



**Presidents of the American
College of Prosthodontists:
1970-2010**

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Lyndon F. Cooper, D.D.S., Ph.D. ACP President – 2009-10



Lyndon F. Cooper, D.D.S., Ph.D. received his D.D.S. from New York University College of Dentistry in 1983, his Ph.D. from the University of Rochester and Certificate in Prosthodontics from Eastman Dental Center in 1990. He also completed a two year research fellowship at the National Institute of Dental Research in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Cooper is the Chair and Stallings Distinguished Professor of Dentistry of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is the Director of Graduate Prosthodontics and the Bone Biology and Implant Therapy Laboratory. Dr. Cooper was the 40th President of the American College of Prosthodontists.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Re-invigorated the ACP's support of the clinician through public relations activities.
- Supported the completion of Denture Care Guidelines sponsored by GlaxoSmithKline.
- Published *Prosthopedia*[®], a coffee table book showcasing the ACP's online resource library.
- Established the Young Prosthodontist Innovator Award for research support.
- Developed a new dental technology focused symposium during Annual Session, "Beauty through Technology," a forum for Dental Technician Alliance members and all dental laboratory professionals.

Message to Future Presidents

The future of the College is strong. Among the many reasons is the pool of talented residents who enter our programs and participate fully in the specialty through the ACP. It is the leadership's responsibility to keep focused on providing every member tremendous opportunities for engagement.



**Charles J. Goodacre, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 2008-09**



Charles J. Goodacre, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P., received his D.D.S. from Loma Linda University School of Dentistry in 1971. He completed a three year combined program in Prosthodontics and Dental Materials at Indiana University School of Dentistry and earned his M.S.D. degree in 1974. He began full-time teaching at Indiana University School of Dentistry in 1974 and has three times received awards from senior dental classes as the outstanding clinical instructor or outstanding lecturer. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of

Prosthodontics, a Fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Goodacre has served as Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics at Indiana University, and is currently Dean of Loma Linda University School of Dentistry.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Development and launching of Prosthopedia®.
- Completion of Color and Shade Selection digital program
- “Guide to Creating an Accredited Advanced Program in Prosthodontics” completed by Drs. Gary Goldstein and Patrick Naylor and disseminated.
- In response to a proposal by Dr. David Pfeifer a National Prosthodontics Awareness Week™ (NPAW™) Task Force was started and a plan developed for designating a week in 2010 as National Prosthodontics Awareness Week™.
- A Task Force on Surgical Prosthodontics was commissioned to develop a strategy and options for enhanced ACP support of Prosthodontists who perform surgical procedures. Under the direction of Dr. David Guichet, the first surgical training course was offered at the Annual Session in San Diego.

Message to Future Presidents

Have audacious dreams, work hard, and help others to become all they are capable of becoming.



David L. Pfeifer, D.D.S., M.S., M.Ed., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 2007-08



David L. Pfeifer, D.D.S., M.S., M.Ed., F.A.C.P., received his dental degree from Indiana University School of Dentistry. He served a career in the United States Navy that spanned 22 years. He is a Vietnam Veteran. Some of his duty assignments account for the completion a Dental Internship at Camp Pendleton Naval Hospital; a residency in Prosthodontics at the National Naval Dental School, Bethesda, Md. with the attainment of an M.S. degree from George Washington University; and, an assignment as Chief, Removable Partial Denture Section at the National Naval Dental School, Bethesda with the completion of a MEd from The George Washington University. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and maintains membership in numerous dental organizations. He maintains a private practice limited to prosthodontics.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Developed three Private Practice Surveys.
- Led creation and release of ACP Oral Cancer Screening CD.
- Expanded CODA standards for post doctoral training in diagnosis and anesthesia.
- Led redesign of ACP *Messenger* newsletter with expanded content and features on ACP members.
- Conceptualized National Prosthodontics Awareness Week and witnessed acceptance by membership.

Message to Future Presidents

Understand your resources, nurture them, stay focused to the vision, expand the vision and allow for continuity assuring to meet the desired goals.



