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# President's Inaugural Remarks

by Douglas W. Harley, DO

"It is an honor to be here. It is an honor to take this role over the next year. First I would like to thank my family -- Danielle, Isaiah, and Emma -- for their support. Thank you to my extended osteopathic family for your support. I have big shoes to fill for my predecessors. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to the Ohio osteopathic profession.

My goal over the next year is to continue to expand the knowledge of osteopathic family medicine in Ohio, one person at a time. We are a unique set of individuals with a unique approach to improving the health and well-being of the community. Our patients know it, those around us know it, but does the world know it?

- In this room are a lot of great family medicine leaders for the Ohio profession.
- Bill Burke, DO, and his work with expanding osteopathic education in China.
- Richard Snow, DO, and his work with the Patient Centered Medical Home.
- **Paul Martin, DO**, and his work as president of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

• Jack Brose, DO, and his work as the dean of the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine and the pending branch campus.

• Anita Steinbergh, DO, and her continued work with the Ohio State Medical Board.

• Terry Johnson, DO, and his work with the Ohio House of Representatives.

• Jay Shubrook, DO, and his work with the Ohio University Diabetes Fellowship. I know I have missed a few, but we could talk for hours. We have done a lot to expand our profession in Ohio. We have come a long way since AT Still, but still have more to go.

To me, it seems osteopathic family physicians are the best kept secret in medicine. So I urge you to share your story about what it means to be an osteopathic family medicine physician. Share your joys of family medicine with your medical students, your colleagues, and your community. So let's keep Ohio family medicine moving forward. I look forward to serving you over the next year. Thank you.

Douglas W. Harley, DO, of Fowler, was installed as Ohio ACOFP president, April 19, during the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium. He will serve a one year term through May 2013.

Harley has been active within the osteopathic professional leadership since 2005 when he completed his residency and joined the Ohio ACOFP Board of Governors. Over the past seven years he has been an important voice on the Board and has held every officer position. In addition, he served a term on the Ohio Osteopathic Association Board of Trustees and is currently an officer of the Eighth District (Akron/Canton) Academy of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. At the national level, he serves on the ACOFP Editorial and Audit Review committees and the American Osteopathic Association Council on Scientific Affairs and the Council on Research Grants.

A dedicated educator, he serves as clinical associate faculty for the Family Medicine Residency program at Akron General Medical Center and holds several academic appointments, including clinical assistant professorships at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Northeast Ohio Medical University, and Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. Additionally, he is as clinical preceptor for the University of Mount Union physician assistant program.

## **Ohio ACOFP at the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium**



Above: Family physicians Kelly L. Ramey, DO, and John F. Ramey, DO, who was installed as OOA president. Above Center: Jay H. Shubrook, DO, presents a diabetes lecture. Above Right: Ohio ACOFP President Douglas W. Harley, DO, awards a gavel plaque to outgoing president Robert L. Hunter, DO. Right: ACOFP President Paul A. Martin, DO, installs Douglas W. Harley, DO, as 2012-2013 Ohio ACOFP President. Below: Ohio ACOFP Board leaders met, April 18, during the 2012 Ohio Osteopathic Symposium. They are (l-r) Lili A. Lustig, DO; Melinda E. Ford, DO; Paige S. Gutheil-Henderson, DO; Sharon L. George, DO; Robert J. Norman, DO; Paul A. Martin, DO; Kyle Hartman, OMS; Katherine A. "Toni" Clark, DO; Christopher J. Loyke, DO; Randi Amstadt, OMS; Robert L. Hunter, DO; Edward E. Hosbach II, DO; Michael E. Dietz, DO; Rebecca N. Teagarden, DO; Douglas W. Harley, DO; Cynthia S. Kelley, DO; James A. Schoen, Jr., DO; and Jon Wills.







## Shubrook Named Family Physician of the Year

Ohio ACOFP presented its Family Physician of the Year award to Jay H.

**Shubrook, Jr., DO**, of Athens, during the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium.

Shubrook received the honor for his strong commitment to patient care, teaching and research.



