

# *Quarterly* *Newsletter*

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*The Board of  
Governors,  
Committees and  
Council Members  
Wish You and Your  
Family a Happy  
Holiday and a  
Healthy  
and Prosperous  
New Year!*

*94th ACA - May 5-9, 2010  
Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress in Orlando, FL*



# EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



*Alvin D. Dubin, DO*

Communication still remains a major topic that would benefit by reviewing how we relate to each other and to our various organizations, specifically our Colleges; areas of mutual interest and dialogue should be a meaningful goal as we approach a New Year.

This coming year we shall encourage all members to contact their Regional Representatives in order to share their thoughts and questions with our various Committees and Council Members. This will be a great step forward if meaningful dialogue ensues. It will require considerable and sustained effort, and will be a step forward if we all become committed to improving our communication skills.

We should continue to concentrate our resources in the most efficient manner, in order to further the aims for improving Education, Advocacy for our Specialties, and Research capabilities. The need to collaborate with all entities of the AOA, OPTI's, and other related sources, has never been more needed, and new work is necessary as well. Our specialties are at a cross road, especially in the Osteopathic Profession—the need for us to clearly, and firmly, articulate the need for Growth in our Specialties must be resolutely articulated to our Osteopathic Profession, as well as those in local and national politics. The need for assured quality care to all has never been more acute, and this is the time for our membership to take the lead, both by supporting our Colleges' efforts, and also be following through in the grassroots efforts.

We do have a fine opportunity to help shape the future of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, especially in the Osteopathic community. Our Colleges must continue to make our members aware of the services that we are able to provide.

Some members still feel that they are not being heard, and that their concerns are being ignored. By bringing these concerns to our attention, we, together, may start working to address these issues. We will continue to update our website to allow for easier navigation, and having information more obtainable. Education topics, CME courses, resident concerns, and general information, are also of utmost importance. The more we offer and the more you access our website, the better the product will become.

Communication depends upon a two way interaction. We must learn to listen as well as speak, and the members should help by initiating dialogue as well. We invite you to raise awareness about specialty issues by submitting articles to our *Quarterly Newsletter*, sending letters to the Colleges, and sharing serious discussions on topics that affect all of us.

You are encouraged to contact us, in the Administrative Office, and your Board Officers as well. Names, phone numbers, and email addresses, are available on line and by contacting the Office. Important messages need to be sent, and to be received. Each of you are encouraged to think and “speak” out, as to the issues that you deem important to our professional future.

We are asking you to “GET INVOLVED”. This is the beginning of a New Year, with renewed resolve, there is no better time to reaffirm your commitment to our profession, our specialties, and the AOCOO-HNS.

Please plan to join with us during the year by attending our educational meetings, as much as possible, by contacting us, or preferably both.

Happy New Year to all!

## *Mark Your Calendar for Our 2010 Meetings*

### *3rd Annual Faculty Development Seminar*

The AOCOO-HNS is pleased to offer a 2-day seminar in Orlando, Florida this February 6-7, 2010 to all those interested in furthering their educational skills. We invite all those involved in training/teaching of osteopathic medical students, interns and ophthalmology and otolaryngology residents to attend. Program and registration information is available at [www.aocoohns.org](http://www.aocoohns.org), click on meetings.

### *94th Annual Clinical Assembly*

The AOCOO-HNS Foundation is holding the 2010 ACA at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress, May 5-9.

### *9th Mid-Year Seminar*

The AOCOO-HNS Foundation is holding the 2010 Mid-Year Seminar at the Detroit Westin Metropolitan Airport Hotel, August 28-29.

## Member News

### Oran Gail Anderson, DO

Dr. Oran Anderson passed away on November 13, 2009. He was born in Waukomis, Oklahoma on October 10, 1937. Dr. Anderson spent his life as an ophthalmologist in Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan. He graduated from Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1962. Dr. Anderson was president of many state and national professional associations, including the AOCOO-HNS from May 1993 to May 1994.

### David B. Auerbach, DO



Winnie Landry loves to read, but for the past two years, she hasn't been able to read a book, work on a computer or drive a car — because a thick cataract developed in her left eye. The eye was so cloudy that "I can mostly just see some light and figures." When she went to a store or out in public, Landry, who is 63, had to rely on someone to walk with her because she might trip over a curb or fall on a sloped sidewalk. Surgery was out of the question because Landry, a former office manager, no longer has insurance. She is recovering from her third round of breast cancer and has spent about \$18,000 on her cancer care during the past two years.

But Thanksgiving came a little early for Landry — because a local ophthalmologist performed free cataract operations for her and three other needy patients. "It was a real blessing that he would do it,"

said Landry, who lives in Longwood. "I had checked into it, and it would cost between \$3,000 and \$5,000. I can't afford that right now."

The ophthalmologist, Dr. David Auerbach, decided to start a new tradition this year: giving free care to a few needy patients. He had read about a Texas surgeon who was performing free cataract surgeries every year — and Dr. Auerbach began planning his own mission in Central Florida. "There are plenty of mission trips that go overseas, but I decided to do this in my own backyard. Besides, we're all seeing and feeling the impact of the economy. People are really struggling, so I'm trying to make a difference where I can."