Stephen D. Campbell, D.D.S., M.M.Sc., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 2006-07



Stephen D. Campbell, D.D.S., M.M.Sc., F.A.C.P. received his D.D.S. from the Medical College of Virginia. He completed an Advanced Program in Prosthodontics at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine and a Master of Medical Science Degree with a biomaterials focus at Harvard University in conjunction with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has practiced continuously throughout his professional career while being engaged in full-time academics. He has served as Professor and Head of the Department of Restorative Dentistry at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) since 1992. He has been active in dental research throughout his career having been the principal investigator for several NIH grants dealing with ceramics. Dr. Campbell developed the Comprehensive Dental Implant Center at UIC, and serves as its Director. He has been recognized with the AAFP's George H. Moulton Award, as well as the ACP's Educator of the Year and Dan Gordon Awards.

Dr. Campbell is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and is active in several dental organizations. He is a Past President of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Academy of Prosthodontics, American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics and the International Association of Dental Research Prosthodontics Section. Dr. Campbell is currently Chair of the ACP Education Foundation.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Re-establishment of a new and professional ACP Central Office staff.
- Development and realization of the Reframing of Prosthodontics Summit.
- Re-structuring of the ACP and transformation from the House of Delegates.
- Planning and realization of the highly successful ACP Education Foundation Vision 2012 Capital Campaign.
- Creation of critical Task Forces that led to the development of Prosthopedia®, our educational and student outreaches, the changing of our accreditation standards, a focus on Science and Technology, as well as growth of the specialty among many other significant programs/content.

Message to Future Presidents

Update and use the Action Plan to be certain the College stays focused on the critical objectives. Evolve it and understand the core issues. Wishing the best of success and good luck.



**Bruce G. Valauri, D.D.S., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 2005-06**



Bruce G. Valauri, D.D.S., F.A.C.P., graduated from New York University College of Dentistry in 1983 and completed his prosthodontic and maxillofacial training at Manhattan Veterans Medical Center. He is currently Director of Prosthodontics and Maxillofacial Prosthetics at the Manhattan VA and also holds a faculty appointment at NYU. He is associated with the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary and maintains a private practice in Manhattan.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- *Journal of Prosthodontics* was expanded to accommodate the numerous quality manuscripts submitted for publication, which had tripled since 2004.
- Developed record member support for the ACP Education Foundation.
- Continued to advocate for the ACP and its members to the ADA, Commission on Dental Accreditation, ADEA, the states, and other influential government and dental organizations.
- Monitored ACP website redesign.

Message to Future Presidents

We believe that we are the future single care providers who possess the skills of classic prosthodontics, current technologies, and surgical expertise. Our future is now and we are looking ahead, never back to see who is behind us.

Remember, it's ALL good!



**Patrick M. Lloyd, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 2004-05**



Patrick M. Lloyd, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P., received his D.D.S. from Marquette University School of Dentistry in 1978. He earned a Certificate in Prosthodontics from the V.A. Medical Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1981, and an M.S. in Dental Science from Marquette University School of Dentistry in 1989. From 1993 to 2003 he served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. Dr. Lloyd is currently Dean and Professor in the Division of Prosthodontics at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Selecting Dr. Jonathan Ferencz as Chair of the Search Committee for the New Executive Director.
- Led hiring of the College's fifth Executive Director Ms. Nancy Deal Chandler, M.A., R.H.I.A., C.A.E.
- Representing the ACP at Dental Specialty Organization meetings across the country.
- Appointing Dr. Jonathan P. Wiens to Chair the Committee to Review Membership Representation in ACP.
- Addressing Michigan prosthodontists to encourage unification of state efforts.

Message to Future Presidents

Stay committed to core principals. Work to collaborate with and not compete with other dental specialties. Continue to emphasize that prosthodontists are treatment planning experts and most effective dentists in exploiting advanced technology.



**Nancy S. Arbree, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 2003-04**



Nancy S. Arbree, D.D.S., M.S., F.A.C.P. received her D.D.S. from Georgetown University School of Dentistry in 1977 and her Certificate in Prosthodontics and Maxillofacial Prosthetics from Sloan-Kettering Memorial Cancer Center in 1981. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists and a Fellow of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics. Dr. Arbree is a Tenured Professor in the Department of Prosthodontics and Operative Dentistry at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine where she also serves as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs. Dr. Arbree maintains a private practice limited to prosthodontics.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Revised definition of the prosthodontics specialty, to assure that it incorporated surgery.
- Central Office was expanded, allowing the much-needed addition of three full time employees.
- Found new editor for the *Journal of Prosthodontics* and successfully launched new communication channel via the *e-Messenger*.
- Added surgical training to the Center for Prosthodontic Education course offerings.
- Added surgery to the revised Accreditation Standards for Advanced Specialty Education Programs in Prosthodontics.

