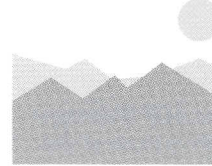




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Reno Meeting Will Feature Implants and Geriatrics



The Neon Lights of Downtown Reno.
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This year's annual session, held in Reno, Nevada, November 7-10 at the Nugget Hotel, will feature half-day programs on implants and geriatric dentistry.

The half-day implant program will feature nationally known speakers, including Drs. Dan Tolman, Roland Meffert, Dan Sullivan, Peter Moy, Robert Baier, Allan Reiskin, and Bo Rangert.

The session on implants will include lectures on topics in implant prosthodontics such as bone grafting, esthetic criteria for single tooth implant replacements, stress distribution, immediate implant placement, diagnostic imaging in implant prosthodontics, and a comparison of implant systems.

After the individual lectures, there will be a panel discussion with all the speakers moderated by Dr. Ned B. Van Roekel.

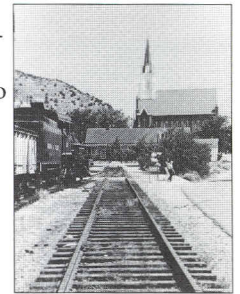
The half-day program on geriatric prosthodontics will also feature nationally known speakers, including Drs. Mark Tucker, Jerry Walker, Philip Worthington, Charles Goodacre, and Patrick M. Lloyd.

The session will include lectures on topics in geriatric prosthodontics such as care of the medically compromised patient, esthetic considerations, implants for the elderly, fixed prosthodontics, and removable prosthodontic care.

The complete annual session program begins on page 4.

Members are encouraged to register now for the many social events to take advantage of early bird discounts. A hotel registration card is also enclosed and should be returned directly to the Nugget Hotel.

Information on airline and car rental discounts can be found on page 4. ♦



Virginia City
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ACP Encourages Members to Use Certified Laboratories and Technicians

As part of an ongoing effort to enhance communication with dental laboratory technicians, as well as recognize professionalism within that industry, the College is encouraging members to utilize and promote Certified Dental Technicians and Laboratories.

These two programs are certainly worthy of our consideration. They are administered through the National Association of Dental Laboratories and are designed specifically to recognize technicians and laboratories who comply with and maintain certain professional standards.

The Certified Dental Technician (CDT) program has been in effect for many years and involves both a didactic and practical skills examination, as well as continuing education requirements. First, a candidate must be either a

Recognized Graduate (RG) of an accredited school of dental technology, or possess documentation of several years experience in the field. This is followed by a comprehensive written examination, covering all phases of dental technology, i.e. materials science, basic sciences, occlusion, articulators, procedures, etc.

Upon passing this examination, a candidate is qualified to challenge a clinical examination in an area of his or her choice. The areas of specialization are complete dentures, removable partial dentures, fixed prosthodontics, ceramics, and orthodontics. These examinations are held in various sections of the country, involve a two-day process, and if the individual is successful he or she has earned the title of Certified Dental Technician.

From the Editor-in-Chief

The entire staff of *The ACP Messenger* appreciated hearing from those of you who felt compelled to comment on our new format and agenda. Several outside organizations contacted members of the College to express their congratulations on the premiere issue. Also received were suggestions from members regarding selected aspects/style of the newsletter. We are taking into consideration all the suggestions made and encourage others to express their opinions.

"*The ACP Messenger* is the perfect vehicle to keep us all informed and united in our specialty."

Dr. James F. Smith
Omaha, NB

"I want to write and tell you how much I enjoyed reading the first issue of *The ACP Messenger*. Thanks for helping our College; it's a terrific newsletter."

Dr. Cary E. Goldstein
Atlanta, GA

"Congratulations on *The ACP Messenger*. It certainly draws attention to the comprehensive activities you and your leaders have set in motion on behalf of the American College of Prosthodontists."

Patricia M. Newton
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In this issue of the newsletter we feature a section from the American Board of Prosthodontics. Working closely with the President and Executive Director of the Board, we will provide the membership of the College with up-to-date information on the examination process for certification, locations for

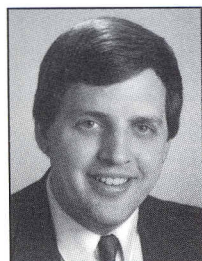
future examinations, election of new Board examiners, officers of the Board, and details concerning correspondence with the Board. We welcome the opportunity to advance the principles of board certification and believe that this addition to the newsletter will do much to strengthen the specialty of prosthodontics and

enhance the College's relationship with the Board.

Beginning in 1992, *The ACP Messenger* will be published quarterly. This increased frequency will allow a more timely distribution of information. What the membership will have available to them through the newsletter will be "news" and not "history." Much of what a newsletter should offer is often temporally sensitive information; timing is everything. Bulletins, advertisements, notifications, announcements, and news releases will arrive before the deadline date. It won't be too late to respond. You will have advance warning. And no one should have an excuse for not being informed.

The only thing constant in life is change—such will be the tradition of *The ACP Messenger*. Getting the message to our readership in a timely, interesting and readable fashion will require a dynamic, ever-adapting format. We invite you to participate in the growth and maturation of our newsletter. Letters, comments, and opinions on matters concerning the ACP and the specialty are welcomed. ♦

From the Executive Director



David Schwab, Ph.D.

What's the best kept secret in dentistry? It could be the ACP annual meeting. Not that member attendance is a problem. Last year, even with the recession and impending war, nearly 600 members attended the meeting. This year in Reno the

College could set a record for attendance.

The problem is that general dentists and other potential guests are unaware of the ACP meeting. They do not realize they are welcome. They do not know about the outstanding quality of the scientific program. They have not learned to look to the College for the best opportunities for continuing education in prosthodontics.

Until now. This year, for the first time, the College is making a major effort to attract guests to the meeting in order to increase the prestige of the College and generate non-dues revenue.

A special brochure is being sent to all dentists in Nevada and approximately 5,000 dentists in northern California. Ads will appear this summer in the California Dental Association journal and the *Journal of*

Prosthetic Dentistry. And news releases announcing the meeting have been sent to all dental editors in the U.S. and Canada.

Individual members of member organizations of the FPO will also receive a mailing advising them that they may register at a special rate.

All mailings will include a guest registration form.

To make registration easier, the Executive Council decided at its February 1991 meeting to institute an optional one-day registration fee for guests. The amount depends on when the guest registers.

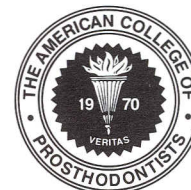
Members who would like to send the annual session guest brochure to their colleagues may obtain copies free of charge from the San Antonio office.

In addition, this issue of *The ACP Messenger*, featuring the Annual Session, is being sent to all prosthodontists in the United States, including those who are not yet members. The College hopes to attract more members, make it easy and convenient for members to register for the meeting using the form provided with the newsletter, and encourage guests to attend.

