I hope this newsletter finds each of you in good health and ready for winter to be over. Although not natives of Oklahoma, my wife and I especially enjoy the Oklahoma spring (with the exception of the abundant pollen). Additionally, I hope that you were as glued to the Olympic Winter games as I was. Who would imagine sliding feet first at high rates of speed in the skeleton or that the US men would win gold in curling. Nonetheless, the Games were exciting and it was nice to see athletes from around the world competing in sports.

Since my last article, the Chapter continues to do well. Our membership numbers have increased both in big M members and among our medical students and internal medicine residents/fellows. We will welcome several new Fellows to the College this spring at the IM meeting in New Orleans. I hope to see you there and hope that you attend the Convocation ceremony.

Our fall scientific program was very successful and ably developed and led by Dr. Rhett Jackson and the program planning committee. We tried a different format in which obesity and obesity related health consequences were the themes. Each of our speakers presented excellent clinical material and I believe the meeting was a robust exchange of ideas, specifically on a topic that affects our patients. ACP President, Jack Ende, MD, MACP also delivered the plenary talk speaking about the importance of bedside teaching. We also had a lively and thoughtful provoking town hall ably led by Jack Ende. It is always gratifying to know the many issues that the ACP engages in on behalf of our patients and our colleagues. As always, the highlights of the
meeting were the resident research presentations and the Doctors Dilemma. Separate from the fall meeting, ACP Executive VP, Darilyn Moyer visited the OUHSC campus in January and updated us on the many activities and platforms of the ACP.

I specifically call your attention to several items of the newsletter. Most importantly are our newest members and affiliates. Forty new members are now part of our ACP family and we are excited about working with them to enhance their professional careers. We also congratulate 10 new fellows and our newest master of the American College of Physicians, Dr. James Baker. Jim was a highly successful Governor and is deeply deserving of this recognition. Election to both Fellowship and Mastership recognizes outstanding contributions to our discipline and a commitment to professionalism, clinical care and to our patients. I encourage you to consider becoming a Fellow and helping us to identify prospective individuals for mastership.

Importantly, we congratulate Dr. Robert Hauger on his election as Governor-Elect. Robert is an outstanding internist who has been very active in our state chapter and has been a powerful advocate championing for excellence in patient care. He will serve our membership well. Let us also congratulate Lyle Baker, MD who has been elected to a two-year term on the National Council of Resident/Fellow Members of the ACP. The CRFM focuses on enhancing internal medicine post graduate training and providing a voice for these young physicians.

As I approach my final year as Governor, I want to thank each of you for allowing me to serve in this role. It has been an uplifting and thoroughly enjoyable experience. I am indebted to your support and specifically to the Council and committee members for all of their efforts. Most of all, I am indebted to Kathy Musson, our executive director for all of her efforts and success in herding cats. She is an amazing administrator and an outstanding member of our community. I hope to see all of you in New Orleans.

Your Chapter Service

Speak, call, or write to myself or one of your Oklahoma Chapter council members if you have interest in serving. We are always looking for membership willing to take up the banner in advocacy, membership, communication, and other areas of service. Do you have a new idea or a resolution to take to ACP nationally? We need to hear from you, our membership.
The 2018 Internal Medicine Meeting is quickly approaching. You will not want to miss it! IM 2018 is the most comprehensive conference in Internal Medicine, offering over 200 courses presented by the best national lecturers on a wide variety of clinical and practice management topics. Additionally, IM 2018 offers you interactive and hands-on sessions at the Waxman Clinical Skills Center where you can improve your physical examination skills, learn office-based procedures, explore the latest medical software, and much more. All of this, while earning CME Credit and MOC Points!

This year, we are heading to New Orleans, the most celebrated city in the American South! Come enjoy the city’s famous Creole cuisine, discover its rich history, and listen to its great blues and jazz music! Check out the lively French Quarter, Uptown, Garden District, mysterious bayous, gracious plantations, and unforgettable night life! Don’t forget to grab some beignets and drink a hurricane. New Orleans has something for everyone!

