

 S3.2 Million in Pledges and Growing...

 The New Vision Campaign

On Friday night, November 2, 2001, the world of prosthodontics took an unprecedented leap forward during the ACP Presidential Installation Reception during the ACP Annual Session in New Orleans. The New Vision Campaign officially got under way with the announcement of several major corporate pledges. Member and guests alike were overwhelmed with the success of the initial gifts. Many people missed their dinner reservations as the excitement made it too difficult to leave the reception before each additional pledge was announced and recognized.

The thrill of watching companies such as Ivoclar Vivadent and Brasseler make \$500,000 pledges set the stage for companies like Nobel Biocare -\$250,000; Procter and Gamble - \$300,000;

3 I - \$150,000; Straumann - \$150,000; Dentsply -

\$100,000; The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics - \$100,000; DEL LABS Corporation - \$100,000 and Ka Vo - \$100,000 to present their checks to the Colleges' Education Foundation. In addition, the announcement of Sulzer Dental's commitment of \$150,000 ignited the enthusiasm even more.

Other founding donors included such companies as 3M, Quintessence Publishing, Whip Mix and The Northeast Gnathological Society helped set the stage to announce a new goal of \$4.5 million by this year's annual session. No one ever thought this kind of success was possible, but due to the foresight, leadership and commitment of our founding donors, the ACP now has critical mass. The ACPEF can start to make a difference in the critical areas of graduate student recruitment, faculty development and retention and public awareness of the benefits of the specialty of prosthodontics.

Please take every opportunity you have to personally thank each of our founding donors. Some additional good news for those members who could not make it to New Orleans, this reception was recorded and an edited version of this spectacular evening will be available in the near future!

If you have a personal contact at a company that would enable the ACPEF Steering Committee to make a presentation, please let Dr. Tom McGarry or Dr. Jonathan Ferencz know. Most every gift is based on a prior relationship with a member so let us know whom we should contact so that we can achieve our new goal of \$4.5 million by next year's meeting in Orlando.

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**O** notwember 2 in New Orleans, I ascended to the position of Sident of the American College of Prosthodontists (A). Clearly, this is the epitome of my academic and professional career in Prosthodontics, and I am incredibly proud to serve in this capacity during the coming year, as are all the elected members of the officers group and Board of Directors of the College. I again extend a very special thanks to Dr. Tom McGarry, immediate past-president, for his incredible year in office. As you may or may not be aware, Tom not only kick-started our ACP Education Foundation (ACPEF), which raised over \$3.2 million during the past year, but he has also assumed the position of Chair of the ACPEF Board of Directors,

where we are confident of his energy and ability to raise the remaining balance during our five year, \$4.5 million fund raising New Vision Campaign. Tom, thanks for a great year, and keep up the good work!

Fund raising is critical to the future growth of the specialty, but so are other issues that we continue to face. One such issue relates to our residency programs in Prosthodontics. Within two days of the conclusion of the annual session, I was contacted by two individuals who were very concerned about the closing of the Graduate Program in Prosthodontics at University of Missouri-Kansas City, and the potential closure of the program at the University of Louisville. As President, I immediately undertook an extensive letter writing campaign to the deans of both institutions, describing in detail what the potential ramifications were for the proposed closures of these programs. These ramifications include a lack of future Prosthodontists for their states to meet the projected increased needs for rehabilitative care for the edentulous and partially dentate, ever-aging populations, along with the impact of how these closures might directly impact

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Dr. David A. Felton, ACP President

their other closely allied graduate programs, notably Periodontics and Endodontics, along with their various GPR and AEGD programs. I also wrote compelling letters to the Chairs of these other specialty programs at the two schools and to the Graduate Prosthodontic alumni at the U of L program (I am awaiting a list of alumni from UMKC), encouraging them to contact their deans and express their concerns. I even offered to visit the two schools and meet with the deans face-to-face to discuss options for continuing the programs. These letters were sent out the first week in December. As of the date of this writing (January 9, 2002), I haven't received a response from either dean. As Theodore Roosevelt once commented, "the most difficult thing in the world to change is the mind of a university professor"; perhaps, Teddy never had to persuade those in higher

academic administrative positions. Both the UMKC and the U of L programs have a long and distinguished history of providing quality specialists to their communities and states, and I feel both programs will be sorely missed.

In an era where many dental institutions are facing severe budgetary cutbacks, I can only hope that the trend to cut graduate education programs is a fleeting one, and that academic deans will carefully weigh the need for future Specialty educators, and highly skilled health care providers of extensive prosthodontic services, before making such drastic decisions.

In a previous *Messenger* article, you were enlightened as to how the significant decreases in applicants in general, and a proportionate increase in international residents to our graduate programs in Prosthodontics can lead to fewer potential members for the ACP, to a lower pool of applicants *Continues on page 11* 

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# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE**



t the November 2002 Annual Session, the House of Delegates approved the creation of a Certified Dental Technician Alliance within the American College of Prosthodonitsts. This alliance recognizes the importance of the partnership between the prosthodontist and the dental technician in providing excellent

patient care and results.

We believe the alliance will offer the dental technician an opportunity to remain current in issues affecting the specialty through *The Messenger* and *Journal of Prosthodontics;* to develop cutting edge continuing education through the ACP Annual Session and other programs; and to have an effective voice within dentistry.

Alliance Technicians must be certified by the National Board for Certification of the National Association of Dental Laboratories and be sponsored by a member in good standing of the ACP. Annual dues for the Alliance are \$200.

Dr. Larry West, Chair of the ACP Dental Lab Committee, has already nominated his brother, Kerry West, to be the first ACP Alliance Technician. Many of our members are not only sponsoring a technician but also paying the dues for them. This is a great way to demonstrate your appreciation to a valuable member of your prosthodontic team.

For more information or an application, please contact our Membership Services Coordinator, chelle Martin at (312) 573-1260, x14.

Another issue that surfaced during the HOD Reference Committee considering the 2002 ACP budget was the office lease for our headquarters. During a planning meeting last fall, Dr. Dave Felton and I addressed the crowded condition of our current office and the inability to grow in our current space. We toured the various open spaces within the ADA building so we would have a reference for future needs.

In September, the ADA approached us and asked us to consider moving to one of the larger spaces they had shown us. They are in the process of rehabbing several floors of their space and needed to move a small department who would fit nicely into our space. After much negotiation, they offered to move us into space on the seventh floor which is about 50%

# Editor's Message

**DR. JONATHAN L. FERENCZ** 

# "We Are Family"

The terrorist attacks in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania was a catastrophic event that took place some five months ago, yet the earth-shattering effects that each of us has felt as a result still exists quite prominently today.

Whether we realize it or not, most of us have experienced some kind of feelings of fear, anger and sadness. Many of us have dealt with the trauma by immersing ourselves in our work in an effort to regain some sense of normalcy, while at the same time remaining mesmerized at reading or watching the news. Others have dealt with the ordeal by gathering close to family and friends and wanting to stay near to home. It was not a matter of being safer at home than in mid-town Manhattan—the location of my practice. Most of us agreed that there was no place where one could truly feel safe, yet some of my staff and patients just wanted to be at home with their spouses and children.

This is a time when the closeness of family seemed to be critically important. New Yorkers who were traveling at the time of the attacks desperately wanted to be at home. Surely they did not miss the dangers New York was facing, but they wanted to be with family and friends and felt uncomfortable not being with them during the most significant crisis experienced our great city.

Fortu-ately, the ACP Annual Session was scheduled to take place in New Orleans in late November. Other organization folding meetings close to September 11 have felt the effects of the attacks, as many meetings were cancelled and others had very meager participation.

Our meeting, on the other hand, was a great success. All the scheduled speakers arrived, lecture rooms were filled nearly to capacity, and the social events were well attended. Perhaps our members also felt the importance of returning to normal, or merely wanted to be with their professional family. The prosthodontic family is one of our greatest strengths as a specialty and as a specialty organization. When we attend a national

Winter:

meeting such as ours it is readily apparent that our members truly enjoy each other's company. The relationship between a member and his or her teachers and students is analogous to family.

Prosthodontics is a small specialty relative to Oral Surgery or Orthodontics. Sometimes we view that as a liability, but perhaps an experience such as September 11 points out that our small numbers might well be an asset. Throughout my week-long stay in New Orleans numerous colleagues asked how things were in New York. Were things back to normal? Did I lose any family, friends or patients? This sense of connection and family was incredibly important to me. The more I thought about it, the more I realized that our small size was like a family. The number of people around the country who became "New Yorkers" during our time of need was extraordinarily comforting.

Bringing our family together is the goal for this coming year of the officers, directors and staff of the ACP. As a small specialty organization, establishing a goal of 100% membership is critically important. We must communicate the benefits of membership, the accomplishments of our organization and the true value of expanding our "family" to include all prosthodontists.

During the week-long prosthodontic meetings in Chicago in Februa he ACP Board of Directors will hold a phone-athon to reach out to prosthodontists who have never been members of the College as well as those who have let their embership lapse. Every attempt will hade to market the value of belonging to the College, the benefits every member receives as well as the importance of each member's participation. We are exploring innovative approaches to increase our "market share" amongst our specialty.

Do you have a colleague, classmate or former student who is not a member of the College? Reach out, communicate the value of membership and bring someone back into our family. We need them and they need us.

larger than our current space and charge only the same rent we are currently paying for the first year.