The College hosts a major national dental meeting each year. It's about time somebody noticed. ♦

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**James A. Fowler, Jr.,
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Your College continues to address the concerns of the specialty of prosthodontics. In February, your Executive Council met in Reno to review the progress of committees toward the stated goals and objectives of the ACP. The Ad Hoc Committee on Temporomandibular Disorders, chaired by Dr. Ken Hilsen and charged with producing a list of those medical codes that are applicable to TMD therapy, has been particularly successful. This committee has also developed a position statement on TMD insurance coverage that will be available to the membership after appropriate legal review.

The College has again sponsored the ACP Undergraduate Achievement Awards which are presented to those graduating senior dental students who have shown high academic and clinical proficiency in prosthodontics. The purpose of the award is two-fold: 1) to stimulate interest in the undergraduates to pursue postgraduate training in prosthodontics, and 2) to enhance the presence of the College and the specialty of prosthodontics in our dental profession. The awards, consisting of a plaque and the three volumes of *Classic Prosthodontic Articles*, were presented to undergraduates from dental schools in the United States and Canada.

As previously instituted by Presidents Bergen and Holmes, the Chairpersons of our standing and ad hoc committees will be asked to furnish a brief summary of their activities during the past year for publication in the next issue of *The ACP Messenger*. These summaries not only keep the membership abreast of College business but also help prospective committee members select a committee on which to serve. Our committees and their activities are vitally important to the accomplishment of College goals and objectives. If any of you are interested in serving on a particular committee, please contact President-Elect David W. Eggleston at (714) 640-5680 or our Central Office Director Ms. Linda Wallenborn at (512) 829-7236, FAX (512) 821-6155.

The relationship between the College and the FPO has been positive. Under the capable leadership of Dr. Jim Lord, the FPO has worked with the College to address the concerns of the specialty and the discipline of prosthodontics. Dr. Lord, as well as FPO Executive Director Mr. Peter Goulding, ACP Executive Director Dr. David Schwab, and I will be attending the ADA Specialty Group Meetings in August and October. These meetings are intended to address mutual concerns of all the dental specialties recognized by the American Dental Association.

As you may be aware, in 1990 the American Dental Association, through its House of Delegates, voted to define the range of appropriate dental care and practice parameters for selected dental conditions. The initial draft of parameters will be distributed to the communities of interest for their comment. We have received the first parameter entitled "Current Oral Health Condition" which provides the foundation for further diagnosis and treatment of the patient. The College was asked to review this initial draft which will be further revised and then sent to the ADA House of Delegates for approval at the 1991 Annual Session.

In my last President's Report, you may recall that I extolled some of the benefits of membership in the American College of Prosthodontists. To me, one of the most significant pluses is the opportunity to attend and

enjoy the Annual Session. A review of our past meetings reveals that approximately one of three College members attends the Annual Session. In response to this finding, the Executive Council authorized a survey asking what the members would like their Annual Session to provide. I believe Annual Session Chair John Burton (who also was responsible for the Session survey) has responded to your "want list" with a truly outstanding professional and social program for our Reno meeting, November 7-10.

The Nugget Hotel can provide all the desired amenities plus over 80,000 square feet of modern convention space which can easily accommodate our expanding Session requirements. Other detailed information regarding the meeting will appear elsewhere in this issue of *The ACP Messenger* and in future mailings to the membership. I cordially invite you to take advantage of your College membership and make plans to visit Reno and Lake Tahoe.

To me, one of the most significant pluses [of membership] is the opportunity to attend and enjoy the Annual Session.

Satisfy your yearning for city lights and alpine heights in the high Sierras of Nevada while adding to your professional expertise.

With this second issue of *The ACP Messenger*, you have now had the opportunity to peruse, reflect, and form an opinion on the new format for our College newsletter. I feel that Dr. Patrick Lloyd, the Editor-in-Chief, should be congratulated for creating a newsletter that is innovative, versatile, provocative and informative. I'm sure that Pat would welcome any and all comments from the rest of our members.

In closing I want to express my thanks for your continuing support. Please enjoy the summer, recharge your batteries and make plans to attend an exciting Annual Session in Reno! ♦

“Secrets of a Showgirl” and More—in Reno

Doctors and their spouses who attend the 1991 annual session in Reno, Nevada will find a full-filled calendar of events to tempt them.

In addition to the Reacquaintance Cocktail Party sponsored by Calcitek and the President's Dinner Dance sponsored by Warner-Lambert, Reno offers some unique opportunities for fun.

Members and spouses will be able to take tours of Rancho San Rafael and Gaming Academy, the city of Reno (including the auto museum), and beautiful Lake Tahoe.

A popular attraction will be “Secrets of a Showgirl,” featuring a Reno stage performer who will transform herself into a dazzling entertainer complete with costume and make-up as she explains her craft. Use the enclosed registration form to register now; this one will sell out early.

Another fascinating attraction will be an excursion to nearby Virginia City for dinner. Members and their guests will be able to relive the Wild West in Virginia City, where scenes from the television series “Bonanza” were filmed. Millions of dollars in gold and silver ore were mined here to help finance the North in the Civil War and to start the San Francisco Stock Exchange.

Members are encouraged to pre-register for all social events using the enclosed form. On-site registration will be permitted only on a space-available basis. ♦

Reno/Tahoe: The Ultimate Playground

Members who attend the 1991 annual meeting at the Nugget Hotel in Reno, Nevada from November 7-10 are bound to find more than an excellent scientific program. That's because indoors or out, day or night, Reno/Tahoe has it all.

Known for its glittering casinos, Reno/Tahoe also features big-name entertainment, elegant restaurants with reasonable prices, and numerous recreational opportunities.

Rand McNally rates Reno/Tahoe number one in the country for outdoor fun. That's because Reno and nearby Sparks, Nevada have a total of seven golf courses, and Lake Tahoe offers seven more. There are plenty of tennis courts, both indoors and out.

Tahoe's timber forests and Reno's high deserts are an outdoor lover's dream come

Exhibitors Announced for Annual Session

Thirty companies have announced plans to exhibit at the 1991 annual session in Reno, Nevada. Additional companies are still being added.

The list of companies that have thus far made plans to exhibit in Reno is as follows:

Brasseler USA
Calcitek, Inc.
Core-Vent
Denar Corporation
Dental Arts Laboratories
Dentsply International
Designs for Vision
Duro Test Corporation
Healthco International
Hermanson Dental Serv., Inc.
Impla-Med, Inc.
Implant Innovations
Interpore International
Ivoclar North America
J. Morita
KaVoEwl Corporation
Nobelpharma USA, Inc.
Panadent Corporation
Preat Corporation
Proctor & Gamble
Quintessence Publishing
The Straumann Company
Teledyne Hanau
Trident Dental, Inc.
Valley Dental Arts, Inc.
Van R Dental Products, Inc.
Vident
Warner Lambert
Whaledent
Whip Mix Corporation

true. Pyramid Lake lures fisherman from around the world with cutthroat trout. Boating, rafting, hiking, and horseback riding are available in the shadows of downtown Reno, as well as around Lake Tahoe.

Best of all, Reno/Tahoe features spectacular scenery—some of the most picturesque mountain views outside of Switzerland.

