

# Quarterly Report

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## **Make plans to attend the** *Mid-Year Seminar*

Being held at the Westin Detroit Metropolitan Airport Hotel in Detroit, Michigan on Saturday and Sunday, August 28th and 29th.

If you register before July 1st, you'll spend \$345.00; between July 11th-21st, \$375.00; after July 22nd, \$405.00; and after August 5th, \$435.00.

**CALL THE AOCCO-HNS OFFICE AT 800-455-9404, AND WE'LL REGISTER YOU OVER THE PHONE . . . PLEASE HAVE YOUR CREDIT CARD AVAILABLE! The educational program and outline of speakers are available on pages 4-5 of this newsletter.**

CME Credits: The AOCCO-HNS Foundation designates this educational program as a 1A CME opportunity offering up to 14 hours in ophthalmology and otolaryngology-head and neck surgery.

**BOOK YOUR ROOM AT THE WESTIN DETROIT METROPOLITAN AIRPORT HOTEL EARLY:** Call 1-734-942-6500. Rates per night are \$135/single or double. Reservations must be made by August 1, 2010. After this date, the AOCCO-HNS Foundation cannot guarantee a room at this meeting rate.

The Westin Detroit Metropolitan Airport Hotel, located in the new world-class McNamara Terminal, offers a private security entrance, the latest in technology, and Detroit's most stylish and comfortable surroundings—a place where you can actually relax while you travel and attend the 2010 Mid-Year Seminar of the AOCCO-HNS Foundation.

## *August 28-29, 2010*

## *MARK YOUR CALENDAR* *Resident Forum*

The AOCCO-HNS is pleased to present the 2nd Resident Forum to be held on Saturday evening, August 28th, 2010 during the Mid-Year Seminar at the Westin Detroit Metropolitan Airport Hotel.

The Resident Forum outline of presentation topics and presenters is available on page 6 of this newsletter.

The Forum will begin at 5:00 p.m. There will be no charge to residents, interns and medical students.

**Resident Travel Grant application forms for participating in the Mid-Year Seminar on Saturday and Sunday have been emailed to all residents and program directors. If you have questions or need additional information, contact the College office (800-455-9404 or [aocohns@yahoo.com](mailto:aocohns@yahoo.com)).**

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### Quarterly Report Schedule

SUMMER: copy deadline May 15th  
mailing June 15th  
FALL: copy deadline August 15th  
mailing September 15th  
WINTER: copy deadline November 15th  
mailing December 15th  
SPRING: copy deadline February 15th  
mailing March 15th



Greetings from the AOCOO-HNS Board of Governors. The Annual Clinical Assembly in Orlando was wonderful.

The lectures were great, and the afternoon workshops were well attended. Everyone has been carrying that excitement and momentum forward with a purpose.

We plan a great Mid-Year Seminar program for the very end of August and are already mobilized to produce another ACA lecture schedule and outline of events by September.

There are new residency programs in Otolaryngology and Ophthalmology being discussed, and if anyone is curious about how to do this, the College Office can help show you how to fast-track the process. The AOCOO-HNS Council of Medical Education, which is now chaired by Dr. Sidney Simonian, will put you on its agenda.

Everyone have a great summer, and I will see you at the Mid-Year meeting.

Everyone on committees of the Colleges or on the Board of Examiners, get to work.

Regards to all, Kirk.

Kirk W. Steehler, DO

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### *EVP Dr. Alvin D. Dubin Receives Presentation from AOCOO-HNS President at the May 2010 ACA*

Dr. Sidney K. Simonian made the following presentation to Dr. Dubin on May 5, 2010 following his A.B Crites Memorial Lecture.

