

Chapter news

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Chapters observe fiftieth anniversaries

The **Kentucky Chapter** held its fiftieth annual meeting April 17-18 in Lexington. During the event, Thomas R. Russell, MD, FACS, the College's Executive Director, presented the fiftieth anniversary commemorative charter to the chapter.

Additionally, a number of residents participated in a papers competition, and the winners were: First prize: Charles Levy, MD*; second prize: Andrew Bernard, MD*; and third prize: Melanie Scott, MD.

Meanwhile, the **Mississippi Chapter** conducted its fiftieth annual meeting May 2-3. The education program was dedicated to James D. Hardy, MD, FACS, who passed away February 19. The fiftieth annual meeting also served as an opportunity to initiate a new lectureship to honor Richard J. Field, Jr., MD, FACS, who served as a Regent of the College 1984-1993. R. Scott Jones, MD, FACS, Immediate Past-President of the College, presented the fiftieth anniversary commemorative charter to the chapter's president, Gerhardt Mundinger, MD, FACS (see photo, right).

Lastly, the **Michigan Chapter** held its fiftieth annual meeting May 16-17. The main event each year is the residents' competition, and this year, 41 residents presented. During the annual dinner, Richard Sabo, MD, FACS, the College's President, presented the fiftieth anniversary commemorative charter to Farouck Obeid, MD, FACS, the Immediate Past-President of the chapter. Also, chapter members elected new officers, including: Cheryl Ann Wesen, MD, FACS, President; Donald J. Scholten, MD, FACS, President-Elect; Mark W. Puls, MD, FACS, Secretary;



Mississippi Chapter: Dr. Jones (left) and Dr. Mundinger.

and Daniel Joseph Reddy, MD, FACS, Treasurer (see photos, left column, p. 51).

Ohio Chapter conducts annual meeting

The Ohio Chapter conducted its annual meeting May 8-10. The three-day education program launched a new named lectureship for the Ohio Chapter—the Frederick M. Douglas Foundation Memorial Lecture—which was presented by Julius H. Jacobson II, MD, FACS. Additionally, Julie Freischlag, MD, FACS, Secretary of the Board of Governors, delivered the Ohio Oration. Along with a variety of surgical presentations, a number of residents participated in research-paper competitions in oncology, trauma, and basic and clinical sciences. The winners included:

Oncology: Saleem Zafar, MD; Trauma: Konstantin Umanskiy, MD*; Basic Science first place: Russell Juno, MD*; Basic Science second place: Teng Lee, MD*; Basic Science third place: Jefferson Lyons, MD*; Clinical Science first place: Matthew Recht, MD; Clinical Science second place: Eren Berber, MD; and Clinical Science third place: Hani Baradi, MD.*

*Denotes Associate Fellow or participant in the Candidate Group.



Michigan Chapter: Left to right: Dr. Russell; Dr. Obeid; Frank R. Lewis, MD, FACS, Past-President; Dr. Wesen; and Dr. Reddy.



Rhode Island Chapter: Last year, Dr. Russell presented the fiftieth anniversary commemorative charter to the chapter. Pictured, left to right: Peter Gill, MD, FACS, Immediate Past-President; Michael P. Vegeridis, MD, FACS, President; and Dr. Russell.



Michigan Chapter: This custom-designed architectural tile was commissioned by the chapter to commemorate its fiftieth anniversary. The tile was produced by Pewabic Pottery, which has been located in Detroit for 100 years. The title is a striking blue color, to depict the Great Lakes. In addition to the College's seal, which is white, the tile also includes the names of Frederick A. Collier, MD, FACS, and Alexander J. Walt, MD, FACS, two general surgeons from Michigan who have served as Presidents of the College.

During the annual business meeting, the Ohio Chapter agreed to establish its own statewide political action committee and elected the following officers: E. Christopher Ellison, MD, FACS, President; Michael E. Stark, MD, FACS, President-Elect; Gary Brian Williams, MD, FACS, Secretary; and Linda Marie Barney, MD, FACS, Treasurer. Richard B. Reiling, MD, FACS, was honored for serving the Ohio Chapter as Editor for 25 years.

Chapter anniversaries

Month	Chapter	Years
July	Southwest Missouri	51
	New Jersey	52
	Eastern Pennsylvania	51
	West Virginia	53
	Georgia	53
August	Hawaii	52
	Illinois	53
	Brooklyn-Long Island, NY	53
	Northwest Pennsylvania	52
	Rhode Island	51