He is also a Certified Association Executive by the American Society of Association Executives.

Stephen J. Noone was not a stranger to the AAO members during his time with the Academy. He first joined the osteopathic medical profession in 1984. Since that time, Stephen J. Noone served the osteopathic profession in the roles of Executive Director of the Indiana Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (1984-1992), Executive Director of the Indiana Academy of Osteopathy (1987-1992), President of OMM Recruiting, Inc. (1995-1998), Executive Director of the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (1992-2007), and Executive Director of the American Academy of Osteopathy (1992-2008).

Stephen J. Noone has been honored with many awards. He has earned the Exceptional Service Award from the Cranial Academy (June, 2008); Certificate of Appreciation from the Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists (November 2007) and the Bob E. Jones Leadership Award for Outstanding Achievement presented by the American Osteopathic Association in February 2003. He was honored with the Outstanding Leadership Award presented by the Indiana Non-Public Education Association in October 1998 as well as the Inaugural recipient of the Helen Gardner Osteopathic Executive Leadership Award presented by the Foundation for Osteopathic Health Services, American Osteopathic Healthcare Association in May 1998. Stephen J. Noone was awarded the Mary McNulty Young Award for Distinguished Achievement in Community Service from Marian College in Indianapolis in 1996 and listed in Who's Who in America, the 50th Edition of Marquis Who's Who in 1996. Stephen J. Noone was the ISAE Executive Director of the Year presented by the Indiana Society of Association Executives in June 1994 and the Chatard Medal which was awarded upon induction into the Bishop Chatard High School Hall of Fame in 1988.

On March 26, 2009, we acknowledged his dedication and passion for Osteopathy and the Academy and honored Stephen J. Noone, MS, CAE, as the recipient of the ninth annual ACADEMY AWARD in recognition of his outstanding commitment to the osteopathic medical profession, supporting its philosophy, principles, and practices.



Board Approves 5% Dues Adjustment

The AAO Board of Trustees approved a modest adjustment in membership dues for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. The increase is expected to generate additional revenue to offset the anticipated rise in operational expenses and assist the Trustees in maintaining a balanced budget for the next year. The current rate has been in effect for two years. The new dues figures are listed in bold type below (2008-2009 rate in parentheses):

\$248 (236) Active and Associate Members
 \$188 (179) Joint/Active Members
 \$176 (168) 2nd Year in Practice
 \$88 (84) 1st Year in Practice
 \$274 (261) International Members
 \$38 (36) Interns and Residents

Article II, Dues and Fees, Section I of the AAO Bylaws authorizes the Trustees to "increase annual dues at no more than five (5) percent on an annual basis. Increases in dues higher than five (5) percent must be approved by the membership at the Annual Meeting of the Membership. Fees for programs, materials, and services shall be set by the Board of Trustees to cover anticipated costs and expenses."

AAO Classifieds

McManis Table, St. Louis, MO Great Condition, Details: dr.norman.neeb@sbcglobal.net

Three Receive HLM Award

The AAO Board of Governors selected three members to receive the Academy's Honorary Life Membership, the maximum permitted by the AAO Bylaws. The 2009 recipients are **Richard M. Bachrach DO**; **Andrew Lovy, DO**; and **Donald E. Woods, DO, FAAO**.

The Governors may select recipients who have exhibited outstanding service to the osteopathic profession in any two of the following categories: (a) contribution to osteopathic literature; (b) development or teaching of osteopathic principles and practice; (c) service in osteopathic health care in the community; and (d) service in the fields of osteopathic education. Governors also may consider active members who have been in practice 50 years and have been members of the Academy for 25 consecutive years.

Dr. Bachrach joined his father, Dr. David Bachrach, in a general osteopathic practice after completing his internship in Philadelphia. Through Dr. D. Bachrach, whose practice included many major theatrical and motion picture actors, writers, and directors; Dr. R. Bachrach was introduced to the world of show-biz medicine. In particular, in part because they were the most impecunious of performers, and certainly because they were the most resistant to treatment, Dr. R. Bachrach wound up taking care of the dancers, learning sports medicine the hard way. He immersed himself in the dance world, becoming one of the pioneers in the newly developing field of dance medicine. He became the ex-officio company physician to the cast of "West Side Story." He continued in a similar capacity with many Broadway musical casts, the New York City Ballet and American Ballet Theatre dancers, even touring the Soviet Union with ballet companies. Dr. R. Bachrach is president and medical director of the Center for Sports and Osteopathic Medicine in New York City. He is a Fellow of the American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine, the American Osteopathic Academy of Sclerotherapeutic Pain Management, the American Medical Academy of Acupuncture, and the American Back Society. His scientific papers have appeared in many medical textbooks and journals, and he has lectured on dance medicine and back pain in the US, Canada, Great Britain, Amsterdam and Brazil.