It's all in Reno/Tahoe, site of this year's annual meeting. ♦

RENO
the biggest little city in the world

Discount Airfares for Annual Session

Delta Airlines and American Airlines have been appointed as the official air carriers for our 1991 Annual Session in Reno, Nevada. Discounted airfares are available as follows:

Delta:

- 5% discount off any published fare, providing all rules and conditions of the airfare are met.
- 45% discount off the unrestricted Coach (Y, YN, Y1) fare. Call Delta or your travel agent and give the following ACP file number: U0679

American:

- 5% discount off any published fare, providing all rules and conditions of the airfare are met.
- 40% discount off the unrestricted Coach fare. Call American or your travel agent and give the following ACP file number : S06018N

Other restrictions may apply. Members are also encouraged to call the College's official travel agent, Sue Turner, for all their annual session travel needs:

Sue Turner
Decatur Travel Agency, Inc.
1-800-969-4754

Discount Rental Car Rates for Annual Session

ALAMO RENT A CAR has joined the American College of Prosthodontists to offer you special low care rental rates which are available one week before and one week after the Annual Session. All Alamo rentals include air conditioning, automatic transmissions and UNLIMITED FREE MILEAGE. (Some restrictions may apply.)

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Luxury	Buick Park Avenue	\$34/\$189

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Agenda

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1991

PRIVATE PRACTICE SEMINAR

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Strengthening Professional Collaboration
to Enhance Patient Care
JACK SILVERSIN, DMD, Dr.Ph.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

GERIATRIC PROSTHODONTICS

- 1:15 p.m. - 1:55 p.m.**
Antibiotic prophylaxis for the
Compromised Patient
W. MARK TUCKER, DDS
- 1:55 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.**
Esthetic Considerations for the Older
Complete Denture Patient
JERRY WALKER, DDS, MS
- 3:00 p.m. - 3:40 p.m.**
Dental Implants for the Elderly: Is Age a
Contraindication?
PHILIP WORTHINGTON, MD, BSc,
FDSRCS
- 3:40 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.**
Principles in Fixed Prosthodontics for the
Older Patient
CHARLES J. GOODACRE, DDS, MS
- 4:20 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**
A Potpourri of Clinical and Laboratory
Procedures that Enhance Removable
Prosthodontic Care for the Elderly
PATRICK M. LLOYD, DDS, MS
- 6:00 p.m.**
RE-ACQUAINTANCE
COCKTAIL PARTY
sponsored by Calcitek

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1991

CRITICAL ISSUES IN PROSTHODONTICS FOR THE 90'S

**WELCOME,
DR. JAMES A. FOWLER, Jr.,
PRESIDENT**

- 8:00a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**
Critical Issues in Implant Prosthodontics
Moderated by Dr. Ned. B. Van Roekel
- 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.**
Bone Grafting
DAN TOLMAN, DDS, MSD
- 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.**
Single Tooth Replacements
DANIEL Y. SULLIVAN, DDS
- 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**
Biomechanical Considerations: Stress
Distribution
BO RANGERT, Ph.D.
- 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**
Immediate Placement Implants
ROLAND MEFFERT, DDS
- 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**
Criteria for Selection of an Implant System
DR. PETER MOY
- 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**
The Implant-Bone Interface
ROBERT BAIER, Ph.D., PE
- 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.**
Diagnostic Imaging
ALLAN REISKIN, DDS, D.Phil.
- 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
PANEL DISCUSSION

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

- 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
SECTIONS MEETING
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**
EDUCATORS/MENTORS SEMINAR
- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
Registered Clinic: Dental Ceramics: A
Demonstration of Inceram
DR. HELMUT KNODE
- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
TABLE CLINICS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1991

FIXED PROSTHODONTICS

- 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.**
The Accuracy of Master Casts
STEVE RIEDY, DDS, MS
- 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.**
How to Make Great Impressions
JOHN FARAH, DDS, Ph.D.
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**
JOHN J. SHARRY RESEARCH
COMPETITION
- 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**
Casting Accuracy: One Piece vs. Soldering
DAVIS GARLAPO, DDS
- 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**
Flexion Characteristics of Fixed Partial
Dentures
GARY GOLDSTEIN, DDS
- 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**
ANNUAL LUNCHEON
- 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
- 7:00 p.m.**
PRESIDENT'S DINNER DANCE
sponsored by Warner-Lambert

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1991

SCIENTIFIC SESSION

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**
New Frontiers in Periodontics
ROY PAGE, DDS, Ph.D., D.Sc.
- 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.**
Posterior Restorative Materials
KARL LEINFELDER, DDS, MS
- 10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**
Resin Bonded Fixed Partial Dentures
VAN P. THOMPSON, Ph.D., DDS
- 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 pm.**
Lasers in Dentistry
DR. TERRY MYERS

Five States Participate in Regional Meeting of the ACP



Dr. David Schwab (left), Executive Director, ACP accepts a memento from Dr. Eric J. Rasmussen, President, Wisconsin Section ACP.

“We were very happy with the turn out and hope to make this an annual event,” said Dr. Eric

J. Rasmussen President of the Wisconsin Section of the ACP. College members from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin convened in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Friday, April 19, 1991 for the first Midwestern Meeting of the American College of Prosthodontists. Presentations for the morning session included:

“Presenting Prosthodontics to the Public” Dr. Lynda K. Bangston, White Bear Lake, Minnesota

“The Use of Surgical Stints to Avoid Implant Failures” Dr. Robert L. Schneider, Coralville, Iowa

“Shade Development,” Dr. Jerome A. Mahalick, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

“Effects of Environmental Factors on Facial Prosthetic Material,” Dr. Carl J. Andres, Indianapolis, Indiana

Marketing the Prosthodontic Practice” was the theme of the afternoon session presented by Dr. David Schwab, Executive Director of the ACP. “This was an excellent opportunity for College members to meet and discuss with Dr. Schwab their individual views of how the College can serve its members and what regional aspirations they had regarding the specialty of prosthodontics,” commented Dr. Rasmussen.

“A major benefit of a smaller meeting of College members is the practical discussion that occurs throughout the program,” remarked Dr. Carl J. Andres.

Plans are underway for a spring 1992 regional meeting. A program composed of representatives from each participating state will be the likely format. Dr. Rasmussen reported that although a location for the meeting has not been finalized, there was a consensus that the site should rotate among states participating. ♦

Prosthodontists and Periodontists from New Jersey Collaborate on Second State Wide Symposium

It was a “sell out crowd” with 275 attending a joint program sponsored by the New Jersey Section of the American College of Prosthodontists and the New Jersey Society of Periodontists. Prosthodontists, periodontists, general dentists, laboratory technicians, and over 40 graduate students and residents in the tri-state area convened April 24, 1991 at the Radisson Hotel in Newark, New Jersey to hear Dr. Ralph Youdelis from Seattle, Washington give a full day program on “Restoration of the Comprehensively Involved Dentition.”

The program emphasized the importance of team work—coordinated treatment, frequent communication, and a close working relation-

ship with dental laboratory technicians. “This was an excellent opportunity for graduate students to interact with practicing specialists and generalists” commented Dr. Kenneth L. Hilsen, Chairman, Education Committee, New Jersey Section ACP, Fort Lee, New Jersey.

Corporate sponsorship for the symposium was provided by Implant Innovation Inc., Leaf Inc., Bausch & Lomb, Parke-Davis, and Block Drugs. Instructional laboratory techniques were provided by Lee T. Somar Dental Laboratory and A&C Dental Laboratory.