Message to Future Presidents

Always remember that the ACP is a volunteer organization in terms of the membership. Lead with that in mind. Always be grateful for each and every member who volunteers in any capacity to step into a leadership role in the College, whether as a Chair of a Committee or a Board Member or an Officer. Always remember that these people have families, other jobs and usually, a busy practice. You can't tell them what to do. You can only ask politely and be grateful for all the work they do to make you look good! Past Presidents should always remember that they are Past. So remember to bow out gracefully when the time comes.



Jonathan L. Ferencz, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 2002-03



Jonathan L. Ferencz, D.D.S., F.A.C.P., graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and New York University College of Dentistry, where he has taught since 1972, and currently is Clinical Professor of Prosthodontics. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Past President of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics and the Northeastern Gnathological Society. Dr. Ferencz is a member of the ACP Education Foundation Board of Directors. He has lectured for more than 200 continuing education sessions and is active in clinical research at NYU in the area of high strength ceramics. Dr. Ferencz maintains a private practice in Midtown Manhattan.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Improved financial stability of the ACP Education Foundation.
- Increased student applications to prosthodontic programs.
- Improved working relationship with other dental specialties.
- Improved governance and efficiency of the ACP Board of Directors.
- Improved relationships with dental industry partners.

Message to Future Presidents

Putting one's ego aside and working with other Presidents is a challenge, but essential to accomplish anything.



**David A. Felton, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 2001-02**



David A. Felton, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P., received his D.D.S. in 1977 and his M.S. degree and Certificate in Prosthodontics in 1984 from the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry. He is Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Prosthodontics and serves on the ACP and ACP Education Foundation Board of Directors. Dr. Felton is a Professor of Prosthodontics in the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry in Chapel Hill, NC, where he served as Director of Graduate Prosthodontics from 1989-1992 and Chair of Prosthodontics from 1992-2002.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Along with ACP member and former vice presidential candidate of the ADA, Dr. Jim Smith, developed initiatives to improve the College's relationship with the ADA
- Traveled extensively to ensure the health and functionality of the individual ACP Sections
- Implemented extensive membership campaign

Message to Future Presidents

What can you do to help? Several things come to mind. First congratulate those who are in education. They've sacrificed financially to train our future dental students and prosthodontists. Second, give something back to the dental institution nearest you. Donate some time to teach, to assist with research projects, or help develop a mentoring program for potential graduate prosthodontic residents. Just contact the institution of your choice and volunteer. Third, give to the ACPEF, and give from the heart... And finally, continue to support the leadership of the ACP, who work long hours to address these most important issues.



Thomas J. McGarry, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 2000-01



Thomas J. McGarry, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. received his D.D.S. in 1975 from the University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Dentistry, his Certificate in Prosthodontics in 1978 from U.C. at San Francisco/V.A. San Francisco, and became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1991. He is a Fellow in the American College Of Prosthodontists, a member of the ACP Education Foundation Board of Directors. He is also Founder and a Past President of the Oklahoma Section of the ACP and Founder and member of the Oklahoma Society of Prosthodontists. Dr. McGarry maintains a prosthodontic private practice in Oklahoma City.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- The New Vision campaign was unveiled for the ACP Education Foundation.
- The Prosthodontic Diagnostic Index (PDI) was included in the medical diagnostic system ICD-9.
- The growth and inclusion of implant prosthodontics in practice and in post graduate education.

Message to Future Presidents

In looking to the future it can be said that the conflicts and compromises and finally agreements with those outside the College have been well worth it. We have a stronger specialty serving the public, as it should! History shows that the greatest danger arises when one's enemies from without are gone and the conflicts from within begin. History speaks; we are cautioned to listen!