At the time of the HOD meeting we were seriously considering this offer. However after further deliberation we determined that the location and terms were not in our long-term interest and made the decision to finish out the remaining three years of our current lease. We may need to make some minor changes to handle the space requirements of our Foundation.

As you will read in this edition, the 2001 ACP Annual Session was a tremendous success. Considering the post September travel climate, our attendance was outstanding and the successful announcement of the ACPEF New Vision Campaign created an atmosphere of great excitement. To those of you who were there, thank you. To those who could not attend, see you in Orlando!

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**Messenger Schedule** 

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# **OBITUARY**

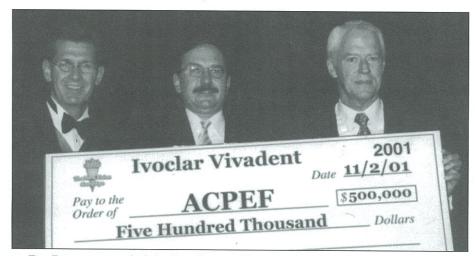
**Dr. Allan W. Estey**, 56, an officer and true gentleman, passed away unexpectedly leaving behind his wife, Vivian, three sons, Warren and his wife Linda, Ethan, and Matthew, his parents Melvyn and Anna Helen, brother Melvyn and sister Marsha. We give thanks for the presence of Al Estey in our lives. His life was a blessing as a husband, father and son. He earned the respect of his colleagues, was a patient mentor to his residents and a healer to his patients. He served his country as an armor officer in Vietnam and his fellow veterans at the VA Hospital in Houston. He touched our lives with his grace, generous spirit and compassionate soul. Burial was on December 14<sup>th</sup> with full military honors. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be sent to the Dr. Allan W. Estey Memorial Fund at: Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center, PO Box 697, Breckenridge, CO 80424. Dr. Estey was a member of the ACP.

# Reliving an Historic Moment (con't from pg. 1 cover story)

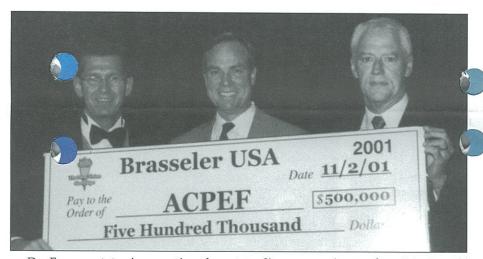
Campaign Co-Chairs Mr. Robert Ganley, Ivoclar Vivadent-NA CEO and Dr. Jonathan Ferencz, President-Elect of the ACP in addition to Dr. Thomas McGarry, Chair of the ACP Education Foundation utilized the ACP 2001 Annual Meeting to launch the corporate phase of the capital campaign undertaken by the ACP Education Foundation (ACPEF) Board of Trustees.

*The New Vision Campaign* has produced remarkable early results raising \$3.2 million towards an aggressive \$4.5 million challenge goal. The early generous support of corporate partners, campaign committee and board members as well as other prosthodontic organizations has brightened our expectation for achieving our higher goal.

In particular, our early results reflect the invaluable commitment by our *Chairman's Leadership Circle* donors - Ivoclar Vivadent and Brasseler USA - to the vital mission of the ACP Education Foundation.

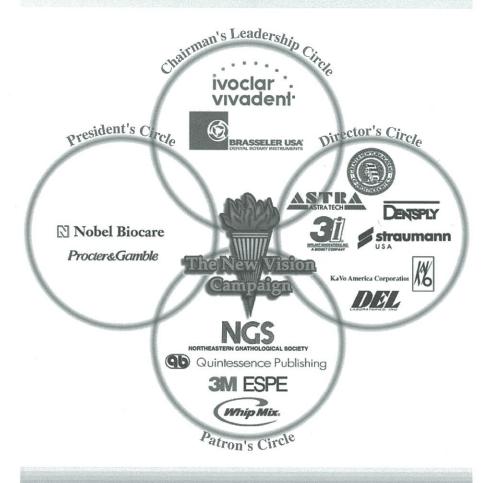


Dr. Ferencz remarked during the introduction of Ivoclar Vivadent's Dr. George Tysowsky, Senior Vice-President of Technology, "to a very special investment from a market leader that has set the standard for most everyone else in the industry, and a consistent ACP supporter, we offer our tremendous appreciation to Ivoclar Vivadent for their Chairman Level gift of \$500,000."



Dr. Ferencz states in accepting the extraordinary commitment from Mr. Donald Waters, President and CEO of Brasseler USA: "...among our two very exceptional Chairman Level donors is a friend who has supported our industry for more than 20 years with an incredible \$500,000 gift, Brasseler USA."

The remainder of the early corporate investors in the future of the ACPEF campaign include:



Joining investors in the Director's Circle and kicking off phase II during January is a stellar prosthodontic partner, Astra Tech. Mr. Nik Lidskog, President of Astra Tech states, "We are proud to have this opportunity to partner with so many industry leaders to promote research, education and the marketing of our industry."

This extraordinary international initiative that began in February 2001 and will conclude in November 2002 will invite ACP leaders, industry innovators, companies and members to invest in the future vision of Prosthodontics. Funds pledged over the next 5 years will position the ACPEF as the premier center for research, teaching and marketing of Prosthodontics for today and well into the future. A few of *The New Vision Campaign* advancement opportunities to enhance the Prosthodontic specialty are:

- Increase the amount of educational support for students in Prosthodontics.
- Increase funding for the support teaching of Prosthodontics.
- Enhance public awareness of Prosthodontics and prosthodontic services.

"I wanted to be a part of this because I believe that support of this bold initiative is crucial to the future of our specialty," said Dr. Gordon Christensen, Campaign Honorary Chair.

Members and supporters of the ACP will be asked to give generously to the *New Vision Campaign* throughout 2002. The active phase of the initiative to enhance Prosthodontics began in January 2002 with volunteer recruitment and pledge requests by ACP constituent divisions – manufacturers, labs, suppliers and ACP members and friends. The campaign is scheduled to conclude active solicitation in the fall of 2002 at the meeting in Orlando.

Co-Campaign Chair, Dr. Jonathan Ferencz, summarized the sentiments of the campaign committee during his final remarks during the New Orleans kick-off: "Participate not only for your future but for the future of our incredibly important and valuable specialty—the future of Prosthodontics. To truly make our vision a reality we can not rest on our laurels."

For information on how you can make a gift or for more information on *The New Vision Campaign*, please contact a member of the campaign committee, ACPEF board member or the Campaign Director Mr. Ken Marsenburg, at the ACP headquarters at (312) 573-1260, x11.



"Ivoclar Vivadent, Inc., shares with the American College of Prosthodontists a vision of the future built on a foundation of quality dentistry and supported by a dedicated, focused education program. We are proud to be a part of the New Vision Campaign and of our involvement in the American College of Prosthodontists' Education Foundation."

-Robert Ganley, President of Ivoclar Vivadent and Campaign Co-Chair

"Brasseler USA has made an investment in the future of dentistry and the dental profession by contributing to the ACP Education Foundation. We fully expect that by strengthening the profession in this way, we will all benefit—patients, practitioners and dental companies—alike. We strongly urge the dental community to support this

worthwhile effort."

-Don Walters, President of Brasseler USA

"Nobel Biocare, as the world leader in dental implants and innovative prosthetic solutions, saw the New Vision Campaign as a unique opportunity to partner with the ACP Education Foundation. Our demonstrated level of commitment to research and education mirrors the objectives of the ACPEF. I look upon this partnership as a sound investment in the future of the specialty of Prosthodontics."

-Marty Dymek, President of Nobel Biocare

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**ACP Makes History in New Orleans** 

s another year comes to a close, it would be remiss not to look back at the recently con-Cluded meeting in New Orleans, and recap the many highlights of one of the most successful annual sessions in ACP history.

The meeting was held at the Hyatt Regency in New Orleans, October 31 – November 3, 2001. The meeting offered a balanced mix of continuing education and networking opportunities for professional development to renew personal relationships, as well as the momentous announcement of \$3.2 million in pledges to the Education Foundation's New Vision Campaign at the President's Reception on Friday night (see page 4 for complete coverage).

Program highlights included:

- Dr. Thomas McGarry passing the presidential gavel to Dr. David Felton at Friday night's President's Reception. Dr. Felton proudly accepted the opportunity and privilege of serving as ACP President in 2002 (see photo above).
- The installation of the ACP 2002 Board of Directors: Drs. David Felton, President; Jonathan Ferencz, President-Elect; Nancy Arbree, Vice President; Kenneth Malament, Secretary; Richard Jones, Treasurer; Thomas McGarry, Immediate Past President; Lyndon Cooper, Education and Research Director; James Farer, Director at Large; Richard Seals, Jr., Speaker, House of Delegates; Patrick Lloyd, Editor-in-Chief; David Pfeifer, Patient and Professional Services Director; Bruce Valauri, Membership Director; Glenn Wolfinger, Public and Professional Relations Director; Ana Diaz-Arnold, Annual Session Director; and Charles Goodacre, Director at Large.
- Thursday's luncheon provided an opportunity to record ze and honor members for achieving Diplomate status and becoming board certified in Prochodontics by the American Board of Prost Units during the past year. (Photo on pg. 12)
- Just over 50 table clinics showcased the abilities of the next generation of prosthodontists. The top three presentations were (1) Dr. Kunal Lal, (2) Dr. Douglas Benting, and (3) Dr. John Chiou. (Photo on pg. 8)
- "Managing Change in Prosthodontic Education" was the topic for this year's Educators'/Mentors' Workshop held at the American College of Prosthodonbtists Annual Session in New Orleans. This year the predoctoral and the postdoctoral programs were combined to discuss current issues that pertain to all educators in the specialty of Prosthodontics.



