



Historical Happenings

Newsletter of the Physician Assistant History Society



Message from the President

Deborah Gerbert, MS, PA-C

Fall greetings from the PA History Society! I hope everyone is staying healthy during the pandemic, which seems to be worsening as I write. I want to thank everyone who has sent in pictures and stories of your experiences going to school and caring for patients while dealing with COVID-19. They can be viewed on our [website here](#). Please continue to document your challenges so that we can all look back at this time and recall how PAs persevered in this most challenging time.

The Board met via WEBEX this month and drafted an ambitious Strategic Plan for 2021-2023. Our goals of gathering, preserving, and disseminating the history of our profession remain the same, but we have added new outreach initiatives and projects.

One project that I am very excited about is the new **Anniversary & Celebration Planner**. This will aid AAPA Constituent Organizations and PA programs in celebrating future significant anniversaries. A few years ago, the profession celebrated 50 years of existence, and I know many programs and constituent chapters are close to that number too. If not 50, then perhaps a 25- or 30-year anniversary is near. Start planning to celebrate these milestones and use this planner which is available on our website for [PAHx Associates](#).

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In Search of Military PAs to Participate in Special Project

Former PAHx Trustee and pioneering PA William “Bill” Stanhope is working on a project with the [Maine Military Museum](#) in South Portland, ME. Mr.

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Stanhope and the museum curator are creating an exhibit titled **My Brother’s Keeper** to recognize the heroism and sacrifice made by **military medics and corpsmen**. The museum exhibit will be built around a life-scale diorama and will recognize the sacrifices made by “Docs” under fire and caring for wounded comrades. The diorama will include four life-size mannequins depicting an injured medic tending to three severely injured comrades. The exhibit will also make extensive use of donated photos, posters,

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personal memorabilia, uniforms, letters, diaries, and medals.

[Mr. Stanhope](#) and PAHx Historian Emeritus, [Reginald Carter](#) will conduct interviews with PAs, who are, or who have served in the military. Since former medics and corpsmen pioneered the development and early growth of the PA profession, **My Brother's Keeper** will also document the roles, experiences, and tremendous responsibilities given to each of you, who became the bedrock of the PA profession. They will also interview individuals who served either as medics, corpsmen, or PAs in other military operations since Vietnam, e.g., Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, etc. These recorded interviews will be a major part of the museum's audiovisual exhibit and will be archived



and featured on the PAHx website [oral histories page](#). If you are interested in sharing your story for this special project, please email the PAHx office at: contactus@pahx.org.



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Our Board of Trustees is saying goodbye to three incredible individuals as they have each completed six years of service to the Society.

[Maryann Ramos](#) is leaving after serving as President, President-elect, two years as President and then Past President. Her ideas and energy will be missed.



[Marilyn Fitzgerald's](#) vast knowledge of all things PA was a tremendous asset to the board. Additionally, she has been our newsletter editor. Her skills will be difficult to replace.



And finally, [Robert Wooten](#) has



brought great ideas from his many years of both clinical and academic experience as well as his AAPA service. He has more energy than most and his calm smiles will be missed.

I am sure I speak for everyone when I say that I miss seeing one another at our profession's meetings. Unfortunately, we were unable to host our popular Historian Boot Camps this year. We missed speaking with PAs who stopped by our booth at the AAPA and PAEA conferences. But we are still here, working hard and will be back when the world opens, and we can all meet again. I wish everyone the happiest and healthiest of holidays.

International Federation of Physician Assistant/Physician Associate and Clinical Officer/Clinical Associate/Comparable Students' Association (IFPACS)

*Mary Showstark MPAS, PA-C, Yale School of Medicine Physician Assistant Online Program
Lea Hix, USA; Leshan Kereto, Kenya;
Sherin John, USA*

During the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, in early May, a meeting was held virtually for the International Federation of Medical Students Association (IFMSA). Mary Showstark, MPAS, Assistant Professor (Adjunct) Yale School of Medicine Physician Assistant (PA) Online Program & Affiliate Faculty at the Yale Institute for Global

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In Her Own Words: Marilyn Fitzgerald, Honorary PA

Lori Konopka-Sauer, PAHx Managing Director



What interested you about the position at AAPA in 1977, when the profession and the Academy still were in the early stages of being established?