To lay the groundwork, Dr. Auerbach asked local optometrists to recommend patients without health insurance who couldn't afford cataract surgery. Dr. Auerbach had two criteria: He wanted people who had very poor vision because of the cataracts and who had no insurance. In October, he began screening the patients to make sure they were good candidates for surgery. He had hoped to perform 10 operations, but he found four people who needed help. One was Landry. During the screening exam, Dr. Auerbach looked at her cataract and gave her the best news she has heard in a while. "That's when he told me: 'I will take the cataract off, put a lens in for you, and it won't cost you a penny. That was like a miracle.'"

His surgery center donated use of its facility for the operations. Dr. Auerbach's staff members also donated their time, as did the anesthesiologist. A pharmaceutical company donated the implant lenses, plus all the materials used in the surgery — plus the post-surgical eye drops for patients. If the patients need glasses afterward, those will be free as well. Dr. Auerbach hopes that his Thanksgiving surgeries will become a tradition, not just for him, but for other doctors in the community. "I wanted to make a difference. Yes, I could give money to local charities, but this is truly giving back to the community. And hopefully, for the patients, this will be something they never forget." As for Landry, she is already counting her blessings — and preparing a list of books to read.

### Charles L. Kaluza, DO

Dr. Charles Kaluza received the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon (OPSO) 2009 Oregon Osteopathic Physician of the Year Award at a ceremony on September 26th. Dr. Kaluza was honored for his many years of service to the medical profession and citizens of Oregon.

At the awards ceremony, OPSO President Mike Jaczko, DO described Dr. Kaluza as the consummate educator. Dr. Kaluza has spent over 25 years training the next generation of physicians. Dr. Kaluza is an inspiration to physicians everywhere to serve as leaders, educators and advocates in their profession and in their communities. Dr. Kaluza's son, Karl Kaluza, DO,



further explained, “I never had to look far for a role model growing up. I always had my father there as a guide and inspiration.”

In addition to his work as a preceptor for medical students, Dr. Kaluza chairs the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon Medical Education Committee. In this capacity Dr. Kaluza has helped continue and develop several medical education initiatives including a monthly workshop for premed students considering a career in medicine, regular didactics for medical students, residents and attendings, and an annual event for preceptors in Oregon to both recognize the physician educators for their commitment to education, and encourage and assist other physicians to play a role in training medical students.

Dr. Kaluza earned his medical degree from Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed an Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery residency at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital. He was the Chief of the Department of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery at the Naval Regional Medical Center in Memphis before beginning practice at Eastmoreland Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic in 1984. Dr. Kaluza is a past president of the AOCOO-HNS, from May 1998 to May 1999.

## *AOCOO-HNS Foundation Fundraising Committee Update*

Until now, our foundation has been involved exclusively with raising funds for scientific and educational endeavors. I am excited to say the Fundraising Committee, along with its foundation board of directors, has been working very closely with the National Consortium on Deaf-Blindness over the past year. As a 501c3 entity, our foundation has a “charitable” arm. As otolaryngologists and ophthalmologists, we have devoted our careers to helping deaf and blind patients in our communities. What better cause for our foundation to support than the Deaf-Blind Association?

One of the biggest frustrations expressed by deaf-blind children, adults, and their families is isolation. Deaf-blindness is a very low prevalence disability, and most people affected by dual sensory impairment say it is difficult to find others with similar life experiences. They need opportunities such as yearly conferences to share their personal stories and to learn more about the various and complicated medical or educational issues surrounding deaf-blindness. The American Association of the Deaf-Blind (AADB) organizes and supports these conferences. They also support the acquisition of new technology to help people with deaf-blindness become more productive and independent. Unfortunately, this technology is costly.

The AOCOO-HNS Foundation, with both disciplines under one roof, is in a unique position to reach out our hands to support these children who have trouble seeing and hearing. In collaboration with the Orlando chapter of the AADB, our foundation will be organizing another successful silent auction in Orlando, FL in May 2010. Some of the monies raised will help benefit these children in ways you cannot imagine. My hope is that each of you lends your support to this auction, AND considers giving tax-deductible donations to our foundation. Please be aware that your donation to the foundation will now help not only scientific and educational endeavors, but also a charitable one.

Please visit [www.nationaldb.org](http://www.nationaldb.org) to find out why we are so excited to be supporting this charitable cause. You will be hearing more about the National Consortium of Deaf-Blindness prior to our next ACA.

Please help. Stay tuned.

Shoib Myint DO, FAOCO, FAACS, Chairman Fundraising Committee

## *Check Your CME Credits*

AOA members may check their CME credits by going to <https://www.do-online.org> and typing in their AOA ID and password and then clicking on CME. Alternately, AOA members may contact the AOA Division of CME to obtain a copy of their CME activity report via fax or email by calling 1-800-621-1773, Ext. 8262. CME activity reports are available online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

December 31, 2009 is the end of the 3-year CME cycle. If you need CMEs to fulfill your 30 1A CME hour requirement for AOA membership, or your 50 CME hour requirement for certification, the AOCOO-HNS Faculty Development Course offers 11 CME hours, of which 10 hours may apply as 1A and 1 1B if you haven't attended this course in the past.

NOTE: If your CME requirement has not been met for the current January 1, 2007-December 31, 2009 cycle, the AOA will allow you to apply the February 2010 course CMEs to the current cycle requirement.

