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GREETINGS

Dear Colleagues,

As I conclude my term as President of the Philadelphia Orthopaedic Society, I want to extend my sincere gratitude to all of you for making this such a rewarding and successful year. It has been a privilege to

serve this outstanding community, and I am deeply appreciative of the engagement, collaboration, and camaraderie that define our society.

I would like to especially recognize Dr. Daniel Davis for his tremendous efforts in organizing an engaging and high-quality lecture series. His dedication and thoughtful planning were instrumental in creating meaningful educational experiences for our members throughout the year.

I also want to acknowledge the exceptional behind-the-scenes work of Teri Wiseley. Her organization, coordination, and attention to detail ensured that every aspect of our meetings and events ran seamlessly. Our success would not have been possible without her tireless efforts.

Finally, I encourage everyone to attend the upcoming Resident Bowl Competition. It is always a highlight of the year—bringing energy, friendly competition, and an opportunity to support and celebrate our trainees.

Thank you again for your support and participation. I look forward to staying involved with the society and seeing its continued growth and success in the years ahead.

Warm regards,

Surena Namdari

**The 26th Annual
John H. Gregg
Memorial
Resident Bowl
Monday, May 11
7:00 p.m.**



**Please register online at
www.phillyortho.org
Registration deadline
Monday, May 4
(See page 3 for details)**

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PROGRAM CHAIR'S REPORT



Dear Members of the Philadelphia Orthopaedic Society,

It has been an honor serving as the Program Chair for the meeting year 2025 -2026. For this final newsletter, I thought we could recount and reflect on the lessons learned this year. To kick the year off, Dr. Calista Morris taught us about adding a new technology in an established procedure by utilizing the extra articular tenodesis in ACL reconstruction and the challenges this faces in billing and coding. The following month Mr.

Jonathan Bigley gave an excellent primer in the work that is provided to us by the Pennsylvania Orthopaedic Society as well as a lesson in history repeating itself with a looming medical malpractice crisis. In November we welcomed Dr. Buddy Savoie from New Orleans who brought an amazing array of stories on his pathway through leadership in orthopaedics and lessons we can apply to our practices and professional lives. To wind up 2025, Dr. Steven Frick spoke on the importance of professionalism and helped us to recenter and focus on some of the ideals that drove many of us to medicine and always focusing on “doing the right thing.” After a holiday and new year break, Dr. Matthew Ramsey entertained the crowd of the Pyramid Club with his honest take on the current state of healthcare and why that has led him to create his own podcast which is focused on highlighting the challenges we face in our current medical landscape. Our lecture series wrapped up last month with Dr. David Grande, an internal medicine physician who is a Fellow at the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Policy who gave a truly in-depth view of Medicare, Medicaid, where we stand with economics of healthcare and where we may be heading in the future.

I hope everyone enjoyed the lecture series this past year and found them to be educational and thought provoking. It has been a pleasure for me as I had the opportunity to bring in many of my mentors and friends to educate us on topics that are important to them.

At this point, I now hand the reigns over to Dr. Theresa Pazonis. I look forward to the program she is putting together for 2026-2027 and have no doubt we will continue to offer a fantastic series of lectures for that year. I also hope to see many of you for our final meeting of the year with the always exciting Resident Bowl. Please make sure to be there and cheer on your favorite Philadelphia residency program.

Be well and have a wonderful summer,

Daniel Davis

UPCOMING MEETING



THE 26TH ANNUAL JOHN H. GREGG MEMORIAL RESIDENT BOWL

Monday, May 11, 2026

6:00 p.m. Buffet — 7:00 p.m. Program



Price: \$65 for Members and Emeritus Members
\$90 for Non-members

Please register online at www.phillyortho.org
Registration deadline Monday, May 4, 2026

Residents may register through their Program Coordinators

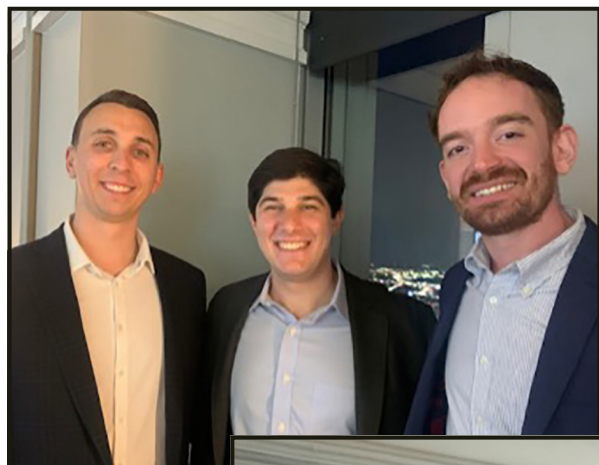


April Meeting Highlights

“What to expect for the future of the ACA, Medicare, and Medicaid”



David Grande, MD, MPA



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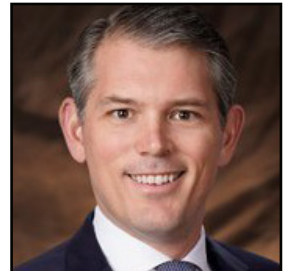
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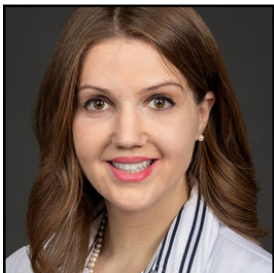
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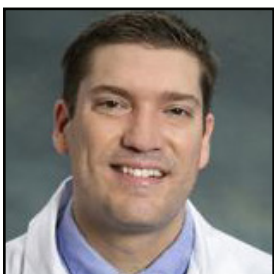
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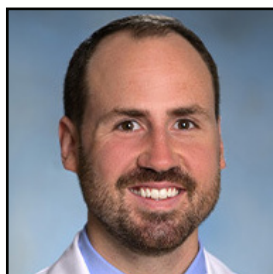
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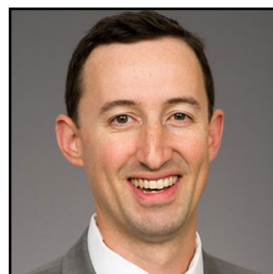
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