Past President Dr. Tom McGarry passes the ACP Presidential Gavel onto to Dr. David Felton of the University of North Carolina.

The program moderators were Robert Wright and Richard Seals. The speakers included two distinguished dental school deans, Dr. William Butler and Dr. Charles Goodacre, and they discussed the future of Prosthodontic education. Dr. McGarry spoke about standardizing predoctoral curriculum, the need for the incorporation of the ACP diagnostic classification, and suggested a review of the accreditation standards. Dr. Tom Taylor reviewed the recent board examination results and discussed the board review process. Dr. Hiroshi Hirayama discussed the new accreditation guidelines and discussed his experie with a recent site visit. The workshop was a ded by over 80 educators from various dental schools, hospital and military-based programs. A luncheon for all participants was sported by Astra Tech pre-ceded the works op and Whip Mix Corporation provided the refreshments during the break.

 The ACP Board Preparation Course was held in conjunction with the ACP Annual Session in New Orleans with over 100 participants taking part in the all day course. Approximately 1/3 of the participants were repeat attendees, attesting to the importance and value of the course. Dr. Steven Eckert presented a review on Maxillofacial Prosthodontics and Dr. (COL) Geoffrey Thompson gave tips on how to prepare for the Boards as it related to Dental Materials. Dr. Chip Clayton discussed means

to make high quality photographs and slides as it related to treatment presentation while Dr. Hiroshi Hirayama demonstrated the CD-ROM Study Guide, which was distributed as part of the registration fee to the participants. Dr. Thomas Taylor and Dr. Don Culpepper represented the Amercian Board of Prosthodontics and gave the latest information and application steps to the attendees. Part I: Written Exam was discussed by Dr. Carl Driscoll and Parts II and IV were presented by new Diplomates Drs. Deborah Armellini and Steven Nelson, respectively, who presented their patient reatment and invaluable tips on preparing fors lese oral exams. The highlight of the day was a simulated mock board examination. This was demonstrated by Past Presidents of the ABP-Drs. Richard Grisius and Ron Woody. Dr. Flavio Rasetto presented a Part III patiersti. Jatment and then was questioned in Board format to better give future examinees a realistic view of the process. The Board Preparation Course will be once again offered at next year's annual meeting of the College.

Photos from the entire meeting can be found on pages 6 and 7. Stay tuned for details on next year's meeting in Orlando, which promises to be just as exciting and successful as this past year's.

# **ACPEF New Vision Campaign Committee**

Headings up this extraordinary endeavor are representatives from a broad segment of the prosthodontics industry.

Members of the ACPEF New Vision Campaign include:

Dr. Gordon J. Christensen Honorary Campaign Chair Provo, Utah

Dr. Jonathan Ferencz Campaign Co-Chair ACP President-Elect and ACPEF Vice-Chair New York, New York

Mr. Robert Ganley Campaign Co-Chair Ivoclar Vivadent, CEO Amherst, New York

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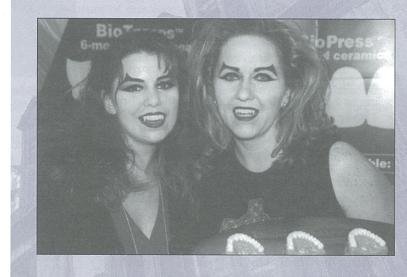
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# Scenes from the 2001 Annual Session





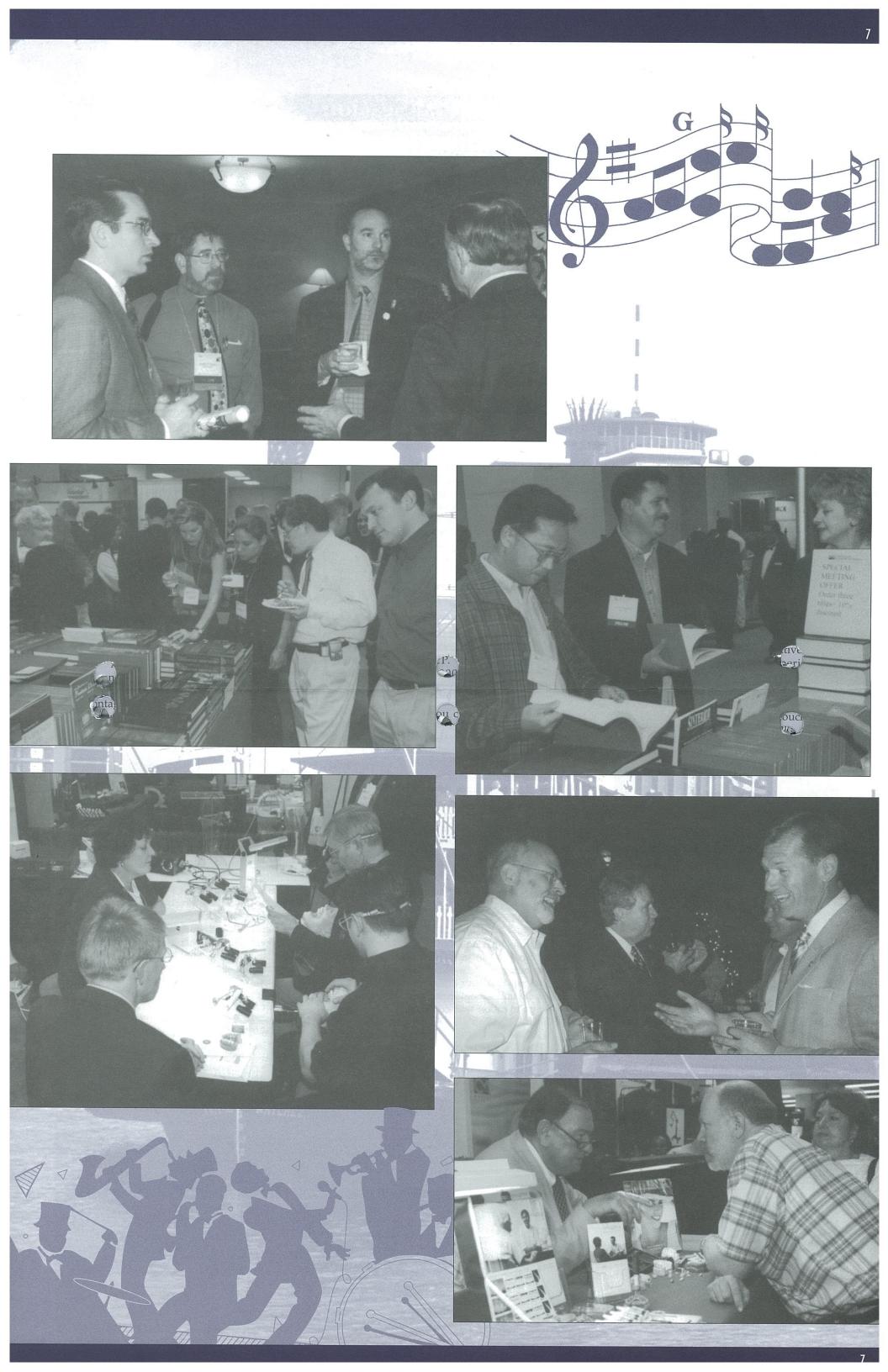












# Award Winners from the 2001 Annual Session

The ACP would like to acknowledge and offer congratulations to the following individuals for their accomplishments during this past year:



Drs. Ned Van Roekel and Lyndon Cooper with the John J. Sharry Research Competition winner, Dr. Michael J. Heffernan and mentor Dr. Steven Aquilino. Drs. Sang E. Park and Daniel Galindo finished second and third respectively.



Mr. David Graczyk, of Waterpik Technolgies, pictured with the Best of the Best Student Prosthodontic Award winner, Dr. Kuong Kov of Marquette University.



Immediate Past President Dr. Tom McGarry and 2001 Annual Session Chair Dr. Lyndon Cooper presented the CP Distinguished Lecturer Award to Dr. Stephen el.



Dr. Tom McGarry presented the ACP Dan Gordon Award to Dr. William Culpepper.



Dr. Kenneth Hilsen was awarded the ACP 2001 Distinguished Service Award.



Past president Dr. Tom McGarry and Table Clinics Chair Dr. Michael Mansueto pictured with the 2001 table clinic winners : Kunal Lal, 1<sup>st</sup> place (above); Douglas Benting, 2<sup>nd</sup> place (top right); and John Chiou, 3<sup>rd</sup> place (bottom right).





# **House of Delegates Passes a Milestone**

by Dr. Richard R. Seals, Speaker – House of Delegates

The 2001 House of Delegates meeting during the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) in New Orleans, conducted an impressive array of business. Landmark decisions were made by the House as it approved resolutions to increase the size of the ACP Board of Directors and reorganize the ACP committee structure, to change the organizational structure of the Council for the Affairs of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP) and the election process for ABP Examiners, and to establish a Certified Dental Technician Alliance.

