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PRESIDENTIAL TRIBUTE
The OOA pays tribute to OOA Board President, Jason L. Hill, DO, HPF, for his year of dedicated service.

OSU COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY
The Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery opened their doors for future osteopathic physicians in 1972.

OOA HYBRID 122ND ANNUAL CONVENTION
The 122nd Annual Convention of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association is intended to address the ever-present changes we are experiencing in healthcare. Lectures will focus on expected changes in clinical research, treatment, technology, and advanced payment models physicians will face in the coming years.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: SHEILA G. SIMPSON, DO
Get to know your fellow osteopathic physicians with the OOA’s inaugural Member Spotlight featuring your 100th President, Sheila G. Simpson, DO.
BUREAU NEWS: PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS
Recommendations were made by the Bureau on Constitution & Bylaws for the 2022 annual business meeting, which will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2022.

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In the face of an ongoing pandemic and significant legislative challenges, Dr. Hill led with foresight, directing the Board of Trustees to develop a strategic plan for future generations of osteopathic physicians.

He voiced strong opposition when physicians were removed from crucial health agencies and led the push to have osteopathic thought leaders at the table. Advocating for unity and strength, Dr. Hill showed that the voices of this community cannot be ignored when osteopathic physicians speak as one body.

Dr. Hill resolutely addressed the challenges facing the osteopathic profession, making key decisions for the future and good of Oklahoma’s physicians and patients in what has been an important and pivotal year.

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Fifty years ago, Oklahoma was dealing with a physician shortage so state leaders came together to create and pass Oklahoma Bill 461 that established the Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery in Tulsa, which later became the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine.

It was the first free-standing, state-supported osteopathic medical school in the country and its mission was to train doctors to meet the health care needs of rural and underserved Oklahomans. The dream became realized with the dedication of the campus in April 1977.

"In March 1972, with dwindling numbers of primary care physicians in rural Oklahoma, the Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery was established to educate and train osteopathic medicine physicians. Fifty years later, we are still fulfilling that mission," said OSU-CHS President Johnny Stephens.

OSU Center for Health Sciences will celebrate the anniversary with a birthday party on March 10 for faculty, staff, students and alumni.

A larger celebration will take place on July 28 and coincide with the opening of North Hall, the newest building on the OSU-CHS campus in Tulsa that includes new anatomy and neuroanatomy labs, the new Tulsa County Medical Examiners Office, additional meeting and conference rooms, offices spaces and new administrative offices.

People are also invited to leave their mark on the campus through the 50th Anniversary Leave Your Legacy brick campaign. There are four different brick and paver sizes to choose from that will be placed on the OSU-CHS campus.

And throughout 2022, there will be 50th Anniversary social media campaigns highlighting current and former students, as well as special features written about the history, culture and accomplishments of the institution and its leaders.

"Today, OSU-COM educates tomorrow’s physicians in a wide range of specialties to serve both rural and urban areas of our state," Dr. Stephens said. "Now with our College of Osteopathic Medicine at the Cherokee Nation in Tahlequah, our impact is even greater."

To learn more about the history of the institution, see photos from the past five decades at the school and learn how you can support OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine, go to medicine.okstate.edu/anniversary.
For second-year medical student Ashton Glover Gatewood, normal hasn’t been something she has experienced much of during her time in medical school.

In fact, neither have her fellow classmates who are a part of the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine at the Cherokee Nation inaugural class.

They wore masks to their white coat ceremony and their families could not attend. The COVID-19 pandemic had started just five months earlier so most of their classes were held virtually. The OSU-COM at the Cherokee Nation building was still under construction — stunted by pandemic-related construction delays — when classes started so they met for labs in community rooms at the Cherokee Nation Outpatient Health Center.

When students finally could attend classes in the new building, masks were required and have been ever since.

“I love being a member of the inaugural class. We’ve been through a lot as a class, not just because everything is new, but with the COVID-19 pandemic everything is constantly changing. I think we’ve had a unique set of challenges; we’ve really grown together, we uplift each other, and we help each other,” Gatewood said. “It’s a very supportive class, we celebrate each other’s successes inside and outside the classroom.”

In January, Gatewood was selected as the OSU-COM Student Doctor of the Year and then just recently as runner-up for National Student D.O. Doctor of the Year.

“I was incredibly surprised. I had to re-read the email several times just to understand what it was saying,” she said.

Dr. Natasha Bray, interim dean of OSU-COM at the Cherokee Nation, said ‘driven’ is a great word to describe Gatewood.