PLAN NOW on attending this year’s ACP Internal Medicine 2018 Meeting in New Orleans from April 19th through April 21st at the New Orleans Morial Convention Center. Our Oklahoma Chapter has planned another special cruise for this year’s chapter reception. Register online here.

New Orleans, April 19th - 21st
REGISTER HERE FOR IM 2018

ACP Discounted Travel & Housing
Hotel Discounts
Airline & Rental Car Discounts

Preservation Hall
Bourbon Street
Café du Monde
The Oklahoma Chapter is well-known for planning fun and unique chapter receptions during the annual Internal Medicine Meeting. In 2013, we cruised along the San Francisco Bay. In 2015, we set sail through Boston Harbor. In 2016, we had a perfect spot overlooking the National Mall and U.S. Capitol in Washington D.C. In 2017, we danced and dined on a yacht cruise through the San Diego Bay. We are thrilled to say we have done it once again for 2018!

We are cruising again! Savor the beauty and romance of the New Orleans skyline aboard the last authentic steamboat on the Mississippi River. RSVP now for your spot at this year’s Oklahoma Chapter Reception in New Orleans during Internal Medicine 2018 on Friday, April 20th! We are going on a Jazz-Dinner Cruise on the Mississippi River for this year’s Chapter Reception on the Steamboat Natchez! We have arranged a discounted cost for you as an Oklahoma Chapter ACP Member and your guest at $60 per person.

Space is limited — first-come, first-served — so you will want to make your reservation as soon as possible! You will not want to miss this year’s reception!

Our cruise sets sail on Friday, April 20th, from **7 PM through 9 PM.** You will board between 6 PM to 6:45 PM at Toulouse Street Wharf in French Quarter.

The **Cruise Chapter Reception** will include the following:

- Two-Hour Cruise.
- Buffet Dinner with Cash Bar.
- Entertainment by a New Orleans Jazz Band.

You must RSVP by March 15th and payment by check must be received by April 1st. To RSVP, contact Kathy Musson by phone (405-850-8334) or e-mail (kmussonokc@gmail.com). Payment by check should be mailed to: OK-ACP, 6704 Eastwood Circle, Oklahoma City, OK 73132.
New ACP Members and Fellows

Please help us in welcoming our Newest ACP Members and Affiliates to the Oklahoma Chapter.

New ACP Members and Affiliates

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ACP Fellowship is an honor achieved by those recognized by their peers for personal integrity, superior competence in internal medicine, professional accomplishment, and demonstrated scholarship. The Oklahoma Chapter recognizes and congratulates the following physicians who were elected to Fellowship in the College.

New ACP Fellows (FACP)

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Please help us congratulate these newest Fellows to the Chapter!

If you are a long time member of ACP, we hope that you will strive to professionally move toward Fellowship. For some, this will require work. It may require your involvement with the college and/or the local chapter. Have you been to the national or state meeting? For those already active in the college, you need to apply now. You have done the work and it is time to be recognized. FACP is a standard of professional excellence that your peers recognize.
Congratulations to **Dr. James H. Baker** who was recently elected to "Mastership" by the American College of Physicians. Mastership is the third award Dr. Baker has received from the ACP, including the Meritorious Service Award in 2014 and the Laureate Award in 2015. He is the former governor of our Oklahoma Chapter. Dr. Baker will receive the honor of Mastership at the upcoming IM 2018 meeting in New Orleans.

Election to Mastership recognizes outstanding and extraordinary career accomplishments and achievements, including the practice of internal medicine, academic contributions to our specialty, and service to the College. During review of candidates, the ACP’s Awards Committee considers several qualities, including strength of character, perseverance, leadership, compassion and devotion. Clinical expertise and commitment to advancing the art and science of medicine are also taken into account by the committee.