The opening session of the House of Delegates was conducted between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 31, 2001. Fifty-four ACP members representing thirty or State Sections and the Prosthodontic Forum was certified as Delegates to the 2001 House of Delegates. During the opening session, the Delegates received reports from the ACP Officers, Execution Directors and Division Directors, as well as from representatives of the American Board of Prosthodontics, the ACP Education Foundation and the *Journal of Prosthodontics*.

Three individual reference committee meetings followed the opening session of the House of Delegates and were conducted between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. The Reference Committees on Membership, Sections & Bylaws, Education & Clinical Practice, and Finance & Administration provided forums for discussions regarding each of the resolutions to be acted upon during the closing session of the House of Delegates. These discussions allowed Delegates to thoughtfully and thoroughly consider issues confronting the ACP and to provide direction to the ACP Board of Directors and College committees.

A Sections Meeting followed lunch and was conducted from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Sections Meeting provided Delegates, Section representatives, ACP officers and staff an opportunity to focus on developing and strengthening our Sections, improvDelegates voted to establish the calendar year as the standard operating year for Sections, January 30<sup>th</sup> as the deadline for filing Section Annual Reports, February 15<sup>th</sup> as the deadline for filing the names of Section Officers/Delegates, and mandatory Section membership for College members.

Following the recommendations of Reference Committee B: Education & Clinical Practice, Delegates approved establishing a Certified Dental Technician Alliance within the ACP. Certified Dental Technician Alliance status is limited to individuals who are Certified Dental Technicians as determined by the National Board for Certification (NBC) founded by the National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL) and are sponsored by an Active Member or Fellow of the College. The Delegates decided to accept the ACP Task Force on the All election Process recommendations and approved hanging the name of the Council for the Affairs of the American Board of Prosthodontics to the Juncil for the American Board of Prosthodontics, changing the composition of the Council from nine Diplomates of the ABP to eight Diplomates reflecting the diversity of College membership, changing the length of term for Council members from three years to four years, changing the nomination process for ABP Examiners to allow names of potential candidates to be submitted by petitions signed by twenty-five Diplomates, and changing the requirement for election of a nominee from a majority of ballots received to the greatest number of votes cast (See pg. 12 for complete report).

Following the recommendations of Reference Committee C: Finance and Administration, the Delegates adopted the ACP 2002 Budget, approved a process for establishing Annual Dues and Fees, established the 2002 Dues as \$502.00 for active Members/Fellows, and \$75.00 for Students and \$200.00 for Alliance Technicians, modified the criteria for six awards offered by the ACP, and adapted corporate and legal amendments to the Bylaws as suggested by the ACP legal team.

The Speaker of the House of Delegates, Dr. Kenneth Kent, and Vice-Speaker Dr. Richard Seals want to express their appreciation to Drs. Robert Ahlstrom, Touradj Ameli, Nancy Chaffee, John Ivanhoe and Glenn Turner for serving as Chairs and Recording Secretaries for the Reference Committees. They also wish to thank Michelle Martin, Membership Services Coordinator, for her tireless efforts on the behalf of the House of Delegates throughout the year. The closing of the 2001 House of Delegates marked a milestone in the history of the ACP as the first elected Speaker of the House, Dr. Kenneth Kent, retired. The Delegates, on behalf of the entire College membership, expressed their appreciation to Dr. Kent with a prolonged standing ovation. Dr. Kenneth Kent provided the consistent, stable leadership needed to successfully move the House of Delegates through the early challenges confronting the House. The New Speaker of the House of Delegates, Dr. Richard Seals, and new Vice-Speaker, Dr. Robert Ahlstrom, look forward to working with the 2002 Delegates and all interested ACP members as the House continues to develop and expand its leadership role in providing direction for the College.



Past President Dr. Tom McGarry with the 2001 ACP President's Award recipient Dr. Harold Litvak.



Dr. Tom McGarry offers a congratulatory thank you to the 2001 Annual Session Chair, Dr. Lyndon Cooper for his hard work and dedication to this year's meeting. ing communication within the ACP and enhancing membership services. The reference committees and Sections Meeting laid the ground work for successfully completing an active business agenda during the closing session of the House of Delegates. The closing session of the House of Delegates was conducted between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Friday November 2, 2001. After receiving reference committee reports and recommendations, detailed discussion of complicating, and sometimes controversial, issues preceded action on each resolution.

Following the recommendations of Reference Committee A: Membership, Sections & Bylaws, Delegates approved the addition of an Annual Session Director and Second At-Large Director on the ACP Board of Directors. The Delegates also approved the creation of an Annual Session Division, a Graduate Student Recruitment Subcommittee in the Education and Research Division, and a Special Interest Groups Coordinating Committee in the Prosthodontic Practice and Patient Services Division. The Delegates decided to adopt the Membership Division's recommendation to officially change the membership category of Foreign Membership to International Membership. In order to improve communications within the College, the

# **ACP Installs New Officers for 2002**

he American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) is pleased to announce the following new slate of officers to the 2002 Board of Directors at its' Annual Meeting in New Orleans. Dr. David Felton of the University of North Carolina has been named president for 2002, succeeding Dr. Thomas McGarry who served in this position in 2001.

# David A. Felton, D.D.S, M.S.

Dr. David A. Felton received his D.D.S. degree



in 1977 and M.S. in Prosthodontics in 1984 from the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. He became a Diplomate of the Board American of Prosthodontics in 1996. Dr. Felton is Associate Professor and Chair of the University of North

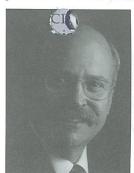
Carolina School of Dentistry Department of Prosthodontics.

Dr. Felton is in his eighth year on the ACP Board of Directors, currently serving as President for 2002, and has as chaired several committees including the Subcommittee on Graduate Resident Recruitment and the Professional Liaison Committee.

Dr. Felton is an active member with numerous other organizations including the American Dental Association, the Academy of Prosthodontics, the American Dental Educators Association, the International College of Prosthodontists, the Academy of Osseointegration, the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, the International College of Dentists, the North Carolina Dental Society and the International and American Associations for Dental Research.

Dr. Felton has served on several editorial boards, including the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry*, and has been presenting lectures and continuing education courses for over 15 years.

# Jonathaec. Perencz, D.D.S., B.S.



Dr. Jonathan Ferencz received his D.D.S. in 1971 and his advanced education and training in Prosthodontics at the New York University College of Dentistry. He became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1998. Dr. Ferencz is in his sev-

enth year on the ACP Board of Directors, currently serving as President-Elect, and Editor-in-Chief of the *ACP Messenger* in 2002.

Dr. Ferencz is Clinical Professor at the New York University College of Dentistry Department of Prosthodontics and Occlusion, and maintains a Prosthodontic practice in New York.

Dr. Ferencz is an active member of the ACP, as well as numerous other organizations including the American Dental Association, the First District Dental Society, the New York Academy of Dentistry, the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, the Academy of Prosthodontics and past president of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics and the Northeastern Gnathological Society. Dr. Ferencz will serve as Co-Chair of the ACP Education Foundation New Vision Campaign.

Dr. Ferencz has received the Sigma Epsilon Delta Award for Excellence in Fixed Prosthodontics, the New York University Founder's Day Award and the American Academy of Gold Foil Operator's Achievement Award in 1971.

### Dr. Nancy Arbree, D.D.S., M.S.



Dr. Nancy Arbree received her D.D.S. Magna Cum Laude from Georgetown University School of Dentistry in 1977, M.S. of Dental Science from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1996, and B.S. Cum Laude from Georgetown University in 1973. Dr. Arbree completed

her General Practice Residency at the VA Hospital in Gainesville, FL, a General Prosthodontics Residency and a Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. Dr. Arbree is in her sixth year on the ACP Board of Directors, currently serving as Vice President in 2002.

Dr. Arbree is Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine Dein, tment of Restorative Dentistry. She is a member within numerous organizations including the ACP, the Academy of Osseointegration, the 70 perican Association of Women Dentists, the Guater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, the Academy of Dental Science, the American Dental Education Association. Dr. Arbree became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1990 and recertified in 1999.

### Kenneth A. Malament D.D.S., M.Sc.D.



Dr. Kenneth Malament received his D.D.S. from New York University College of Dentistry in 1975, and his Master's degree and Certificate in Prosthodontics from Boston University School of Graduate Dentistry in 1977. He became a Diplomate of the American

Board of Prosthodontics in 1984. Dr. Malament is Clinical Professor and Course Director in Postgraduate Prosthodontics at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, and maintains a fulltime Prosthodontic practice in Boston. This is his second year as Secretary of the ACP.

Dr. Malament previously served as Director of the ACP Clinical Division where he contributed to the ACP's Study Guide for Board Certification in Prosthodontics and the ACP Private Practice Manual on CD-Rom, as well as serving as president of the ACP Massachusetts Section, the Northeastern Gnathological Society, the Northeastern Prosthodontic Society and secretary/treasurer of the International College of Prosthodontists.

### Richard E. Jones, D.D.S., M.S.D.



Dr. Richard Jones received his D.D.S., M.S.D. and B.A. degrees from Indiana University, as well as a certificate in Prosthodontics-Maxillofacial Prosthetics. This is his 3rd term as ACP Treasurer.