The recipient of

some 30 awards, Shubrook has been recognized as an outstanding preceptor, instructor, mentor, clinical presenter, researcher, and family physician. In 2009, the national ACOFP named him Young Family Physician of the Year, an award he also won at the state level in 2003.

He is a past president of Ohio ACOFP and has served on numerous committees at the state and national level, including editor of the professional journal Osteopathic Family Physician.

He is the director of OU-HCOM's Clinical Research Unit and runs the Diabetes Fellowship Program—one of only two programs in the country that trains primary care physicians to become diabetes experts. His current research involves developing a dramatically novel method of treating patients newly diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes. The approach is leading some patients to not need any medications for up to four years following treatment.

## Angel Receives Distinguished Service Award

Ohio ACOFP presented Victor D. Angel, DO, of Cincinnati, with the 2012

Distinguished Service Award for his long history of service to the osteopathic profession locally and statewide. He received the award during the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium.



Angel is a past president of the OOA and served for five years as president of the Cincinnati Academy of Osteopathic Medicine. He currently organizes CME programs and membership events for the Academy and has been successful getting osteopathic medical students involved and connected to DOs in the area.

In private practice in Cincinnati since 1980, he started his medical career as a surgeon and then changed about 12 years ago to devote his practice exclusively to family medicine. He has been active in his community and has volunteered his leadership skills at the YMCA and Warren County Health Commission.

In addition to serving his profession and his community, he has served his country. As a lieutenant colonel in the US Army Reserves, Angel served tours in Iraq in 2003 and 2005.

## Becker Wins Young FP of the Year Honor

**Kelly M. Becker, DO**, of Strongsville, was named Ohio ACOFP's Young Family Physician of the Year for

2012. She received the award, April 19, during the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium.

According to her office manager, Becker, who practices in her hometown, is adored by her patients,



respected by her physician peers, and appreciated by her staff.

She enjoys the wide spectrum of family practice—with special interest in preventive medicine, sports medicine, dermatology, and women's health. While her practice serves all ages, she has been particularly successful with adolescent girls and teens.

Active in her community, Becker serves as team physician for soccer, football, and wrestling, writes healthrelated articles for her local newspaper, has made numerous appearances on local radio stations to talk about health issues, has been interviewed on two Cleveland-area TV shows about medicine, and is a frequent speaker for community and civic groups in Strongsville and Middleburg Heights.

In addition, she is physician leader for the "Seasons of a Women's Life" program at her hospital, and in February was a physician advocate during Women's Heart Health Month.

Her husband Brian Jungeberg serves on the national Board of the ACOFP Auxiliary.

## Winner Named Resident of the Year

Jonathan A. Winner, DO, a resident at Doctors Hospital Family Practice in

Columbus, was named 2012 Ohio ACOFP Resident of the Year. The award recognizes his leadership, compassion, and demonstrated commitment to osteopathic philosophy, patient care, community involvement, and education.



Winner is a self-motivated leader who always focuses on bettering the team.

His program directors cite his positive attitude, and said he works to be a counselor and advocate for residents and students alike.

Additionally, he is a true champion for osteopathic medicine and has a passion for education. At Doctors, he plays an active and important role in the intern and resident recruitment and interview process, provides lectures to the students based at the Columbus CORE, and is an excellent role model.

## Ohio DO Participates in White House Meeting

ACOFP President **Paul A. Martin, DO, FACOFP**, of Dayton, participated in a meeting, June 6, 2012, with senior White House officials, US Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, and Rick Gilfillan, director of the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation. Another group of DO leaders returned to the White House, September 27, 2012, for a briefing with the director of the Office of Health Reform.

In addition to Martin, AOA President Martin S. Levine, DO, and AOA President-elect Ray E. Stowers, DO, attended.

The White House invited approximately 30 physician organizations to the two-hour meeting where discussion focused on care coordination and advances in delivery system reform. The meeting provided an opportunity for osteopathic leaders to engage with top-level officials on issues important to the profession.



