

Backe receives 2 appointments

FAIRFIELD

Henry A. Backe, Jr., M.D., an orthopaedic surgeon at Orthopaedic Specialty Group, recently received two appointments -- one locally and the other nationally.

Orthopaedic Specialty Group has locations in Fairfield, Shelton, and Stratford.

Dr. Backe was elected to the Medical Executive Board of St. Vincent's Hospital, and has been named vice president of the Eastern Orthopaedic Association (EOA).

Dr. Backe has served as treasurer of the EOA for the past three years, and now he has been elected the second vice president and will serve as the association's president in 2012. The EOA, which includes the entire East Coast of the United States, fosters the discussion and teaching of orthopaedic methods.

Dr. Backe has practiced in Fairfield since 1993 and as a surgeon at Orthopaedic Specialty Group since 1999. He specializes in hand surgery, joint replacement surgery, and sports injuries related to the upper extremities.

He is a physician consultant for the athletic teams of Fairfield University, Fairfield College Preparatory School, and Greens Farms Academy. He has lectured nationally and authored numerous articles on the subjects of joint replacement and hand surgery.

His medical training includes a fellowship in hand surgery at the NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases in New York City and a fellowship of the hip and knee at the Hospital for Special Surgery.

Dr. Backe is on active staff at Bridgeport Hospital and St. Vincent's Medical Center.