"I'd like to take this time to share with you some words from one of our members who stated so eloquently, reflecting on the incredible impact that you have had on our profession for over the past 50 years. Our College, our members, and all the residents and fellows have a much better professional life due to your sacrifices. You have given us direction through some stormy weathers over the years; you have held us together, while enhancing our status nationally, through both Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology allopathic Academies. You've assisted hundreds of residents in navigating their residencies, certification and now, recertification. You have given your time to us, day and night, weekends and holidays, have always been available to take our calls, and have responded in a well thought out, forward-thinking manner. At this point, on behalf of the Board of Governors and our Colleges, I am honored and privileged to confer upon you the title of Executive Vice President Emeritus and to present this award to you."

Inscribed on the award is the following: "Your leadership, commitment, and devotion have made a lasting contribution to our Colleges and our Profession, given this day, May 6, 2010."

# EVP Report

Alvin D. Dubin, DO



During my tenure serving as Executive Vice President of our Colleges, I was fortunate to work with dedicated individuals, and to have the support of the Board of Governors and its officers. Without that support, I would not have been able to help guide our Colleges and Foundation to realize the esteem they now have in the osteopathic profession. Our financial situation is secure. Our College office is efficient and gets raves from all that visit. We are fortunate to have a fine staff there to serve our membership.

We are now training the largest number of residents in our specialties, and we will make every effort to increase those numbers and our training programs as well. The need is there. Although it may not be easy, we will meet that need.

Again, we have been fortunate to have a record number of registrants attend our ACA, a feat that is not rivaled by any other specialty college in our profession in that we have over sixty percent of our membership attend.

I recently stated at the ACA that we will make every effort to support the OPTIs in ways to ensure opening new programs, seeking greater financial support for our program directors and teaching staff, and have a greater impact on the teaching/training responsibilities to the undergraduate students.

We are determined to continue to develop leaders who will also help to further the needs of our specialties in preparation for assisting in osteopathic continuing certification (OCC), recertification examinations, and CME courses with clearly-defined needs assessments. The AOA has mandated that all DO-certified physicians must go through OCC and recertification procedures (if they hold time-dated certification). Therefore, these responsibilities clearly rest on the shoulders of the members of our Colleges to see that both are performed. And it is these types of responsibilities that will ensure our success in the coming decade, since we have no choice other than to do the job and do it well.

I am working closely with Dr. Carlo DiMarco in the transition phase of his becoming the new Executive Vice-President in July 2010. I am proud to have him assume this position and know that he will serve our Colleges well. I shall continue in the near term as EVP Emeritus, and will assume the new position of Director of Education.

I have enjoyed my role during these past many years, in developing friendships all over the country, both in and outside of our Colleges, and being part of the growth and esteem we have attained in our profession and with our allied Allopathic Academies. I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve our Colleges, it has been an honor and one that I will always cherish.

Good health, good cheer to all of you—our members, friends and colleagues!

# 2010 AWARD RECIPIENTS

## **Presidential Resident Recognition**

Awarded by the president of the Colleges in recognition of professional achievement or other valuable service performed on behalf of the residency training programs and College board.

### *Ophthalmology*

Maria Donna Qahwash, DO

### *Otolaryngology*

Randy E. Durbin, DO

## **Humanitarian Service Award**

Awarded by the Board of Governors for participation in charitable activities, indigent care, community service and other humanitarian activities.

### *Ophthalmology*

Robert L. Peets, DO

## **Honorary Member**

Awarded by the Board of Governors for significant contribution to the training of future osteopathic otolaryngologists.

### *Otolaryngology*

Robert T. Sataloff, MD

## **Presidential Achievement**

Awarded by the president of the College in recognition of noteworthy professional achievement or other valuable service performed on behalf of the Colleges or Board of Examiners.

### *Ophthalmology*

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Sushant Sinha, DO  
Brian E. Wind, DO  
Daryl J. Zelenak, DO

### *Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery*

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Donald M. Sesso, DO  
Carl B. Shermetaro, DO  
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Sammy J. Worrall, DO

## ***Governors Achievement Certificate***

Awarded by the Board of Governors to members who have distinguished themselves through demonstration of a great level of accomplishment or meritorious service to the Colleges or Board of Examiners.

