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Appreciation

I write to applaud the content of the winter 2023 issue of the Journal of American Physicians and Surgeons. The work that went into the issue is impressive. Matthew Thomas Halma, Mobeen Syed, and Paul Marik discussed the nagging problem of increased insulin resistance in the population, and a solution. Steven Hatfill, a prominent virologist, analyzed the COVID debacle and its consequences as well as the dangers that have been revealed about government meddling and public health official misconduct. A great essay by AAPS president Jane Hughes examined our ethical and moral foundations and

commitment to professionalism. A remarkably scholarly, thorough editorial article by Jane Orient surveyed the negative evidence showing harm and lethality from COVID shots that has been ignored by officialdom, domestic and international. These articles required some hard work by the reader, but the rewards were significant. The Hughes article is a well-timed announcement of AAPS commitment to professional standards of conduct that are being compromised widely in medical practice and education. Plaudits from Central Texas!

> John Dale Dunn, M.D., J.D. Brownwood, Texas

In Memoriam Stuart Faxon (1948-2024)



Stuart Faxon, our copy editor since 2003, died at his home in Tucson on Jan 8. For 19 years ending in 2016, Faxon was also editor of the Pima County Medical Society's magazine, *Sombrero*, which ceased publication in 2017.

Stuart was born in Roslyn Heights, N.Y. He earned a bachelor of science degree in journalism in 1977 from Suffolk University, from which he graduated magna cum laude, and a master's degree in journalism from the University of Arizona in 1979. His first newspaper job was as a reporter and editor at *The Daily Independent* in Cottonwood, Ariz. From there he went to Maryland, where he worked at several papers, all of which, with the exception of *The Carroll County Times*, are now defunct.

Stuart was a member of the Tucson Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. His insights and knowledge about American history and government were a great asset to our journal.

Stuart also had an encyclopedic knowledge of jazz, blues, and rock, and worked as a drummer in several rock and country bands.

I miss our stimulating conversations on a wide variety of subjects, as well as his prompt and thorough editing, which contributed greatly to readability as well as accuracy in our articles. I hope I have learned from him in many ways, especially not to bury the lede.

> Jane Orient, M.D. Tucson, Ariz.