

## COLORADO OSTEOPATHIC EDUCATION CENTER

**Chair, Ian R. Levenson, DO, FACOFF**

Committee Members: Greg Smith, DO, FACOFF; Joseph Lovato, DO; Scott Strauss, DO; Mark Twardowski, DO, FACOI; Jeff Bacon, DO; Tom Moore, DO

## GRADUATION

“With this year’s graduation dinner, COEC will have provided clinical training for 115 osteopathic medical students since 1999”, Ian Levenson, DO, FACOFF told the guests at the Annual COEC Graduation Dinner on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Greg Smith, DO, FACOFF, Regional DME for Touro, joined Dr. Levenson, KCOM Regional Assistant Dean, in congratulating and handing out desk nameplates to the 4<sup>th</sup> year students who were able to attend. Among the preceptors who applauded their accomplishments were Alan Lipkin, MD, (ENT); Carolyn Tillquist, MD (Inf. Ds.); Gita Sikand, MD, (Peds), and Tom Told, DO, (Rural Family Medicine).

Listed below are the Class of 2009 graduates and their residency destinations:

### Touro UCOM (Vallejo, CA)

**Scott Geiger:** ER, Freeman Health Systems, Joplin, MO

**Erik Paulson:** Diag. Rad., OK State Univ. Med. Center, Tulsa

**Diem Tran:** Fam. Med., Northern CO Med. Center, Greeley

### ATSU-KCOM

**Sam Brewer:** ER, Freeman Health Systems, Joplin, MO

**Paul Fagan:** Orthopedics, Genesys Reg’l Med. Center, Grand Blanc, MI

**Eleanor Jensen:** Int. Med., Dartmouth Hitchcock Med. Center, New Hampshire



Eric Paulson, DO, Scott Geiger, DO, and Diem Tran, DO pictured here with their spouses at the Graduation Dinner

**Lindsay Lombardo:** Traditional Internship, Garden City, MI

**Titus Rund:** Traditional Internship, Tacoma Military Hospital

## ORIENTATION

Our first Orientation of the new schools

### Class of 2011

#### KCOM

Sarah Coors  
Michelle Gendron  
Joseph Morris  
Jason Prostrollo  
Cristina Sanders  
Todd Shogan  
Laura Whittington

#### Touro

Christine Arneson  
Makenzie Brown  
Greg Hackett  
Tracy Hume  
Brett London  
Nancy Nguyen



Students prepare for Scrubbing Lab at the North Suburban Surgery Center. Doru Georgescu, MD, a surgeon at North Suburban, held this mandatory Lab for the third year which is now an integral part of the COEC Orientation.

year was held on July 1 & 2 for 13 new students from Kirksville and Touro in Vallejo, CA. It was a full two-day schedule that included site trips to four local area hospitals including PSL’s Medical Library. Each stop provided a look at what they will be introduced to during the next two years in Colorado. COEC Chair, Ian R. Levenson, DO, FACOFF,



welcomed everyone and then gave them a glimpse of the past (the founding of COEC in 1999) and the present (expectations including standards of

behavior, dress code, attendance, and appropriate use of “down time”.

Michael Mohr, DO, CSOM President-elect, welcomed the new student doctors to Colorado and explained what CSOM is and that they are here for them in any way they need support or information on the profession in Colorado.



At Porter Hospital, the students listened to John Bridges, MD, Medical Director of the Behavioral Health Unit, as prep for their Psych rotations.

COPIC Insurance Companies provided a hot breakfast while Jeff Varnell, MD of COPIC gave a Patient Management and Risk Management talk. Jake Rumley OMSIV, a KCUMB student, presented some insight for their upcoming rotations while giving some hints and tips for a less stressful third year.



Emmett McGuire, MD, a trauma surgeon at Swedish Medical Center, emphasized the importance of having had one Surgery rotation familiarizing them with procedures, rounding and protocols prior to joining him for their second Surgery rotation. He also provides Trauma Surgery rotations for the 4<sup>th</sup> year students.



At the end of two very long days, the new COEC students still looked happy and ready to start their rotations on Monday, July 6, 2009.