On interview day, I remember walking to the office door at 2341 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA and wondering, “What is a physician assistant?” I soon knew as Dr. Donald W. Fisher, Executive Director, told me that the profession was only 10 years old and the national office only four years old. There was much to be built and to accomplish. It was exciting to have a blank slate and to be able to be a pioneer in the PA profession.

What is one of your most favorite memories during your 35-year career at AAPA?

Meeting Dr. Eugene Stead. His friend, PA Bud Shelton, drove Dr. Stead in a classic Mustang from NC to visit the AAPA National Office in Alexandria, VA. As Senior Vice President, I had the pleasure of being



Dr. Stead, Marilyn Fitzgerald, Cheryl Kasunich, COO, AAPA, 2000

Dr. Stead’s tour guide. He was curious about everything, loved seeing his oil painting portrait hanging in the AAPA lobby, spoke warmly to all staff members, and asked me if I knew what the largest university in the USA was. After a few incorrect guesses, he asked for access to a computer and showed me the answer -- the online University of Phoenix. He was so “with it” and down to earth. I was smitten by the 90-something founding father, with his mind as sharp as a tack.

Since you retired from the AAPA in 2012, you have held many volunteer positions including serving on the PAHx Board. Please share some of your more memorable activities.

From 2013 – 2016, I volunteered at the White House Comment Line in Washington, DC. From a historic building in Lafayette Park, I answered phone calls from people calling the White House to express their positive and negative opinions on current events and actions by the Barack Obama/Joe Biden administration. Some callers asked for letters from the President to commemorate special events (birthdays, anniversaries, births). Many callers had problems in their local community and, as a last resort, were calling the President to help. We listened (never argued), kept track of comments through a sophisticated online database, and referred callers to federal government resources or the right local community resources. I loved my service, feeling that I was enabling American citizens to practice freedom of expression without judgment and that I was contributing to the common good.



As your service on the PAHx Board concludes this December [2020], what has been the most rewarding aspect of being a Trustee?

I was thrilled when past trustees, Dr. Tom Piemme and Dr. Fred Sadler, asked if I would be interested in serving on the PAHx Board of Trustees. Little did I know that I would soon be appointed editor of the quarterly Historical Happenings newsletter. The PAHx staff members have been fantastic, creative, and hardworking partners. A special shout out to the Managing Director, Lori Konopka-Sauer, Archivist Michelle Schabowski, and Administrative Coordinator Connie Mara, who have made my BOT service some of the finest years of my retirement. I’ve loved serving with wonderful PA friends. I will truly miss everyone. But, I have lots of personal files, papers, and emails to donate to the archives, so I’ll still be with everyone in spirit.

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What is your favorite PA history memory?

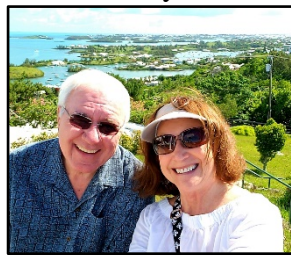
Establishing the systems and procedures of the AAPA House of Delegates (using the political science skills learned in college) and documenting the HOD policy decisions over 35 years.

Name an achievement that you are most proud of?

I spent my College Junior Year Abroad at the University of Glasgow, Scotland. At the tender age of 19, I applied and was accepted (via airmail – before email and cheap phone calls) as an international student, traveled to Scotland (by student ship and British train), and found a place to live (with a Scottish family of a pub manager dad and homemaker mom with nine children and one on the way). I registered for classes in Politics, rode the bus to school daily, cooked for myself (scones, cornflakes and milk got old quickly), stayed safe and dry (it rained EVERY day until February 17, when the sun shone). I explored the British Isles and Western Europe during student holidays. It was a glorious, life changing year.

You are very well traveled; what have been some of your favorite places to visit?

Japan: I lived there for four years (ages 13 – 16) with my military-career family. I returned in 1995 to my old neighborhood outside of Tokyo (Grant Heights) – a very sentimental journey. **France:** My husband, Mike, and I love Paris and want to spend a few months living there. **Bermuda:** Mike and I have a fond spot in our hearts for the island jewel. It was our first vacation spot. We visited when we were fearless 20-somethings -- driving mopeds along the two-lane roads, exploring the islands' beauty, and spending evenings in a groovy disco called 2001.



Name one item you can't throw away and why?

My photographs. I use my camera daily, documenting my family's history, my memories, and

the life around me. As Linda McCartney said, "If you see something that moves you, and then snap it, you keep a moment."