# 2010-2011 BOARD NOMINEES

## AOCOO-HNS Nominees for Board of Governor Secretary/Treasurer

### **Robert J. Franchi, DO** (incumbent)



It has been an honor and privilege to serve as a Member-at-Large of the American Osteopathic Colleges of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery since 2006. During my tenure, I have observed and participated on numerous committees and sub-committees, charged with representing the wishes of our Colleges' membership. After serving as professional program chairman for the 2004 and 2005 Annual Clinical Assemblies for the Ophthalmology section, I tried to incorporate speakers representing various subsections of the ophthalmologic practice of medicine and surgery. I feel my programs were beneficial both clinically and educationally and were well received by our membership.

Acting as Communications Committee Chairman for the AOCO, I have been privileged to meet many of you personally and have tried to convey your wishes regarding College matters from our Committee to the membership board-at-large. I appreciate the passion our membership has shown in conveying their ideas/suggestions and comments, both positive and negative, to me and my colleagues.

I would truly and humbly appreciate the chance to continue to represent our Colleges and its membership at the next level of service. I respectfully accept the Nomination Committee's faith in my ability to act as your next Secretary/Treasurer of the AOCOO-HNS.

### **Brian E. Wind, DO** (incumbent)



It has been my privilege to serve on the AOCO Board for the past four years and I am honored to be nominated for the Secretary/Treasurer position on the Board of Governors. As a Board member of this organization and chairman of the Practice Committee, I feel it is my responsibility to promote, support and advance the AOCO. The Practice Committee has been instrumental in developing programs offered at the Annual Clinical Assembly to assist residents and new practicing ophthalmologist transition into private practice. Additionally, the committee disseminates pertinent practice information to College members. As medicine continues to become fragmented by external forces, it is important that our organization increase efficient communication between AOCO physicians and utilize the untapped resources and talents of our membership.

Having recently completed my fourth year on the Board, I have gained much insight to our College and to the challenges that our organization faces in the future. I enthusiastically look forward to continue to serve as the

Secretary/Treasurer and promote the high standards of the AOCOO-HNS. Thank you for your support and confidence in considering me for this position.

## *AOCO Board Member Nominees*

### Members-at-Large to be Elected to a One-Year Term:

**Robert B. Chambers, DO** (incumbent)

**Robert J. Franchi, DO** (incumbent)

**Kristin E. Reidy, DO**

**Sirtaz S. Sibia, DO** (incumbent)

**Brian E. Wind, DO** (incumbent)

**Daryl J. Zelenak, DO**

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### **Robert B. Chambers, DO** (incumbent)



I am very appreciative for the opportunity to have served two terms as a Member-at-Large to the Board of Governors of the AOCOO-HNS. During the past two years in this position, I have seen the Colleges sponsor educational conferences both at the Annual Clinical Assembly and Mid-Year Meetings that have increased in attendance and relevance. I have

been impressed with the degree to which the Board members have worked to involve themselves in decision making of the Colleges, with the primary goal being the improvement of services to the Colleges' members. This includes the appointment of a new EVP and CEO of the Colleges to be installed in the next year. I have served on the Editorial Committee and the Audit Committee.

During the last two years I have personally been honored to serve as a member of the Ethics Committee of the American Osteopathic Association. I have participated with other members of the Committee from across all specialties to protect the integrity of our profession from threats both from within and without.

I have recently been nominated, and then appointed, to the FDA Ophthalmic Devices Panel in Washington, DC, where I will hopefully have input into some of those decisions regarding innovations that will help us, as American physicians, continue to provide the latest AND safest medical care in the world. I am really looking forward to representing the Colleges in this position.

I appreciate your support and welcome your input as I seek re-election to the Board of Governors.

## **Kristin E. Reidy, DO**



I am grateful to the American Osteopathic College of Ophthalmology for the nomination to serve as a Member-at-Large for our College. I have been a member of the College since 2002, Board Certified since 2003, and became a Fellow in 2007. I bring ten years of experience in coalition building and advocacy for ophthalmology at the National level with the American Academy of Ophthalmology and on the State level with the New Mexico Academy of Ophthalmology and the New Mexico Medical Society.

I have served on the AAO Congressional Advocacy Committee since 2007, and have attended 'Ophthalmologist on the Hill Day' in Washington, D.C. every year; building strong personal relationships with key Legislators. I am a graduate of the AAO Leadership Development Program in 2006, having been nominated for the program by the New Mexico Academy of Ophthalmology. I am a past New Mexico State Councilor to the AAO for Mid Year Forum, and the current Santa Fe County Counselor to the New Mexico Medical Society. I also serve as an Executive Committee Member to the New Mexico Academy of Ophthalmology mentoring current officers, having served as their Secretary, Treasurer and Vice President-Elect. At our local hospital, Christus-St. Vincent Regional Medical Center, I served on the Credentialing Committee for three years, since 2007. I have been the Chair of the Quality Management Committee-Physician and Resident Peer Review Committee.

