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Alumni Notes

Robin Dyer, D.O., '92, associate professor and chair of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at OSU-COM, is among eight physicians chosen for clinical research training through a fellowship from the Consortium for Collaborative Osteopathic Research Development - Practice Based Research Network.

Charles E. Henley, D.O., '77, was designated as a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians at an annual convention and seminar in March.

Duane Koehler, D.O., '90, was elected to the National Board of Governors for ACOFP. He will serve a 10-year term ending in presidency of national ACOFP.

In Memoriam

Emeritus Professor **Robert "Bob" Ritter, Ph.D.**, passed away Jan 21. He was one of the founding faculty members of OSU-CHS, then known as OCOMS. He was also instrumental in coordinating the curriculum for the college and held numerous administrative titles including associate dean for Biomedical Sciences. His teaching appointment until his retirement was in the Department of Biochemistry/Microbiology.



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Kayse Shrum, D.O., OSU COM provost and dean

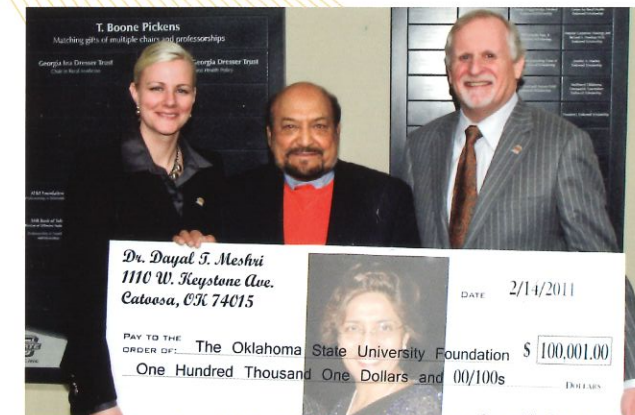
The OSU/A&M Board of Regents approved **Kayse M. Shrum, D.O., '98**, as the academic health center's new provost and dean of its College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Shrum has spent the past eight years with OSU-CHS as a faculty member, clinician and administrator, most recently as interim vice president of Academic Affairs and chair of Pediatrics.



OSU in Tulsa President Howard Barnett congratulates Dr. Shrum.

Dr. Indu Dayal Meshri \$100,000 endowed scholarship for OSU medical students

Dr. Dayal Meshri (center, with Kayse Shrum, D.O., provost and dean, and Howard Barnett, president of OSU in Tulsa) has contributed \$100,000 to establish an endowed scholarship for first year medical students at OSU-COM. The gift is in memory of his late wife Dr. Indu Dayal Meshri, a chemist, physicist and geologist, who died in 2005. The couple's children, Gita and Sanjay, attended the presentation made on Valentine's Day. **Gita Meshri, D.O.**, is a 1999 graduate of OSU-COM. The scholarship funds go into an endowment and are matched two-to-one by OSU's Pickens Legacy Scholarship Match, for a total of \$300,000. When fully matched, it will be the largest student scholarship at OSU-CHS.





Letter from the president

Dear Fellow Colleagues and Alumni,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome one of our very own, **Kayse Shrum, D.O., '98**, and congratulate her on her appointment as our school's dean and provost. Dr. Shrum is a graduate of our college and a product of our school's pediatric residency training program and has a proven record of accomplishment in securing significant funding for the college. If you have yet to converse with this talented alumnus, take the next opportunity to do so and you'll be pleasantly surprised. Since it is the "Year of The Woman" in Oklahoma, Dean Shrum is the woman for the job. Let's assist her in lifting our institution to new heights as we continue to garner newfound recognition and elevate Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine's reputation.



Yours truly,

**Candy Ting, D.O., '86 - President
OSU-COM Alumni Association**

Have news to share?

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OSU-COM Calendar

OSU-COM Calendar of Events		
May 12	Senior breakfast; awards banquet	Tulsa
May 13	Graduation	Tulsa
May 13-14	Spring Fling	Tulsa
June 3	Resident graduation	Tulsa
June 10	Summer Golf Classic	Tulsa
June 10-12	Emergency Medicine CME	Tulsa
July 12-17	AOA House of Delegates	Chicago
Aug. 3-7	AOMA convention	Rogers, Ark.
Aug. 7	White Coat Ceremony	Tulsa
Oct. 12-16	ACOI convention	San Antonio
Oct. 28-Nov. 3	AOA convention	Orlando
Oct. 29	OSU Homecoming OSU vs. Baylor	Stillwater
Nov. 11-12	30-year reunion, Class of 1981	Tulsa
Nov. 11-13	Family Medicine CME	Tulsa
Dec. 16	Holiday reception for OSU-MC residents	Tulsa

CME Spring Fling May 13-14

DoubleTree Hotel Tulsa Downtown, 616 W. 7th St. in Tulsa, sponsored by the OSU-COM Alumni Association and OSU CME office. **Candy Ting, D.O., '86**, is program chair. The event helps fund scholarships for OSU medical students. DoubleTree: (918) 587-8000, (800) 838-7914 or www.tulsadowntown.doubletree.com.

OSU-COM leads PE pass rates for 2010 graduates

Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine Class of 2010 achieved the number one pass rate among 23 osteopathic medical schools tested on a National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners COMLEX Level 2 Performance Evaluation.

OSU-COM medical students take Level 2 of national board examinations when they begin the fourth year of medical school. Every osteopathic medical student must pass the examination in order to graduate from medical school.

"The school's top scores are the result of a concerted effort by faculty and staff in Clinical Education and a significant investment in personnel, hardware and software for training," said **Joan Stewart, D.O., '85**, associate dean for clinical education.

Students are well prepared by the OSU team. They begin to train for the exam in the third year of medical school, with scripted encounters or "office visits" with trained patient-models, and evaluations of those encounters by physicians and educators.

Emily Lim, performance evaluation coordinator, oversees the program and use of Education Management Solutions (EMS) software, which times and records the student videos. She also recruits patient-models from the community, helps train them in a variety of patient scenarios for practice encounters with students, and coordinates the center's operations.

Dr. Stewart said plans call for increasing the number of standardized patient encounters, beginning as early as the first year of medical school.



Emily Lim (left), performance evaluation coordinator, and Dr. Joan Stewart, associate dean for clinical education, help prepare students at the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine for national boards.



OSU resident family physicians
Score **highest** in nation

COM alumni lead nation in ACOFP test scores

OSU osteopathic physician graduates and OSU Health Care Center residents **Erin Kratz, D.O., '08** and **Aaron Wilcox, D.O., '08**, scored highest and second highest among 1,407 osteopathic resident physicians across the nation in the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians standardized in-service testing. **Lora Cotton, D.O., '01**, OSU-CHS of the vice chair, Department of Family Medicine, is associate program director of Family Medicine Residency.