High attendance rates, excellent reviews by attendees, and the pledge of future corporate support will ensure continued prosperity for this symposium. ♦

Massachusetts Section Sponsors Student Essay Competition



Dr. Gary Rogoff (right), President, Massachusetts Section, congratulates Dr. Joseph Milavec, winner of the Section's Student Essay Competition.

Postgraduate prosthodontic students from Boston University, Tufts University, Harvard University, and the Veterans Administration participated in an oral essay competition at the April meeting of the Massachusetts Section of the ACP. For their efforts, each essayist received three volumes of *Classic Prosthodontic Articles*. Monetary awards were presented to the three finalists. College Fellows and Associates attending the meeting served as judges for the presentations. Dr. Joseph Milavec from the Harvard School of Dental Medicine received first place for his presentation on the amalgam toxicity controversy. Dr. William Papadopoulos from Tufts University finished second and Dr. Marcus Lima-Verde of Boston University finished third. Support for the program was provided by The Straumann Company. ♦

Report your Innovative Section Activities

Has your section initiated a novel or innovative program that promotes the ACP or the specialty of Prosthodontics? This is just the kind of news that *The ACP Messenger* would like to publish. Model projects serve to stimulate other sections into action.

Prepare a report—highlight the goals of your program, identify the individuals or group targeted, detail the outcome expected from your effort, and describe the method employed to achieve your section's ambition. Interview members in attendance, reporting their thoughts and opinions. And provide a selection of high contrast, black and white photographs that capture the excitement and enthusiasm of the moment.

This is your opportunity to help shape and influence the future of the College. Send reports on your section's innovative activities to:

Section News

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Record Number of Candidates Participate in Examination

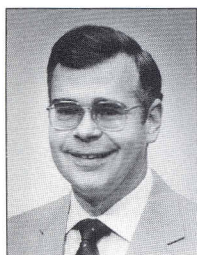
Exceeding all previous years, 108 candidates qualified for the Phase I examination held in Chicago on February 11, 1991. These candidates represented 22 states and the District of Columbia and included individuals from the private sector, the military and the teaching profession. In order to meet the needs of this number of examinees, it was necessary to use nine examination teams.

"It is gratifying to see the degree of interest in the certification process. The American Board of Prosthodontics encourages all educationally qualified prosthodontists to become Diplomates of the Board," said Dr. Desjardins, President, American Board of Prosthodontics.

83 Candidates Qualify for Phase II Examination

Houston, Texas was the site for an unprecedented number of candidates qualifying for the Phase II examination held in June. Eighty-three prosthodontists participated—sixty-four were examined in removable prosthodontists, eighteen in fixed prosthodontics and one in maxillofacial prosthetics. Two additional consultants assisted the Board in examining this number of candidates. It should be noted that this is the final year in which Phase II examination will include a clinical component. ♦

Dr. Charles A. Goodacre Elected to Board



Dr. Charles A. Goodacre

On June 24, 1991 the Council for the Affairs of the American Board of Prosthodontics announced that Charles A. Goodacre, DDS, MSD was elected to serve on the Board. Dr. Goodacre will begin his term September 19, 1992. He will be assuming the position vacated when Dr. Kenneth Turner completes his obligation on the Board. ♦

ABP Examination Schedule

Phase I - Written Examination

February, 1992 in Chicago, Illinois

February, 1993 in Chicago, Illinois

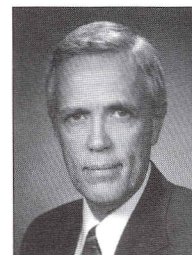
Phase II, Part I, II & III

Patient and Oral Presentations and Written Examinations

June, 1992 at the USC Dental School, Los Angeles, California

June, 1993 at SUNY-Buffalo Dental School, Buffalo, New York

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New Examination Process Fully Effective in 1992

The changes in the examination process for certification by the American Board of Prosthodontics announced in July of 1990 will be fully implemented in 1992.

February 1992

Phase I - Full day written objective examination.

June 1992

Phase II, Part I - Patient presentation and oral examination of approximately one hour in length.

Phase II, Part II - Two oral and slide presentations by the candidate.

Phase II, Part III - Three hour written examination.

1993 will be the final year to receive credit for any successfully completed parts of the "old Phase I" examination. ♦

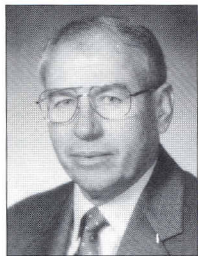
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Dr. William D. Culpepper
Executive Director
American Board of Prosthodontics
P.O. Box 8437
Atlanta, Georgia 30306
404-876-2625
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[Information for Phase I, February 1992 will not be available until after September 1, 1991.]

Members in the News

Glen P. McGivney, DDS, MS to be Editor of JPD



Glen P. McGivney,
DDS, MS

The arduous task of selecting a successor to Dr. Judson C. Hickey, Editor of the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry*, has reached a conclusion. The Editorial Council has selected Dr. Glen P. McGivney to assume the editorship of the *JPD*. Dr. McGivney is the third

person in the 41 years of the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry* to hold this position.

Dr. McGivney, a Fellow in the American College of Prosthodontists, is presently Professor and Chairperson, Department of Removable Prosthodontics, State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Dental Medicine. He is a Past President of the Academy of Denture Prosthetics, the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations and Mid-west Academy of Prosthodontics, and a member of the Academy of Denture Prosthetics, American Prosthodontic Society, Academy of Osseointegration and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics. ♦

Howard M. Landesman Named Dean of USC School of Dentistry



Howard M. Landesman,
DDS, M.Ed.

Dr. Howard M. Landesman, a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists, has been named Dean of the School of Dentistry.

In announcing the appointment, Cornelius J. Pings, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs,

said: "Howard Landesman's many years of service to the School of Dentistry have uniquely prepared him for the challenges and opportunities that he will encounter as dean. Dr. Landesman's outstanding record as a scientist, teacher and administrator, along with his familiarity with faculty, students and alumni, clearly distinguished him as the best candidate from among an impressive list of candidates."

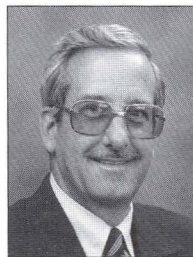
Formerly Executive Associate Dean, Dr. Landesman assumed leadership of the school March 1, 1991. He joined the USC faculty in 1973 as an assistant professor of advanced prosthodontic education. He became an associate professor for restorative dentistry in

1976, and a full professor in 1984. And in 1989 he was named the Rex Ingraham Professor of Restorative Dentistry.

A diplomate and examiner of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Dr. Landesman is also a Fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics and International College of Prosthodontists and an Editor of the *International Journal of Prosthodontics*.

Throughout his career, Dr. Landesman has specialized in prosthodontics both in the laboratory and in clinical practice. He has published numerous peer-reviewed scientific papers and has addressed more than 125 organizations in the United States and abroad. ♦

Russell J. Stratton Named Dean of OU College of Dentistry



Russell J. Stratton,
DDS, MS

Dr. Russell J. Stratton, a member of the American College of Prosthodontists, has been named Dean of the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry.