### *Ophthalmology*

David B. Auerbach, DO

### *Otolaryngology*

Mahmoud M. Ghaderi, DO

Benjamin W. Murcek, DO

## ***Distinguished Service***

Bestowed by the Board of Governors for exceptionally meritorious service in a position of major responsibility in the Colleges or the Board of Examiners.

### *Ophthalmology*

David D. Gossage, DO

### *Otolaryngology*

Thomas E. Brandeisky, DO

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Edward D. Scheiner, DO

## ***Special Board of Governors***

Bestowed by the Board of Governors on members of the Colleges who have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious service to the Colleges in a series of duties of great responsibility.

### *Otolaryngology*

Kirk W. Steehler, DO

## ***2010 Fellows***

### *Ophthalmology*

- ◆ Kent P. Bashford, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Dayton, OH—2002, Certified 2004, Program Director Robert Peets, DO
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- ◆ Tina Marie Culotta, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—1997, Certified 1999, Program Director Carlo DiMarco, DO
- ◆ Luis Ferdinand M. Galang, DO, St. John-Oakland General Hospital, Madison Heights, MI—2004, Certified 2005, Program Director Sidney Simonian, DO
- ◆ Michael M. Grodin, DO, Genesys Regional Medical Center, Grand Blanc, MI—2002, Certified 2003, Program Director Robert Zandler, DO

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- ◆ Sung Kwong Or, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Dayton, OH—2003, Certified 2006, Program Director Robert Peets, DO
- ◆ Eric K. Romriell, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Dayton, OH—2005, Certified 2006, Program Director Robert Peets, DO
- ◆ Arthur J. Tatge, DO, Genesys Regional Medical Center, Grand Blanc, MI—2004, Certified 2005, Program Director Robert Zandler II, DO

### *Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery*

- ◆ Franklyn Robert Gergits, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—1998, Certified 1999, Program Director Theodore Mauer, DO
- ◆ Douglas James Howland, DO, Des Peres Hospital, St. Louis, MO—2003, Certified 2005, Program Director Paul Burk, DO
- ◆ Mark Karolak, DO, Union General Hospital, Union, NJ—2005, Certified 2006, Program Director Richard Scharf, DO
- ◆ Howard Landsman, DO, Union General Hospital, Union, NJ—2004, Certified 2005, Program Director Richard Scharf, DO
- ◆ Troy E. Major III, DO, Freeman Hospital and Health Systems, Joplin, MO—2005, Certified 2006, Program Director Larry McIntire, DO
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- ◆ Chris W. Regier, DO, Des Peres Hospital, St. Louis, MO—2005, Certified 2006, Program Director Paul Burk, DO
- ◆ James M. Reidy, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—2003, Certified 2005, Program Director Theodore Mauer, DO
- ◆ Mark L. Roessler, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Dayton, OH—2003, Certified 2005, Program Director Michael Helfferich, DO
- ◆ Brett M. Scotch, DO, St. John-Oakland General Hospital, Madison Heights, MI—2005, Certified 2006, Program Director Warren Brandes, DO
- ◆ Donald M. Sesso, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—2005, Certified 2006, Program Director Mahmoud Ghaderi, DO
- ◆ Richard James Strabbing, DO, St. John-Oakland General Hospital, Madison Heights, MI—2005, Certified 2006,

Program Director Warren Brandes, DO

- ◆ Joseph R. Watson, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—2004, Certified 2005, Program Director Theodore Mauer, DO
- ◆ Jay Warren White, DO, Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Stratford, NJ—2005, Certified 2008, Program Director Edward Scheiner, DO