Dr. Jones works fulltime in a private practice

in Munster, Indiana which is limited to prosthodontics and maxillofacial prosthetics. He has lectured part-time for nearly 25 years at Indiana University Dental School.

Dr. Jones is an active member of the ACP, currently in his eighth year on the ACP Board of Directors, and past president of ACP's Indiana Section. He holds membership in nurth Sus other dental organizations including the American Dental Association; Academy of Osseointegration; Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics; American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics; International College of Prostlentists; American Prosthodontic Society and the John F. Johnston Society. In 2000, he was nominated to the ADA's CERP Committee.

Other members to serve on the ACP Board of Directors in 2002 include: **Drs. Lyndon Cooper**, Education and Research Division Director; **James Farer**, Director at Large; **Patrick M. Lloyd**, Editor-in-Chief; **David L. Pfeifer**, Prosthodontic Practice and Patient Services Division Director; **Richard Seals**, **Jr**., Speaker of the House of Delegates; **Bruce Valauri**, Membership Division Director; and **Glenn Wolfinger**, Public and Professional Relations Division Director. The House of Delegates has agreed to add two (2) new directors to the Board of Directors. These include: **Dr. Ana Diaz-Arnold**, Annual Session Division Director and **Dr. Charles Goodacre**, Director at Large. **Dr. Thomas McGarry** will fill the final



seat on the 2002 BOD as Immediate Past President.

The 2002 Officers take a break from a very successful Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2001 in New Orleans. Complete minutes for this meeting can be viewed on the ACP web site in early February.

# ACP Seeks Nominations for the Norton M. Ross Award

### **Objective**

The ADA Norton M. Ross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research has been created to recognize an individual who has made significant contributions in clinical investigations that have advanced the diagnosis, treatment and/or prevention of craniofacial-oral-dental disease as well as outstanding research accomplishments in other areas.

### Criteria

Selection is based on (1) the scope of the nominee's research with special emphasis on its impact on clinical dentistry; and (2) publications in refereed journals.

### Award and Recognition

The awardee will receive a \$5,000 cash prize and a plaque. The award is presented annually at a dinner for the ADA Board of Trustees proceeding the ADA Annual Session in October 2002 in New Orleans.

### Sponsorship

The award is sponsored by the American Dental Association through its Health Foundation with the support of Pfizer Consumer Healthcare. This award honors the momory of Dr. Norton M. Ross, a dentist and pharmacologist who contributed significantly to the fields of oral medicine and dental clinical research.

### **Nomination Procedure**

Concise letters of nominations describing the nominee's accomplishments in the context of the objectives of this award and a curriculum vitae with a list of publications should be submitted. The letter(s) should be explicit in describing the impact of the nominee's research on clinical dentistry.

### Deadline

Nominations must be submitted to Dr. Thomas McGarry, Chair of ACP Nominating Committee for consideration by May 1, 2002. All materials should be addressed to:

> Dr. Thomas J. McGarry 4320 McAuley Blvd Oklahoma City, OK 73120-8364 Fax: (405) 755-7169

# ACP Represented at the ADA House of Delegates Meeting

The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) was well represented at the American Dental Association (ADA) House of Delegates Meeting. Drs. Kenneth Malament, ACP Secretary; Richard Jones, Treasurer; David Felton, President and Executive Director Ed Cronin spoke on behalf of the College on the following ADA resolutions:

### **Resolution 2:** Labeling of local anesthetic cartridges:

*ACP response: "The American College of Prosthodontists enthusiastically supports Resolution 2 as written."* 

**Resolution 15 and Resolution 16:** Amendment of policy on opposition to "denturist movement" (Resolution 15), and amendment of policy on "denturist" and "denturism":

ACP Response: "The American College of Prosthodontists is vehemently opposed to the pract of dentistry without a license, including denturism, and as such, fully endorses supports Resolutions 15 and 16".

**Resolution** (Doug Hadnot, Montana): Regulation of expanded duties by dental laboratory technicians:

ACP Re Se: "As the American College of Prosthodontists opposes the practice of dentistry without a license, including denturism, it opposes any proposal or amendment that would establish accreditation standards for denturity training programs, or accredit said programs. As such, the ACP opposes the amendment on regulation of expanded duties by dental laboratory technicians".

**Resolution 18**: Amendment to the comprehensive policy statement on dental auxiliaries regarding the definition of a dental laboratory technician.

ACP Response: "The American College of Prosthodontists recognizes the Certified Dental Technician (CDT) as an individual who has demonstrated a level of proficiency, as evaluated by their national certifying organization, the National Association of Dental Laboratories, that is above and beyond that demonstrated by an individual who has not achieved CDT status. The ACP recognizes dental laboratory technicians as an integral part of the restorative "team", and therefore supports the original wording of Resolution 18 that includes the terminology "Certified Dental Technician", as proposed by the NADL."

**Resolution 21b**: Monitor and increase number of ADA recognized board certified specialists:

ACP Response: "The American College of Prosthodontists fully supports the concept that Program Directors of ADA accredited specialty training programs be Board Certified. As written, Resolution 21b should be terminated on line 3, after "... and identify ways to increase the number of specialists who are board certified." The additional wording

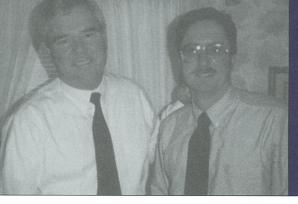
**Resolution 60**: Requirements for recognition of dental specialties and national certifying boards for dental specialties:

ACP Response: "The American College of Prosthodontists fully supports Resolution 60."

**Resolution 61**: Implementation of revisions to the specialty recognition process and the application for specialty recognition:

ACP Response: "The American College of Prosthodontists supports Resolution 61; however, the ACP asks that to facilitate the process of data collection and self assessment over the recommended 10 year re-recognition period, the Council on Dental Education and Licensure continue to collect the same type of data as previously collected, and that if different types of data are requested from CDEL, that specialty organizations be provided ample time to collect this data for analysis".

# ACP Forms New Alliance For Certified Dental Technician



ACP Member Dr. Larry West with his brother Mr. Kerry West of Granbury, TX. Kerry is ACP's first certified dental technician to join the new Alliance.

n Friday, November 2, 2001, The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) House of Delegates passed a resolution to create a new Alliance within the College for certified dental laboratory technicians to foster a team-building mechanism between prosthodontists and their technician partners.

We all recognize and appreciate the significance of the role that our boratory colleagues play in our success as prosthodontists. This Alliance will promote the exchange of industry news and standards as related to the advancement of the specialty, offer communications and continuing education opportunities for both prosthodontists and certified dental technicians and reinforce the commitment that both groups share in providing optimal patient care. In addition, the Alliance will more openly welcome certified technicians to become active participants at our meetings. "The creation of the Alliance is an extremely positive move for the College to make in order to maintain its' current leadership role in the specialty of Prosthodontics," says Dr. Larry West, Chair of the ACP Dental Laboratory Committee. "Recognizing the dental technician's talents and abilities through joint participation in continuing education and exploring ways to insure continued laboratory quality will result in better patient care." We encourage all members and fellows to sponsor their dental laboratory colleagues. To qualify for the Alliance Status, technicians must be certified by the National Board for Certification (NBC) which is founded by the National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL), be sponsored by an Active ACP Member or Fellow and pay appropriate fees for the application and dues.

"... in light of dental specialty faculty shortages and the CDA's standard requiring that program directors of advanced dental specialty education programs be board certified" is redundant, and offers no additional value to the Resolution".

**Resolution 33**: Report 8 of the Board of Trustees to the HOD: Sale of Dental Equipment to Illegal Practitioners:

ACP Response: "As the American College of Prosthodontists vehemently opposes the practice of dentistry without a license, including denturism, we support Resolution 33 as written".

**Resolution 55**: Economic Support for the Education of Dental Researchers:

ACP Response: "Given the level of unfilled full-time faculty positions in US ADAaccredited dental institutions, the American College of Prosthodontists is clearly cognizant of the need to identify economic incentives to encourage individuals interested in pursuing career tracks in dental research and/or dental education. As such, the ACP fully endorses and supports Resolution 55 as written"

**Resolution 56**: NIDCR as an independent and separate institute of the NIH:

ACP Response: "Given that the NIDCR has made tremendous strides in the diagnosis and treatment of oral and craniofacial diseases, the American College of Prosthodontists enthusiastically supports Resolution 56". To obtain further information or to request an application form, contact Michelle Martin at (312) 573-1260, x14.

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for future academic positions nationally, and to a reduced pool for the private practice prosthodontists, which comprises the majority of our members, to recruit for associates, and ultimately to sell their practices to upon retirement. Should we all be concerned about graduate programs closing, and to current trends in graduate resident recruitment? Absolutely, as we take an "ostrich" approach if we're not concerned. The ACPEF has the potential to raise the funding necessary to enhance graduate resident recruitment, but it must take great strides in not only reaching its financial goals, but in carefully determining how the funds will be allocated to the various programs in need of funding. I am confident that the ACPEF will develop these programs at their earliest convenience.