“She is ambitious, persistent and wants to have a purpose-driven career and life. She is not afraid or hesitant to reach for her dreams and aspirations. She sets out each day to attain them with unwavering drive and determination,” Bray said. “I’m so proud of her. She represents our campus well and is deserving of this recognition. She exudes what our profession stands for with her commitment to the overall well-being of people. Her compassion for public health creates a hopeful outlook for our future.”

Gatewood — a member of the Choctaw Nation and a descendant of Cherokee and Chickasaw ancestors — worked as a nurse and health care administrator at an Indian Health Services clinic in Oklahoma City for about five years before enrolling in medical school.

“My background as a nurse in IHS has been absolutely invaluable to my success here as far as my ability to do well academically and to feel like I belong and I’m an important part of the community,” she said.

Once she graduates, she hopes to go back and practice as a physician at the IHS clinic she worked at in Oklahoma City.

“I wanted to become a doctor because I really enjoy helping people working as a team. I also like challenging, scientific problems,” she said. “Medicine was a way I could work with people and be continuously challenged. It brought together all my interests and passions in one career.”

Gatewood said she chose to attend OSU-COM at the Cherokee Nation specifically because of its tribal affiliation.

“I felt I could continue the work I was already doing at IHS without leaving my community and I could further my career and develop additional skills that could help people even more on a broader scale,” she said.

Receiving student doctor of the year recognition both nationally and by OSU gives her a sense of accountability and pride, Gatewood said.

“I feel a responsibility to represent this campus, OSU-COM at the Cherokee Nation. Our faculty, staff and facilities make this a premier medical school, especially for students interested in primary care, rural health and tribal health,” she said. “And I also feel a responsibility to represent my tribe. I hope that my story can inspire others to continue pursuing their dreams, especially Native students and women who may not have many mentors in their communities.”

Gatewood said she’s overcome challenges to get to where she is, but she didn’t do it alone.

“I couldn’t be as successful academically without my study group and without the faculty that support us here. I couldn’t continue personal well-being and wellness without my family and friends’ help, like taking care of my daughter or running errands. It’s the effort of a whole village,” she said. “I have had my own failures, setbacks and obstacles in reaching this point in my medical career.

“I believe the past and current sacrifices will be worth the future joy of practicing medicine and serving my community.”
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"It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change.” – Charles Darwin

Diseases, medicine, treatments, technology, and healthcare as a whole, are constantly changing. "What’s Next?” will address these ever-present changes we are experiencing in healthcare. Further, we will place emphasis on the expected changes that clinical research, treatment, technology, and advanced payment models will have in the coming years and prepare the physician for the future and what’s next.

After physicians depart from this program, they will have a better understanding of what’s next with the emerging technologies in medicine as well as a gained knowledge of appropriately prescribing controlled substances and various subspecialties’ medical updates.

THE OOA
The mission of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association is to promote the health of all Oklahomans through education and advocacy for the osteopathic profession.

EXHIBITORS
We welcome these exhibitors. Be sure to visit them during the convention!

- Biohaven Pharmaceuticals
- OSU-CHS Medical Library
- OSU Medicine
- Rich & Cartmill
- Saint Francis
- Valley Hope

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Call 405-235-2780 or reserve your room online: at https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/okcsi-sheraton-oklahomacity-downtown-hotel/. Don't forget to mention you are with the Group Code OO2OO2F!

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THURSDAY
9 - 10 AM  Project ECHO Update
10 - 11 AM  Physician Contract Negotiations
11 AM - 12 PM  Before & After Disciplinary Actions
12 - 1 PM  Lunch Break with Exhibitors
1 PM - 1:30 PM  OSU-COM Alumni Meeting
1:30 - 2:30 PM  Legalities of Supervision / Best Practices
2:30 PM  Pearl’s Popcorn Pick-Me-Up
2:40 - 3 PM  EXHIBITOR CONNECTION
3 - 3:45 PM  OOA Business Meeting (No CME Credit awarded)
3:45 PM  ACOFP Update
4:45 PM  AAO Update
5:45 PM  Legislative Update / Bureau on Legislation Meeting

SATURDAY
8 - 10 AM  Out-Patient Medicine Session
10 - 10:15 AM  EXHIBITOR CONNECTION
10:15 AM - 12:15 PM  Out-Patient Medicine Session
12:15 - 1:15 PM  Luncheon / Awards Ceremony
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3:30 - 5:30 PM  In-Patient Medicine Session
6:15 - 7 PM  Reception
7 PM  Presidential Dinner Inaugurating Jonathan K. Bushman, DO as the 2022 - 2023 OOA President

