**FOMA District 7**

**Florida Osteopathic Medical Association**

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SARASOTA COUNTIES

Hello FOMA District 7 Members, Physicians and Students.   
  
As we celebrate national osteopathic week I again want to thank all of you in spreading the importance and power of our osteopathic philosophy and treatment in caring for our patients.  We are proud of all the positive stories about the heroics our doctors have shown during this global pandemic.     
  
Continued need for volunteers remain and anyone interested in giving vaccines while training LECOM students please contact board member Dr Tom Quinn [tquinn@lecom.edu](mailto:tquinn@lecom.edu) . Thank you for all those who have and continue to volunteer throughout the community.  
  
I am happy to announce FOMA District 7 first live event in 18 months.  An outdoor picnic on Saturday June 26 is planned.  More details will soon follow. This will be a member and family event.  Mark your calendars.   
  
Linda kunke  is sending out dues notices this month  Please make this a priority as a strong association is more important now than ever before with scope of practice concerns that are encroaching on our profession each year. Please also reach out to new colleagues and get them interested. Pass on any new D.O. names to linda and our office can reach out to them .

I also wanted to thank our LECOM Students who were guest speakers at Cardinal Mooney High School Medical Club this week. I was informed it was greatly received and attendance was the highest ever Great Job.

Along with all your FOMA District 7 officers and board members, I wish you all a healthy spring and look forward to seeing you in June.  
  
Happy national osteopathic medicine week.  
  
Dr. Joseph A. Sassano, D.O.  
President, FOMA 7