Dr. Lovy is a 1962 graduate of the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine. He served his internship at Mt. Clemens (MI) General Hospital and completed his residency in psychiatry at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Augusta, GA. He is Professor and Chair of the Department of Neurobehavioral Sciences at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. A popular lecturer at several AAO Convocations, Dr. Lovy also is a member of the AOA and the Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. He is the author of *Combat Surgeon in Vietnam*, a rare gem of first-person, primary-source history of our nation's most controversial war. He served as a battalion surgeon, was the head medical officer for approximately 1,000 troops, and was also the first osteopathic physician to receive a commission. On October 29, 2004, battalion commander Lt. Col. Walter E. Price presented Dr. Lovy with the Army's Bronze Star for Valor, one of the military's highest commendations.

Dr. Woods is a member of the KCOM class of 1962. He completed his internship at Mesa Memorial Hospital in Grand Junction, CO. Dr. Woods' career has included many leadership positions within the osteopathic medical profession. An active AAO member since graduating from KCOM, he served on the AAO Boards of Trustees and Governors and completed a term as AAO Treasurer in 1972-1973. Dr. Woods also has been an active leader of The Cranial Academy, serving as President in 1972-1973 and delivering the organization's 1994 Sutherland Memorial Lecture. The Cranial Academy also bestowed on him its honorary Fellow of the Cranial Academy Award. Dr. Woods also served as 1968-1969 President of the Washington (State) Osteopathic Medical Association and represented WOMA in the AOA House of Delegates from 1965-1970. He held appointments on both the AOA's Bureau of Research and Board of Insurance. Dr. Woods also has been a popular lecturer at both the Academy's and AOA continuing medical education programs and was a Director and lecturer of the Sutherland Cranial Teaching Foundation. He received his Fellowship in the American Academy of Osteopathy in 1972, authoring a scientific paper and thesis entitled "An osteopathic approach to the treatment of facial sinus dysfunction."

Component Society Relations

Indiana Academy of Osteopathy

112th Annual Convention
Here Comes the Future: Be Prepared
April 30-May 3, 2009
Sheraton Indianapolis Hotel and Suites

August 28-30, 2009
"The Dynamics of the Fluid Body"
Radisson Hotel Indianapolis Carmel
Indianapolis, IN

For more information, please visit: <http://www.inosteo.org/index.php>

Annual Fund Raising Effort Closes May 31

Congratulations and thank you to all the generous donors who have helped the Academy reach 47% of its \$150,000 goal for the 2008-2009 annual fund. As of April 17, 245 donors have already contributed a total of \$70,217.58. Thanks to all AAO members for their loyal support of this annual fund raising program!

Golden Ram Society

2008-2009 Campaign Donor Categories

Career donors also receive recognition when they reach the \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$20,000 in lifetime contributions to the AAO's Golden Ram Society.

President's Club – \$2,500 or more

Club members receive recognition on the AAO website, the AAO annual report, AAO Leadership Newsletter, AAO Newsletter and acknowledgement as a Golden Ram contributor at the Academy's Annual Convocation as well as at the Gavel Club Reception.

A. T. Still Club – \$1,000 – \$2,499

Club members receive recognition on the AAO website, the AAO annual report, *AAO Leadership Newsletter*, *AAO Newsletter* and acknowledgement as a Golden Ram contributor at the Academy's Annual Convocation.

T. L. Northup Club – \$500 - \$999

Club members receive recognition in the AAO annual report and the *AAO Leadership Newsletter*, *AAO Newsletter* and acknowledgement as a Golden Ram contributor at the Academy's Annual Convocation.

Louisa Burns Club – \$250 - \$499

Club members receive recognition in the AAO annual report and the *AAO Newsletter* and acknowledgement as a Golden Ram contributor at the Academy's Annual Convocation.

Vicki Dyson Club – \$100 - \$249

Club members receive recognition in the AAO annual report, *AAO Newsletter* and acknowledgement as a Golden Ram contributor at the Academy's Annual Convocation.

Supporter – \$99 or less

Club members receive recognition in the AAO annual report and acknowledgement as a Golden Ram contributor at the Academy's Annual Convocation.

