First-year medical students receive white coats at ceremony

Students in the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine Class of 2017 received their white coats during a special ceremony on Aug. 4 at the Tulsa Community College Van Trease Performing Arts Center for Education.

Howard Barnett and Kayse Shrum, D.O., president and provost, OSU Center for Health Sciences, Dean, OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine, Joan Stewart, D.O., ’85, associate dean for clinical education, and William J. Pettit, D.O., interim senior associate dean and associate dean for rural health, cloaked the 115 new OSU medical students. The students concluded the ceremony by reciting the Osteopathic Medicine Oath of Commitment, led by Dr. Langerman.

Summer Golf Classic raises funds for Alumni Association

The OSU-COM Medicine Alumni Association hosted the 2013 Summer Golf Classic in May at the Hard Rock Casino Cherokee Hills Golf Course in Catoosa. The weather was beautiful as 15 teams took the course to raise funds for scholarships, emergency loans and events for OSU-COM students, student groups and alumni. Pistol Pete awarded trophies to the winning teams.

The 2014 Summer Golf Classic is scheduled for Sunday, May 18 at the Hard Rock Casino Cherokee Hills Golf Club. For event information and updates, visit http://www.healthsciences.okstate.edu/alumni/golf.php

CME Spring Fling sets record number attendance

A record number of medical professionals attended the 27th Annual Continuing Medical Education Spring Fling, presented by the OSU-COM Alumni Association, OSU Center for Health Sciences and the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine.

More than 350 physicians, physician assistants, educators, medical residents, students and interns attended the continuing medical education conference to learn about the latest developments in medicine.

The 28th Annual Spring Fling is scheduled for May 16-17, 2014 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Tulsa Downtown, 616 W. 7th St. For more information or conference updates, visit http://www.healthsciences.okstate.edu/alumni/springfling.php

Alumni Association welcomes new students to OSU-COM

The OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine Alumni Association hosted a luncheon and welcomed 115 new medical students during orientation week at OSU-CHS.

Ryan Miller, director of the OSU-COM Alumni Association, welcomed the students and provided an overview of the services and support available through the alumni association.

During the event, Trudy Milner, D.O., ’88, past-president of the OSU-COM Alumni Association, made a special address to the students and shared her experience of medical school.

Several board members of the Advocates to the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association attended the lunch. Vicki Stevens, president of the AOA, encouraged students to tell their family and friends about the OSU-COM Student Advocate Association, which provides support to these individuals. The AOA provided each student with a copy of the Maxwell Quick Medical Reference, a favorite among alumni.
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If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or email me at 918-561-8226 or ryan.miller@okstate.edu.

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Alumni Association recognizes two at the OSU-CHS Award Banquet

The OSU-COM Alumni Association recognized two outstanding students in May at the annual OSU-CHS Alumni Awards Banquet. The Alumni Recognition Awards were presented to graduating fourth-year medical students Mark Keuchel, D.O., and Lori Peters, D.O.

Keuchel, of Enid, recently began a residency program in emergency medicine at Integris Southwest Medical Center. Peters, of McAlester, is a resident in obstetrics and gynecology at OSU Medical Center.

OSU-COM alumna appointed to OSU/A&M Board of Regents


Milner represents Congressional District 1 and her term will expire in 2017. She replaced Regent Jay Heim, who stepped down after he was appointed to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Alumni notes

Stephanie Meredith, D.O., ‘10, recently joined the Mercy Clinic in Kingfisher. She completed her family medicine residency at W.W. Hastings Cherokee Nation Hospital in Tahlequah.


George D. Methven, D.O., ‘89, has joined Blue Ridge Medical Center in North Carolina as an obstetrics and gynecology specialist.

Kellie Van Tuyt, D.O., ‘10, has joined the Warren Clinic in Coweta. Van Tuyt is a member of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

Kyle Wooderson, D.O., ‘08, joined the medical staff at Blackwell Regional Hospital. A native of Blackwell, Wooderson offers both inpatient and outpatient surgical procedures.

Bradley R. Mons, D.O., ‘07, a head and neck microvascular reconstructive surgeon, has joined Cancer Treatment Centers of America in Tulsa.

Andrea Miller, D.O., ‘02, joined Integris Medical Group as a board-certified physician in obstetrics and gynecology.

Courtney Atchley, D.O., ‘07, has established a pediatric practice with the University of Oklahoma Children’s Physicians in Oklahoma City.

Monte McAlester, D.O., ‘81, was appointed to the Eastern Oklahoma State College Board of Regents. McAlester is the medical director at Hillcrest Indian Medical Center in Tahlequah.

Pediatrician Scott S. Cyrus, D.O., ‘91, was inaugurated as president of the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians. Cyrus has been a board-certified pediatrician in Tulsa for 15 years and serves as the Hillcrest Hospital South chief of staff. He serves as adjunct associate professor in pediatrics at OSU-COM.

J. William Anthamatten, D.O., ‘81, has joined OSU Physicians as an ophthalmologist and clinical assistant professor of surgery at OSU-COM.

OSU/GYN Corey Babb, D.O., ‘08, has joined Utica Park Clinic on the campus of Hillcrest Hospital South. Babb specializes in alternative childbirth in a hospital setting, including alternative birthing positions, osteopathic manipulation and aromatherapy.

General surgeon Benjamin Kamp, D.O., ‘05, has joined Utica Park Clinic on the campus of Hillcrest Hospital South and the Pine Medical Center in Owasso.

Sam Stauffer, D.O., ‘80, joined Utica Park Clinic at its new location in Oologah. Stauffer, a board-certified family medicine physician, has provided care to the Oologah community since 1981.

Brandon Wilson, D.O., ‘09, joined Utica Park Clinic at Peggy V. Helmerich Women’s Health Center at Hillcrest Medical Center as an obstetrics and gynecology physician.

Candy Ting, D.O., ‘86, board-certified physician in internal medicine has joined Utica Park Clinic on the Hillcrest South campus. Ting has been practicing in the Tulsa metro community for more than 25 years.

Abby Housman, D.O., ‘10, has joined the Five Oaks Medical Group as a full-time family medicine physician. Oklahoma Heart Hospital Physicians has added cardiologist James Bryan Harris, D.O., ‘06, to the team of cardiovascular specialists working in Stillwater.

Grant H. Evans, D.O., ‘08, recently completed his residency in urologic surgery at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He is currently serving at the Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston in Texas as a general urologist.

Hello alumni,

It’s been a while since we have put together our COMunicator newsletter and we have a lot to catch up on. First of all, I would like to introduce the 2013-2014 OSU-COM Alumni Board of Directors. Our new President is Patti Shaw, D.O., ‘97; President Elect is Duane Kocher, D.O., ‘90; Vice President is Drew Crawford, D.O., ‘96; Treasurer is Dennis Carter, D.O., ‘87 and Immediate Past President, Trudy Milner, D.O., ‘88. We are grateful to have the commitment of this diverse group of physicians to represent and lead the association in the best interest of all of our 2,744 graduates.

There are lots of upcoming events scheduled in the near future, so let us jump right in. Our next big event will be the ACA/OMED convention in Las Vegas, from Sept. 29 through Oct. 4. We will have our usual 30X50 booth number 817 in the main exhibit hall. Stop by to pick up our latest goodies and visit with us!

The OSU-COM Alumni reception will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 2 from 6-8 p.m. in the House of Blues on the Mandalay Bay properties. Please make plans to attend this event. Even if you’re not alumni from OSU, you are an osteopathic physician and are welcome and encouraged to attend our function. Families are welcome, too. We will have drinks and heavy hors d’oeuvres.

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