



## Dates and Reminders:

OGME – February 17, 2009  
ACOFP Convention – March 4-8, 2009  
KMA Coding & Gov't. Regulation Update – January 2009  
Live OMM Grand Rounds – February 10, 2009  
Tennessee Osteopathic Medical Association (TOMA)  
Convention – June 3-7, 2009

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## More Hospital Days

Midwestern University Matrix OPTI & Arizona COM  
Residency Opportunities Day  
Tuesday, January 20, 2009 in Glendale, AZ

Western University of Health Sciences COM of the Pacific  
Hospital Day  
Friday, January 23, 2009 in Pomona, CA



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## A message from your Executive Director:

- Just when you thought you heard the last of OSTEOQUAD!!!! LMU/DeBusk, PCSOM, VCOM, and WVSOM have scheduled their Hospital Days on consecutive days. This will make it more cost and time-wise to recruit at all four regional osteopathic schools. The scheduling issues that made the drive more difficult have been resolved. The schools have scheduled early so that you can plan to attend. Details will be published on OSTEOQUAD.com.
- AOPTIC has had some personnel changes over the last couple of months. Neil Thompson, erstwhile Video Communications Administrator, has taken employment in Charlotte, NC. Matt Buckner of Johnson City, TN is moving to Pikeville to take over his position. Matt has extensive video production experience with the National Park Service, specifically the Lewis and Clark Commemorative project. Contact Matt if you have questions related to video communications or production.
- Brad Marcum is our new Distance Learning Coordinator. Along with administering our website, he is also the editor/ writer of the AOPTICgram and other promotional and educational items. Contact him concerning your residency's depiction in AOPTIC publications and Osteoquad issues: [marcumb@pc.edu](mailto:marcumb@pc.edu).
- We are looking forward to the next Live OMM Grand Rounds, this one coming from LMU/DeBusk. On February 10 at 12:00 Noon EST, Greg Thompson, D.O. will be presenting OMT for the Flu and Upper Respiratory Illnesses. The presentation will be interactive and physicians can earn one hour of CME credit from the AOA. Hope to see you there.

John E. Rehmeyer, Executive Director (Interim)



## **Residency Spotlight:** New Hanover Regional Medical Center Residency

- ☞ New Hanover Regional Medical Center is a not-for-profit health care system serving southeastern North Carolina and northeastern South Carolina.
- ☞ A teaching hospital, regional referral center, and Level 2 Trauma Center, the network is dedicated to providing a wide range of health care services.
- ☞ In addition to its main campus, New Hanover Regional Medical Center offers general hospital services at Cape Fear Hospital in Wilmington and Pender Memorial Hospital in Burgaw.
- ☞ As a public, not-for-profit healthcare system, New Hanover Regional Medical Center offers care to everyone who needs it, regardless of his or her ability to pay. New Hanover Regional Medical Center provides more than \$83 million a year in uncompensated, often to those who would not otherwise have access to health care.
- ☞ New Hanover Regional Medical Center's spacious and highly-advanced new Surgical Pavilion began operations June 30. The facility offers convenient access to the expertise of New Hanover Regional Medical Center's surgical staff in a beautifully comfortable and remarkably advanced new building.
- ☞ The beautiful new Betty H. Cameron Women's and Children's Hospital is open, Women in labor coming to New Hanover Regional Medical should go directly to the Betty H. Cameron Women's and Children's Hospital.



The following link will take you to the New Hanover Program website for additional information that pertains to the program itself:

<http://www.nhnh.org>



This link takes you to the page on the AOA website listing the vital statistics of New Hanover's residency program:

[http://opportunities.osteopathic.org/search/search\\_details.cfm?program\\_id=169929&hosp\\_id=120544&returnPage=1](http://opportunities.osteopathic.org/search/search_details.cfm?program_id=169929&hosp_id=120544&returnPage=1)



Wilmington has more than 82,000 residents and is home to a regional visual and performing arts center, a regional medical center and to [Screen Gems Studios - North Carolina](#), one of the largest motion picture and television studios outside of Hollywood. One can visit the [Battleship NORTH CAROLINA](#). Walk through the historic [Airlie Gardens](#). Watch the baby sea turtles as they crawl into the late night surf on the [Cape Fear Coast](#).

### Local Links:

-  [Wilmington Chamber of Commerce](http://www.wilmingtonchamber.org/)
-  [Wilmington, NC and Cape Fear Coast Information](http://www.cape-fear.nc.us/)
-  [North Carolina Tourism](http://www.visitnc.com/?gclid=CNDs49L5-pcCFQJvswod1HZYDg)
-  [New Hanover County Chamber of Commerce](http://www.winchesterva.org)
-  [Front Royal Chamber of Commerce](#)



### Around A-OPTIC:

Our website, <http://www.aoptic.org> will be experiencing some construction/reconstruction downtime over the next couple of weeks and your ability to connect might be a little splotchy. We hope to have it fully functional with more to offer soon. In the meantime, please be patient. You should still have access to videos there if you are registered at the site.

Dues are due. If you need to make payment arrangements and have not already done so, please contact our office.

If you have announcements, kudos, or reminders to add to the A-OPTICgram, please e-mail them to Brad Marcum at [marcumb@pc.edu](mailto:marcumb@pc.edu).

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