Dr. Baker is from Muskogee, Oklahoma. He serves as medical director for the Cherokee Nation’s Three Rivers Health Center, the Wilma P. Mankiller Health Center, and the Vinita Health Center.

“I am so honored to receive this award from my peers and colleagues at the American College of Physicians,” Baker said. “I thank our Oklahoma ACP Chapter of 1,000 internal medicine physicians and medical students for nominating me.”
Congratulations to **Dr. Robert B. Hauger, our Oklahoma Chapter Governor-elect Designee**. Dr. Hauger is a general internist with a special expertise in diabetes from Tulsa, Oklahoma. Hauger attained ACP Fellowship in 2003. He has served the ACP Oklahoma Chapter in multiple capacities in the past. He has held a seat on the Oklahoma ACP Council from 2007-2013, served on the Oklahoma Chapter meeting development committee, volunteered as a presenting faculty member for the annual Fall Scientific Session, and acted as a judge for several past poster presentations and the Doctor's Dilemma competition. Hauger received the ACP Laureate Award in 2014.

Dr. Hauger graduated from the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine with distinction and was awarded membership in the Alpha Omega Alpha honor medical society. He completed his Internal Medicine residency at the University of Washington and was Chief Resident at the Swedish Hospital in Seattle. Following his chief residency, he joined the Warren Clinic with St. Francis Health System in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he has served multiple roles, including membership in the Medical Executive Committee, St. Francis Board, Institutional Review Board, Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, and Clinic Quality Committee. He has been Chairman of the Diabetes Disease Management Team and the Managed Care Committee of Warren Clinic. Hauger is currently a board member for the My Health Access Network and the Community Care P&T Committee. Hauger has been a leader in the development of the Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative at Warren Clinic. Past awards include the Patients’ Choice Award, Compassionate Doctor Recognition, and Bridges to Excellence Recognition.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Robert B. Hauger as Governor-elect Designee of the ACP Oklahoma Chapter. Hauger will complete a year of training as Governor-elect and will start his four-year term as Governor in the Spring of 2019. As Governor, Dr. Hauger will serve as the official representative of the College for the Oklahoma Chapter, providing a link between members at the local level and leadership at the national level. In the meantime, Dr. Hauger will be working closely with Dr. Bronze (our current Governor) and College staff to learn about the College and his duties as Governor.
Medicine Day 2018 was held on February 20th at the Oklahoma State Medical Association. Medicine Day is an annual legislative reception where attendees have the opportunity to talk with state lawmakers. Your ACP Chapter co-sponsored the event with the OSMA. Special thanks to all those that attended, including our Advocacy Chair, Dr. Matlock Jeffries. For those that did not get the opportunity, please consider attending next year. It is a great opportunity for you to speak with your legislators about the important issues impacting health care in Oklahoma.

Congratulations to Dr. Lyle Wesley Baker who was recently elected to serve a two-year term on the National Council of Resident/Fellow Members (CRFM) for the American College of Physicians (ACP). The CRFM consists of fourteen members from across the country, including a Chair and Chair-elect, who report to ACP’s Board of Regents. The Board of Regents will approve Baker’s appointment to the CRFM at this year’s ACP Internal Medicine Meeting in New Orleans, LA, on April 18, 2018. Baker is a second-year internal medicine resident at OU-Tulsa.

The CRFM is responsible for enhancing the quality of internal medicine postgraduate training, increasing the value of membership among resident/fellow members, strengthening chapter level activities and relationships at residency/fellowship training programs, and aligning council activities with the College’s Strategic Plan.
The 2017 Fall Scientific Session was another tremendous success. We would like to thank all of our guest speakers for all of their hard work and time. Special thanks to Dr. Jack Ende, President of ACP, who delivered our keynote lecture, “Back to the Bedside.” You can view and download all of the Chapter meeting presentations from the Fall Scientific Session here.
ACP Doctor's Dilemma, also known as Medical Jeopardy, is held each year at the state level during the annual Oklahoma Scientific Session and then again at a national level during the annual Internal Medicine meeting. Up to 50 teams of residents from around the world will compete for the title of national champion this year in New Orleans.