## Family Practice Residents Win Research Competition

Each year, Ohio ACOFP and the Centers for Osteopathic Research & Education (CORE) Family Practice residency directors jointly sponsor a Family Practice Residency Paper competition. The 2012 awards carried a cash prize of \$1,000, \$750, and \$500, made possible by a grant from the Osteopathic Heritage Foundations.

Abstracts of the winning papers are printed here.

#### **First Place**

Melissa O. Juliano, DO

Summa Western Reserve Hospital Program Director: Clay Seiple, DO

Screening Intimate Partner Violence in Primary Care: A Survey of Battered Women's Shelters in Two Ohio Counties

The purpose of this study was to was to determine whether battered women in Medina and Summit counties in Ohio are adequately being screened for intimate partner violence (IPV) by primary care physicians and the likelihood of patients admitting to IPV to medical staff for further intervention. This study included women from ages 18 and over who were identified as having experienced domestic violence in the past year. Surveys were given to each member of the battered women's shelter and filled out anonymously.

It was found that 80 percent of surveyed women had a doctor or saw a clinician, with 50 percent stating their doctors asked them about IPV. From these, 60 percent of surveyed women did not know where to seek help (p<0.001) and 75 percent would have admitted to battery if their health provider had asked them privately (p<0.001). Most IPV victims surveyed will admit to abuse, hence screening by primary care physicians will help diagnose IPV.

#### **Second Place**

Alex S. Tsai, DO; Sharon Lee Witt, DO Doctors Hospital, Columbus Program Director: Geraldine Urse, DO

The Incidence of Chlamydia Screening at Doctors Hospital Family Practice: A Clinical Assessment Program (CAP) Analysis. Background: Chlamydia is among the most prevalent of all sexually transmitted diseases. With reported infections increasing over the last 20 years, it is imperative to utilize proper screening for this infection to detect asymptomatic infections and decrease the risk of serious sequelae. However, many women who are at risk are still not being tested. Infections with Chlamydia trachomatis may develop into pelvic inflammatory disease or cause complications such as infertility, chronic pelvic pain and ectopic pregnancies.

Methods: The purpose of this study is to assess the rate of screening for Chlamydia infections at the Doctors Hospital Family Practice (DHFP) residency center and compare it to other programs within the Clinical Assessment Program (CAP) for Residencies. A retrospective chart review was performed for 101 female patients aged 16 to 26 years old from DHFP based on the inclusion criteria set by CAP.

Results: Within this 2011 study period, DHFP screened 43.82 percent of patients that may have been eligible for Chlamydia screening compared to 75.75 percent for all the other programs within the CAP from 2007 to 2011.

Conclusions: With what is known about the potential complications of infection with Chlamydia and the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the United States Preventative Services Task Force, there is potential for improvement within all the residency programs that participated in this set of the CAP to better identify those patients that should be screened for Chlamydia.

#### Third Place

#### James A. Rider DO

St. Joseph Health Center, Warren Program Director: Duke Starr, DO

#### A Case Study in Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency

Alpha-1-Antitrypsin (AAT) deficiency is a clinically underdiagnosed and unrecognized disorder. Alpha-1-Antitrypsin is a neutrophil elastase inhibitor which is produced in the liver. Deficiency of this enzyme predisposes to panacinar emphysema in the lungs, cirrhosis in the liver, and rarely panniculitis in the skin. At least 100 different AAT alleles have been recorded: the normal phenotype is MM; the most common deficient allele is Z. Although considered a rare disease, 2-3 percent of Caucasians carry a Z allele; leading to 40-100K cases of severe deficiency in the United States and approximately 3 million cases worldwide. Because AAT deficiency is treatable, it is important that primary care physicians are aware and can recognize the 2-3 percent of COPD caused by AAT deficiency. Therefore, patients with persistent airflow obstruction, early onset emphysema, basilar changes on x-ray, or a family history of COPD should be tested for AAT deficiency.



