Dear ABPOPPM Members:

It is an honor and privilege to have been elected this year's President of this organization. I bid each of you a hearty greeting from the Board of Directors, the Executive Director, and the Board's Administrative Staff personnel.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate each candidate who successfully participated in the June, 2010 administration of the ABPOPPM Board Qualification and Certification Examinations and extend a special “welcome aboard” to our new members.

Apart from being happily married to a wonderful lady for over 40 years and having two great children that have brought me more pride and joy than I deserve, my affiliation with the great profession of podiatric medicine and surgery has been the most rewarding experience of my life, one that I have thoroughly enjoyed for over thirty-five years. I have been afforded the opportunity to be a private practitioner, a college educator and administrator, a hospital administrator, to serve as Department Chair of several hospital services, and now as President of our Board.

We are very fortunate to have a leadership structure that blends institutional memory with forward, visionary thinking and the collective wisdom of previous administrations to help keep our Board on course and promote its progress in the future.

During the coming year the Board will continue to work toward bringing several projects to fruition. These include the following:

1. Ongoing review and revision of the Bylaws
2. Development of the In-training Examination
3. Refinement of the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) with special emphasis on:
   a. Professionalism
   b. Life-long Learning
   c. Cognitive Experience (Examinations)
   d. Performance in Practice
4. Continued participation in the Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee (CREC)
5. Continued participation in the APMA Project 2015 Summits
6. Communication with the JCRSB of the Council on Podiatric Medical Education
7. Continued representation of the ABPOPPM at the APMA HOD and BOT Meetings
8. Exhibiting at the New York State Podiatric Medical Meeting in New York, NY.
9. Exhibiting at the Midwest Podiatric Medical Conference in Chicago, IL.
10. Exhibiting at the Western Podiatric Medical Congress the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim, CA.
11. Exhibiting at the American College of Foot and Ankle Orthopedics and Medicine Conference in Lake Buena Vista, FL.
12. Exhibiting at the American Podiatric Medical Association National Conference in Boston, MA.

The BOD believes that the continued visibility of the ABPOPPM and its participation in many activities such as those listed above serves to keep it vibrant and engaged in the decision making, affecting policies that shape our profession now and in the future. The members of your BOD have all given generously of their time and efforts in pursuit of excellence in our area of specialization to assure that our credential is valued. For this, I would like to thank each Board member for his or her dedication in service to our members. Additionally, my gratitude goes to our Executive Director and the administrative staff for the fine job they do in making sure that the needs of our members are addressed in a timely and professional fashion.

In closing, I wish each of you a healthy and happy Holiday Season.

Fraternally,

Lester J. Jones, DPM, MS
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Outreach
by Mitchell D. Shikoff, DPM,
Vice President

One of our objectives is to increase communication between the Board of Directors and the diplomates. Methods to communicate electronically have exploded in recent years. We wish to enhance the value of your certification and fulfill the needs of the diplomates.

The process has already begun with the recent diplomate survey that was sent to everyone via e-mail for those that have provided us an address. Snail mail was used for those that we did not have an e-mail address. More on the survey a bit later. We will continue to communicate with you and prospective diplomates utilizing the latest technologies. We are positioning ourselves to eventually correspond with all diplomates exclusively through e-mail. This will enable us to get you the latest information at a minimal cost. If you haven’t provided Headquarters with your e-mail address, please take a moment to e-mail your address to us now at admin@abpoppm.org, or you may update your personal information page through the ABPOPPM web site, www.ABPOPPM.org. We are also considering increasing usage of the social networks such as Facebook, Linked-In; etc. Watch for more info in a future correspondence.

Surveys are an essential tool and we plan on using them in the future via Survey Monkey. “Thank you” to all who completed the recent survey, which was an overwhelming success. The preliminary results are encouraging and valuable. Multiple survey respondents provided input regarding our website, and we will evaluate the website for enhancements. We are especially pleased and appreciative of the numerous diplomates who provided personal responses to the questions, where indicated. We’ll advise you of the responses as soon as we tabulate the answers and written responses. The results will be used for certification enhancement, diplomate recruitment, and in response to diplomate needs. If you didn’t complete this survey, please watch for our next survey and take a few minutes to give us your input.