This year, your Oklahoma Chapter will be represented at IM 2018 by the OU-Tulsa Team that won the competition during the state meeting. Congratulations to Kevin Smith (PGY2), Chelsea Therrien (PGY2), Janitzio Guzman (PGY2), and Tristan Smith (PGY1). We are very proud of these four and wish them success at the national competition.

You can test your knowledge on your smartphone by answering the same style questions used by ACP in the national Doctor’s Dilemma Competition by clicking here.
Internal Medicine Residents across Oklahoma competed in oral presentations, poster presentations (clinical vignettes, research, and quality improvement projects), and Doctor’s Dilemma teams during the 2017 Fall Scientific Session. Each year, we award our top three winners in each category with cash awards and some are given eligibility to compete nationally. We are in our 7th year of hosting the Oklahoma Chapter Doctor’s Dilemma competition (medical Jeopardy) for our residents. We had competing teams representing Tulsa and Oklahoma City.

All of our residents continue to make us proud. The following are our winners from the annual state competition during the 2017 Oklahoma Chapter Fall Scientific Session.

### Doctor’s Dilemma
- Kevin Smith
- Chelsea Therrien
- Janitzio Guzman
- Tristan Smith

### Oral Presentations
- Samid Farooqui
- Lyle Baker
- Kavitha Mattaparthi
- Taseen Syed

### Resident Poster Presentations

#### Clinical Vignettes
- 1st. Marcus Toschi
- 1st. Mary Mao
- 3rd. Taseen Syed
- 3rd. J. Bates

#### Research
- 1st. M. Andrews
- 2nd. Rabia Saleem
- 3rd. Ahmed Salman

#### Q.I. Project
- 1st. Henry Le
- 2nd. Navin Ramlal
ACP Chapter Eternal

James D. Green, MD, FACP

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Dr. James D. Green, who passed away on August 9, 2017 at his home in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Dr. Green graduated from the University of Oklahoma Medical School in 1957. "Dr. Jim" practiced medicine in Tulsa, OK for 43 years and globally through his many medical mission trips. After retirement, he continued to serve with trips to the Ukraine, Nigeria, Honduras, and Belize as well as in local free medical clinics in Tulsa. His last mission trip was with Gathering Hearts for Honduras in April 2017. Dr. Green was a member of the American Society of Angiology, a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, and received the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine Medallion Society for 50 Years award.

Leadership Day 2018

We have great news for members who are interested in public policy and advocacy! The 26th annual “Leadership Day” on Capitol Hill will be held May 22-23, 2018, at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in Washington, D.C. In addition to having an opportunity to meet with your legislators and staff in Washington, D.C., you would be provided with in-depth briefings from White House officials, Capitol Hill staffers, and members of Congress; all of whom are among the top health care decision makers. ACP will also prepare you for your visit. Participants will receive a comprehensive orientation on ACP’s top legislative priorities. You can learn more about Leadership Day here.

If you are interested in attending Leadership Day, please contact Dr. Matlock Jeffries.
2018 IM Mobile App

By mid-March, you will be able to download the official 2018 ACP IM Meeting app for FREE on your Apple or Android device. The app will give you up-to-date meeting information, enable you to build your own schedule, search for sessions, provides maps and floor plans, gives exhibitor information, and so much more!

Photo Highlights | 2017 OK Chapter Fall Scientific Session

Save the Date: 2018 Fall Scientific Session

Please mark your calendar for the 2018 Fall Scientific Session, being held October 12th through October 13th at the OU-Tulsa Schusterman Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Every year, new and seasoned physicians meet at the Fall Scientific Session to recharge, rewind, reflect, and reconnect with their peers, chapter leaders, and great speakers. In addition to earning CME credits, the conference is about making personal connections and getting involved in your chapter. We hope you will join us! More details to come in the next newsletter.
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