Dr. Stratton was initially appointed as Dean of the College of Dentistry for a two-year period in January 1988.

His appointment was later twice extended for a total of eighteen months. Dr. Stratton assumed formal leadership of the College of Dentistry on April 4, 1991. He had previously served from 1977 to 1988 as Associate Professor and Professor of Removable Prosthodontics in the OU College of Dentistry. He was awarded tenure in 1983, and served as Chairman of the Department of Removable Prosthodontics from 1985-88.

Dr. Stratton received his D.D.S. degree from Washington University School of Dental Medicine in St. Louis and an M.S. in oral biology from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He earned a certificate in prosthodontics from the Naval Graduate Dental School, National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland.

A founding member of the Oklahoma Section, American College of Prosthodontists, Dr. Stratton is also a fellow in the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists. He is active in the American Dental Association and the American Association of Dental Schools.

Throughout his dental career, Dr. Stratton has emphasized the prosthodontic services associated with direct patient care. He has published numerous peer-reviewed scientific papers and co-authored two textbooks. ♦

In Memoriam

Dr. Kurt George Biederman - June 1, 1990
Associate
Parris Island, South Carolina

Dr. Gustave J. Perdigon - November 11, 1990
Life Fellow
Tampa, Florida

Dr. Jerry Nathaniel Davis - March 1, 1991
Associate
Las Vegas, Nevada

Dr. Arthur Roy Frechette

Dr. Arthur R. Frechette passed away rather suddenly on November 15, 1990, soon after having retired from his position as a consultant to the Veterans Administration in the Los Angeles area. Affectionately known as "Ted", he is survived by his wife, Patricia, two daughters, Mrs. Victor Biringer and Mrs. Ted Northrup, and five grandchildren.

Dr. Frechette attended the USC College of Dentistry, graduating in 1928. He entered private practice in the Los Angeles area and continued there until 1935, at which time he entered the Navy Dental Corps, attaining the rank of Captain in 1951.

Dr. Frechette completed advanced study programs in prosthodontics at Southern California in 1943, at the Naval Dental School in 1947, and New York University in 1948. He was a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics.

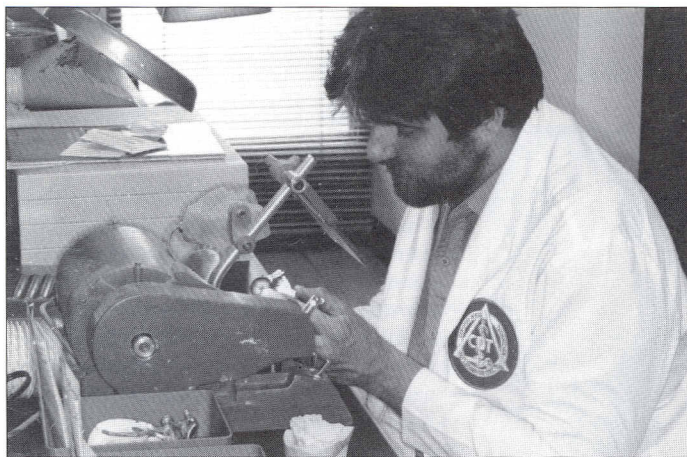
Dr. Frechette published numerous papers in professional journal, including the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry* and the *Journal of Dental Research*, and was a frequent essayist and clinician before dental societies. He was active in research of saliva and its role in denture retention, effects of extrinsic forces on denture bases as well as individual units, and stress factors affecting clasp design of partial dentures. His academic activities included Director of the Navy Postgraduate Program, the Navy Residency in Prosthodontics, and Navy continuing education programs in dentistry. Military assignments included service as Deputy Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Department of the Navy, and Commanding Officer of the Naval Dental School in Bethesda, Maryland.

After retiring from the Navy in 1965, he accepted the position of Secretary/Treasurer of the American Association for Dental Research and International Association for Dental Research. As a full-time administrator he made significant contributions in increasing membership of both organizations and true internationalization of the IADR. He retired in 1977 from that organization.

Dr. Frechette was a Life Fellow in the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Frechette was a much respected and admired individual. ♦

ACP Encourages Members to Use Certified Laboratories and Technicians

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Mr. Orville Colby, Chief, Removable Department at Capitol Dental Lab Inc., Milwaukee, WI believes that the certification process for both technicians and laboratories is an essential step in maintaining high quality service.

There is an annual Continuing Education requirement not unlike that for renewal of state dental licenses. The NADL is structured like most national dental organizations—regional, state, and local components, all of which sponsor quality programs offering C.E. credits.

The Certified Dental Laboratory (CDL) program has been in effect since 1979 and arose from a need to define and recognize minimal standards for laboratories. The certification process includes establishment and enforcement of standards for:

1. the physical facility
2. equipment to fabricate a prosthesis
3. infection control processes
4. employee safety
5. the competency level of supervisory personnel.

It is the position of the NADL that the CDL program does not guarantee the efficacy or acceptability of prostheses fabricated in these laboratories. Experience has shown, however, that laboratories which submit to voluntary certification are at the forefront of their profession.

The NADL has established the CDL Board of Trustees, which administers and monitors the program. As part of their charge, a Standards Manual is published and updated annually. This manual defines specific criteria for a Certified Dental Laboratory. Once a laboratory has declared a specific area of expertise (fixed, removable, orthodontics, etc.) they must meet certain physical requirements; examples being location of oxygen and propane tanks, ovens, evacuation systems, boil-out and packing areas, ventilation, etc.

Standards are also defined for infection control—disinfecting prostheses and appliances before they leave the laboratory, and control of cross contamination (ex: pumice stations). These standards also assure that minimal safety standards are met for laboratory employees.

Once a laboratory has met these minimum standards, they must be documented photographically and are subject to on-site inspections by NADL representatives.

As regards competency levels in CDL's, it is required that there be one Certified Dental Technician for every fifteen technicians (within a department in the case of full-service laboratories). Most CDL's sponsor regular, in-house training programs for employees, although this is not a specified requirement of the program.

It is noteworthy that the CDT and CDT programs are totally voluntary and therefore represent an attempt by the dental laboratory profession to enhance the quality of its component organizations and individuals. These programs are growing as they gain the recognition they so richly deserve.

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The areas of specialization are complete dentures, removable partial dentures, fixed prosthodontics, ceramics, and orthodontics.
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In this day and age of litigation and accountability, the credentials gained by these individuals is of obvious benefit. Another growing issue, that of dental laboratory regulation, is being reviewed by many state dental societies as well as legislators. It is important to note that many of the bills and resolutions introduced on this topic have directly risen out of the efforts of laboratory organizations—another example of technicians attempting to regulate themselves by improving quality and

education. Many of these resolutions base regulation on existing CDT and CDL standards.

The Executive Council of our College has recognized the validity of these programs and has adopted a resolution encouraging members to utilize Certified laboratories and technicians and to encourage non-certified laboratories to attain that recognition. The NADL has published a current list of Certified Laboratories which is available free of charge to College members. To obtain a copy of this list, contact Mrs. Sandra Stewart, National Association of Dental Laboratories, 3801 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22305 (703) 683-5263.