What inspires you today?

I've participated in nine marches in Washington, DC since January 20, 2017. The majority of fellow marchers and activists have been young, smart, brave people, one-third my age. I believe that our country and future are in their good hands and minds. I'm inspired by the good and optimism that are around us that we hear or read too little about.



Next year, after your term concludes on the PAHx Board, and hopefully COVID-19 gets under control, what are your plans – what's next on "your bucket list"?

My husband Mike and I want to see more of America, particularly the west and middle of the country. Internationally, we plan to go to France and Portugal (to visit expatriate friends), and we want to explore our heritage in Ireland. I also hope to return to answering the White House Comment Line.

Loretta Ford EdD, RN, PNP will celebrate her 100th Birthday on December 28, 2020

*Alfred M. Sadler Jr., MD and
Edi Matsumoto, FNP, MSN*

This truly has to be one of the highlights of the year!

Dr. Ford is most well-known for her collaboration with renowned pediatrician, Dr. Henry Silver. At the University of Colorado (UC) in 1965 they established the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner program, which has served as the prototype for all nurse practitioner programs since.

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Dr. Ford was a pioneer who moved on from UC to the University Rochester in 1972. There she established a new nursing school and collaborated closely with the University of Rochester medical school, which has always been a leader in primary care training for physicians. Her biography is available on the pahx.org website and outlines her remarkable career.

Fred and his wife Edi, a nurse practitioner specializing in diabetes, met her in 2015 when UC celebrated the 50th anniversary of the PNP program. They have been good friends ever since. Edi has painted her portrait (right) and has produced a DVD interview with Dr. Ford on the history of the NP



Profession, which is available at <https://www.ebay.com/itm/Nurse-Practitioner-Founder-Loretta-Ford-interview-history-of-NPs-DVD-2016/252988838637>.

Fred visited Dr. Ford two years ago in Orlando, Florida (where she now lives) and continues to be impressed with her energy and humor. She joked about having to practice her golf because the next day she was playing in a tournament that was named after her.

Along with [Thelma Ingles](#) RN, MA, at Duke University who helped pioneer the Physician Assistant program with Dr. Stead, Dr. Ford is one of the leading health educators of the past century. It is most appropriate that we applaud her on her birthday as she becomes a centenarian herself.



PA Week: 2020 Style!

This year the PA History Society PA Week giveaway was for one of three \$50 Visa Gift Cards. The Society asked students to share their experiences during COVID-19. Learning in the new virtual classroom environment, zoom calls, social distancing on campus and in the clinic, having friends and family afflicted with the virus. These changes and more, have made 2020 a challenging year for everyone; including PAs and PA students. Three student entries were selected at random and the following PA students each won a gift card.

- **Whitney Tucker**, University of Kentucky
- **Mykala Thompson**, Health Sciences University of Texas
- **Elena Cowen Bantle**, The College of St. Scholastica

Please click on this [link](#) to read their submissions which are posted on the PAHx website.

PA Week Celebration During the Global Pandemic

PA Day (October 6) was established in 1987 and PA Week (October 6 - 12) in 2004 to celebrate the PA profession and its contributions to



healthcare worldwide. October 6 was chosen because it was Founding Father Dr. Eugene Stead's birthday and the anniversary of the first PA graduating class at Duke Medical Center in 1967.

PA Day and Week observations have ranged from cakes, lapel pins, presidential proclamations, banners, and posters to more modern gatherings of PAs on the NBC Today Show Plaza and congratulatory messages on social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and YouTube).

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AAPA Quality Assurance Task Force, 1994, at the AAPA National Office, Alexandria, VA

PA Week 2020 had unique celebrations that reflected the COVID global pandemic and the heroic work of PAs serving on the frontlines to care for the thousands affected. Instead of PAs gathering shoulder to shoulder at NBC Studios Today Show Outdoor Plaza, hundreds of PAs from across the USA participated in a Zoom-type format Today Show Virtual Plaza, logging in from home and work to receive enthusiastic congratulations from Today’s popular hosts.