For our College, I want to help strengthen and increase the number of our residency programs, increase participation of our members in state and national patient advocacy, and ensure that our College has an even louder voice nationally in healthcare reform. We will face unique and difficult challenges as the baby boomer population requires more care, and the federal government expands healthcare coverage to those currently uninsured and most likely attempting to decrease our reimbursement. We will need to work together and with other organizations to be even more efficient so we can continue to provide excellent clinical and surgical care to our patients. I thank you for your support.

## **Sirtaz S. Sibia, DO** (incumbent)



I am honored to be nominated again for the position of Member-at-Large of our College. For those of you who do not know me, I would like to give you some background. I graduated from the Detroit Osteopathic Ophthalmology Consortium in 1999. I then completed an Ophthalmic and Facial Plastic Surgery Fellowship at the Beraja Medical

Institute in Miami. I am currently in private practice in Boynton Beach and Lake Worth, Florida.

I have been actively involved in our College for the past ten years since I graduated from residency. I have been a speaker at the Mid-Year Meeting twice and have run a

workshop at our Annual Clinical Assembly on four different occasions. I have been a member of the Communications Committee and Educational Needs Review Committee for our College for the past several years. I also was chairperson for the 2006 Mid-Year Seminar in Philadelphia and the 2008 and 2009 ACA meetings in Scottsdale, Arizona and Austin, Texas. Currently, I am the chairperson for the Educational Needs Review Committee, and I wish to continue improving our CME programs.

I hope you, the membership, will continue to give me the opportunity to serve as a Member-at-Large. Thank you for your support.

## **Daryl J. Zelenak, DO**



I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for Member-at-Large on the AOCO Board. This position will provide me with an opportunity to help keep the College moving in a positive direction. I have been active within the College since residency, serving as the resident representative to the College in my senior year. I have also served as the Regional

Representative for Michigan and on the Communications Committee. I am the Alternate Councilor for the AOCO to the American Academy of Ophthalmology. I joined the Educational Needs Review Committee in 2006. I was the ophthalmology Program Chairman for the 2008 Mid-Year Meeting, and am the ophthalmology Program Chairman for the 2010 ACA meeting. I have worked very hard to improve the quality of our educational meetings and to keep the interests of our members a priority. The AOCO must remain strong or our board certification will not have the value it deserves. I look forward to continuing my service to the AOCO and encourage all members to get involved.

## **AOCO-HNS Board Member Nominees**

### **Members-at-Large to be Elected to a One-Year Term:**

**Mahmoud M. Ghaderi, DO (incumbent)**  
**Michael S. Hauptert, DO (incumbent)**  
**Clifton R. Hood IV, DO**  
**Donald M. Rochen, DO (incumbent)**  
**Edward D. Scheiner, DO (incumbent)**

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## **Mahmoud M. Ghaderi, DO** (incumbent)



Why do I want to continue to serve as a board member? As I have stated in the past, and continue to demonstrate with my avid participation, I am committed to the work that the American Osteopathic Colleges of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology –Head and

Neck Surgery (AOCOO-HNS) does and the members it serves. In particular, I have focused most of my attention toward improving our CME programs. I truly understand the mission, condition, and direction of the College's governing board; therefore, I am confident I can work in synergy with other board members in order to achieve our goals and objectives.

In many ways, my engagement with the organization goes back 17 years, when I attended the Mid-Year Meeting in Columbus, Ohio, as a medical student. Since that time, I have participated throughout my career as a resident member, allergy fellow, attending member, and speaker on multiple occasions at both Mid-Year and Annual meetings. I have served in a multitude of capacities; chairman of the Education Committee, member of Educational Need Review Committee (ENRC), chairman of the Mid-Year meeting, chairman of the Annual Clinical Assembly, representative and chairman of the Council of Regional Representatives (CRR), and ultimately member of the Board of Governors. I have mentored medical students from nearly all of the osteopathic schools, and I am the residency program director of one of the largest and most dynamic residency programs in our profession. These varied experiences have allowed me to be acquainted with the College's organizational structure, challenges, and accomplishments. Through these times I have developed a genuine passion for our organization's mission to serve its members both in their professional, and sometimes personal, lives. During this past year, I have continued to serve in ENRC, and I have consistently strived to present quality lectures in our Mid-Year and Annual meetings. I have worked with the education committee to develop needs analysis measures that are vital for the future content of our educational programs. During my presentation regarding 'life long learning' at last year's Annual meeting in Austin, I emphasized the need for long term implementation and development of programs that meet today's challenges of utilizing evidence based medicine while delivering pertinent material with the most current methods. I believe the goal in our educational activities should be not only capturing a greater audience, but also increasing the audience participation, so that we may truly deliver meaningful CME programs. It is through this type of education that our members could make meaningful changes in their practices in order to better serve our patients. I have personally used some of these tools in my presentation at the Mid-Year meeting in Detroit in September, and I have since received significant positive feedback. And with the help of other committee members, the future holds integration of new cutting edge technology into our current CME models. To that end, I look forward to the opportunity to continue working on such initiatives as a member of the Board of Governors. As a program director who graduates a significant number of practitioners into our field of medicine, I feel it imperative that young Otolaryngology and Ophthalmology practitioners are part of a bigger and better organization. In summary, I am truly dedicated to seeing our organization continue to serve the interests of all its members, both current and future.

