

2018-2019
Banner Years to Celebrate the ACO's 50th Anniversary¹

Between January 2018 and December 2019, the American College of Orgonomy:

- Published a two-issue 50th anniversary volume of the *Journal of Orgonomy* devoted entirely to clinical cases treated with medical orgone therapy and published Volume 51, number 1, of the *Journal of Orgonomy*.
- Initiated a new monthly, “Different Kind of Psychiatry,” case presentation series on November 17, 2018, open to the public and free with fourteen presentations having been made through December 2019 and attracting interest from new people.
- Launched a new “Different Kind of Psychiatry” therapy website in September 2018.
- In July 2019, launched the *ACO In Contact* podcast channel which has been featuring audio recordings from our case presentation series.
- Produced two major social orgonomy events:
 - “Problems with Marijuana: an ACO Forum,” October 6, 2018.
 - A special West Coast event in December, “Are You Satisfied with Your Work Life?” in Venice, CA, December 8, 2018, our first event on the west coast since the 1980s.
- Held five special events:
 - “All People Great & Small” readings on February 3, 2018 and April 6, 2019.
 - “Master Class in Functional Singing,” April 7, 2018, February 2, 2019 and October 5, 2019.
- Held five ACO Movie Night & Open Discussions, with several of them filling our meeting space and attracting a number of attendees new to the ACO:
 - *Generation Found*, March 24, 2018.
 - *The Pursuit of Happyness*, July 21, 2018.
 - *Generation Found* off-site as a special event by invitation at Anchor House in Trenton, NJ, October 24, 2018.
 - *Beautiful Boy*, March 23, 2019
 - *Screenagers*, October 26, 2019.
- Held two half-day organomic science events, “Half-day Laboratory Course on the Reich Blood Test,” June 2, 2018 and “Bions: the Elemental Particles of Life,” June 1, 2019.

We’ve publicized all of our public activities with printed flyers and quarterly event calendars, actively promoted them on-line and with e-mail blasts as well as with press releases and advertised them in local papers and other media outlets.

These public events, publications, websites and podcasts are our most visible activities but are only the tip of the iceberg of all of our recent work.

¹ More detailed descriptions and other information about many of these activities can be found on the “Past Events” section of the “Events” page of the ACO website. [<http://www.orgonomy.org/events.html>] Additional information about some of them is available on the “Orgonomists in the Public Eye” page of the ACO website. [http://www.orgonomy.org/public_eye.html]

We've also:

- Maintained the ACO medical and social ergonomics training programs as ongoing core functions of the college and steady workhorses of our activities.

Other recent ACO activities have included:

- Ongoing, bimonthly sociopolitical discussion groups, which are well-attended by a core group with others rotating in and out.
- Continued production of excellent promotional videos available on the ACO YouTube channel.

In 2018 and 2019, we've also undertaken significant property improvements:

- The most ambitious of which was the installation of a new septic system at a cost of \$42,000, our largest capital improvement since we purchased the property in 1986.
- We are exploring the much needed renovation and expansion of the ACO's main building and have engaged the services of a local architect to help us develop plans for enlarging and improving its functionality.
- We are also working with a land engineering firm to develop the site plans for the next phase of our Property Improvement Project to widen our entrance, reconfigure our driveway and increase our parking.
- We met with a landscape architect with expertise in creating nature trails to research building a network of nature trails in the wooded area of the ACO property.
- We also made a number of less significant but important improvements to maintain and enhance the attractiveness of our property, which have included:
 - Improving the driveway and parking area.
 - Installing a new canvas awning over the ACO entrance.
 - Replacing the basement windows and storm door of our main building.
 - Replacing deteriorating wood and freshly painting the ACO laboratory building.
 - Installing a state of the art security system.

In 2018 and 2019 we've made changes to our roster of personnel:

- We hired a projects assistant for approximately ten hours per week with plans to increase that to 20 per week as needed to help with promotion and advertising that has resulted from the dramatic increase in our activities once we added our monthly case presentation series.

In 2018, we also mounted two targeted fundraising campaigns that both exceeded our goals:

- Phase I of the "ACO Living Campus Project" raised over \$6500 that allowed us to purchase and plant four new beautiful decorative and shade trees.
- Phase I of the "ACO Laboratory Fundraiser" raised \$21,000 with which we purchased new microscopes in time for the June 2018 lab course and a new monitor for the research microscope in time for the June 2019 lab course and purchased new video equipment for future research and courses.