NBC Today Show Virtual Plaza from across the USA

The American Academy of Physician Assistants planned a theme of “PAs Are Essential.” <https://www.aapa.org/events/pa-week/>

They produced a “PAs Are Essential” video for sharing on social media.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i0iN3Je1GAK>

Each day of PA Week focused on these topics:

- Share Your Why (share what motivated PAs to choose their profession)
- Be a PA Advocate (get involved with local, state and federal public education and legislative efforts)

- Ask AAPA Experts (learn answers to questions about the profession)
- PA Thank-a-Thon (recognize and thank other PAs and health professionals)
- PA Giving Day (participate in community philanthropic activities)
- Public Outreach Day (promote the importance of vaccinations, preventative health).



We all hope for a healthier 2021 and a return to socializing and celebrating PA Week without sickness, masks, and social distancing. We are very proud of the adaptability of the profession and their essential worker status.



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Health was invited to be a speaker about interprofessional education and where PAs exist in the world. Saad Uakkas, Liaison Officer to Student Organizations, asked why PA students do not have an international federation representing them. Showstark agreed with Uakkas and asked herself, ‘Why not?’

In June of 2020, the organization known as International Federation of Physician Assistant/Physician Associate and Clinical Officer/Clinical Associate/Comparable Students’ Association (IFPACS) was created with mentorship from IFMSA and The Network: Towards Unity for Health Student Group (TUFH SNO).

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Leaders from these organizations guided the founding members of IFPACS through the challenges of creating a global federation. Since then, IFPACS has grown to over 300 members representing 26 countries. The students have written bylaws, voted on leadership positions, and are working on establishing student groups in each country.

The mission of IFPACS is to unite and support physician assistant/associate and clinical officer (PA/CO) students worldwide, engage in community service, address global health issues, and work to improve education and awareness of our roles to help advance the PA/CO profession globally. The organization seeks to engage in international opportunities surrounding activities and education, advocacy and humanitarianism, and interprofessional exchange.

Their first event “Introduction to IFPACS” was held virtually on October 24, 2020, allowing 60 students across 15 countries to learn about IFPACS and interact with their peers from all over the world. IFPACS will continue to expand and advocate for the PA profession globally. IFPACS has registered with the World Health Organization Youth Hub and TUFH SNO. IFPACS is also collaborating with other international student federations and global organizations: United Nations, UNESCO, and Global Shapers. For more information, please visit www.ifpacs.org and follow IFPACS on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

Founding Members:

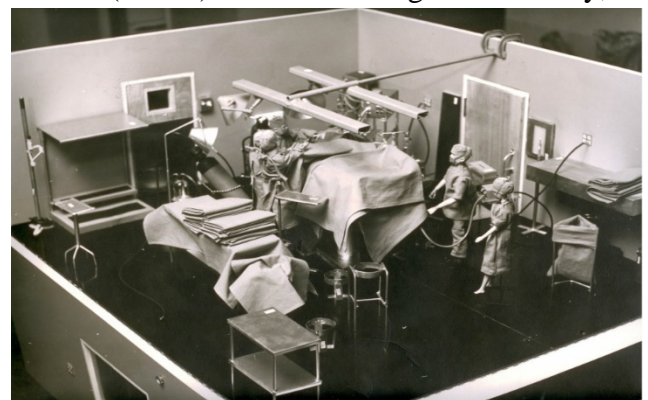
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Natasha Lynch, <i>Ireland</i>	

From Roger Whittaker’s Scrapbook

*Reginald D. Carter, PhD, PA,
PAHx Historian Emeritus*

The photograph below of a three-dimensional scale model operating room is from a scrapbook that was kept by Roger Whittaker during his trial that took place on December 1966 in Redding, California. Whittaker, a trained surgical technician in the U.S. Navy, met Dr. George Stevenson, a neurosurgical resident, while working as a civilian surgical technician at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). After finishing his residency,



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Stevenson asked Whittaker to join him in private practice in Redding, California as his first assistant. No physician or nurse in Redding had the accumulated experience that Whittaker had in neurosurgery, so the hospital administrator approved the arrangement. Operations were going well, lives were saved, until a plastic surgeon called for a medical board inquiry after he learned that Whittaker had drilled burr holes in a patient's skull and sutured the patient's head. Dr. Stevenson was in the operating room the entire time the procedures were being performed. Although Whittaker had military training and considerable experience as a surgical technician, he was not licensed in the civilian healthcare sector of California. Thus, the medical board and local district attorney charged Dr. Stevenson with aiding and abetting his unlicensed assistant with practicing medicine. Their lawyer stated that the law in California was unclear about what a physician could delegate to a trained assistant, licensed or not. Many California physicians supported Stevenson's authority to delegate tasks to a paraprofessional -- a concept that was being discussed within the state and nationally as a possible solution for helping overworked physicians with their practices.