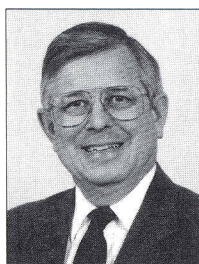
These individuals and laboratories have provided much self-motivated effort in these endeavors, and are worthy of our support. ♦

Terry L. Eggleston, DDS

Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on Dental Laboratory Service



College Highly Visible at Annual Dental Schools Meeting



Richard A. Hesby, DDS, MSD, Elected Chairman, Fixed Prosthodontic Section AADS

The American College of Prosthodontists was well represented at the 1991 meeting of the American Association of Dental Schools (AADS). In addition to participating in many of the educational programs at the meeting, several ACP members were elected to serve as section officers. For the Fixed

Prosthodontics Section:

Dr. Richard Hesby as Chairman and Dr. Robert Saporito as Secretary. For the Removable Prosthodontics Section: Dr. James Ryan as Chairman, Dr. Arthur Nimmo as Chairman-Elect, and Dr. Richard R. Seals, Jr., as Secretary. Dr. Saporito also advanced to the position of Chairman of the Clinic Administration Section.

Abstracts of educational research or new programs presented by College members included: Dr. Robert Saporito presented two abstracts evaluating the effect of a comprehensive care program on patient care and student activity, Dr. James Clancy presented an abstract about diagnosis and treatment provided by dental students, Dr. Larry Breeding was a co-author for an abstract on patient records, and Dr. Louis DePaola reported on infectious disease screening.

The Sections Meeting have long been an important component of the annual meeting. Scientific presentations are made on current topics in dental education. The following ACP members served as moderators for the section meetings. Dr. Richard Hesby moderated "Licensure and Credentialing," Dr. Robert

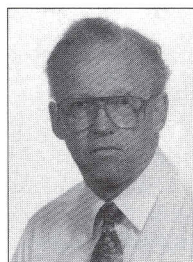
Saporito moderated "Comprehensive Care and General Dentistry and Clinic Administration," and Dr. James Ryan moderated "Information Technology (computers) in the Teaching of Removable Prosthodontics." Drs. Francis Panno, Henry Bianco, and Frank Wiebelt participated as panelists in section meetings. Dr. Panno spoke on comprehensive patient care, Dr. Bianco on clinical simulation, and Dr. Wiebelt on computer generated RPD design.

Educational exhibits, where dental schools share ideas for new teaching programs, were manned by Drs. Robert Staffanou, James Clancy, Lawrence Gettleman, and Dorsey Moore.

The 1992 Annual AADS meeting will be held in Boston, Massachusetts from March 8-11, 1992. The section topics for this meeting will be implantology in the dental curriculum for the Fixed Prosthodontics Section and the integration of geriatric concepts in the prosthodontic curriculum for the Removable Prosthodontics Section.

ACP members seeking information concerning the 1992 AADS meeting should contact: Christine Shattuck, American Association of Dental Schools, 1625 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Suite 502, Washington, D.C. 20036. ♦

*Arthur Nimmo, DDS
Chairman, Education and
Advancement Committee*



James E. Ryan, DDS, MSc, Elected Chairman, Removable Prosthodontic Section AADS

New Recommendations for Prevention of Bacterial Endocarditis

The American Heart Association (AHA) published revised recommendations for antibiotic prophylaxis in patients at risk of bacterial endocarditis in the December 12, 1990, issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (JAMA). This article explains the rationale for revising the recommendations. It also lists selected cardiac conditions and selected dental or surgical procedures for which antibiotic prophylaxis is indicated. Standard and alternate prophylactic regimens for dental and oral procedures are reported in detailed.

The citation for the publication is: Dajani et al. Prevention of Bacterial Endocarditis. Recommendations by the American Heart Association. *JAMA*. 1990;264:2919-2922.

A reprint of this publication can be obtained by contacting:

Office of Scientific Affairs
American Heart Association
7320 Greenville Avenue
Dallas, TX 75231

The Council on Dental Therapeutics of the American Dental Association has approved these recommendations as they relate to dentistry. A thorough review and interpretation of these recommendations by the Council is contained in the *Journal of the American Dental Association*, February 1991, Volume 122, Pages 87-91. ♦

Cassettes Available from Dental Geriatric Conference

Audio recordings of the 9th Annual Fall Conference on Dental Geriatrics co-sponsored by the American College of Prosthodontists are available from Teach-Em Inc. This two-day conference was held in September 1990. Individual tapes can be purchased or a complete collection from the Conference. For an order form please contact the follow:

Teach-Em Inc.
160 E. Illinois St.
Chicago, IL 60611
1-800-225-3775

Future Annual Sessions of the ACP

1991, November 7-10

JOHN ASCUAGA'S NUGGET, Reno, Nevada

1992, November 5-8

HYATT REGENCY, Tampa, Florida

1993, October 28-31

WYNDHAM, Palm Springs, California

1994, November 3-6

HYATT REGENCY, New Orleans, Louisiana

1995, October 19-22

HYATT REGENCY CRYSTAL CITY,
Washington, DC

1996, October 3-6

HYATT REGENCY CROWN CENTER,
Kansas City, Missouri



Executive Council Seeks Nominations for Board Examiner

August 15, 1991 is the deadline date for submission of College nominees for membership on the American Board of Prosthodontics. Any five College members, three of whom must be Fellows, may submit a nomination. An official nomination includes:

1. The nominee's curriculum vitae,
2. A letter documenting that the nominee fulfills the criteria for membership on the Board, and
3. A letter from the nominee indicating a desire to serve as a Board member.

These documents should be submitted by the nominating panel to the Central Office and postmarked no later than August 15, 1991. A copy of the "Criteria for Selection of Nominees for Election to the American Board of Prosthodontics" and general information concerning the Board, is available from the ACP Central Office.

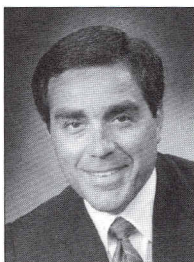
The ACP Nominating Committee will independently evaluate the nominations. A rank order will be generated and the chairman of the committee will forward this listing along with supporting documents to the Executive Council for consideration. The Council will select a candidate and place their name in front of the membership for approval at the annual business meeting in November 1991. The Secretary of the ACP will forward this nomination to the FPO/ACP Council for the Affairs of the American Board of Prosthodontics. This Council will select two or more nominees and distribute ballots to all diplomates during March 1992.

The specific Board position for which nominations are being requested is that of Dr. Robert M. Morrow. The new board member will be elected in 1992 and will begin serving in September 1993.

For further information or details concerning the nomination process please contact the Chairman of the ACP Nominating Committee:

John B. Holmes, DDS, MEd.
Chairman, Nominating Committee
American College of Prosthodontists
279 Sandringham North
Moraga, CA 94556
415-376-9470

Progress Report on the ACP Journal



*Cosmo V. DeSteno,
DMD, Ph.D.*

The ad hoc committee to implement the Journal of the American College of Prosthodontists, chaired by Dr. Cosmo DeSteno has met with publishing and advertising agencies to discuss the production of a College Journal. Dr. DeSteno has announced that the ACP Journal will be a quarterly publication with full color capabilities. Details were presented to the Executive Council at their June meeting. Actions on the motions introduced are expected to be released before the Annual Session. Other members of the Committee include Dr. Kenneth Stewart, Dr. Noel Wilkie, and Dr. David Schwab. ♦

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Brochure Reprinted to Keep Pace with Demand

Demand for the New "What is a Prosthodontist?" brochure has been so strong that the College has ordered reprints.