## ***New Members***

### *Ophthalmology*

- ◆ Phillip D. Boyer, DO, Genesys Regional Medical Center, Grand Blanc, MI—2009, Program Director Robert Zandler II, DO
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- ◆ Brandy E. Cook, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Dayton, OH—2009, Program Director Robert Peets, DO
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- ◆ Lea Ann Lope, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—2008, Program Director Kenneth Heist, DO
- ◆ Leslie K. Norris, DO, Hillsdale Community Health Center, Hillsdale, MI—2009, Program Director David Gossage, DO
- ◆ Scott M. Pfahler, DO, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, PA—2007, Program Director Kenneth Heist, DO
- ◆ Michael J. Pokabla, DO, Doctors Hospital, Columbus, OH—2009, Program Director Jeffrey Hutchison, DO

### *Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery*

- ◆ Ellen Lee Baxter, DO, Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital, Pontiac, MI—2009, Program Director Carl Shermetaro, DO
- ◆ Ryan D. Black, DO, Tulsa Regional Medical Center, Tulsa, OK—2009, Program Director Sammy Worrall, DO
- ◆ Anthony D. Corrado, DO, Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Stratford, NJ—2008, Program Director Edward Scheiner, DO
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- ◆ Christopher H. Hetrick, DO, Doctors Hospital, Columbus, OH—2009, Program Director Robert Pema, DO
- ◆ Ryan W. Leonard, DO, Genesys Regional Medical Center, Grand Blanc, MI—2009, Program Director Wayne Robbins, DO
- ◆ Randall S. Lomax, DO, Des Peres Hospital, St. Louis, MO—2009, Program Director Paul Burk, DO
- ◆ Nicholas D. Lukacs, DO, Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital, Pontiac, MI—2009, Program Director Carl Shermetaro, DO
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- ◆ Jatin R. Patel, DO, Metro Health Hospital, Grand Rapids, MI—2009, Program Director Harold Hollander, DO
- ◆ William J. Van Beneden, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Dayton, OH—2009, Program Director Michael Helfferich, DO
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## ***2010 Resident Award Recipients***

### ***Patrick Murray Awards***

#### *Ophthalmology*

- ◆ 1st Place-William I. Sawyer, DO, Grandview Hospital and Medical Center, Program Director Robert Peets, DO
- ◆ 2nd Place-Nathan P. Reed, DO, Metro Health Hospital, Program Director Jeffrey Holtzman, DO
- ◆ 3rd Place-Richard C. Chu, DO, Hillsdale Community Health Center, Program Director David Gossage, DO

#### *Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery*

- ◆ 1st Place-Jessica A. Weddle, DO, Genesys Regional Medical Center, Program Director Wayne Robbins, DO
- ◆ 2nd Place-Justin B. Imhof, DO, Freeman-Oak Hill Health Systems, Program Director Larry McIntire, DO
- ◆ 3rd Place-Scott M. McClintick, DO, Freeman-Oak Hill Health Systems, Program Director Larry McIntire, DO

### ***Resident Paper Awards***

#### *Ophthalmology*

- ◆ 1st Place-Michael J. Pokabla, DO, "Abnormal Weight and Height Variation in Children with Retinal Disease,"

Doctors Hospital, Program Director Jeffrey Hutchison, DO

- ◆ 2nd Place-Karen A. Alvarez, DO, “Retinal Pigment Epithelium Neoplasm in a Two-Year-Old: An Unusual Presentation,” St. John’s Episcopal Hospital, South Shore, Program Director Steven Sherman, DO
- ◆ 3rd Place-Phillip D. Boyer, DO, “Treatment of Macular Edema in Central Retinal Vein Occlusion (CRVO) with Intravitreal Bevacizumab,” Genesys Regional Medical Center, Program Director Robert Zandler II, DO