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George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO
Damon M. Whitfield, DO

A.T. Still Club – \$1,000 – \$2,499

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AAO Members in the News

Humayun Chaudhry, DO, the Commissioner of Health in Suffolk County, NY, was interviewed on the New York ABC Affiliate WABC-TV addressing a recent outbreak of whooping cough among elementary-aged school children on Long Island. Although many children receive vaccinations for whooping cough, otherwise known as pertussis, sometimes the vaccinations can lose effectiveness, as they seem to have done in the infected children. No children have died from the disease, which can be fatal in infants. Watch Dr. Chaudhry's public health announcement online. Dr. Chaudhry is the President of both the American College of Osteopathic Internists and the Association of Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators.

Eric J. Dolgin, DO was interviewed for the article Kids' Brain Trust: A New Nonprofit Gives Parents Hope of Defeating Autism, published in Forbes Magazine on March 28, 2009. A full copy of the article can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

Brian F. Degenhardt, DO was published in the February 2009 issue of the *JAOA* for his editorial "New Horizons for Research and Education in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine."

Rafael Zegarra-Parodi, DO (UK), MEd; Pierre de Chauvigny de Blot, DO (UK); Luke D. Rickards, MOsteo (Australia); and **Edouard-Oliver Renard**, DO (France), MEd were published in the February 2009 issue of *JAOA* for their original contribution "Cranial Palpation Pressures Used by Osteopathy Students: Effects of Standardized Protocol Training."

David C. Mason, DO and Carman A. Ciervo, DO were published as authors of the article "Brachial Plexus Injuries in Neonates: An Osteopathic Approach" in the February 2009 issue of the *JAOA*.

Evidence-Based Manual Medicine: A Problem Oriented Approach by **Michael A. Seffinger**, DO and **Raymond J. Hruby**, DO, FAO was reviewed in the February 2009 issue of the *JAOA*.

UAAO Member **Latonya M. Hendricks**, OMS-IV received the William G. Anderson I, DO Minority Scholarship for serving as a student ambassador for the Edward Via Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Blacksburg, maintaining strong academic credentials, working with medically underserved populations in Virginia, and participating on a medical mission in El Salvador. The William G. Anderson, I, DO Minority Scholarship is a \$5,000 scholarship that honors a minority osteopathic medical student who embodies osteopathic principles and practice, excels academically and champions the educational, societal and healthcare needs of minorities.

Michael L. Kuchera, DO, the director of the OMM Department at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PECOM) received the Beehler Research Mentor of the Year Award for his many years of mentoring students, residents and fellows in research at both PCOM and KCOM-ATSU. This \$5,000 award honors 2003-04 AOA President Darryl A. Beehler, DO, who designated his presidential term "Year of the Mentor."

Peter B. Ajluni, DO spoke to the Birmingham Senior Men's Club in Michigan regarding his "Fit for Life" legacy and the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle regardless of age.

Peter B. Ajluni, DO, served as keynote speaker for the Midwestern University/Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine (MWU/CCOM) Bridging Ceremony on 4/4/09, officially welcoming the CCOM osteopathic medical students into the AOA professional family as they "bridge" from their didactic years to clinical years. Dr. Ajluni is a graduate of the MWU/CCOM; in his speech, he reflected back over his career as an orthopedic surgeon and osteopathic leader and urged the students to always remember to truly care about their patients. *AOA Daily Report 4/6/09*

The AOA Audit Committee held a teleconference on 4/7/09, led by **Philip L. Shettle**, DO, in its continuing oversight of AOA finances amidst the American economic recession. The Committee acted to approve McGladrey & Pullen as the AOA's auditor for the 2009 fiscal year; and made plans for this year's audit to ensure compliance with non-profit requirements. *AOA Daily Report 4/8/09*

Boyd R. Buser, DO, traveled to the "Old Dominion State" for the Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association's (VOMA) 103rd Annual Spring CME Conference, which is being held 4/23-26/09 in Williamsburg. Dr. Buser addressed VOMA members regarding AOA advocacy regarding several state bills, including legislation to expand naturopaths' scope-of-practice and raise the state's cap on non-economic damages in PLI suits, which we opposed, and efforts to support a bill that would allow physicians to express sympathy or apologize without being held liable. VOMA welcomed approximately 65 DOs, 220 osteopathic medical students, and 15 exhibitors to the Conference. *AOA Daily Report 4/23/09*

William Thomas Crow, DO and David R. Willis, DO, MBA were published in the April 2009 issue of the *JAOA* for their original contribution titled "Estimated Costs of Care for Patients with Acute Low Back Pain: A Retrospective Review of Patient Records."

Peter B. Ajluni, DO of Michigan, represented in the osteopathic medical profession in Chicago last December at a meeting of the U.S. Bone and Joint Decade (USBJD) Board of Directors. Dr. Ajluni and other medical professionals in attendance reviewed successes and publicity from the October 2008 USBJD National Action Week and planned further activities to help raise awareness of the importance of bone health and care.