## **Michael S. Haupert, DO** (incumbent)



First, I would like to thank the Nominating Committee for nominating me to serve another one-year term as a Member-at-Large on the American Osteopathic College of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. It has been my pleasure to serve in this position for the past year. This past year has been very challenging for me professionally as I have continued to practice full time, maintain my obligations to the College and other organizations to the best of my ability, all while pursuing my MBA degree. Obtaining this extra degree just furthers my commitment to our College and our profession. The added qualifications will broaden my perspective to healthcare and academic medicine.

I have always considered giving back to do Osteopathic Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery to be a privilege. I will be forever grateful to my mentors who have assisted me in my career. Without them, I would not have a job I truly love.

I have lectured several times at our annual clinical assemblies as well as midyear meetings. I have had the pleasure of serving as a question writer, designated examiner and as a board member on the American Osteopathic Boards of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology for several years prior to being elected to our College board. Being able to serve in many different capacities has allowed me to interact with many of our College's members. The interactions and duties have expanded my knowledge base with regard to our College and our profession.

I have also thoroughly enjoyed having many of our College's membership rotate with us on the Pediatric Otolaryngology service at Children's Hospital of Michigan during their residency training. It is important to train the future leaders of our honorable profession.

I humbly ask for your consideration to serve another one-year term as a Member-at-Large on the American Osteopathic College of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. It would be my distinct honor to be able to serve you in this capacity another year. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

## **Clifton R. Hood IV, DO**

I am honored to be nominated for a position on the AOCOO-HNS Board. During my twenty-six years of practice, I have served Doctors Hospital and our College in numerous capacities.

At Doctors Hospital, currently I am President-Elect of the medical staff and will be President in 2011. I've also served as chair of the ear, nose & throat department, the department of surgery, and by-laws. Previously, in 1994, I was resident trainer for our ENT program. In 1997 I was awarded a Presidential Achievement certificate.

In 2007 I completed an MBA, which I have put to good use helping operate our three physician ENT practice and

helping with the daily operations of an ambulatory surgery center essentially founded and operated by eight Osteopathic ENT physicians.

I am honored and willing to serve on our Board; if elected, I will concentrate all of my energies to complete whatever task is asked of me.



## **Donald M. Rothen, DO**

(incumbent)

I am very honored that I have been nominated to serve on the Board. I have been an active member of the College for many years and have seen it grow and flourish. I became the Program Director of the otolaryngology/head and neck surgery program in Warren, Michigan in 1985 and have been actively involved in three other residency programs in the Detroit area. I assisted Dr. Alvin Dubin in developing the otolaryngic allergy program for our College, and I began the first certifying program in otolaryngic allergy. I have been a Member-at-Large on the Board of Governors for the past five years, on which I chair the Editorial Committee and am a member of the Audit and Practice Committees. I am also a member of the Council of Medical Education, where I also chair its Editorial Subcommittee. During my years on this Committee, I have done my best to help guide residents and their programs, leading to new, successful otolaryngologists. Prior to being on the Board of Governors, I sat on the Osteopathic Board of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, where I developed the otolaryngic allergy certifying examination and helped administer this examination as well as the general ENT examinations.

I feel that significant strides have been made both in the educational programming as well as the College organization. The ENRC has done an excellent job of putting the programs together and making them current. The Mid-Year meetings have had the best turnout and the most participation by residents in the College history, and the ACA meetings continue to increase their attendance as well. Both the Council of Regional Representatives and the Council of Residents and Fellows have become more active in the past few years. When I gave a lecture on writing a paper for publication to residents and students at the Mid-Year meeting this past September, the room was packed. I will continue to do my part in trying to keep the membership and the residents interested in the College and in our educational endeavors. The College really wants the participation of all of its members to help sustain its future.

Through my many years of service, I have gained a lot of experience with small and large projects and a variety of issues. I learned that teamwork and cooperation are two of the key elements that are needed to get things done. These elements are necessary in order to continue to develop a strong and viable organization of which its members may be proud. It is important that the members of the Board reflect the ideas

of the membership and be accessible and accountable. I hope that I have been able to accomplish this in the past and shall strive to continue this path in the future. It has been a real pleasure for me to be involved in the College for the years that I have and, with your support, I would like to continue.



## **Edward D. Scheiner, DO**

(incumbent)

I have been a member of the AOCCO-HNS since 1981, the year I started my residency. I have attended every ACA since 1988. I literally went from being a resident, to becoming a resident trainer on my first day in clinical practice. That was more than 25 years ago, and I have been deeply involved with resident training since that time. I have been program director of the residency training program at UMDNJ-SON/Kennedy Memorial Hospital since 1996. I have been a member of the Council of Medical Education of our College since 2001, and was elected and have served as a Member-at-Large of the Board of Governors for the last three years.

My desire to continue as a member of the Board of Governors of our College is fueled by my concern to address the issues increasingly threatening our ability to practice medicine, as well as those issues which affect our College as well. My involvement with residency training on a local level, and my involvement with residency training on a national level with C.O.M.E. have given me insight into the many difficult factors facing our organization and specialties. I feel that it is very important that the officers of our College continue to advocate on behalf of our specialties and our membership the need for improved support by the AOA and the federal government, particularly concerning the need for not only maintaining, but expanding funding for our training programs. This funding is necessary to maintain, and to continue to improve not only the number of physicians who graduate from our residency programs, but also to improve their training experience. If we do not continue to increase the number of graduates of our programs, we will be unable to keep pace with the growing needs of the osteopathic profession and the overall population.