#### *Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery*

- ◆ 1st Place-Shaunda M. Rodriguez, DO, “Diagnosis and Management of Aural/Ear Fullness: Algorithm, Evaluation and Etiology,” Millcreek Community Hospital, Program Director Kirk Steehler, DO
- ◆ 2nd Place-Charles Walker Guy II, DO, “Management of Sinus Disease in Patients with Cystic Fibrosis: A Review of the State of the Art,” Kennedy Memorial Hospital, Program Director Edward Scheiner, DO
- ◆ 3rd Place-Michael Pascolini, DO, “A Comparison of ImmunoCAP and Intradermal Dilutional Testing for Inhalant Allergies in the Diagnosis of the Allergic Patient,” Millcreek Community Hospital, Program Director Kirk Steehler, DO

#### **Resident Poster Awards**

##### *Ophthalmology*

- ◆ 1st Place-Kapil Sampat, DO, “Accuracy and Reproducibility of Seven Brands of Small Volume Syringes,” Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Program Director David Ringel, DO
- ◆ 2nd Place-John Dodd, DO, “The Use of Intravitreal Avastin in a Case of Unilateral Acute Idiopathic Maculopathy (UAIM),” St. John Health Osteopathic Division, Program Director Sidney Simonian, DO
- ◆ 3rd Place-Michael Habryl, DO, “A Trifecta of Eyelid Malignancies: What are the Odds?,” Hillsdale Community Health Center, Program Director David Gossage, DO

##### *Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery*

- ◆ 1st Place-Melanie Giesler, DO, “Persistent Unrecognized Congenital Laryngomalacia as the Cause of Dyspnea in a 48-Year-Old Woman,” Affinity Medical Center, Program Director Mark Brigham, DO
- ◆ 2nd Place-John Hanna, DO, “Coblation-Assisted Tonsillectomy and Post-Operative Hemorrhage Rates in the Pediatric Patient,” Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Program Director Mahmoud Ghaderi, DO
- ◆ 3rd Place-Kristin Woodbury, DO, “Trans-Oral Diagnosis and Resection of a Significant Anteriority Displaced Styloid Process - Eagle’s Syndrome?,” Botsford General Hospital, Program Director Christine Lepoudre, DO

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## **MEMBER NEWS**

### **Leonid Skorin, Jr., DO**

Dr. Leonid Skorin, Jr., ophthalmologist at the Albert Lea Medical Center, was elected to the position of president-elect of the Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society on May 7, 2010 at the Annual Spring Continuing Medical Education

Conference in Woodbury, Minnesota. He is scheduled to serve in this position for two years and then to take over the office of president of the organization for another two years. He also presented to the physicians attending this meeting a lecture entitled “Visual Illusions and Hallucinations.”

He has served as a delegate to the American Osteopathic Association House of Delegates representing the state of Minnesota and has been an executive board trustee for the Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society since 2008.

Dr. Skorin specializes in cataract, glaucoma and eyelid surgery. He also sees and treats patients with macular degeneration.

## Ralph Crew, DO and Nathan Reed, DO Written by Dr. Nathan Reed

Over the first two weeks of March, I had the opportunity to accompany Dr. Ralph Crew to Togo, Africa on a medical mission. Togo is a small West African country with over 6.7 million people. As is true with many West African nations, medical services, technology, and infrastructure are lacking. Intense sunlight, poor nutrition, and trauma predispose to the early onset of cataracts in the general population. Our task was to perform cataract surgery.

Without the availability of phacoemulsification, this experience provided me an opportunity to learn a new technique of cataract removal. In the past, traditional extracapsular cataract surgery was an involved and time consuming procedure. Numerous sutures had to be placed in order to close the large limbal wound. This requirement would limit the number of procedures that could be performed in a short amount of time, and with the lack of follow-up capabilities in third world countries, suture related complications would be left to go untreated. As a result, a technique of sutureless extracapsular cataract surgery has evolved over the past 10 years.