Arthur Nimmo, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 1999-2000



Arthur Nimmo, D.D.S., F.A.C.P., received his D.D.S. degree from the University of Maryland in 1979, and a specialty certificate in prosthodontics from UCLA in 1983. Dr. Nimmo is Professor and Chairman of the Department of Prosthodontics and Director of Predoctoral Implant Dentistry at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. He served as a Commissioner on the ADA Commission on Dental Accreditation from 2001 to 2005. In 2005, he received the ACP Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Nimmo is a Diplomate and Examining Member of the American Board of Prosthodontics.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Submission of documentation to re-certify the specialty of prosthodontics with the ADA (co-authored by Dr. Thomas Taylor and Dr. Steve Aquilino, with task force input).
- The ACP hired its fourth Executive Director, Mr. Edward Cronin Jr.
- The *Journal of Prosthodontics* was recognized as the official journal of the ACP.
- A Task Force was established to revise the process for the nomination of board examiners (chaired by Dr. Jonathan Ferencz).
- The ACP Study Guide for Board Certification went electronic (with the leadership of Drs. Hiroshi Hirayama, Kenneth Malament and Kiho Kang).

Message to Future Presidents

The year as president of the ACP is a busy year – make time for your family.



**Thomas D. Taylor, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 1998-99**



Thomas D. Taylor, D.D.S., M.S.D., F.A.C.P., is Professor and Head, Department of Reconstructive Sciences, University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine, where he specializes in Prosthodontics and Maxillofacial Prosthetics. He holds a B.S. degree, University of Iowa, a D.D.S. degree, University of Iowa, and an M.S.D. degree, University of Minnesota. He completed his residency in Prosthodontics and Maxillofacial Prosthetics at the Mayo Clinic. Dr. Taylor is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and currently serves as the Executive Director of the ABP.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Was the first, and only voluntary, unpaid, interim Executive Director while searching for a replacement.
- Laid necessary groundwork to form an alliance with leadership of the dental laboratory industry and with dental technicians at the grassroots level.
- Formed partnership with Procter & Gamble, in part to increase public awareness of the prosthodontics specialty.
- Developed two marketing seminars intended to assist those in private practice.

Message to Future Presidents

I would like to see every prosthodontist who finished training in the U.S. become an active member of the ACP. I would also like to see 100 percent of our membership become Board Certified. There's no better way to strengthen our specialty.



Ned Van Roekel, D.D.S., M.S.D. ACP President – 1997-98



Ned Van Roekel, D.D.S., M.S.D., earned his D.D.S. degree from Indiana University School of Dentistry. Professionally, Dr. Van Roekel was a prosthodontist on staff at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota for 24 years and has served on the faculties of the Indiana University School of Dentistry and the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine. He also opened a private practice in Monterey, California. Dr. Van Roekel has also been part of several professional organizations including The American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, section editor of the International Journal of Prosthodontics and as a reviewer for several other prosthodontic publications.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Restructured and downsized the ACP Board of Directors.
- Addressed inactive committees, historically a pervasive problem that was given necessary focus.
- Witnessed growth in membership and a resurgence of interest by membership with the activation of Section activity in the House of Delegates.
- The interest and growth of the House of Delegates showed an increased interest by members in matters of the College business.
- Encouraged Dr. Thomas McGarry to focus on the ACP Education Foundation to develop the Foundation into a more viable entity.

Message to Future Presidents

Look toward organizational growth without compromising the specialty. This does not mean we could not have affiliate members (non-prosthodontists) but we need to keep the role and presence of the specialists (prosthodontists) in the ACP.



**John F. Burton, D.D.S., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 1996-97**



John F. Burton, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. received his D.D.S. from the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center and his prosthodontic training from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. He is currently in private practice in Columbia, South Carolina.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Revised of the College's five year strategic plan.
- Worked toward bringing together the various prosthodontic organizations.
- Instituted a public relations plan for the College.
- The current ACP logo was adopted.



**Kenneth A. Turner, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1995-96**



Kenneth A. Turner, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. degree from Northwestern University in 1963 and in 1969 received a certificate in prosthodontics at the William Beaumont General Hospital. He is a former department chairman at the University of Iowa and Emory University. He maintains a private prosthodontic practice in Atlanta, Georgia.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- “The Story of a Smile” patient education video and brochure was produced and distributed to the entire College membership.
- The College endorsed and offered support for the ADA’s efforts toward special pay increases for military dentists.
- The number of issues of the *Messenger* was increased to six per year to enhance communication.
- The College sponsored the ACP Forum.