Another issue relates to growth of the ACP, and to how we, as a specialty organization, can best serve the needs of our members. Closure of programs, an increase in international applicants to our programs (many of whom return home, and do not become international members of the ACP), and an ever increasing number of life members (who pay no dues) do not promote significant growth for the College. How can we increase our member ranks? We know there are a lot of prosthodontists who are not members of the ACP, for various reasons. Some are former members, that felt the College was not meeting their needs, that the College was not responsive to the members, or that the dues structure was too steep for what they felt the "value" of the organization was providing; for a multitude of personal reasons, these members simply dropped out. Others simply elected not to join after they completed their residency programs. Regardless of the former reasons, those of you who attended the annual session in New Orleans saw what I firmly believe is a "new" ACP, with a highly enthusiastic, responsive and dedicated group of officers, Board of Direct and House of Delegates. You also saw the contagious enthusiasm that resulted from the ACI ucation Foundation's New Vision Campaign. And, you saw that the ACP has adopted a Strategic Plan for the specialty, which

gives our leadership the direction for future growth and development. Many were asking how they could get involved, and how you can become more active in both the ACPEF and the College. Believe me, there are innumerable ways. Here are but a few:

- Give something back to the specialty. If you can give financially to the ACPEF, please do so. Our New Vision Campaign will continue at full speed ahead over the next year, and you'll hear more about it soon.
- Give something back to our organization. The ACP is here to serve you, and we, as officers, as central office staff, and as members of the Board of Directors, are committed to that core goal. You can give back by being an active participant in your local section, by volunteering to serve on the multitude of committees and task forces in the College, and by visiting our web site at www.prosthodontics.org and responding to several upcoming questionnaires and surveys. We'll e-mail you when these are ready for review and responses. By moving to the electronic age for many of these inquiries, we'll be able to have better "connectivity" with you, and respond to your inquiries more efficiently, and in a more timely fashion. Look for our e-mails in the future, as we will seek your input into many decisions that face the specialty in the future.
- You can also make a significant contribution by helping the College recruit new or former members into the organization. We're getting ready to launch a significant membership drive this month, and can use your assistance. Go into your communities, seek out those prosthodontists who are not ACP members, and entice them to join the ACP. If we can identify and recruit those 1 0 plus non-member prosthodontists, thin. That the impact on our operating budget will be! If you need assistance, call us! You can reach the central office at (800) 37 1 60, or contact me directly at <u>dave felton@dentistry.unc.edu</u> or

<u>prosrules@aol.com</u> or via telephone at (919) 966-2712.

- Give something back to your individual specialty training program, or to the local dental school. If you can contribute financially to your local Prosthodontics program, I can assure you that your money will be most appreciated, and will be put to good use for the residents. Or, offer to teach a day per week, or one to two days per month. You'll be surprised how much of an impact you can have on the graduate residents, or on the pre-doctoral students that we so desperately need to "turn on" to Prosthodontics.
- Offer to "mentor" a pre-doctoral student to spend time in your practice with them. Show them how lucrative a Prosthodontics practice can be.

As our Subcommittee on Graduate Resident Recruitment continues to develop programs to enhance our resident recruitment, we will certainly be able to use your skills, time, and efforts. Just call your local Prosthodontic program and speak to the Director, Department Chair or to someone on the faculty. If you can't get an answer, call me or the ACP central office, and we'll try to "pair" you with an appropriate program or individual. As you can see, the focus of my first Presidential Message has clearly been focused on giving something back, whether to our specialty, the ACP, or a graduate training program. Regardless of how you chose to give, please do so, and give 'til it hurts!

If you think the ACP has made substantive changes during the past few years, don't close your eyes just yet, because you ain't seen nothin' yet! I envision new programs, new initiatives, and a level of excitement never before experienced throughout our organization on the prizon. Catch the fever! My very best to each of you as we enter this new year, one I am certain will be highly productive for the ACP. Keep in touch!

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# Get Involved With Your State Section

The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) State Sections' Meeting in New Orleans was well attended. This informal forum provided an opportunity for all State Sections to directly share their issues and/or concerns with Dr. Bruce G. Valauri, ACP Membership Division Director; Ms. Michelle L. Martin, ACP Membership Services Coordinator; Mr. Edward J. Cronin, ACP Executive Director as well as the other Sections' representatives.

One of the most valuable benefits of membership in the American College of Prosthodontists is the opportunity to network with other prosthodontists facing similar situations. Through formal and informal discussions at both large and small meetings, ACP members have the opportunity to discuss current issues, identify best practices and lay the foundation for developing solutions for advancing the specialty of prosthodontics. In addition to the College's premier networking event - the ACP Annual Session – ACP members have the opportunity to extend their professional networks at the local level through membership within an ACP State Section. Section to purchase the ad series (five ads for only \$495.00 or \$250.00 per ad) and place it in their local newspapers and other market-specific publications every couple of months. For more information on getting involved with this exciting new opportunity, contact Lisa DeVries, ACP Communications Manager at lopoka@prosthodontics.org.

Furthermore, the ACP Central Office provides a variety of planning material for state sections to utilize to help ease the management and business side of running their State's Section. These include templates for a Section Manual, Section Bylaws and Financial Reporting forms. All templates are available both as a hard copy, as well as electronically in the Members Only section on the ACP web site.

The following states currently have representation within an ACP State Section:

The ACP State Sections were designed to foster an interest in the specialty of Prosthodontics. Each section provides its' members with an opportunity for dialogue, education, advancement and improvement of all aspects of Prosthodontics through meetings, seminars, communications, publications and other programs and activities.

Communication is essential for the success of the ACP State Sections. All Sections have the opportunity to have a page on the ACP web site at www.prosthodontics.org with a link to the Sections' own web site if available. If your State Section does not already have a page on the ACP site have your Section's president or secretary contact the ACP central office immediately so we can get one set up.

State Sections can also play a critical role in the College's ongoing mission of increasing the public's awareness of the specialty of prosthodontics, and of the role that prosthodontists can play within dentistry. The ACP has created a new advertising series entitled "Doesn't Your Smile Deserve a Specialist's Care?" which was originally designed for our State Sections to purchase and place in their state's local newspapers to help educate the public of the prosthodontist's role within dentistry.

Currently, with 40 states already represented by an ACP state section, we can conduct a national public awareness campaign to promote our specialty without spending the hundreds of thousands of dollars it would cost to run an ad in USA Today or Reader's Digest. All that is required is for each State

Alabama	Hawaii	Minnesota	Oregon
Arizona	Illinois	Mississippi	Pennsylvania
Arkansas	Iowa	Missouri	Puerto Rico
California	Indiana	Nebraska	South Carolina
Colorado	Japan	Nevada	Tennessee
Connecticut	Kansas	New Jersey	Texas
Delaware	Kentucky	New Mexico	Utah
DC	Louisiana	New York	Virginia
Florida	Maryland	North Carolina	Washington
Georgia, East	Massachusetts	Ohio	Wisconsin
Georgia, West	Michigan	Oklahoma	

If your state is listed, but you are not yet a member, visit the ACP web site to see how you can get involved. If it is not listed, and you would like to know how you can get one established, contact Dr. Bruce Valauri, ACP Membership Division Director at bgvalauri@aol.com to find out how.

All Section representatives are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in our Annual Session, but don't wait until then if you have any questions regarding any of the issues raised in this article. Please contact us for answers to your specific questions.

# 2001 Tax Reform-The Need for Continuing Estate Planning Utilizing Life Insurance

by Kenneth Thomalla, CPA, CLU, Treloar & Heisel, Inc.

A long with reductions in the income tax rates and new tax-free qualified withdrawals from Section 529 plan, the repeal of the federal estate tax on January 1, 2010 is one of the highlights of the 2001 Tax Reform Package recently enacted. The estate tax repeal will, unless reenacted by Congress, remain for only one year. However, it does appear that we will see some permanent modification to the federal estate tax beyond year 2010.

As a result of the possible permanent repeal of the estate tax, many people feel that they will take a "wait and see" approach to their estate planning. Due to many uncertainties in the future, believing that the estate tax repeal will be permanent would be a mistake. Even if the belief is that the federal estate tax will be repealed permanently, the following two items are some of the reasons as to why estate planning, utilizing life insurance, is still very much needed.

First, in year 2010 when the estate tax is repealed, property acquired from a decedent would lose the step-up basis it now receives. Property acquired from a decedent would be essentially any asset which is owned at death including; stocks, CD's, mutual funds and real estate. There will be an exclusion from the loss for \$1,300,000 of property received (\$3,000,000 if received by a spouse). The acquired property will have a basis of the lesser of the decedent's basis or fair market value at death. As an example, a stock that was bought and appreciated over many years would have a basis much lower than the fair market value. Thus, even if federal estate taxes no longer payable, a large capi-

tal gains tax would be required when the property is subsequently sold. Further, the tracking of a stock's basis through mergers and stock splits would be a very tedious task. Life Insurance could help boost the estate lost to capital gains tax as well as help fund estate administration.

Second, the current unified credit would become useless if the estate tax is repealed permanently. For many years, a select few would pass the credit to their heirs prior to death. By passing the property prior to death, the appreciation is out of the estate. Thus, the estate tax due at death would be minimized. Without an estate tax in year 2010, the unified credit could be used currently to fund an irrevocable trust. Among the benefits, the trust could purchase life insurance to fund the potential estate tax that would be payable prior to year 2010. If the estate tax is permanently repealed, a well-designed trust can be very flexible to allow for changes in the estate tax. (Consult a qualified estate planning attorney for the benefits of a trust in the planning process.)