So far, over 32,000 brochures have been purchased by members, and orders are still being taken.

The creative concept, copy writing, and overall project supervision were the responsibility of ACP Executive Director David Schwab, Ph.D.

An outside design firm provided the graphics; the cover photo was obtained from a company specializing in stock photography.

The entire project was approved at several points by the ACP Executive Council.

The "What is a Prosthodontist?" brochure is available to members and institutions to explain the scope of the specialty of prosthodontics to a lay audience.

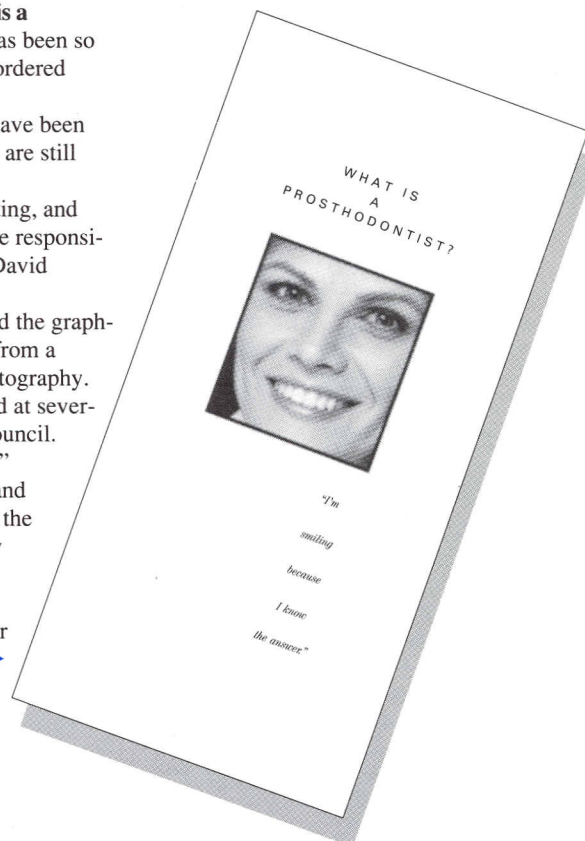
Members may call the San Antonio office at 512-829-7236 for a free sample and an order form. ♦

Bring a guest to the Annual Session in Reno.

For information contact the ACP Central Office,
512-829-7236.

TMD Insurance Codes Available from Central Office

The Ad Hoc Committee on Temporomandibular Joint Disorder has assembled a complete listing of TMD related insurance codes. A copy of this listing is available by contacting the Central Office of the ACP. ♦



ACP Education Foundation Announces Scholarship Program

The American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation will award four scholarships this year to students entering accredited advanced dental education programs in prosthodontics.

"We want to defray some of the cost by providing financial aid to selected dental students who have an interest in pursuing specialty training in prosthodontics."

According to Dr. Stephen F. Bergen, immediate past president, the Foundation will award four scholarships of \$2,500 each to selected students based on merit.

"The Foundation recognizes that specialty education in dentistry is expensive," Dr. Bergen said. "We want to defray some of the cost by providing financial aid to selected dental students who have an interest in pursuing specialty training in prosthodontics."

To be eligible for a scholarship, students must be graduates of an accredited dental school in the United States or Canada. The applicants must also demonstrate that they have been accepted for admission as first-year students in an accredited, dental-school based advanced dental education program in prosthodontics in the United States.

Students accepted into stipend-based programs sponsored by the military, the Veterans Administration, or hospitals are not eligible to apply for these funds.

Applications for these scholarships will be available after June 1, 1991. Dental school seniors who have been accepted to dental-school based prosthodontic programs may request applications by writing to the American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation, 1777 N.E. Loop 410, Suite 904, San Antonio, TX 78217, or by calling 512-829-7236. ♦

Auction Procedures Streamlined

The idea of conducting a silent, mail auction was well received by the members, and participation was very high. There were some nagging problems, however, related to companies that were not responsive to repeated requests to send merchandise to winners, and members who changed their minds and decided they did not want the items they had bid on and won.

In the end, the auction generated a great deal of interest on the part of the manufacturers and the members, but the entire process unfolded too slowly, giving some people time to change their minds.

To build on the success and lessons of the 1990 auction, a modified system will be used in 1991. Lauren Lapin has graciously agreed to use the database she created last year (as well as an updated list of manufacturers provided to her) to solicit contributions from her home near Chicago under the direction of ACPEF Executive Director David Schwab. Lauren is a former manager at the ADA, where she worked for Dr. Schwab. The manufacturers will be asked to send the items to San Antonio by August 16.

The Foundation will finalize the bid sheets and mail them to all members in early September. The bid sheets will include only merchandise that has already been received in San Antonio.

The Foundation will request members to submit bids that are postmarked no later than October 11. The Foundation will also inform members in a cover letter sent with the bid sheets that all merchandise will be shipped via UPS on December 2, 1991.

Staff at the San Antonio office will put mailing labels on the boxes and call UPS for a pick up on that date. Also included with the merchandise will be an invoice for the total amount of money each winner owes the Foundation for his or her winnings. In this way, everyone will have the merchandise and a bill by the end of the first week in December.

These procedures should build on the strengths of last year's pilot program and improve the entire process by ensuring that all goods will be sent to the winners at the beginning of December. ♦

Corporate Donations Solicited

The Foundation recently sent out a mailing to 570 dental manufacturers requesting donations.

The mailing consisted of a cover letter from president Dr. Thomas J. Balshi and a corporate contribution card with suggested levels of support ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

In his letter Dr. Balshi highlighted the John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition, the Essay Award, the Scholarship Program as examples of the Foundation's commitment to strengthening the specialty of prosthodontics.

If any members have contacts in the corporate world who may be willing to donate funds to the Foundation, they should contact David Schwab, Ph.D. at 708-866-7270.

All significant contributions to the Foundation from corporate sponsors will be acknowledged in future issues of *The ACP Messenger*. ♦

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Should the American College of Prosthodontists require its members to belong to the American Dental Association?

An unequivocal YES!!

The American Dental Association and its constituents do so much for us and our profession that it is difficult to tell the story succinctly, but let's try. When we apply for entrance to dental school we take a Dental Aptitude Test. We attend accredited schools. Both are major functions of the ADA.

Who has led the profession so successfully that we are either the most respected or one of the most respected professions? Who has led the way as a proponent of research and preventive programs that have led to our respected status?

And who represents us in our state and national legislative halls? And who has represented us with OSHA, EPA, and the other alphabet agencies so well that reason has been brought to proposed infection control and environmental regulations?

And who brings us news of impending regulations, various attempted assaults on our professional integrity? And who leads us in repelling these assaults? And who publishes and distributes this information?