Having just completed my 25<sup>th</sup> year in practice, I feel that it is imperative that as a member of our College I contribute my talents to our organization. I feel that I have a good understanding of the issues facing physicians in otolaryngology on a national level, as well as on a local level. I very much want to continue to be a part of the ongoing growth and strengthening of our College.

My experience as a program director, member of the Council of Medical Education, and Member-at-Large of the Board of Governors has given me an opportunity to contribute towards the continued growth and strengthening of our College. I would appreciate your support for my candidacy for a continued position on the Board, and will do my best to represent each on of you.

## **Ophthalmology Opportunities**

### **COLORADO**

- Established Ridgway, CO integrative medical clinic seeks doctors/practitioners to compliment our coalition of independent professionals offering comprehensive, personalized, holistic healthcare. Stellar reputation, spectacular setting, superb quality of life—973-626-9877.

### **KENTUCKY**

- Excellent opportunity to join a solo ophthalmologist, desiring to slow down. Opportunity for partnership after one year. Competitive salary and benefit package. Brand new office equipment. New office building. Associate with optometrist. New hospital with state-of-the-art outpatient surgery. Call Dr. Kay Hazelett 606-424-8721.

### **FLORIDA**

- Multispecialty practice in South Florida looking for a full time cornea/general surgeon. Well established practice with multiple locations in Dade and Broward Counties, with top notch equipment and staff. Competitive 401K plan with employer match and healthcare benefits. South Florida offers a high quality of living with ample recreational activities and great weather. Interested individuals should fax a CV and cover letter to 305-442-1498 or email to [eyeseedoc@gmail.com](mailto:eyeseedoc@gmail.com).

### **MICHIGAN**

- Ophthalmologist wanted to join growing practice in Big Rapids, MI. Guarantees salary, opportunity for partnership. Please contact Ralph Crew, DO. at 231-796-0010 or email: [ralphcrew@hotmail.com](mailto:ralphcrew@hotmail.com).

### **NEVADA**

- Established otolaryngology/ophthalmology practice seeking BC/BE ophthalmologist to compliment group. The practice has three state-of-the-art offices in Henderson and Southwest Las Vegas Valley. All offices are located in community-oriented, high profile areas with one of the offices adjacent to the Seven Hills Surgery Center, and the new Southwest office located next to the new Southern Hills Hospital. Practice partnership and ASC opportunities available. Contact Judy Duncan at [jduncan@nveyepa.com](mailto:jduncan@nveyepa.com) or 702-492-6928.

### **OHIO**

- Excellent anterior segment/glaucoma surgeon needed for group practice in Maumee, OH. Practice in a new state-of-the-art facility and ambulatory surgery center with all amenities. Salary plus incentive with buy-in after two years. Send CV to Ronald M. Kendrick, DO, 3509 Briarfield Blvd., Maumee, OH 43537. Phone 1-800-782-9214, FAX 419-865-3451.

### **PENNSYLVANIA**

- Opening in a busy ophthalmology practice. Contact: Jane Kokinakis, DO, office # 800-845-8424.

### **WEST VIRGINIA**

- Glaucoma specialist wanted. Join a team of two ophthalmologists and one optometrist bringing high quality care to southern West Virginia. Best equipment available. Starting salary up to \$250,000.00. Shape your own practice, but surgical opportunities are limited only by your skills. Contact [mkrasnow@marshall.edu](mailto:mkrasnow@marshall.edu) or call Bettie Chapman at 304-697-0393.

### **WASHINGTON**

- OPH wanted in beautiful Washington state. Opportunity for someone interested in aggressively expanding a practice, or someone interested in working half-time and sharing the practice. A new DO medical school is being built in Yakima. There is opportunity for any level of participation. Hospital owned ASC with all new equipment. Call Dr. Leo Figgs at 509-952-8545.

### **Ophthalmology Fellowship MARYLAND**

- NRI fellowship program at the National Retina Institute offering hands-on opportunities to hone diagnostic and surgical skills as a vitreoretinal specialist with a large patient base in the Baltimore-Washington-Virginia area. Contact Ruth Zeller via [rzeller@bmgri.com](mailto:rzeller@bmgri.com) or call 443-921-4154.

### **OHIO**

- Refractive fellowship position available, LASIK Plus, Cincinnati, OH. Contact Vincent Marino, DO at 513-652-9585 or email [marino@fuse.net](mailto:marino@fuse.net).

### **NEW LOCATION**

- University Eye Surgeons has moved: 5187 US Rt. 60, Suite 6, Huntington, WV 25705—304-691-8800. Have 10,000 sq. ft. including two surgery suites, 11 exam lanes and the most up-to-date technology. The staff includes three ophthalmologists and one optometrist. Dr. Parveen Nagra is subspecialty trained in cornea, and Dr. Krasnow is fellowship trained in glaucoma. University Eye Surgeons is a division of Marshall University School of Medicine. Students are welcome to rotate in this facility.