The 2001 Tax Reform Act brought many positive developments regarding the reduction of taxes. However, it is now more important than ever to review current estate plans to ensure that the plan will benefit from the new estate tax laws.

For additional information regarding life insurance products to be utilized for estate planning, contact Treloar and Heisel, Inc. at 800-345-6040. Note, that the above is for informational purposes only. Your accountant and attorney's advice should be sought before any plan is implemented.

# **House of Delegates Passes New ABP Selection Process**

by Dr. Jonathan L. Ferencz

The States ACP House of Delegates meeting in New Stleans, LA passed a revision to the mechanism by which Board Examiners of the American Board of Prosthodontics are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosthodontic organizations have been States are selected. For many years prosth

A task force chaired by Dr. Ferencz was formed by the board of directors in February 1999 to study the issue. In an effort to insure the ABP represent the diversity of the membership of the prosthodontic community, the task force recommended a revision to the current process by which organizations with generalist representation no longer have a role in the selection of ABP examiners. The existing process has served the specialty well with outstanding individuals having been selected as examiners.

A proposal was submitted to the Board of Directors and ultimat pproved by the House of Delegates in New Orleans that created a "blue ribbon committee" that would nominate candidates to participat an election by the Diplomates. The new mmittee to be called the Council of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP) will be charged with identifying and recruiting three people each year to participate in the annual election. The new Council must reflect the diversity of the College membership and will consist of eight individuals consisting of two past Board examiners, one recently certified diplomate, two private practitioners, one government service prosthodontist, one maxillofacial prosthodontist and one dental educator. Each Council member will serve for a four year term and can be re-elected to serve a second term. Examining members of the ABP and members of the College Board of Directors are not eligible to serve as members of the Council.

The Council members will be recommended by the ACP Nominating Committee and approved by

the Board of Directors and finally by the House of Delegates. Terms of service will be standard with two members being replaced each year the nonvoting Chair of the Council will be the Secretary of the College. In addition to the Council 's internal recruitment process, the names or potential candidates may be submitted by a petition of 25 diplomates. The Council will select three candidates each year who will participate in an election by the Diplomates, with the candidate receiving the most votes elected.

The new process will be implemented over the next two years. Members of the Council will be approved by the House of Delegates at the 2002 Annual Session and will select the three candidates to participate in the election held in the end of 2003 to chose an examiner who will begin to serve in February 2004.

This has been a long, but thorough process that will, hopefully, insure that the ABP selection mechanism will continue to select the best of our specialty to serve as Board Examiners.

# House of Delegates Meeting Minutes Available Online

The minutes from the 2001 House of Delegates meeting in New Orleans will be available to view and download online at the ACP web site at www.prosthodontics.org in the Members Only section. Hard copies of the minutes are available to those members who do not have Internet access, or to those who prefer to receive a copy of the minutes in the mail. Contact the ACP Central Office to request your hard copy.



New Diplomates of the American Board of Prosthodontics.

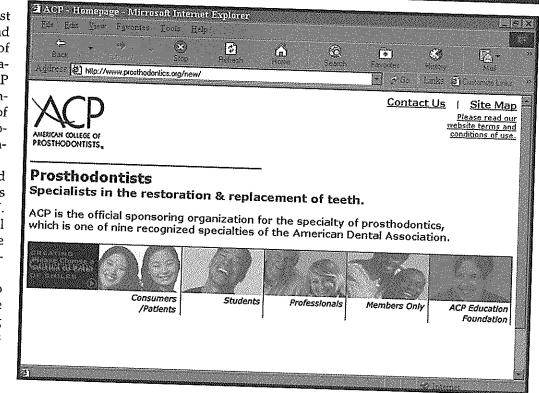
# Dental Professionals To Benefit From New Web Site

Whether you are a prosthodontist, general dentist or other professional whose work centers around the dental profession, the American College of Prosthodontists can provide you with valuable information that will prove beneficial to your work. The ACP has recently upgraded its' web site, www.prosthodontics.org, in an effort to expand the public's awareness of the specialty, and to demonstrate the value that prosthodontists serve to the patient, potential students and general dentistry.

The ACP has developed a number of tangible and intangible benefits for the dental professional and has made access to them as simple as a 'click of a button'. It's the goal of the ACP to be the global resource for all aspects of the specialty of prosthodontics. We encourage you to use this web site to be your #1 source for prosthodontics-related information anytime you need it.

From unparalleled access to industry leaders...to exclusive programs and services...to advocacy on the part of the specialty, the ACP is committed to bringing you the resources you can use for both career success and professional development. Our intent is to create a world-class site that promotes prosthodontics, and gives dental professionals a learning experience that includes the benefits of working with a prosthodontist.

The web site includes a new section targeted specifically to dental professionals. In this section, visitors can get the most current news of the College and/or specialty, learn what your ACP State Section is doing to advance the specialty locally, view the current "Doesn't Your Smile Deserve a Specialist's Care?" public awareness campaign and get information on how you can get involved, explore a calendar of events and related links

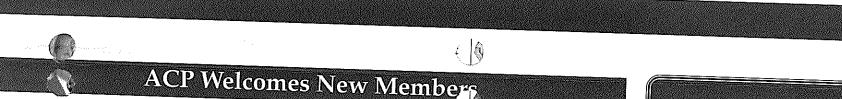


relevant to your interests, check out back issues of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*, the official journal of the ACP, and obtain valuable information on the board certification process from the American Board of Prosthodontics.

Visitors can also use the detailed site map (located at the top of the home page) to find the desired information as quickly and easily as possible.

The next issue of the *Messenger* will address the issue of student recruitment, and how the web site will draw new interest in the specialty of prosthodontics.

Comments or suggestions for the web site can be directed to Lisa DeVries, Communications Manager at (312) 573-1260, x16 or lopoka@prosthodontics.org.



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he Georgia Section of the ACP presents "Controversies and Innovations in Implant Dentistry", with Dr. Dennis P. Tarnow, on Friday, April 26, 2002, 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM, at the Evergreen Marriott Resort at Stone Mountain, GA.

Dr. Tarnow serves as Professor/Chairman of the Department of Implant Dentistry and Professor of Periodontics and Prosthodontics at New York University College of Dentistry. He is certified in Periodontics and Prosthodontics and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology. Additionally, he is in private practice in New York City. Having published scientific articles and developed several clini-cal concepts that have profoundly changed the direction of modern therapeutic modalities, Dr. Tarnow is an energetic, entertaining, and respected speaker in the U.S. and abroad. "We are happy to make this educational event available to the top dentists throughout Georgia and the Southeast," says Dr. Larry Sims, President of the GACP. "This course will present the most current information available and is designed for dental specialists and progressive general dentists dedicated to advancing the quality of dental care." "We are grateful to 3*i*-Implant Innovations, Inc., for their support and educational grant for this exciting seminar," Dr. Sims adds.

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# News from the *JP*

# Annual Writer's Workshop Attracts Authors

s part of the 2001 Annual Session of the American College of Prosthodontists in New Orleans, the *Journal of Prosthodontics* sponsored its Annual Writer's Workshop. Over 30 registrants attended the workshop, which featured presentations by Patrick M. Lloyd, *Journal* Editor-in-Chief; Jane Grochowski, Associate Publisher; Anita Makuluni, Manuscript Editor; and a panel of *JP* section editors.

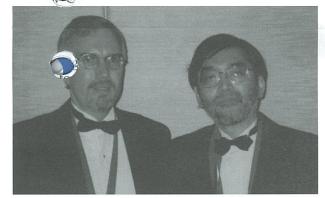
Dr. Lloyd opened the workshop with an overview of the peer-review process, including information about the composition of the Editorial Board, tips to expedite reviews, and frequent problems with submissions. Ms. Grochowski, a representative of W.B. Saunders, the *JP*'s publisher, described the publication process from manuscript acceptance to final publication, suggesting ways authors can help speed up the process. Ms. Makuluni presented practical advice to help authors improve their writing by taking "Ten Steps Toward Clarity" and outlined the structure of a traditional research article, including tips on how writers can more effectively communicate their research findings.

The workshop ended on a high note, with a panel discussion among *JP* section editors. Participants asked questions about the peer-review process, and section editors encouraged authors to contact them for help and advice about how to prepare effective manuscripts.

Evaluations were extremely positive. As one participant wrote, the workshop "was very well presented, and I was impressed with the help you can get if you would like to submit a paper." Another commented that the "content was at my level, which was difficult with the wide range of audience experience."

Dr. Lloyd looks forward to the *Journal* sponsoring the writer's workshops at future ACP annual sessions. Participants suggested several topics they would like to learn more about at future workshops, including reference management software, digital photography, and how to write effective technique articles and clinical reports.

# Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd Named Co-President of the International College of Pros



Newly appointed co-presidents to the International College of Prosthodontists, Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd (left), University of Iowa College of Dentistry and Dr. Yasumasa Akagawa, Hiroshima University School of Dentistry.

*Journal of Prosthodontics (JP)* Editor-in-Chief Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd was recently installed as Co-President of the International College of Prosthodontists (ICP) at the organization's biennial meeting in Sydney, Australia. Dr. Lloyd is the second ACP member to hold this office in the ICP. The first was Dr. Jack Preston, who was ICP president from 1994-1995.