Carl W. Schulter, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 1994-95



Carl W. Schulter, D.D.S., F.A.C.P., received his D.D.S. degree from Temple University in 1975 and completed his prosthodontic training at the VA Medical Center, Memphis, Tennessee in 1977. He currently maintains a private practice in the specialty of prosthodontics in Memphis.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Established the House of Delegates
- Established the Prosthodontic Forum
- Increased lines of communication between the ACP and the Prosthodontic Organizations
- Continued the growth of the central office in the ADA building
- ACP was recognized as the representative of the specialty by the ADA

Message to Future Presidents

Each year has its own special challenges. You should rely on your past leader and on the membership for advice and direction. You will not solve all the problems before you or accomplish all of your goals. Choose your goals wisely and pray that you complete the important ones. Don't forget the membership needs and value the Sections. Visit the Sections to truly understand their challenges. They are relying on you to represent them and the specialty. Bring new blood into the leadership roles within the College. For it is this new blood that will sustain the growth of the College.



**Peter F. Johnson, D.M.D., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 1993-94**



Peter F. Johnson, D.M.D., F.A.C.P., is a prosthodontist in private practice in La Mesa, California, and an Associate Clinical Professor at the School of Dentistry, the University of Southern California. Doctor Johnson received his D.M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine in 1971 and received a Certificate in Prosthodontics from the University of Southern California in 1977. He retired from the U.S. Navy Dental Corps with the rank of Captain in 1991.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Developed and produced a videotape on "What is a Prosthodontist?"
- Initiated capital fund raising through the foundation for projects outside the regular budget
- Continued the outreach to specialty and dental organizations as the ADA recognized organization for specialty sponsorship
- Fostered the Forum as a means of interaction of the prosthodontic organizations.
- Initiated the consolidation of the ACP staff in Chicago and the move of the Central Office to the ADA building.

Message to Future Presidents

Set the goals for your presidency as you go through the chairs in preparation for your year as President. The time goes unbelievably fast.



Ronald D. Woody, D.D.S., F.A.C.P. ACP President – 1992-93



Ronald D. Woody, D.D.S., F.A.C.P., is Professor & Director of Implant Dentistry and previous Director of the Graduate Prosthodontic Program at Baylor College of Dentistry. He received his dental degree from Marquette University School of Dentistry , Internship at Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii, Graduate Studies in Oral Biology at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., Residency in Prosthodontics, Letterman Army Medical Center, San Francisco, California, Post Doctoral Fellowship in Biomaterials, National Institutes of Health, San Francisco and Post Doctoral Fellowship in Electron Microscopy, U.S. Army Institute of Dental Research, Washington, D.C. Dr. Woody has held numerous leadership positions in many Dental Organizations, Research, and Clinical Residency Programs and has been a Director of Graduate Prosthodontic Programs for over 25 years. He is past President the ACP and the ACPEF and also the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and served as a member and President of the American Board of Prosthodontics. He recently completed a 4 year term as a Commissioner on the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation and Chair of the ADA Prosthodontic Review Committee.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- CODA recognized the ACP as the sponsoring organization for the specialty and sponsor of the ABP.
- The College hosted its first Dental Specialty Group meeting.
- The House of Delegates had their first meeting.
- Added Preprosthetic Surgery to include Implant placement to the CODA Prosthodontic Standards.
- Thru the ADA and CODA passed the requirement that all Program Directors of Advanced Educational Programs must be Board Certified.
- Developed the final framework for the movement of the Central Office to Chicago.

Message to Future Presidents

Being President is one of the greatest privileges and honors of your professional career. Set your goals high with innovative visions for the future. Use your individual special leadership skills with a dedicated Staff, Board of Directors and Committees to accomplish the needs for continued advancement of our Specialty. Your year as President will have a significant impact on the future of Dentistry and Prosthodontics, improving the Standard of Care for the patients we serve.