FRIDAY
8 - 9:30 AM  OMT Hands-On
9:30 - 10 AM  The Healer Within
10 - 10:15 AM  EXHIBITOR CONNECTION
10:15 - 11:15 AM  Elation Health & Panel Discussion
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM  Informed Consent
12:15 - 1:15 PM  Lunch Break with Exhibitors
1:15 - 2:15 PM  AOA Update
2:15 - 3:15 PM  Proper Prescribing
3:15 - 3:30 PM  EXHIBITOR CONNECTION
3:30 - 5:30 PM  Risk Management
6 PM  Family Fun Night

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SUNDAY
8 - 9 AM  Vaccine Hesitancies / Misinformation
9 - 10 AM  COVID-19 Longhaul
10 AM - 12 PM  Billing / Coding

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Open the app and click the button in the top right-hand corner (it’s a circle with a plus sign inside). Type in the code ’OOA122’ into the space.

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The OOA's Convention app should appear in your library automatically. Click the photo.

STEP 4
Enjoy the app! Explore all of the information located inside by clicking the different menu items. Create a profile to connect with other attendees in the Social Feed.
1. What is your specialty?  
   **Board Certified Family Practice**

2. How many years have you been in practice?  
   **35 years**

3. What College of Osteopathic Medical School did you attend?  
   **OCOM, Tulsa, OK**

4. What year did you graduate?  
   **1986**

5. What do you do when you are not practicing medicine? (favorite hobby)  
   **Collecting animals, hiking, painting**

6. What is something you have always wanted to try, but never did?  
   **Sky Diving**

7. Who was your childhood hero? What did they do that inspired you?  
   **My Dad, Cecil Reeder. He was always honest, hardworking, and would give anything to those in need.**

8. What is your favorite holiday? And why?  
   **Christmas. I can put the fake poo in families’ stockings, lol! Because family is all together.**

9. What is your all-time favorite song?  
   **Hallelujah**

10. What is your all-time favorite movie?  
    **Secondhand Lions (2003)**

11. Where is the best location spot?  
    **Scuba diving in the ocean, it’s wonderful.**

12. What is the best piece of advice that was given to you?  
    **Listen to the patient.**

13. What advise do you have for the younger generation?  
    **Never stop learning**

14. Do you know someone famous?  
    **I’ve met many famous people, but don’t know any. We had a meal with President Ronald Reagan.**

15. What is the most important thing about the work that you do?  
    **Educating the patient on their quality of life, affecting longevity, and helping instill that in their life.**

16. What was a highlight of this last year?  
    **Seeing people regaining a degree of normality after COVID**

17. Do you have a favorite sports team?  
    **Mustang High School Soccer. My oldest grandson is goalie and is awesome!**

18. What is the sweet treat that you would break a diet for?  
    **Chocolate Volcano Cake**

Check out Dr. Simpson’s YouTube channel, **Dr. Sheila's Funny Farm**, where she shares the quirkiest miniature donkeys, peacocks, goats, geese, horses, and chickens on the internet!
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With everything vying for your attention, we know how hard it is to keep up with the latest osteopathic news. Follow these simple steps to make sure you don’t miss a thing!

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What is FOOA?

The Friends of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association is a membership association for the spouses, relatives, and loved ones of OOA Physician, Resident, and Medical Student members. The Mission of FOOA is to promote awareness of and support the Osteopathic Profession within Oklahoma through collaboration, education, and community.

Newly formed in 2021, FOOA strives to offer a home for the loved ones of OOA members. FOOA members coordinate community events, participate in OOA activities, and share resources and support within the organization. Use the QR code to learn more about FOOA and explore what this organization has to offer.

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FOOA regular member dues are $50 annually (November 1 – October 31). Membership for the spouses of medical students and residents is FREE. To join, simply return this form with the enclosed OOA dues renewal (you may write one check for both OOA & FOOA dues if you’d prefer).

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The following are proposed amendments to the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association’s Constitution & Bylaws.

Recommendations were made by the Bureau on Constitution & Bylaws for the 2022 annual business meeting, which will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2022 during the 122nd OOA Annual Convention.