As a personal aside, if you don’t have a website yourself, I encourage everyone to establish themselves on the web. This is a necessity nowadays. The yellow pages are a dinosaur. Be sure to include your ABPOPPM certification on your website. You may wish to explain what the certification means and how it sets you apart from those who do not have this certification. You’ve worked hard to achieve this certification, so flaunt it.

We’ll be in touch again soon!
RESIDENCY POSITIONS NEEDED

by Lester J. Jones, DPM, MS, President

Many of you know that there is a severe residency shortage facing the nation's podiatric graduates of the Class of 2011. Current projections indicate a potential shortfall of 73 entry level positions next spring. The situation will worsen in each of the next 2 years unless a significant number of new positions become available. 2010 has seen a significant organized effort to promote residency genesis at the national level; however the growth in positions still lags demand. I am asking each of you connected with a podiatric residency to re-evaluate your program's training resources and to expand the number of first-year positions if possible. I also appeal to all institutional staff capable of sponsoring podiatric residencies that are not currently doing so to create new programs. Thank you in advance for your efforts in this critical endeavor.

DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTER BASED ORAL EXAMINATIONS

Concurrent with recent advances in online examination technology, the American Board of Podiatric Orthopedics and Primary Podiatric Medicine has been working toward the goal of administering the oral portion of the certification examination in this format. The work so far has been fruitful and it is anticipated that these efforts will culminate in a new experience for candidates in the near future.

Moving the oral examinations to an online format will be a "win-win" proposition for both the ABPOPPM and the candidates. The ABPOPPM will be able to deliver a statistically valid certification examination online and candidates will be able to sit for the examination at a local test center and take the case presentation and the certification examination without incurring costs for travel and lodging. Implementing such an examination may appear to be a straightforward process but it is anything but.

Replicating the face-to-face, interaction inherent in the current examination is considerably more difficult than simply converting a pencil and paper examination for computer administration. The examination committee, however, is meeting the challenge.
Past President’s Address

David H. George, DPM

Thank you for the privilege of serving as President of this Board for the past two years. I have been fortunate in being able to build on the accomplishments of my predecessors in office, Drs. Gerard Saponara, Michael Robinson and Joseph Hogan; doing so was made easier by your thoughtful comments and the help of our Board of Directors, Executive Director, and staff. As a result our Board has maintained fiscal stability in these difficult economic times. I am proud to say we are an effective, efficient organization.

Our fiscal stability has been sustained through increased efficiency and cost cutting measures. For example, the number of face-to-face meetings has been curtailed without loss of productivity by increasing our use of interactive conference call technology. While not a substitute for all face to face meetings, the change resulted in savings in hotel, food and travel costs. More frequent Board of Director conference calls have been conducted in lieu of face-to-face meetings and the use of consent agendas has resulted in both shorter, more focused and productive conference calls and face-to-face meetings.

The Board has maintained its availability and visibility to its members and within the profession, and will continue to do so. I have enjoyed representing the ABPOPPM at the APMA Board of Trustees meetings, the NYSPMA meeting, the Midwest Conference, the APMA House of Delegates, the Vision 2015 Summits, and the National APMA meetings. Our In-training Examinations have been rolled out and the MOC (Maintenance of Certification) program is a very special and exciting project that is in development.

Thanks to all of you in making the past two years a very positive and pleasant chapter in my life. I look forward to working with our current President, Dr. Lester Jones, as he continues to build upon our past accomplishments and further enhances our mission.

Public Relations

David H. George, DPM

Public relations is an important function of our organization and is accomplished using multiple venues such as this newsletter, e-mails, social media networks (e.g. Facebook), representation and receptions at meetings, and the Board’s website.