## **Otolaryngology Opportunities**

### **ALASKA**

- ENT wanted. Kenai Peninsula, SW of Anchorage. Excellent salary and benefits. Call or email: James Zirul, DO, 220 Spur View Drive, Kenai, AK 99611 at 907-283-5400 or email [jzirul@acsalaska.net](mailto:jzirul@acsalaska.net).

### **ARIZONA**

- 320 days of sunshine per year! Become part of a busy, expanding otolaryngology/head and neck/facial plastic surgery practice with full audiology services in the metropolitan Phoenix area. Seeking a BC/BE associate with early partnership opportunity to join our successful team. Competitive salary and benefits. Attractive lifestyle. Please contact Dr. David Mendelson at 480-894-5550 or fax CV to 480-894-9469 or send email to [info@entsoa.com](mailto:info@entsoa.com).

### **CALIFORNIA**

- Unique opportunity in private practice for well-trained BE/BC physician in general otolaryngology or subspecialty in this premier coastal community north of Los Angeles. Office is fully equipped. Includes audiology, sound booths and HAD dept. Adjacent to Outpatient Surgi-Center and area's major hospital. For more information, contact Joseph DiBartolomeo, MD, 2420 Castillo Street, Santa Barbara, CA at 805-563-1111, or email [dibartolomeo@aol.com](mailto:dibartolomeo@aol.com).

### **COLORADO**

- Dr. Patrick Henderson is looking for an otolaryngologist to join established practice in beautiful Montrose, CO. Small and growing community at the base of San Juan Mountain Range. Within one hour drive of Telluride Ski Resort, hiking, trophy fishing, mountain biking, and camping facilities. Town of Montrose is in the top ten growing communities in the nation with abundant sunshine for the outdoor enthusiast. Call office at 970-249-6968 or email [coentpc@frontier.net](mailto:coentpc@frontier.net).

- Established Ridgway, CO integrative medical clinic seeks doctors/practitioners to compliment our coalition of independent professionals offering comprehensive, personalized, holistic healthcare. Stellar reputation, spectacular setting, superb quality of life—973-626-9877.

### **FLORIDA**

- Central Florida otolaryngology group is recruiting BC/BE otolaryngologist to join rapidly expanding practice. Two clinic sites, Leesburg and The Villages, and our main OR site has accreditation from AAAASF. We have four BC ENT physicians, one of which is BC in Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery. We have an allergy department, complete audiology services with two doctors of audiology and a BC hearing aid specialist on staff, plus electronic medical records. We offer good schools with a suburban lifestyle in beautiful Lake County. Excellent salary with partnership anticipated. Contact info: [michelle.lakeent@earthlink.net](mailto:michelle.lakeent@earthlink.net) or call 352-728-2404.

- ENT job opportunity located in Ocala, FL, one hour north of Orlando. Practice is looking for BC/BE general ENT/facial plastic surgeon to join group of three general ENTs. Contact Dr. Scott Nadenik at cellular 352-274-1570.

### **GEORGIA**

- General ENT needed in Atlanta. Immediate opening or 2010 position. Private practice in

two-person group. Full benefit package. ER call 1:5 weeks. Fax resume to Hailey McIntyre at 678-838-7454.

### **MASSACHUSETTS**

- Work in the heart of beautiful New England. Extremely busy practice in north central Massachusetts seeking associate. Currently one physician doing all aspects of general ENT. Shared call with three others. Community hospitals. This is an excellent opportunity with close proximity to mountains, beaches, and Boston. Contact Dr. Daniel Ervin at (978) 874-7368.

### **MICHIGAN**

- Northwest Michigan practice opportunity. A busy two-physician practice seeking BC/BE ENT to join practice affiliated with two community-based hospitals. For further information, contact Andrew Mendians, DO at 231-843-6557 or [mendians@voyager.net](mailto:mendians@voyager.net).

- Wanted: ENT associate to join busy two-office practice with 1:6 call. Unique opportunity for new graduate to work into a busy practice with fast track to partnership. In mid-Michigan with easy access to northern Michigan outdoor activities. Contact R. Borenitsch, DO at [rborenitsch@hotmail.com](mailto:rborenitsch@hotmail.com).

- Detroit Medical Center is looking for a general otolaryngologist. Large referral base, major urban academic medical center, new residency program for support. If interested, please contact Dr. David N. Madgy at 313-745-5402.

### **OHIO**

- Seeking an otolaryngologist for position/ownership in an established practice located in Troy, OH. The practice has a well-established facial plastics. The practice has been in this location 20+ years. If interested, please contact Deborah or Georgia at 937-335-7278 or fax to 937-335-1783.

- ENT BC/BE needed in Newark, OH thirty minutes east of Columbus. Need an additional solo practice physician, 167 hospital undergoing continual upgrading. Additional information can be obtained by calling Michael Ehler at 740-788-6010.

- Fabulous opportunity. 36-year-old otolaryngology practice in Stark County, OH offering excellent salary benefit. Office fully equipped for allergy and audiology. If interested, please contact Dr. George Vogelgesang at 330-837-3559 or email [drgwv@hotmail.com](mailto:drgwv@hotmail.com).

- Excellent opportunity to become part of a thriving ENT practice in Cincinnati. Seeking BC/BE associate to join busy practice. Exceptional earning potential and early partnership opportunity. Large referral base. Two base offices with two satellites. Office fully equipped and two full-time audiologists on staff. Contact Beth Sears at 513-891-8700 or email [bsears@montgomeryent.com](mailto:bsears@montgomeryent.com).