**Proposed Amendment A:**
**OOA Constitution**  
**Article VII. Meetings & Convention (page 2)**  
**Section 2.**

Special meetings of this Association may be called by the President at his/her discretion or upon written request of at least seven (7) members of the Board of Trustees. A notice of such special meeting including the purpose for which the meeting is called must be mailed or electronically communicated to all regular members of the Association no less than ten (10) days nor more than sixty (60) days before such meeting. No business other than that for which the meeting was called may be transacted at the special meeting.

**Proposed Amendment B:**
**OOA Constitution**  
**Article IX. Amendments (page 2)**

This Constitution may be amended by this Association at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the accredited voting members in attendance at such session, provided that any proposed amendment must be approved for publication either by a district society or shall have been presented to the Board of Trustees and filed with the Executive Director and that the Executive Director shall have them published and mailed or electronically communicated to each member of the Association not less than two months nor more than four months prior to the session at which they are to be acted upon. Any amendment must receive written approval of the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association before it shall become effective.

**Proposed Amendment C:**
**OOA Bylaws**  
**Article IX. Amendments (page 7)**

These Bylaws may be amended by this Association at any annual session by a two-thirds vote of the accredited voting members in attendance at such session, provided that any proposed amendment must be approved for publication either by a district society or by the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association and that such amendments shall have been presented to the Board of Trustees and filed with the Executive Director and that the Executive Director shall have them published and mailed or electronically communicated to each member of the Association not less than (2) months nor more than four (4) months prior to the session at which they are to be acted upon. Any amendment must receive written approval of the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association before it shall become effective.
Proposed Recommendations for consideration by the Bureau on Membership of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association:

2022-2023 vacancies to be filled:

Immediate Past President: Jason L. Hill, DO
President: Jonathan K. Bushman, DO
President-Elect (Becomes President): Rebecca D. Lewis, DO
Vice President (One-Year Term): Jonathan B. Stone, DO
Trustee (Three-Year Term ending 2025): Amanda Foster, DO
Trustee (Three-Year Term ending 2025): Mark Keuchel, DO
Trustee (One-Year Term ending 2023): Ashton Clayborn, DO
Trustee (One-Year Term ending 2023): Mark Callery, DO
Resident Trustee (One-Year Term ending 2023): VACANT

2022 AOA House of Delegates-Oklahoma Delegates to be Elected:

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* Determined by OSU-COM student body during 2022 spring semester
Welcome to our new members!

The OOA Board of Trustees welcomes the following new members to the OOA family!

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**In Memorium**

**Thomas R. Pickard, DO,** entered his heavenly home Thursday, February 24, 2022 surrounded by his loving family and friends. Thomas was born June 6, 1945 to Raymond and Loraine Pickard (Pruitt) in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Thomas was an Osteopathic Doctor, President of their association on many occasions, had his own practice, taught and trained many doctors at OSU Medical Center, served on the Oklahoma Board of Examiners and many other things. He was a long time member of the Barbershop Harmony Society, the Tulsa Founders Chorus and sang in the Tulsa Tones Quartet. He was a man of God who served him well. He was a great father, papa, uncle, brother and friend. He touched the lives of so many people with his gentle, loving and kind spirit. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his wife, children, grand-children, great-grandchildren and a host of other family members.

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**Harry Jensen Whetstone, DO,** died Monday, January 24, 2022 at his residence in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 74. He was born to Deward Osburn Whetstone and Fleda Almeda Whetstone on September 3, 1947 in Enid, Oklahoma. He spent his younger years attending high school in Canton, Oklahoma graduating in 1965. He attended Southwestern State College at Weatherford, Oklahoma and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1968. He worked as a chemist at Sun Oil Company in Tulsa, Oklahoma for approximately 4 ½ years before moving to Independence, Missouri and later graduated from Kansas City University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1976 with a D.O. degree. He has attended the Tulsa University and William Jewell College. He worked as a physician in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Cordell, Oklahoma and Stover, Missouri, later returning to the Oklahoma Veterans Center in Clinton, Oklahoma until 2008 and retired from the Department of Veterans Affairs at Fort Sill in 2017.

He is survived by his wife, Claudia J. Whetstone, who he married in 1977, as well as his five children, Laurie Whetstone Ford, Elizabeth Whetstone Echternach, Charles B. Whetstone, Kevin D. Whetstone and Tracy Whetstone Nickell and eight great grandchildren.

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**Regan Ganoung Nichols, DO,** was taken to God’s side on February 25, 2022. She was born on May 26, 1960 in Anaheim, CA, while her Veterinarian father was working as a meat inspector for the military. She moved to Indiana then Hoisington, Kansas at the age of 2.