Not to mention other publications, retirement programs, endorsed programs, testing of materials in cooperation with the Bureau of Standards, and on and on!

Ask not what your profession can do for you but what you can do for your profession. If you consider yourself a professional, then recognize that the American Dental Association is the group most responsible for making you a professional and membership is a professional responsibility.

This testimonial comes from a Charter Member of the American College of Prosthodontists and a long-time advocate and supporter of organized dentistry.

*John B. Sowter, DDS
Raleigh, North Carolina*

No, the American College of Prosthodontists should not require membership in the ADA. Most other principal dental organizations like AAO and AGD require ADA membership in order to "join" the organization. None, however, require continued ADA membership in order to "maintain" their specialty-group membership.

In the long run it's better that a dentist belong to at least one dental organization than none. Further, attorneys have advised the ADA and other groups that continuous ADA membership requirements might put an organization on slippery legal ground.

I believe strongly in the ADA and find the benefits received worth far, far more than the twelve dollars per week dues. But if other dentists don't want to belong to the ADA, then the ACP shouldn't force them into joining. Unwilling, begrudged ADA members would just be dead weight.

*Robert B. Stevenson, DDS, MS
Columbus, Ohio*

At the request of the Editor of The ACP Messenger, the American Dental Association was asked for an official comment.

Dear Editor-in-Chief *The ACP Messenger*:

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to your Point/CounterPoint on requiring ADA membership to join the American College of Prosthodontists.

Before I address the actual membership requirement, I offer a gentle reminder that organized dentistry works for you - the prosthodontist - every day as a partner in protecting the health of your patients and the profession to which you have given so much of your personal commitment. It is only with membership support that organized dentistry can impact the future of your profession.

Specifically, prosthodontists represent an important membership segment to the American Dental Association. Almost 79% of prosthodontists are ADA members who give voice to your concerns at the national level. The ADA is active in several areas that affect you. The Department of State Government Affairs has been consistently successful in combatting denturism initiatives at the state level. This success comes at a time when the advocacy of consumer groups is highly visible to state legislators. The ADA has nurtured proactive relationships with national dental laboratory associations, and encouraged denture identification laws, to better meet your needs and the needs of the patients you serve.

The list of ADA member benefits is a long one. As a member, you are invited to enjoy programs and services such as Contract Analysis, specialty marketing and practice management assistance, life insurance, retirement plans, home mortgage support and the ADA News. Perhaps you are aware that the ADA has taken active steps against intrusive office visitations by OSHA inspectors, and that the ADA is challenging the reporting requirements imposed by the National Practitioners' Data Bank to ensure

the viability of the peer review process. These services and programs touch the hearts of your daily practice, and could not be effective without member support.

As to the ADA membership requirement itself, many dental organizations require that their members have joined the ADA. Examples are the American Academy of Periodontology, the American Association of Endodontists, the American Association of Orthodontists, the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, the Academy of General Dentistry, the American Association of Women Dentists, the American Society of Retired Dentists, and many others with special focus. These organizations have come forward as visible supporters of organized dentistry. The problems dentistry faces are diverse and often complex, and may be best confronted at the local, state, or national level. The ADA tripartite structure is set up to most efficiently represent you where the problems arise.

I congratulate the American College of Prosthodontists for examining the merits of a proposed ADA membership requirement. A bylaws requirement will frame a commitment to the profession that your own members have already made.

I salute the College for encouraging dialogue. Best wishes for continued success.

*Patricia M. Newton
Director, Dental Society Services,
American Dental Association*

The Question:

Should prosthodontic specialty training programs be expanded to three years?

College members prepared to respond to the question posed, should submit a position statement not to exceed 250 words, by August 12, 1991. Please include your name and address with submission, and mail to

Point/CounterPoint,
c/o Patrick M. Lloyd, DDS, MS.,
Editor-in-Chief, *The ACP Messenger*,
5000 West National Avenue (11G),
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53295.

PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

New York - Prosthodontic practice for sale, upstate New York. 3 operatories, with large labs and room for expansion. \$200,000 plus gross on three day week and satellite practice. Reasonably priced, owner is relocating. Contact: Prosthodontist, Box 25251, Alexandria, VA 22313.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Virginia - Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry is actively seeking qualified applicants for a full-time, tenure track faculty position in the Department of Removable Prosthodontics. Rank and salary commensurate with training and experience. Responsibilities include preclinical laboratory, clinical, didactic course teaching. Experience working in a culturally diverse setting is highly preferred. Clinical experience in all areas of Prosthodontics is desired, with preference given to individuals with teaching and research experience. An active interest in research is highly desirable. Must have a D.D.S. or D.M.D. from an accredited U.S. Dental School, with advanced education in prosthodontics. Board eligibility or certification preferred; must be eligible for State of Virginia license. Participation in intramural practice available. Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Review of applicants will commence August 1, 1991 and will continue until the position is filled. Please send resume/curriculum vitae for position #F5910 to Dr. John W. Unger, Chairman, Department of Removable Prosthodontics, Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University, Box 566 - MCV Station, Richmond, VA 23298-0566.

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Sponsored by:

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February 22-26, 1992

Whistler, British Columbia (Ski Resort)

Presenters:

Thomas Balshi, DDS

Stephen Parel, DDS

Robert A. Jaffin, DMD

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The American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics will offer a half-day course on obtaining financial reimbursement for maxillofacial prosthetic services. To be given on November 6, 1991 from 12:30 - 5:00 p.m., this course will cover incorporating a maxillofacial prosthetic patient into a general prosthetic practice. It will review various agencies that cover maxillofacial prosthetic treatment such as Medicare, Medicaid, private carriers, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Prudential, Traveler's and other agencies — VOC - Rehab., Workman's Comp., HMO's. Methods and strategies will be presented that have been successful in both private practice institutions in obtaining financial reimbursement for maxillofacial prosthetic treatment.

This will be a limited attendance program so early registration is advised. Please contact Dr. Carl Andres, Department of Prosthodontics, Indiana University, School of Dentistry, 1121 West Michigan Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202. ♦

NIH Holds Dental Biomaterials Meeting

The latest scientific and clinical research on the controversial subject to dental biomaterials will be discussed at a three-day conference sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) beginning August 26 at the NIH campus in Bethesda, Maryland. The meeting is one of five 1991 Consensus Development Conferences.

Focus will be on the most frequently used dental filling materials and will emphasize the risks and the benefits of amalgam, according to Joyce Reese, DDS, MPH, NIH health sciences administrator in an interview in *Dental Management*.

Specialists will present findings on the safety and severity of restorative materials to an independent panel of dental practitioners and researchers; all conference attendees may participate. Based on the presentations and discussions, the panel will develop research recommendations and a consensus statement to be read at the meeting.

For information, contact NIH Office of Medical Applications of Research, 5333 Westbard Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892; 301-496-1143. ♦

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Contact: Dr. Brian Kucey, Secretary/Treasurer, 273 Bonnie Doon Prof. Bldg., 82nd Ave. & 83rd St., Edmonton, Alberta T6C 4E3
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Contact: Dr. Howard J. Harvey, Executive Director, APS Central Office, 919 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611
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