Donors Receive Career Giving Awards

Acting on the Investment Committee's recommendation, the Board of Trustees voted to recognize the outstanding generosity of Golden Ram Society donors by awarding cumulative giving awards, a lapel pin with depiction of the AAO's mascot – the Ram. Donors who have reached the \$5,000 career giving level receive a pin embedded with a ruby, \$10,000 a pin embedded with a diamond and for the first time a donor contributing \$20,000 a pin embedded with two diamonds.

At the 2009 Annual Business Meeting in Little Rock, the Academy presented one ruby pin to **Hugh M. Ettlinger, DO, FAAO**. **Kim Sing Lo, DO**, also reached the ruby pin giving level but was unable to attend the meeting. AAO members who have received the other cumulative giving awards in prior years include the following:

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Calendar of Events

May 2009

May 15-17, 2009: The Still Technique - New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine (UMDNJ/SOM)

June 2009

June 3, 2009: PS&E Committee Meeting: Wednesday at 6:00 pm (EST) phone conference
June 18-21, 2009: Cranial Academy Annual Conference - Hyatt Regency Bethesda, Maryland.

July 2009

July 11-12, 2009: AAO Board of Trustees Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana
July 13-15, 2009: AOA Board of Trustees Meeting, Chicago, Illinois
July 15-19, 2009: AOA House of Delegates, Chicago, Illinois

August 2009

August 7-8, 2009 Education Committee, Indianapolis, Indiana
August 21-24, 2009, OMT for Common Conditions: Diagnosis, Treatment and Payment

September 2009

September 9, 2009: PS&E Committee Meeting: Wednesday at 6:00 pm (EST) phone conference

October 2009

November 2009

November 1-5: AOA 2009 Convention in New Orleans, LA
November 1: AAO Board of Trustees Meeting in New Orleans, LA
November 2: PS&E Committee Meeting, 6:30 am (CST) in New Orleans, LA
November 2: LBORC Committee meeting at 6:30 am (CST) in New Orleans, LA
November 2: Fellowship Committee meeting at 12:00 noon (CST) in New Orleans, LA
November 3: Education Committee meeting at 12:00 noon (CST) in New Orleans, LA

Special Events at 2009 AAO Convocation

Guy A. DeFeo, DO was presented with the A.T. Still Portrait on March 15, 2009 in appreciation for his service to the Academy this past year.

AOA President DiMarco met with the AAO Board of Trustees on March 25, 2009 to discuss his OGME Initiative, including recent efforts to save OGME in Oklahoma and to protect the DO degree and training in Texas.

John B. Crosby, JD spoke at the Thursday, March 26th Annual Business Meeting of the AAO and was presented a Ram statue.

AOA President DiMarco and John Crosby addressed the Undergraduate American Academy of Osteopathy (UAAO) Annual Convocation, on March 27 in Little Rock, AR, regarding President DiMarco's OGME Initiative, including recent efforts to save OGME in Oklahoma and his testimony noted above to protect the DO degree and training in Texas.

Call for Osteopathic Research Abstracts Announced

The AOA Council on Research has announced a call for abstracts for the 2009 Research Conference and JAOA – the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association Abstract Issue to be published in August 2009. Get more information and submit your proposal on DO-Online. All submissions must be received by midnight on 4/30/09. The 2009 Research Conference will be held on 11/1-3/09 during the 114th AOA Convention in New Orleans, LA. The formal Poster Session is scheduled for 11/1/09 and includes the Student Poster Competition, co-sponsored by the Student Osteopathic Medical Association and the Council on Research. If you have questions, contact Gloria Dillard at the AOA Division of Research Development at gdillard@osteopathic.org.

Scholarships Needed!

Are you looking to make the difference in the life of one of your osteopathic medical student or resident? Why not consider an AAO Scholarship to help that student attend the AAO Convocation or AAO sponsored educational course. Please call AAO headquarters at (317) 879-1881 for more information.

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Debriefing on TCOM Hearing

AOA President Carlo J. DiMarco, DO, represented the AOA at a public hearing on the proposal to establish an MD school at the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM). Those in favor of the "MD option" assert it would produce more primary care doctors and make TCOM a top-ten research institution. Dr DiMarco refuted these arguments by pointing out that 73% of the TCOM DOs in Texas practice primary care compared to only 31% of MD graduates in Texas and that the creation of the TCOM Osteopathic Research Center in 2002 also has already established the University as a leading research institute. Gib Lewis, former Speaker of the Texas House, opposes the MD option and told the Board of Regents that there is no more money for another school, hence the MD option would only dilute TCOM's funds, and the Medical Student Government Association declared that it was opposed to the MD option. AOA Trustee Mark A. Baker, DO, was also in attendance and remarked on the unintended consequences of the "MD option." The Board of Regents concluded the open hearing by asking Drs. Ransom and Peska to study how the MD option proposal would be implemented and report back this fall.