Regan graduated from Hoisington High School and Cornell College, Mt Vernon, Iowa before attending The University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa.

On receiving her DO Degree, Regan did her internship in Wichita, KS and Residency in Family Practice in Salina, KS. Upon finishing her medical training, she married Quaife Nichols. The couple moved to Garden City, Kansas, where Regan practiced at Garden Medical Clinic while her husband taught science, math and history.

In 1996, the couple went to Mongolia to do Medical Education work with Mongolian Enterprises International, living in insulated tents much of the time before returning to Garden City in the year 2000. In 2002, they moved to Midwest City, OK where Regan practiced at DuBois Medical Clinic before starting her own practice.

Regan will be remembered as a Caregiver, Mother, Sister and Friend, who exhibited those qualities to those around her because that was whom she was.

Regan is survived by her Husband of 30 years, her Son, Alex, her siblings, Kevin, Joyce and Kris and their families and numerous Aunts Uncles and Cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Raymond Ganoung and mother, Karen Ganoung.
Deborah Jeane (McWhirter) Bruce, JD, was embraced by heaven on January 21st, 2022 while resting comfortably in her Del City home. “Debbie” as she was affectionately called, was born on May 16th, 1945 in Sentinel to Verlin and Jeane McWhirter.

The eldest of two children, she grew up in OKC. Her best childhood memories were spending time playing at the park with friends and visiting her grandmother each summer to help sell fireworks at her candy store in Billings.

In junior high, a teacher suggested she might be good at speech and debate and she quickly developed a passion for it, winning multiple state champion titles and a scholarship to Central State University in Edmond (now UCO). She graduated from Classen High School in 1963 and continued debate through college and life, earning several national awards and a bachelor’s degree in communication. She was highly involved with her sorority and other leadership activities.

While at college, she met the love of her life, Bill J. Bruce, who was then campus police chief. He proposed to her beneath the “Old North” clock tower and the couple married on August 11, 1967. They raised their children, daughter Deena, and son Cory in OKC and attended the 12th and Drexel, Northwest and Del City Churches of Christ. Their marriage spanned 53 years until Bill’s death in May 2021.

In 2008, she became the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Board of Examiners where she served until her retirement in 2019. She oversaw the licensure, training and discipline of all osteopathic physicians in Oklahoma and developed a case review process that has been nationally recognized and replicated. She was added to the national group, Administrators in Medicine, where she created an orientation and training program used by medical boards to train executives across the nation.

Debbie was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Bill Bruce. She is survived by daughter Deena and John Warner of Newalla; son Cory and Amy Bruce of Choctaw; son Brandon and Leslie Hughes of Salina, KS; and daughter Rebecca and Dave Mills of Kansas City, MO; and brother Jim and Lisa McWhirter of Choctaw. Her greatest blessings called her “Bebe”: her grandchildren, Sheena Sumpter, Kelsee & Mitchell Roberson, Clancy, Addison and Camden Bruce, Ethan and Paden Hughes, Kate and Josh Mills; and her great-grandchildren: Caelyn Sumpter, Carter Reid, Ender Roberson, and Emery Mills.

W.W. (Wilbert Wilson) Stoever, DO, MACOI, died peacefully at his home on Wednesday, February 9, 2022.

Dr. Stoever was a 1961 graduate of the Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery. Following graduation, he found his way to Tulsa to complete a rotating internship at Oklahoma Osteopathic Hospital before entering general practice at Moots Hospital in Pryor, Oklahoma. After just two years he returned to OOH to serve a residency in internal medicine practice in Albuquerque where he developed his lifelong love of southwestern art.

In 1972 Dr. Stoever was accepted in the National Institutes of Health Clinical Fellowship in Cardiology at the University of Missouri. Returning to Tulsa and OOH after completion, he became a member of the original faculty at OCOMS while simultaneously opening his private cardiology practice. He continued to train students, residents, and fellows throughout his decades long career.

His awards and recognitions are too numerous to mention but it was with particular pride that he became a member of the Gillum Society of Master Fellows in 1998. The Osteopathic Founders Foundation was privileged to recognize him with their Outstanding Physician Award in 2015 and the OSU Medical Center Department of Internal Medicine presented him with the Richard C. Staab, DO Legacy Award in that same year.
Do you have good news to share?