Resident Paper Award Winners (l-r): Melissa O. Juliano, DO; Alex S. Tsai, DO; and Sharon Lee Witt, DO, with Ohio ACOFP President Robert L. Hunter, DO, at the Ohio Osteopathic Symposium, April 19, 2012.

## Ohio Family Docs Attend Congress of Delegates

Ohio ACOFP sent 15 delegates including a student and resident representative to the 2012 ACOFP Congress of Delegates, March 14-15 in Florida.

At the meeting, **Paul A. Martin**, **DO**, **FACOFP**, of Dayton, was inaugurated as president; and **Jay H**. **Shubrook**, **Jr.**, **DO**, **FACOFP**, received the organization's Distinguished Service Award for serving as editor of the *ACOFP Journal* and his work with diabetes.

Martin, a past president of the Ohio ACOFP, is an established leader within the national medical community, overseeing one of the largest multi-physician organizations in southwest Ohio. He is the founding president and current board member of Providence Medical Group, a 60-physician medical group. During his inauguration he spoke about his deep commitment to innovation within the osteopathic medical community, calling for changes in recruiting medical students, training residents and health care financing.

Ohio President **Robert L. Hunter DO, FACOFP,** of Dayton, led the delegation and presented Martin with a congratulatory gift from his fellow Ohioans. In addition, each delegate received a small box of homemade chocolate buckeyes.

The following Ohioans were credentials as delegates: Melinda E. Ford, DO, FACOFP; Donald R. Furci, DO; Ioanna Z. Giatis, DO, FACOFP; Douglas W. Harley, DO; Edward E. Hosbach, II, DO; Robert L. Hunter, DO, FACOFP; Mark S. Jeffries, DO, FACOFP; Christopher J. Loyke, DO; Paul A. Martin, DO, FACOFP; Robert J. Norman, DO; Eugene D. Pogorelec, DO, FACOFP; James A. Schoen, DO; George Thomas, DO, FACOFP; Geraldine N. Urse, DO, FACOFP; John J. Vargo, DO; and Kyle A. Hartman, OMS II. A group of Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine students also attended the meeting.

Next year, the Convention and Congress of Delegates is March 21-24 in Las Vegas. If you are interested in serving as a delegate, call the Ohio ACOFP office at 614-421-2271 or send an e-mail to jwills@ooanet.org.

### Primary Care Practices to Participate in CMS Public-Private Partnership

Sixty-one primary care practices in southwest Ohio, including at least ten DO offices, were selected to participate in a pilot project with payers from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Ohio Medicaid, commercial health plans, and self-insured businesses to provide improved access to quality health care at lower costs.

Under the Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative, CMS will pay these practices a care management fee, initially set at an average of \$20 per beneficiary per month, to support enhanced, coordinated services on behalf of Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries. Simultaneously, participating insurance plans are also offering enhanced payment.

Nationwide, 500 primary care practices in seven regions were selected to participate. The Dayton-Cincinnati region was one of the seven regions.

The initiative started in the fall of 2011 with CMS soliciting a diverse pool of commercial health plans, state Medicaid agencies, and self-insured businesses. The markets were selected in April 2012 based on the percentage of the total population covered by payers who expressed interest in joining this partnership.

Eligible primary care practices in each market were invited to apply to participate and start delivering enhanced health care services in the fall of 2012. Through a competitive application process, practices were chosen to participate based on their use of health information technology, ability to demonstrate recognition of advanced primary care delivery by leading clinical societies, service to patients covered by participating payers, participation in practice transformation and improvement activities, and diversity of geography, practice size, and ownership structure. CMS estimates that through the initiative more than 300,000 Medicare beneficiaries will be served by more than 2,000 providers.

## *Family Health* Radio Show Goes Off the Air

The *Family Health* radio series, a daily, syndicated health update radio

program that was produced by the WOUB Center for Public Media in collaboration with the Ohio



Osteopathic Association, ACOFP, and other osteopathic organizations, went off the air due to lack of funding after more than 30 years of broadcasting. The decision was reached after a threeyear search by the Ohio Osteopathic Foundation to obtain additional national osteopathic sponsors failed.