The ICP, founded in 1988, facilitates communication among prosthodontists worldwide through its biennial meetings and its journal, the *International Journal of Prosthodontics*. The dual presidency ensures a more comprehensive international representation in the organization's highest office. Dr. Yasumasa Akagawa, who heads Prosthodontics at Hiroshima University in Japan, serves as Co-President with Dr. Lloyd. The organization has approximately 750 members in 51 countries.

# **Call for Table Clinic Presentations**

The American College of Prosthodontists Annual Session

> November 6 - 9, 2002 Renaissance Orlando Resort Orlando, Florida

> **Table Clinics Session:** Thursday, November 7, 2002 12:15pm to 2:30pm

Poster or Display Presentations of Research Results, Clinical Outcomes, Laboratory Techniques, and Topics of Interest

No Slide Projectors Allowed

Application Deadline: August 15, 2002

Please Contact: Michael A. Mansueto, DDS, MS Department of Prosthodontics (7912) University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio, TX 78229-3900

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# **Calendar of Events**

# 2002

February		
20 - 21	American Equilibration Society Annual Meeting Chicago, IL	
21 – 22	American Prosthodontic Society Annual Meeting Chicago, IL	
21 – 24	Chicago Dental Society Midwinter Meeting Chicago, IL (February 21 – ACP Program)	
22 – 23	American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics Annual Meeting Chicago, IL	
March		
2-6	American Dental Education Association Annual Meeting San Diego, CA	
14 – 16	Academy of Osseointegration Annual Meeting Dallas, TX	
May		
2 - 6	Academy of Prosthodontics Annual Meeting Portland, OR	
June		
5 – 9	American Association of Women Dentists Annual Meeting Orlando, FL	



Dr. David A. Beck

Dr. David A. Beck appointed *JP* Basic Science Research Co-Editor

Dr. David A. Beck, Associate Professor of Prosthodontics at the Medical College of Virginia, has been selected to serve as Basic Science Research Co-Editor of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. Dr. Beck, who received his DDS at Baylor College of Dentistry in 1977, completed a residency in Prosthodontics at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Milwaukee in May 1980. He has been a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics since 1986.

"Dr. Beck has been a frequent and regular reviewer for the *Journal of Prosthodontics,*" said Dr. Patrick Lloyd, Editor in Chief of the Journal. "His expertise with our peer-review protocols and the policies of the *JP* are assets our readers will benefit from."

"I look forward to contributing to the task of making research accessible to the prosthodontics community," Dr. Beck said. "The journal fills an important role for both clinicians and students," he continued. Dr. Beck's research has focused on bond strength with a variety of prosthodontic materials.

Dr. Beck replaces Dr. Kent Knoernschild in the post.

- 7–9 Academy of Dental Sleep Medicine Annual Meeting Seattle, Wa
- 19 22 Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontists Annual Meeting Tucson, AZ

### July

4 – 7 Academy of General Dentistry Annual Meeting Honolulu, HI

### October

- 2-6 American Academy of Implant Dentistry Annual Meeting Los Angeles, CA
- 19 23 American Dental Association Annual Meeting New Orleans, LA

### November

- 3 6 American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics Annual Meeting Orlando, FL
- 6 9 ACP Annual Meeting Orlando, FL

### **MEMBERS IN THE NEWS**



**Dr. Arthur Nimmo,** Chairman of Prosthodontics at the University of Florida College of Dentistry and past president of the ACP, has been appointed to serve four years as a commissioner on the American Dental Associations (ADA) Commission on Dental Accreditation. The commission is responsible for the accreditation process for dental schools and advanced specialty training programs. Dr. Nimmo will also chair the commission's Review Committee on Prosthodontic Education.

Dr. Arthur Nimmo

**Dr. Francis V. Panno**, was appointed Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs of the New York University College of Dentistry where he will be responsible for overseeing the College's clinical care program. Dr. Panno previously served as the College's Head of the Division of Reconstructive and Comprehensive Care and Chair of the Blatterfein Department of Prosthodontics.

**Dr. John G. Poulos**, Clinical Associate Professor of Prosthodontics, was appointed Acting Chair of the New York University College of Dentistry Blatterfein Department of Prosthodontics where he will refine the college's approach to the teaching of Prosthodontics by interweaving it with aesthetics, biomaterials, biomimetics and implant dentistry.

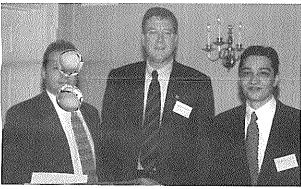


The ACP New York Section held its' Fall 2001 meeting at the Columbia Club in New York City. Pictured from left to right: Drs. Jorge E. Barrios, vice president; Robert F. Wright, president; Glenn J. Wolfinger, speaker and guest; Todd Lerner, secretarytreasurer.

ACP NY Section

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Dr. Todd Lerner and



President Dr. Robert Wright presents the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the Table Clinic presentations to Dr. Kunal Lal of Columbia University. Dr. Stephen Kowalczyk of Montefiore Medical Center and Dr. Maria Agranioti of Columbia University finished sec-

ond and third respectively.

The Prosthodontics Intermedica Foundation, founded by Dr. Thomas Balshi, has dedicated its fundraising efforts to providing for the immediate and long-term needs of those children who were orphaned by the terriorist attacks of September 11. The Foundation, which in past years has raised funds for ALS research and pediatric cancer family support, has launched "Operation Stars and Stripes" to provide holiday gifts to the children of attack victims. The fundraising drive has generated more than \$40,000, and has established a perpetual Flag Memorial to the victims at its Fort Washington headquarters during a dedication ceremony on January 6, 2002.

All donors to the Flag Memorial had their names inscribed in bronze at the tribute site. Donors of \$1,000 or more were recognized by having their name, or the name of a loved one, inscribed on a bronze star. Tax deductible contributions can be sent to the Prosthodontics Intermedica Foundation at 467 Pennsylvania Avenue, Fort Washington, PA 19034. The Foundation can be reached at (215) 646-6334.

### **CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS**

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**CALIFORNIA**—Rapidly growing high-end prosthodontic/implant practice in beautiful coastal San Diego, emphasizing dental implant surgery and restoration, seeks practitioner with dental implant surgery training to join practice. Practice includes 2,100 sq. ft., all new equipment in five treatment rooms. Interested individuals can submit CVs to Dr. Daniel Patrick at drpatrick@dentalimplantcenters.com.

**OGDEN, UTAH**—Perio/pros group seeks prosthodontist associate leading to ownership. Inhouse lab is very well equipped and staffed. A perfect place for all seasons outdoor recreation including world class skiing only minutes away. See for yourself the breathtaking beauty that Utah has to offer. A place with strong family values, safe and ideal for raising children. Contact Dr. McLane Felt (801) 782-5010 or mfelt10014@aol.com.

Manhattan, NY—Board Certified Program Director for Prosthodontic Residency at the Manhattan VA Medical Center. Multidisciplinary care with Perio, Endo, Surgery and GPR residency programs in same clinic. Modern 26 operatory facility affiliated with NYU College of Dentistry. Full time (BC) or part time ne must be BC) salaried position ith benefits. Call for details (212) 951-3255. Fax CV to (212) 951-3378 or mail stephen.bergen@med.va.gov.

**MARYLAND**—Prosthodontist specialty group wants associate leading to ownership share. Practice includes fixed, removable, maxillofacial and significant implantology. Major hospital affiliation. Complete in-house lab. Team personality and practice building skills are essential. Call Sylvia at (410) 356-1400.

**SAN DIEGO**—Prosthodontist wanted to join Dr. Ian Aires' established, premiere practice in beautiful San Diego, California. Great opportunity for rapid growth. Dr. Aires lectures extensively on immediate loading. He's been practicing for 20 years in one of the best locations in California. Team personality and practice building skills desired. Call Dr. Aires at (858) 452-8933 or email VIRGINIA/RESTON—Established, multi-specialty group practice in Northern Virginia seeks an experienced prosthodontist to assume an existing practice. Great location, doctors, staff, patients and quality of life make this a very desirable opportunity for a patient- and qualityfocused practitioner. Attractive compensation and benefits include matching 401(k), flexible spending plans, tuition assistance, malpractice/life/medical/long-term disability insurance, and opportunity for ownership. Contact Cindy Wells at (703) 464-0756, x113.

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# **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE** The University of Louisville School of Dentistry is accepting applications for advanced training in an ADAaccredited Graduate Prosthodontics program. The Graduate Prosthodontics program emphasizes all aspects of prosthodontics, as well as formal training in the placement of dental implants and conscious sedation anesthesia. Program begins July 1, 2002 and lasts 34 months, and leads to a Certificate in Prosthodontics. A Master's degree in Oral Biology is optional. An excellent financial reward incentive program exists. Applications able for licensed gradua. of US dental schools. Application deadline is March 1, 2002. For more information, contact: Dr. Marions Edge, Director, Graduate Prostit Jontics, Division of Prosthodontics, School of Dentistry, University of Louisville, 501 South Preston Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 40292.

**APRIL 8 – 10, 2002**—Three-day prosthetic and surgical training in private practice setting, provided by the Institute for Facial Esthetics in Fort Washington, PA by Thomas Balshi, DDS, FACP and Glenn Wolfinger, DMD, FACP. Includes live implant surgery to provide TEETH IN A DAY<sup>™</sup>, lectures, slides, hands-on training. For more information, call (215) 643-5881.

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