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Crucial Learning, a learning company with courses in communication, performance and leadership, awarded the 2022 Albert Bandura Influencer Award to Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences.

Named for Bandura — world-renowned psychologist — the award recognizes organizations, leaders, and scholars who have advanced both scholarship and practice in enabling self-directed human change. The award was founded under the premise that human behavior is a direct cause behind the world’s most pervasive and significant challenges. As a result, the health, peace and prosperity of humanity hinges on organizations and individuals learning the science behind influencing human behavior.

OSU Center for Health Sciences trained its faculty, students and residents in Crucial Learning’s Crucial Conversations course. In a formal analysis after implementing Crucial Conversations, OSU faculty found improvements in the areas of teamwork climate, safety climate, job satisfaction, stress recognition, perceptions of management and working conditions.

“We are honored to receive the Albert Bandura Influencer Award,” said Dr. Jason Beaman, a clinical assistant professor and the department chair of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at OSU-CHS. “Communication in the health care industry is more vital than ever, and our leadership and faculty are committed to helping Oklahoma State students and residents shine as examples of professionalism and expertise in the field.” Dr. Beaman also said this award is a celebration of the efforts of everyone at OSU as we strive to offer top-tier patient care that saves lives.

Dr. Mo Som, professor of internal medicine at OSU-CHS, said she recognized that Crucial Conversations could revolutionize how interpersonal communications and professionalism is taught in an academic setting.

“To improve health care, it has to start with communication. We at OSU Center for Health Sciences and OSU Medicine are proving that every single day and I think Crucial Conversations has a big role to play because we know how to have difficult conversations. We know how to focus on the things that are important, which at the end of the day, is the individual’s health care,” Som said.

Since 2010, Crucial Learning has recognized outstanding influencers, including Dr. Mimi Silbert, the founder of the Delancey Street Institute who has changed the lives of 18,000 hardened criminals; David Levin, cofounder of KIPP, the Knowledge is Power Program that has helped 20,000 at-risk youth graduate high school; and The Carter Center, which eradicated guinea worm disease.

“Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences is a bright example of an organization changing lives for the better,” said Joseph Grenny, cofounder of Crucial Learning. “We are thrilled to recognize Oklahoma State and their efforts to positively influence their students, residents and the patients they serve.”
Calendar of Events

April 4, 2022
Osteopathic Medicine Day at the Capitol
Legislative Reception (5:30 pm)
Oklahoma City, OK

April 5, 2022
Bureau on Membership (7 pm)
*Held via Zoom*

April 6, 2022
Bureau on Legislation
(6 pm Dinner / 7 pm Meeting)
Oklahoma City, OK

April 7, 2022
OOA Bureaus & Board of Trustees Meetings
OSU-COM Advisory Council Meeting
Oklahoma City, OK

April 23 - 27, 2022
DO Day at the US Capitol
Washington, DC

April 28 - May 1, 2022
122nd Annual Convention
“What’s Next?”
Sheraton Oklahoma City Downtown Hotel
Oklahoma City, OK

May 2, 2022
OOA Office Closed

May 31, 2022
Bureau on Membership (7 pm)
*Held via Zoom*

June 2, 2022
OOA Bureaus & Board of Trustees Meetings
OOA House of Delegates Meeting
OSU-COM Advisory Council Meeting
OEFOM Board of Trustees Meeting
Oklahoma City, OK

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Monday, April 4, 2022
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At this come-and-go reception, you will have the opportunity to speak with legislators, give your feedback on current legislation, and share your appreciation for their service to our great state.

If you are available to attend, please RSVP to maegan@okosteo.org by March 30th.
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The Oklahoma Osteopathic Association has many ways for members to get involved and help guide the future of the association. One of the best ways you can make a difference is by participating in one of our bureaus. If you are interested in joining one or more of these bureaus, check the boxes that apply and mail this form back to us.

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☐ Bureau on Residents and New Physicians: This bureau is open to residents and physicians who have been in practice for less than 10 years. They focus on how the OOA can better serve new physicians at the beginning of their careers.

☐ Member Services: This bureau is open to any active member of the OOA and focuses on bringing new benefits to our membership.

☐ Bureau on Postgraduate Education: This bureau primarily focuses on organizing the annual Research Poster Symposium. The symposium provides students and residents with an opportunity to showcase their research and win prize money.

☐ Bureau on Continuing Medical Education: This bureau focuses on the Winter and Summer CME Seminars to help determine the program chair and overall purpose of each seminar.

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