Harold C. Thompson III, DO, a family physician in Athens, was the show host and donated his time on behalf of the osteopathic profession.

Family Health was the longest running internationally distributed daily health care radio program and the widest reaching public relations effort in the history of the osteopathic profession. It was heard on more than 250 radio stations domestically and worldwide in China, Canada, New Zealand, United Kingdom and the American Forces Radio Network, with an estimated 11 million listeners. The website, fhradio.org, which offers 500 archived radio shows, received an average 15,000 hits per month and there were 38,000 downloads of the Family Health podcast during the past calendar year.

"This is a terrible loss for the profession," said Ohio ACOFP Executive Director Jon F. Wills, "but, without a national sponsor, there is nothing more that can be done."

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## Family Physician Appointed New Dean at OU-HCOM

Kenneth H. Johnson, DO, was appointed dean of Ohio University

Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine (OU-HCOM). He assumed the top spot effective August 20, 2012.



Before coming to Athens, Johnson was associate dean for educational programs and vice dean

at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine, where he was also an associate professor of family medicine and osteopathic manipulative medicine. In addition, he has served at UNECOM as an associate dean of clinical education, an interim associate dean of clinical affairs, and the interim chair of the department of Family and Community Medicine.

Ohio ACOFP President **Douglas W. Harley, DO**, and members of the OOA Executive Committee met with Johnson in September.

"We look forward to working with Dr. Johnson as he guides OU-HCOM towards its new vision for the future of medical education," Harley said.

Johnson is a recognized academic leader within the osteopathic profession and a talented educator. Throughout his career, he has been active in leadership roles within the profession. He served as president of the Northeast Osteopathic Medical Education Network, president of the American Academy of Osteopathy, vice chair of the AOA Bureau of Osteopathic Education, vice chair of the AOA Bureau of Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education Development, and on the AOA Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation.

In recognition of his professional accomplishments, Johnson received the Maine Osteopathic Physician of the Year Award in 2006, the Rosewell P. Bates Public Service Award in 2008, and was named the Thomas L. Northrup Lecturer in 2009.

Johnson is the college's fifth dean. Outgoing dean Jack Brose, DO, who has lead the college since 2001, began a three-year appointment as OU vice provost for health affairs.

## Legislative & State Government Roundup

- The Kasich administration wants to eliminate Medicaid as a division of the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services and transform it into its own state agency. The administration has also selected five health plans to participate in a seven-region demonstration project that will serve individuals who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid. The Integrated Care Delivery System (ICDS) will begin April 1, 2013. The three-year project will be conducted in 29 counties and cover 114,792 of 182,328 Ohioans. Ohio Medicaid plans to contract with two plans per region, and three in northeast Ohio.
- The osteopathic profession has been well represented at meetings of the Professional Education Task Force of the Governor's Cabinet Opiate Action Team (GCOAT), which is developing responsible prescribing guidelines for Ohio's clinicians. Ohio ACOFP members participating in the discussions include R. Aaron Adams, DO; and Cleanne Cass, DO. The OOA and six other physician organizations sent a joint letter, August 9, 2012, strongly encouraging the Kasich administration to proceed very cautiously with any additional regulatory solutions imposing opioid prescribing restrictions until the impact of current accomplishments can be evaluated and an aggressive professional and public educational program is in place. The associations also encouraged the GCOAT Reforming Prescribing Practices Committee to focus on consensus-driven solutions that do not negatively impact access to care for chronic pain patients and cited reports from patients and providers that some actions have already had a negative impact on access and are being exacerbated by a shortage of pain treatment facilities and pain specialists. The group further expressed support for "press pause/reassessment trigger threshold" prescribing guidelines now being drafted, but urged that they be adopted as an Ohio State Medical Board position statement that does not have the impact of a law.
- The profession is working with the Ohio Department of Health and Ohio Hospital Association to revise Ohio's HIV/AIDS statutes. The workgroup hopes to introduce a consensus bill before the current legislative session ends December 31.
- CGS, Ohio's Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC), has launched a free internet-based provider self-service portal. The myCGS application allows physician offices to securely access information online, including patient eligibility; Medicare claims status; view and print Medicare remittance advices (RAs); and provider financial information such as claims in an approved-topay status and the last three checks paid. You can participate in myCGS if you have a signed electronic data interchange Enrollment Agreement on file. To sign-up, go to www.cgsmedicare.com/ohb/myCGS/index.html.
- The OOA joined seven other member associations of the Ohio Provider Coalition in sending a letter opposing HB 259 to members of the Ohio Senate Health, Human Services and Aging Committee. HB 259, which passed the Ohio House 66-29, would allow unlicensed alternative and complementary practitioners with questionable education and training to treat without any meaningful oversight, contrary to other professions that have licensing boards. The letter states that minimum training and education standards should be established to protect the public. It also points out that current language will make it more difficult for licensing boards to regulate their respective licensees when it comes to alternative and complementary services.
- The Ohio State Medical Board has approved a new interpretation for Rule 4731-11-09 of the Ohio Administrative Code, which requires a physician to personally examine and diagnose a patient prior to initially prescribing medications. The interpretative guideline applies solely to cases that involve prescribing or personally furnishing non-controlled substances and recognizes that with advances in medical technology it may be possible for the personal and physical examination to occur through the use of the internet or other forms of telecommunication when both the provider and patient are in remote locations.