**David W. Eggleston, D.D.S., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 1991-92**



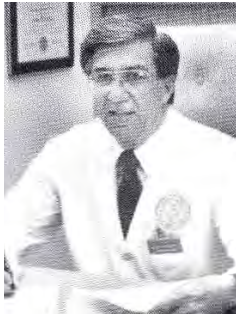
David W. Eggleston, D.D.S., F.A.C.P., is a private practitioner in Newport Beach, CA. He is currently President of the Academy of Prosthodontics and on the Board of Councilors at the USC School of Dentistry. Previous positions include: President of the American Board of Prosthodontics, American College of Prosthodontists and Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics; Chair of the CDA Council on Dental Research; Section Editor for the *Journal of Prosthodontics*; and recipient of the American College of Prosthodontists Distinguished Service Award.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- ACP Sponsorship of the American Board of Prosthodontics and the Specialty of Prosthodontics
- ACP Journal of Prosthodontics
- First session of the ACP House of Delegates
- Conversion of the ACP Executive Council to a Board of Directors



James A. Fowler Jr., D.D.S., M.S. ACP President – 1990-91



James A. Fowler Jr., D.D.S., M.S., was educated at the University of Maryland and received a B.S. degree in 1957. He graduated from the BCDS, University of Maryland Dental School in 1959. Dr. Fowler served as a dental officer in the USAF in London, England; New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Hawaii and Ohio. His prosthodontic residency was at Wilford Hall Hospital, Lackland AFB and the University of Texas Dental Branch, Houston, Texas. Dr. Fowler joined the faculty of the University of Texas Dental School, San Antonio in 1979. He was a full professor, assistant director of postdoctoral prosthodontics and head of the implant prosthodontic division. Dr. Fowler had an active prosthodontic practice in the school's Faculty Practice prior to his retirement in 1999.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Oversaw development of a Private Practice Procedural Manual
- The College developed and adapted a Code of Ethics that was accepted by the FPO
- The ACP Educational Foundation awarded four scholarships to students entering accredited advanced dental education programs in prosthodontics
- An Ad Hoc Committee to Implement the Journal of the ACP was charged with establishing our own journal rather than having the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry as the official publication of the College

Message to Future Presidents

Be cognizant of the immense talent of ACP members surrounding you and involve them as you assume your leadership role for the College. Enjoy the year!!



John B. Holmes, D.D.S., M.Ed. ACP President – 1989-90



John B. Holmes, D.D.S., M.Ed., grew up in Canada, immigrated to Idaho in 1945, graduated from the University of Idaho in 1950 and the University of Washington, School of Dentistry in 1954. He commenced active duty in the Navy Dental Corps in July 1954 and served tours of duty aboard ships and numerous shore activities. Prosthodontic residency training was completed at the Naval Dental School, Bethesda, Maryland in 1963 and Masters in Education degree from George Washington University, Washington, DC, in 1974. He served as commanding officer of two Naval Regional Dental Centers and retired from the Navy in 1982 with the Rank of Rear Admiral. Upon retirement from the Navy, he was appointed as a full time Clinical Professor and Dean for Clinical Services, University of California, San Francisco. November 1992 he early retired and from September 1995 to June 2000 became a part time Professor at Loma Linda University, School of Dentistry. He and his wife Carrie reside in Las Vegas, NV.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- The collection of information for the publication of the Private Practice Procedural Manual.
- Instituted sound administrative procedures for the efficient operation of the College
- Streamlined the structure for preparing and planning for the Annual Session.

Message to Future Presidents

No one person can take credit for the success of the College, it is a team effort blessed with over 3,300 members in the United States and 35 other countries serving in practice, education and public/professional service. They are dedicated to promoting our specialty, encouraging students to seek advanced prosthodontic training and board certification. It is vital that the public is made aware that our specialty differs from the discipline of prosthodontics. I wish you the very best for the future.



Stephen F. Bergen, D.D.S., MSD ACP President – 1988-89



Stephen F. Bergen, D.D.S., M.S.D., Stephen F. Bergen completed his D.D.S. (1970) and Master's of Science in Dentistry (1975) at New York University College of Dentistry; he completed his Certificate in Prosthodontics (1973) and Certificate in Maxillofacial Prosthetics (1974) at New York Veterans Administration Medical Center, New York University, College of Dentistry. Dr. Bergen is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and presently Professor in the Department of Prosthodontics and Occlusion and is Clinical full time at New York University, College of Dentistry. He is the Chief of Dental Service, at the NY Harbor Healthcare System, Brooklyn, Manhattan and St. Albans Campus'. Besides Color Science, Dr. Bergen's interest and expertise lies in computers and computerization of dental records.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Commenced interviews for a Executive Director and the move to Chicago
- Began work on a new governance structure for the College
- Appointed a committee for the "Defense of the Specialty."
- Initiated a separate line on the dues statement so members could make voluntary contributions to the ACPEF.
- Addressed issues with the proper use of the ACP logo, use of the FACP and guidelines for ethical advertising.
- Addressed issues with state boards regarding what was allowable practice as a Prosthodontist.
- Initiated a survey on the use of tobacco.
- Passed a resolution on the mandatory use of Airbags in vehicles.