In my opinion the best form of public relations is talking with our members as well as the students and residents who are the future of our profession. We have recently done so at the NYSPMA meeting, the Midwest Conference, and the APMA National meeting and others. I find that chatting with you at our receptions in a relaxed social environment provides a fine opportunity to listen to your ideas and concerns and personally update you on our Board’s current and future projects. In addition to our membership, we have maintained ongoing discussions with members of ACFOAM, the APMA BOT, the CPME, the JRRC, the ABPS, CREC, and the JCRSB.

The members of the APMSA add a special accent to these events. The past reception at the APMA National in Seattle was an excellent opportunity to ascertain their views on residency education, the board certification process, repayment of their student loans, their expectations for the future, questions regarding patient populations and how to market themselves.

On behalf of our President and Board of Directors I extend an open invitation for all of our membership to visit our exhibit booths and receptions wherever our paths may cross.
ABPOPPM ON THE GO ...

Dr. George receives plaque from Dr. Benard at conclusion of his Presidency

Dr. Joseph Hogan and Dr. R. Daniel Davis enjoying the joint reception during the Midwest Conference

Dr. Dan Evans with wife, Jane and Linda Goldman at the joint reception during the APMA Nat'l

The ABPOPPM & ACFAOM joint reception during the Midwest Conference

Newly elected Presidents, Dr. Kirk Geter, ACFAOM and Dr. Les Jones, ABPOPPM introduced at the joint reception during the APMA Nat'l

Dr. William Chagas and Dr. Mark Pfeifer at the joint reception during the APMA Nat'l

Guests enjoying the joint reception during the APMA Nat'l
DR. BENARD RECEIVES 2010 MILTON WOLFSON AWARD

ABPOPPM Executive Director, Dr. Marc A. Benard received the 2010 Milton Wolfson Award from the California School of Podiatric Medicine, presented at the Western Podiatry Congress in June. The award is presented to alumni of the California School of Podiatric Medicine who have contributed significantly to the profession in the area of podiatric medicine.

Dr. Benard is a graduate of CCPM (1977) and in addition to his association with the ABPOPPM since 1985 in a variety of capacities including Examination Chair, Examinations Consultant, Director and currently as its Executive Director, he has spent a good portion of his career training podiatric residents and colleagues at the Baja Project for Crippled Children and through regional and national lecturing in the areas of podopediatrics and biomechanics.

DR. GOLDMAN RECEIVES MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

On October 15, 2010, Lt Col Steven L. Goldman, an Air Force reserve surgical squadron commander at Andrews Air Force Base in Camp Springs Maryland, was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for his efforts in the supervision of the 770th Medical Group and in his care of Air Force members both active duty and retirees as well as their dependents coupling outstanding outcomes as well as cost savings to the Air Force.

In his civilian career, Dr. Goldman serves as the Chief of Podiatry as well as Director of Podiatric Medical Education at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in New York City. Additionally, Dr. Goldman is a part-time Associate Clinical Professor of Podiatric Medicine at the New York College of Podiatric Medicine.

Dr. Steve Goldman is currently a member of the ABPOPPM and treasurer. Dr. Goldman shares this award with his wife Linda and his two children, Sari, a third year student at the New York College of Podiatric Medicine, and Corey a 4th year finance major at Binghamton University's School of Management.

DR. STAVOSKY RECEIVES EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD

Dr. James Stavosky was the recipient of the California Podiatric Medical Association 2010 Excellence in Education Award, presented at the 2010 CPMA House of Delegates this past June in Anaheim, CA. The award was accepted on Dr. Stavosky’s behalf by Samuel Merritt University’s President Sharon Diaz.

Dr. Stavosky serves on the ABPOPPM Board of Directors and is Chair of the ABPOPPM Examination sub-committee.

Dr. Stavosky is in Private Practice at Daly City Podiatry Group. He also serves as an attending at San Francisco Center for Advanced Wound Care, is an Adjunct Professor at the California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt College and is Chief of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery at Salton Medical Center.
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### Change of Address
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### Deadline Schedule - 2011

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