The operating room model was used during the trial to depict the arrangement of equipment and placement of personnel during operations performed by Dr. Stevenson and Whittaker. Many witnesses were called to testify; one was Dr. Eugene A. Stead, Jr., founder of the Duke Physician Assistant (PA) Program. The trial was important because it was the first time a jury was asked to determine if a physician had the right to delegate tasks to a well-trained but unlicensed subordinate. In 1966 very few states had enacted "delegatory acts" to allow physicians to do so legally. Model PA legislation was yet to be drafted and enacted by state legislators. It became apparent during the trial that no patient had been harmed, that Whittaker was an excellent surgical assistant and that lives had been saved in a remote part of California. Stevenson and Whittaker were acquitted on two charges but found guilty on one charge brought

against them. They were given light probationary sentences and charged a nominal fee. Stevenson took a couple weeks of vacation and returned to work. Whittaker decided to take Dr. Eugene Stead's advice to come to Duke University and enroll in the PA program.

You can read in more detail an article about the People v Whittaker trial at <https://pahx.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/peopleversuswhittaker.pdf> and Roger Whittaker's biography at <https://pahx.org/assistants/whittaker-roger/>.

Listen to an oral history interview with Dr. George Stevenson at <https://pahx.pastperfectonline.com/archive/E0DA9332-0D74-4FD4-AABB-940953746035>.

From the Archives

Michelle Schabowski, MSIS, PAHx Archivist

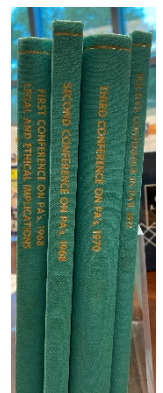
COVID-19 has proven to be an ideal time for PAs to clean out their closets and send their forgotten historical treasures to the PA History Society! One of these donations has been a variety of photographs of Dr. Stead and a scrapbook created by the caretakers of the Stead family's lake home filled with candid photos of the Stead family in their later years.



Another new addition to the archives is a collection of four bound volumes for each of the original "Duke Conferences." The Duke Conferences were national meetings where PAs, physicians and PA educators gathered to discuss issues affecting the new profession, its training and its education. Each volume has the official summaries, notable speeches and papers presented.

Not sure if you have any items of professional historical value?

Write us at: contactus@pahx.org



PAEA 2020 Virtual Forum

Once again, 2020 has brought changes to how we all interact with each other; including at the PAEA Forum, which was held virtually last month. Although the PAHx staff and Trustees missed seeing Forum attendees in person, we were excited for the opportunity to participate virtually in the online Exhibit Hall. **Many thanks to those who “stopped by”** the Society’s online booth and downloaded information regarding the PAHx educational materials and PA-related resources. Forum attendees, who came into the online exhibit hall, also had an opportunity to speak with PAHx Managing Director Lori Konopka-Sauer and PAHx Archivist Michelle Schabowski. If you missed us at the virtual PAEA Forum Exhibit Hall, please visit our [website](#) or email the Society at: contactus@pahx.org

years ago. The center piece of the garden is a life size bronze statue of a combat medic bandaging the wounds of a fallen soldier. The sculpture is titled **“Life Savers Then ... Caregivers Now”** and serves as a reminder of the origins of the PA profession. Engraved pavers with the names of military and uniformed services PAs are embedded in the walkway and surrounding patio **to honor military and uniformed services PAs** and their service to our country.



Take a virtual tour of the Stead Center and Veterans Garden by clicking on the [link here](#).

Honoring Military & Uniformed Services PAs



On November 11th, and every other day of the year, the PA History Society (PAHx) would like to thank PAs for their service to our country. The PAHx and the NC Academy of Physician Assistants collaborated to create the only Veterans Garden dedicated to veteran and uniformed services PAs. The John McElligott Veterans Garden is located at the Eugene A. Stead, Jr. Center for Physician Assistants in Durham, NC.

The garden honors PAs who have served or are currently serving in the uniformed services of our country, especially the former medical corpsmen who became PAs and pioneered the profession over 50

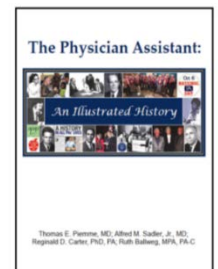


Searching for a Holiday Gift for that Special PA in Your Life?