- Excellent opportunity in the friendly Midwest for a BC/BE otolaryngologist. Immediate opportunity for a well-established, thriving two-physician MD/DO practice. Full scope of general ENT and hearing aid dispensing. Extraordinary benefits package, highly competitive salary, early partnership opportunity, ASC ownership available, income is unlimited. Email CV to Karen Brown at [Karen.brown@khnetwork.org](mailto:Karen.brown@khnetwork.org) or call 800-891-0102. Or contact Gordon Katz, DO at 937-416-1806.

### **OKLAHOMA**

- ENT attending physicians needed. Sign on bonus, salary income guarantee, one hospital coverage, working with Oklahoma State University Medical Center residents. Please call for details: Dr. Sammy Worrall at 918-527-4673; Dr. Mindi Bull at 918-361-4877; Dr. Richard Huffaker at 918-408-5194.

### **PENNSYLVANIA**

- Suburban Philadelphia. Four-physician otolaryngology practice looking for highly motivated ENT. Practice includes all phases of otolaryngology, head and neck surgery, otology and allergy. Competitive salary, bonus and benefits, partnership track. Contact Benjamin Chack, DO at 215-280-6993.
- Premier Southeastern PA private practice of 4 physicians, 2 PAs seeking BC/BE otolaryngologist starting in 2010. Attractive salary and benefits package, early

partnership opportunity and generous loan repayment offered. Comprehensive range of ENT-Head and Neck Surgical services, separate allergy suite, 4 office locations, speech therapy, specialty audiologic testing and hearing aid dispensing distinguish our practice in the community. Please direct your letter of interest and CV to: [practice.mgr@earthlink.net](mailto:practice.mgr@earthlink.net).

### **TEXAS**

- ENT practice opportunity in Corpus Christi. Large group, full practice with speech, audio, balance center, CT, MRI and surgery center. Need two ENTs and one neuro-otologist. Contact Troy Creamean, DO at 361-854-7000.

### **WASHINGTON**

- Practice opportunity in the beautiful Northwest. Seeking associate in general ENT and proficiency/interest in FPS, otology and allergy desirable. New osteopathic medical school to open fall 2008 with op. for ENT academic position in addition to private practice. Merging two separate ENT groups to form a single group by 2008 that serves 300K regional patient draw with a current ENT manpower shortage. Strong and respected DO community, two hospitals and two ASCs. Contact: Palmer Wright, DO, 3999 Englewood Ave. #201, Yakima, WA 98902 at 509-453-5300 or email [palmer@yvn.com](mailto:palmer@yvn.com).

### **NEED MEDICAL DIRECTOR**

- Specialty medical clinic in Southlake (Trophy Club), TX is seeking a compassionate board certified otolaryngologist to serve as the clinic's medical director. This is an excellent opportunity to practice and represent an innovative vision of patient advocacy in one of Texas' premier communities. The position offers competitive salary plus performance incentive, \$300,000+ annual income potential, no call, no weekends, full benefits package, excellent hours to ensure quality of life for you and your family, specialty care practice, focus on patient care, state-of-the-art equipment and facility, verifiable need. Interested candidates should call Steve Orlando at 512-351-4747 or send your CV via fax to 512-338-0083 or via email to [steve@neurosensorycenters.com](mailto:steve@neurosensorycenters.com).

### **Otolaryngology Fellowships FLORIDA**

- One-year clinical fellowship in otology-neuro-otology starting July 1, 2009 at the Ear Research Foundation/Silverstein Institute, FL. Extensive hands-on surgery, research and patient care including chronic ear cases and surgeries, otosclerosis surgery, Meniere's disease, minimally invasive surgery, cochlear implants, implantable hearing devices, and acoustic tumors. Large temporal bone lab and medical library. Contact Herbert Silverstein, MD at [jmoss@earsinus.com](mailto:jmoss@earsinus.com).

### **MICHIGAN**

- Training program in otolaryngic allergy as a one-year continuous, or two-to-three-year interrupted, program at St. John Oakland Hospital in Madison Heights, MI under the direction of Donald M. Rothen, DO. This program became effective July 1, 2001 and is approved by the AOA for three positions. To be eligible, the candidate must be certified in otolaryngology. For further information, please contact Dr. Rothen at 248-541-0100 or email [rothenph@hotmail.com](mailto:rothenph@hotmail.com).

- Pediatric otolaryngology fellowship available July 2008 at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit, MI. Please contact Dr. Michael Hauptert or Dr. David Madgy at 313-745-5402.

### **NEW YORK**

- Pediatric otolaryngology fellowship starting 2004, 2005, 2006 at the Women & Children's Hospital of Buffalo. Exceptional opportunity for a one- or two-year fellowship covering all aspects of pediatric otolaryngology including complex otolaryngology, cochlear implantation, treatment of vascular birthmarks, laser surgery, airway management, maxillofacial trauma, facial plastics, and sinus surgery. Clinical and basic science research is encouraged. Practice has five fellowship-trained pediatric otolaryngologists. Address email inquiries to Philomena Behar, MD at [pmbear@aol.com](mailto:pmbear@aol.com).