#### In Memoriam

**Samuel J. Carine, DO**, of Columbus, died August 11, 2012, of cancer. He was 79 years old.

A family physician for 30 years, he specialized in sports medicine and served as Groveport High School team doctor for most of his career.

He was a graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine and a veteran of the Korean War.

Carine was a life-long music lover and enjoyed dancing to big band sounds. He was also an avid Ohio State football fan, fisherman, and golfer.

He is survived by his wife Lois and three children, Jeff, Eric, and Krista and their families including daughter-inlaw Ali Carine, DO.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation, 1500 Lakeside Drive, Suite 230, Columbus 44204.

Wain B. Eberly, DO, of Dalton, died January 12, 2012, following a brief illness. He was 90 years old.

Eberly served Mt. Eaton and the surrounding community as a family physician from 1960 until 2001. He is survived by his devoted wife, four children, nine grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and nine siblings. He was preceded in death by two children.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice & Palliative Care of Greater Wayne County, 2525 Back Orrville Road, Wooster, Ohio 44691.

**Daniel J. Marazon, DO**, 67, of Athens, died March 13, 2012. He served the osteopathic profession in many leadership roles, including interim dean of Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2001.

At OU-HCOM he served with distinction in a number of other capacities, including medical director of the College's clinics, chief of external health affairs, and family practice residency director.

In 2002, Marazon was named Ohio ACOFP Family Physician of the Year. In 2006 he received the OU-HCOM Lifetime Achievement Award.

Marazon, a 1971 graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, took postdoctoral training at the US Naval Hospital in Florida, and continued to serve in the Navy until his discharge from active duty in 1978. Later that same year, he went to Athens as one of the pioneer faculty members at the newly-established osteopathic medical school.

He is survived by his wife Margo; two sons, including Christopher Marazon, DO; three grandsons; eight siblings; and other extended family members.

Memorials may be made to the Daniel J. Marazon Hockey Scholarship Fund, Ohio University Foundation; the Ohio University Respite Volunteer Program; or the Appalachian Community VNA Hospice Program in Athens.

James B. Muntean, DO, 61, of Athens, died October 3, 2011.

Muntean, a graduate of Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine, was a social worker in Athens County before becoming a physician. In addition to his private practice, he was the physician at Echoing Meadows Rehabilitation Center and Bassett House, lectured at the OU-HCOM, and served as deputy coroner and county coroner of Athens County

He was very active in Bando martial arts, both locally and nationally.