Show Your PA Pride with these Special Gifts!

The Physician Assistant: An Illustrated History

Flip through the history of the many people, places, and events that propelled the concept of the physician assistant from its inception at Duke University in 1965 to its position as a major force in American medicine today. It is an excellent educational resource for anyone interested in learning about the history of the PA profession.



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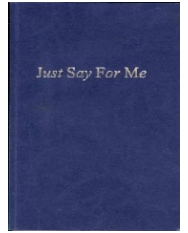
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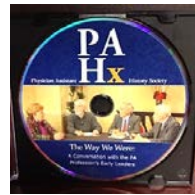
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Just Say for Me

The little blue book of "Steadisms," is a collection of inspiring thoughts on medical care by Dr. Eugene A. Stead, Jr. founder of the PA profession. This small booklet is packed with 342 quotes from Dr. Stead regarding his philosophies about health care, medical education, patient care and much more! It's a great gift for students during their white coat ceremony or PA graduation.



The Way We Were: A Conversation with the PA Profession's Early Leaders



This DVD features the first Board Presidents of the professional PA organizations discussing the establishment of those groups. Featured speakers are Thomas Piemme (NCCPA), Alfred Sadler (PAEA), William Stanhope (AAPA), and the conversation is moderated by Ruth Ballweg, MPA, PA-C Emeritus.

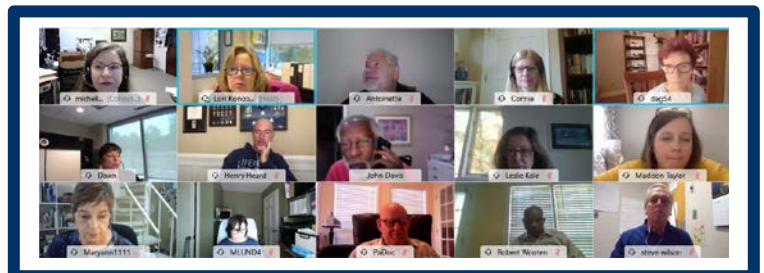
Whatever you do this holiday season, make time for PA history!

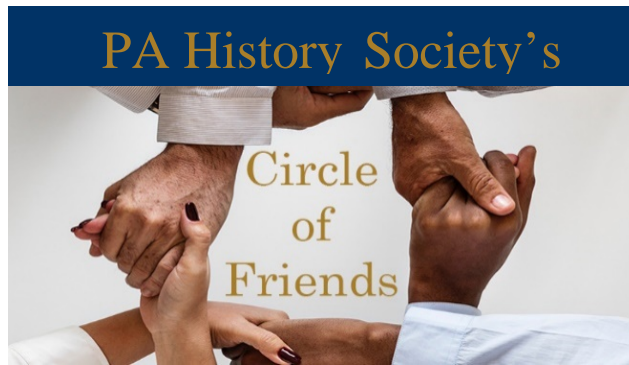
Proudly show your support for both the PA History Society and the preservation of your profession's rich history by wearing our exclusive **Timeless Lapel Pin!**



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The New Normal in 2020: *The year of PAHx Board Meetings via Video Conferencing*





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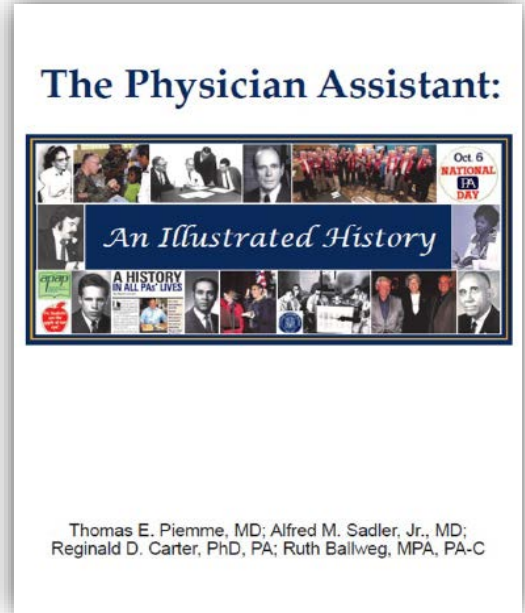
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