In order to be a sutureless technique, wound construction is of the utmost importance. The self-sealing nature of the wound is accomplished through a long scleral tunnel. Following a superior limbal peritomy and scleral base cauterization, a 6-7 mm partial thickness frownd incision is made in the sclera about 2-3 mm posterior to the limbus. A flat crescent blade is then used to dissect the plane of the scleral tunnel, which is extended 2 mm into clear cornea. A keratome is then used to enter the anterior chamber and extend the internal wound opening. The internal wound opening is 2-3 mm wider than the scleral incision. Capsulotomy, hydrodissection, and luxation of the nucleus into the anterior chamber are then performed. The lens is removed through the tunnel with the aid of a lens loop. The remaining corical material is removed with a simco needle. Following IOL insertion and viscoelastic removal, the anterior chamber is reinflated with balanced salt solution, and subconjunctival antibiotics are injected.

Dr. Crew and I were able to perform over 65 of these procedures in only six operating days. The time value of this

technique allowed us to be very efficient during our brief stay. I feel that this skill will not only help me in my own surgical practice, but also in future mission trips. I greatly enjoyed my time in West Africa, and I would recommend this experience to others.

NOTE: Dr. Nathan Reed’s mission trip was supported by a \$2,000 Foreign GME Grant from the AOCOO-HNS Foundation.

## Doctor was “Renaissance Man” Who Loved Helping People—Richard C. Grossman, DO

Family and friends gathered to pay homage to Dr. Richard C. Grossman on Friday, January 22, 2010. The following paragraphs are reflections submitted by Lisa Grossman.

“Dr. Grossman would run to get his medical supplies and stitch up his daughter’s knee after a bad fall from the jungle gym. He was a neighbor who fixed the electrical problem in your dim house. He put up his own Christmas lights, changed the furnace filters in his office, set up all the electrical gadgets in the home, read 15 medical journals a month, and saved newspaper articles that he thought the women should read.

Dr. Grossman, an ear, nose and throat specialists and facial plastic surgeon in Colleyville, Texas, died Monday, January 18th of a heart attack at the age of 58.

If you couldn’t afford to pay for reconstructive surgery after a car accident, he wouldn’t send a bill. Once, in the middle of a consultation, the staff reported a missing Dr. Grossman. Later, they learned that he had stepped outside with a patient to test-drive a new car.”

Dr. Grossman was an active instrument-rated pilot, loved cats, and ate lunch with his wife every day for 25 years. When his daughter was in the eighth grade, he taught her chemistry class how to make sutures on pigs feet. “My father was a Renaissance Man,” said Page, 19, a freshman journalism student at the University of Oklahoma in Norman.

Dr. Grossman was born August 24, 1951, in Marshalltown, Iowa. As a teenager, he was a shoeshine boy at the country club in Marshalltown, population 28,000, where he met his future wife, Lisa. They married in 1978 after she earned a journalism degree from Iowa State University. He had just completed his medical training and was headed to a residency in Detroit, Michigan. IN 1983, Dr. Grossman opened a private practice in North Richland Hills, then moved to Colleyville in 1998. “He took a personal interest in every patient,” said Lisa Grossman.

## 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**

- Multi-specialty 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.

### **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 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.

### **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 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@bmgmri.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.

### **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 Ziril, DO, 220 Spur View Drive, Kenai, AK 99611 at 907-283-5400 or email jziril@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.

### **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 dibartolomeomd@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.

- 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 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.

- Sunshine, beaches, boating, and a GREAT opportunity. Busy solo ENT looking for a BC/BE ENT to join state of the art practice. EMR, CT scanner, audiology/soundbooths and fully equipped Med-Spa already established. Fast track partnership available. Competitive salary + bonuses + benefits package. New graduates welcomed. Please send CV to toddpames@gmail.com.

### **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.

- 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.

- 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.

- 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.

- 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 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.

### **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.

### **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.

### **Otolaryngology Fellowships**

#### **FLORIDA**

- One-year clinical fellowship in otology-neuro-otology starting July 1, 2011 at the Ear Research Foundation/Silverstein Institute, Sarasota, FL. 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.

#### **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.
- 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.