James H. Scott, DO, of Blanchester, died August 20, 2012, from complications following a brain aneurysm. He was 62 years old.

Scott was a loyal member of the Ohio Osteopathic Association, Ohio ACOFP, and the Cincinnati Academy of Osteopathic Medicine and proud to be an osteopathic physician.

A family physician, he served as medical director of Cincinnati Urgent Care for 20 years. He was a US Army veteran and served as medical officer in the Army Reserve. He also volunteered for medical missions around the world.

Scott was known for his compassion and sense of humor.

A memorial Facebook page is at <u>www.facebook.com/thebankrobber123</u>.

He is survived by his wife Sally, a brother, four children, 10 grandchildren and many friends and colleagues.

Memorials may be made to Mission Lazarus, PO Box 150524, Nashville, TN 37215. John A. Vosler, DO, Eaton, died August 11, 2012. He was 85. Vosler, who served a term as president of the Dayton District Academy of Osteopathic Medicine, completed his internship at Grandview Hospital and then began his practice of general medicine in Eaton in July 1956. He later cofounded the Preble County Medical Center.

A leader in his community, he was elected to ten consecutive terms as Preble County coroner, holding the office from 1972 to 2011. He also supported and participated in many civic organizations, including the Lions Club, Rotary, Elks, American Cancer Society, American Legion, Preble County Honor Guard, for which he served many years as military bugler, Fraternal Order of Police, Preble County Historical Society, and Preble County Habitat of Humanity.

Vosler had a passion for music his whole life and was widely known in the Greater Miami Valley area as a trumpet player. He was a member of several bands, including the Piqua Civic Band, Sidney Civic Band, Tipp City Community Band, and Swing Era Big Band.

The graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine was an Army Air Force veteran.

Survivors include his wife Meri and four children—all osteopathic physicians—and their families: Mark S. Vosler, DO; Scott R. Vosler, DO; 1976 Olympian Kent D. Vosler, DO; and Jill B. Vosler, DO.

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Symposium. He was nominated for the award by three residents who each submitted letters. Anita M. Steinbergh, DO, received the Columbus Osteopathic Association

Philip A. "Duke" Starr III, DO, of

March during the ACOFP Convention Warren, received the George L. Eckert,

Jay H. Shubrook, Jr., DO, FACOFP,

April 21, during the Ohio Osteopathic

James F. Sosnowski, DO, Distinguished

Service Award for 2012. It is the organi-

Sharon E. Van Nostran, DO, of

Akron, received the 2012 M. Bridget Wagner, DO Humanitarian Award from

zation's highest honor.

and Scientific Seminar in Kissimmee, Florida. Jr., DO, Mentor of the Year Award,

College of Osteopathic Family Physicians 2012 Distinguished Service Award. The honor was presented in

of Athens received the American

Larry E. Robinson, Jr., DO, a family physician in Sandusky, was certified in Hospice and Palliative Medicine. He serves as assistant medical director at Stein Hospice.

the Ohio Osteopathic Association. The award was presented in honor of her work to help the growing refugee population in her community.



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Practice Center in Grove City.

physician from Columbus, was

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the Ohio ACOFP and OOA.

in May 2013.

installed as president of the Ohio

Jack Brose, DO, of Athens, received

Leslie Ching, DO, received the 2012

the 2012 Ohio Osteopathic Association

Distinguished Service Award. It is the

American Academy of Osteopathy

Resident of the Year award. She is a

second year Family Practice resident at

OhioHealth/Doctors Hospital Family

Rebecca deVillers, DO, a family

appointed to the Osteopathic Heritage

H. Iill Rice, DO, of Lancaster, has joined

the medical staff at Fairfield Medical

Center. She is a family physician with

E. Lee Foster, DO, of Cortland,

April 21, during the Ohio Osteopathic

Symposium. He is a past president of

John F. Ramey, DO, of Huron, was

Osteopathic Association. His term ends

received the OOA Trustees Award.