Thomas L. Northup Lectures Volume II Now Available

Edited by Hollis H. King, DO, FAAO, this second volume of Thomas L. Northup Lectures continues in the tradition of the Northup Lectures, sharing a new insight into osteopathic history and into the character of osteopathy, as well as the stories of those who have weathered the challenges of maintaining the highest standards of osteopathic philosophy, principles and practice.

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FAAO Distinguished Service Award

The Award consists of a plaque and lapel pin given to the recipient at the Convocation Fellows Dinner; a perpetual plaque with name and date engraved on display in the AAO Office, a listing in the AAO directory, website, and announcement to the general membership at the President's banquet.

The purpose of the award is to recognize FAAO's who have further distinguished themselves in any of the following seven categories:

1. contributions to the literature;
2. development of osteopathic theory, method or procedure;
3. research;
4. osteopathic education;
5. service to the AAO on committees, boards, etc.;
6. public relations and service to public health; and
7. osteopathic medical economics and advocacy.

Selection of Recipient

1. The nominee must be a living FAAO at the time of nomination;
2. The nominee must be a FAAO in good standing (AOA and AAO member);
3. Nominations may be made to the committee by any AAO member;
 - a. the nomination must include a written statement of the meritorious service provided by the nominee in one or more of the above categories;
 - b. if no nominations come from the general membership, the selection committee may make nominations with a written statement of the meritorious service.
4. The deadline for nominations is September 15, 2009 to be awarded at the 2010 Convocation.
5. The recipient will be notified after the COFAAO meets at the AOA Convention in November.
6. There will be 1 (one) recipient a year unless special circumstances exist.

Contact Debbie Johnson at (317) 879-1881 or djohnson@academyofosteopathy.org to receive a FAAO Distinguished Service Award Nomination Form.

Bureau of State Government Affairs Convenes

AOA Trustee James J. Dearing, DO, led a conference call of the AOA Bureau of State Government Affairs (BSGA) on March 24, 2009 to address several priority issues in the states. The AOA has coordinated widespread advocacy efforts, led by the BSGA, to fight non-physician clinicians' scope-of-practice expansion efforts. To guide further advocacy efforts, the BSGA is currently working on developing policies regarding the use of the title "doctor" and clinical rotations for international medical students. Ms. Taylor represented the AAO on this teleconference.

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2009-2010 AAO President, George J. Pasquarello, DO, FAAO announced the following committee appointments.

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Ann Habenicht (at large member - 2011)
Mike Rowane (at large member - 2011)
David C. Mason (2009 AOA Convention Chair and ex-officio Undergraduate Academies Committee)
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Jamie Rapacciolo (PAAO Liaison)
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Last year, the AOA endorsed the US Public Health Service's (USPHS) 2008 Clinical Practice Guidelines for Treating Tobacco Use and Dependence. The AOA's endorsement helped raise the profile of the Nation's most deadly cause of disease and death, tobacco use. The USPHS has updated their Guidelines for 2009 to synthesize over 8,700 peer-reviewed articles and provide updated recommendations on successful treatment of tobacco dependence. The full 2009 Guidelines are available [online](#). In addition, Medscape is offering a free one-hour CME program based on the guidelines. Get information on the CME program [online](#).

Thank you to Exhibitors at AAO Convocation

The Exhibit Hall at the AAO Convocation was a success. Special thanks to our 2009 exhibitors.

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New Osteopathic Research Tool

The Osteopathic Heritage Foundations (OHF) have launched www.osteopathicheritage.org to help osteopathic researchers and advocates find tools to help them advance their causes. The new Web site offers online enhancements to facilitate the grant-making process and a searchable grantee database osteopathic family members can use to find available grants. The OHF recognizes osteopathic graduate medical education as one of its most important priorities. To learn more about current funding priorities and sign-up to receive periodic email updates, please visit the [OHF Web site](#).

Osteopathic International Alliance Met in Little Rock

The OIA Board Meeting commenced March 27, 2009 in Little Rock, AR, in conjunction with the American Academy of Osteopathy's Annual Convocation. International osteopathic leaders on the OIA Board of Directors discussed membership applications from several countries; received an update on the World Health Organizations' Guidelines on basic safety and training in osteopathy, which is under development with input from the OIA and the AOA; and met with leaders of the World Osteopathic Health Organization to discuss merger and collaboration opportunities with them.



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