A.T. STILL, DO, INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAMOUS MISSOURIANS

It was a monumental day for A.T. Still University of Health Sciences and the osteopathic profession at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City on April 16, 2014. Andrew Taylor Still, DO, became the 42nd member inducted into the Hall of Famous Missourians, the first ever by popular vote. In August of last year, the Missouri House of Representatives announced that the next member of its Hall of Famous Missourians, usually chosen by the speaker of the house, would instead be selected by an online election open to all Missourians and anyone else who wished to vote.

The nominees included Andrew Taylor Still, DO, as well as several politicians, a few musicians, and an athlete. Dr. Still won this first-ever election with roughly 38 percent of the 34,000 votes and is the first physician chosen for the hall, which is housed inside the Missouri Capitol in Jefferson City to memorialize the state’s favorite sons and daughters. A bronze bust of him now stands in the hall along with those of former President Harry S. Truman, Walt Disney, Sacajawea, and Mark Twain, who himself was an advocate of osteopathic medicine and corresponded with Dr. Still.

The bronze bust of Dr. Still was unveiled by House Speaker Tim Jones and the sculptor Brandon Crandall of Kirksville, Mo. Impressed by Dr. Still’s drive to develop osteopathic medicine, his encouragement for women to pursue medicine, as well as treat poor patients for free, Crandall said he wanted the osteopathic medicine’s founder to appear both intrepid and genial. “There’s a warmth in Dr. Still’s face, like you could talk to this man and he would never try to make you feel dumb because you don’t understand what he understands. He would just try to help you,” Crandall says. “I wanted the sculpture to be heroic and for him to have a twinkle in his eye and the

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joviality of someone who makes you feel warm and comfortable.”

Five direct descendants of Dr. Still, including great-great-grandsons Richard H. Still III, DO, and Adam Still, as well as his great-great-great-grandson Andrew T. Still IV, attended the induction.

“For the Missouri House to recognize A.T. Still and what he did is a big win for the profession,” says Dr. Richard Still, a 1978 graduate of ATSU’s Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine who practices urology in St. Louis.

“This recognition will pique interest in A.T. Still and get people to look back and see exactly what he did. He started off as a young man in Virginia, spent time in Kansas, and then went to Kirksville and started osteopathy. It’s amazing when you look back and see what he was able to accomplish.”

Dr. Still was born Aug. 6, 1828, in Lee County, Va., and grew up an avid student of nature. He went on to develop the science of osteopathy, which takes a holistic approach to healthcare, focusing on the individual as a whole—body, mind, and spirit.

In 1892, he founded the first school of osteopathic medicine in Kirksville, now known as A.T. Still University’s Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. His first class of students numbered 17 with 12 men and five women. Five of his own children were graduates of the then-named American School of Osteopathy: Charles, Harry, Herman, Fred, and Blanche Laughlin. The profession has since grown to include more than 83,000 licensed DOs nationwide.

Dr. Still continued his involvement with the School until his death in 1917 and is buried along with several family members in Forest-Llewellyn Cemetery adjacent to the Missouri campus.
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Vincent M. Koike, DO, ’86, is creating an endowed scholarship fund to support students from historically underrepresented populations, including persons of Pacific Island and Asian ancestry enrolled at both ATSU-KCOM and ATSU-SOMA.

Dr. Koike is motivated by a similar award he received when at ATSU-KCOM—the Drs. Isabelle & Josephine Morelock Scholarship. He is in family practice in Everett, Wash.

Gordon M. Robson, DO, ’88, and his wife, Karin, are creating an endowed financial award for ATSU-KCOM first- and second-year married students with children to help alleviate their needs while in school. Dr. Robson, who received the W.S. McClymonds Memorial Scholarship at ATSU-KCOM, practices anesthesiology in Tulsa, Okla.

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