

## Member news

**Albert H. Olivencia-Yurvati, D.O., FACOS**, professor and chair of surgery at the University of North Texas Health Science Center–Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNTHSC-TCOM) in Fort Worth, presented a seminar at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland, on “Cardiovascular Surgery Innovation and Technological Opportunities.” He was the first osteopathic physician to give a presentation at the University of Strathclyde in its 250-year history. The seminar was funded by the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation.

**Jeffrey Schock, D.O., FACOS**, vice chair of the urology department at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills, Mich., traveled to Israel in November 2007 with 33 American and Canadian physicians and other health professionals to participate in a training program in medical emergency and disaster preparedness. Organized by the Israeli Ministry of Health/Home Front Command, Israeli Defense Forces Medical Corps, and American Physicians Fellowship for Medicine in Israel, the program allowed the visiting physicians to train side-by-side with Israeli colleagues in civilian and military settings and to exchange expertise in responding to emergency scenarios involving conventional military/terrorist attacks and nonconventional threats from infectious, toxicological, chemical, and radiologic agents. For more information, go online to [www.apfmed.org](http://www.apfmed.org). Dr. Schock also had an article on “The Urologist, Urodynamics, and Bladder Dysfunction” in a recent *UroTrends* newsletter published by Gyrus ACMI.

**Ellis Siefer, D.O., FACOS**, who still works at age 90 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills, Mich., was honored at a fundraising gala for the hospital’s new cancer center for his service as one of the hospital’s founders and its first chief of surgery. Ronald W. Wadle, D.O., FACOS, presented Dr. Siefer with an ACOS presidential citation during the gala.

**Jeffrey Allen Stanley, D.O., FACOS**, a 1982 graduate of Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine (OUCOM) in Athens, Ohio, is president of the OUCOM Society of Alumni and Friends. Under Dr. Stanley’s leadership, the alumni board is working to increase alumni involvement in student recruiting, curricula development and teaching, continuing medical education, and development. A vascular surgeon for the past 20 years at Meridia South Pointe Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, and president of the Ohio Osteopathic Association in 2004, he was named OUCOM’s 2005 Alumnus of the Year for his professional achievements and service to the college.

**Richard Stefanacci Sr., D.O., FACOS**, of Passaic, N.J., and his son Richard Jr. were featured in an article—“For These Physicians, It’s All in the Family”—in the Jan. 15, 2007, issue of *Family Practice News*. A retired general surgeon, Dr. Stefanacci also practiced geriatric medicine. He is the administrator and part owner of a 120-bed nursing home in Newark, N.J. His son Richard is a geriatrician.

## ACOS award deadlines

The ACOS invites nominations for College awards to be presented at the 2008 Annual Clinical Assembly, Sept. 11–14, in Boca Raton, Fla.

**Feb. 14, 2008**, is the nomination deadline for the Orel F. Martin Medal, Distinguished Osteopathic Surgeon Award, and Humanitarian Award. These awards are given to members for the following achievements: *Orel F. Martin Medal*—outstanding contributions to the College or osteopathic profession; *Distinguished Osteopathic Surgeon Award*—outstanding accomplishments as surgeon, educator, and/or researcher; *Humanitarian Award*—unselfish participation in humanitarian efforts.

**June 1, 2008**, is the nomination deadline for Resident Achievement Awards and the Robert C. Erwin Literary Award. These awards are given to resident members for the following achievements: *Resident Achievement Awards*—outstanding demonstration of clinical ability, patient/resident manner, resident/staff relationships, and resident/community involvement; *Robert C. Erwin Literary Award*—authorship of an outstanding scientific manuscript. This year’s Resident Achievement Award application form can be completed online by going to the ACOS website at [www.facos.org](http://www.facos.org) and clicking on *Member Services>Member Applications>Resident Achievement Award Application*.

For 2008 award information, guidelines, and application forms, visit the ACOS website at [www.facos.org](http://www.facos.org) or call 800-888-1312.

## In memoriam

### **Edward L. DiCola, D.O., FACOS**

Dr. DiCola, of Erie, Pa., was a 1946 graduate of the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, Mo., and he completed an internship and a residency at Grove City Medical Center in Grove City, Pa.

Certified in general surgery, he served on the surgical staff at Erie Osteopathic Hospital and Grove City Medical Center, as director of professional affairs at Doctors Osteopathic Hospital in Erie, and as team physician at Tech Memorial High School in Erie. He also served on a medical team that provided care for Mayan Indians in Mexico’s Yucatan Peninsula in 1976.

He had been an ACOS member since 1956 and a Fellow of the College since 1974.

### **Charles D. Farrow Jr., D.O.—July 1, 1997**

Dr. Farrow, of Washington, D.C., was a 1954 graduate of the Kansas City University of



Medicine and Biosciences College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, Mo. He completed an internship and a general surgery residency at the Hospitals of Philadelphia College of Osteopathic

Medicine in Philadelphia, Pa.; and a fellowship in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at the Medical Academy in Düsseldorf, Germany. He did postgraduate work in thoracic surgery at the University of Leiden, Holland, and in cardiovascular surgery at the University of Hamburg, Germany.

A thoracic and cardiovascular surgeon at hospitals in Fort Worth, Dallas, and other parts of Texas, he had been an ACOS member since 1968.

### **Shimon Zuckerman, D.O.—Nov. 1, 2007**

Dr. Zuckerman, of Youngstown, Ohio, was a 1963 graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville, Mo., and he completed an internship at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, Ohio, and a residency in orthopedic surgery at Metropolitan Hospital in Philadelphia, Pa. Certified in orthopedic surgery, he was head of orthopedics at Youngstown Osteopathic Hospital and also was affiliated with hospitals in Warren, Ohio.

Raised in Israel, he served in the Israeli Army from 1949 to 1951 and competed on the Israeli basketball team in the 1952 Olympics before coming to America in 1957. He had been an ACOS member since 1976.