Message to Future Presidents

Be sure to engage as many young members of the College when making Committee appointments. Succession planning for the future of the College starts early in our member's careers.



William A. Kuebker, D.D.S., M.S.D. ACP President – 1987-88



William A. Kuebker, D.D.S., M.S.D., received his D.D.S. from Northwestern University Dental School in 1956. He was accepted into the USAF Senior Dental Program in 1995 and served in the USAF for twenty years, retiring at the rank of Colonel in 1975. He completed his Prosthodontics training at Washington University School of Dentistry, St. Louis, while on active duty, earning his MSD. He became Board Certified in Prosthodontics in 1966. In 1975, Dr. Kuebker was appointed to the prosthodontics faculty of the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio Dental School where he served for 25 years. Dr. Kuebker was a Charter Member of the ACP and served the College in various capacities from 1976 through 1993. Dr. Kuebker was awarded the ACP's "President's Award" in 1992, and the ACP's first "Distinguished Service Award" in 1994.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Worked diligently toward the College becoming the sponsor of the American Board of Prosthodontics and representative of the specialty of Prosthodontics, initially within the structure of the FPO and ultimately, being the sole sponsor and representative.
- Charged the Sections Committee "to develop ideas on how the sections could become involved in the governance of the College" which in time led to approval of the ACP House of Delegates.
- Worked toward the publication of the Journal of Prosthodontics.
- Included representatives of Sections to the 1988 Goals and Objectives meeting where the representatives provided valuable input in setting the College's agenda for the next five years.
- Appointed additional member to several committees to accommodate all of the volunteers who wanted to serve the College, with approximately 250 positions filled.

Message to Future Presidents

That they remember the history of the College prior to 1992 when the College was not the representative of the specialty, and to never become so comfortable or complacent to allow another organization or group to represent our specialty or determine the College's policies and activities.



**Cosmo V. DeSteno, D.M.D., Ph.D., F.A.C.P.
ACP President – 1986-87**



Cosmo V. DeSteno, D.M.D., Ph.D., F.A.C.P. received his D.M.D. degree from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New Jersey Dental School, in 1969. In 1973, he received his certificate in Prosthodontics from the University of Alabama Dental School and earned a Ph.D. degree in Physiology and Biophysics from the University of Alabama Graduate Medical School. Doctor DeSteno is currently Clinical Professor, Department of Restorative Dentistry-TMJ/Orofacial Pain Center at UMDNJ Dental School.

He is also in the private practice of prosthodontics in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Personally negotiated with Saunders to create the *Journal of Prosthodontics*.
- Moved the Executive Offices from San Antonio to Chicago, which enabled the College to be more visible within organized dentistry and the ADA.
- Fostered the acceptance of prosthodontists placing implants as well as restoring implants.
- Developed corporate support for Annual Session including the Exhibit Hall.
- Hired the first Executive Director of the American College of Prosthodontists David Schwab.



***Noel D. Wilkie, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1985-86**



Noel D. Wilkie, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. degree from the University of Pennsylvania and his post graduate education in prosthodontics at Georgetown University and the Naval Graduate School. He was an Associate Professor and Director for the Advanced Education Program in Prosthodontics in the College of Dentistry, New York University.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Presented the first ACP President's Award to Dr. Mohammad Mazaheri.
- Encouraged members to participate, seek committee positions, to be involved at the officer level, to use the ACP as their only voice, to expend their time and effort and money on behalf of the College and support the specialty directly through the ACP.

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Robert C. Sproull, D.D.S. ACP President – 1984-85



Robert C. Sproull, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. at the University of Pittsburg and his graduate training at the University of Southern California. In 1973 he retired from the Army dental Corps as colonel, Chief, Hospital Dental Clinic and Chief Fixed Prosthodontics, WBAMC. Dr. Sproull is in private practice in El Paso, Texas, and is a Fellow of The American College of Dentists, a Fellow and co-Founder of The American College of Prosthodontists, a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, and past president of the American Academy of the History of Dentistry and American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry. In addition he has written several outstanding articles for the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry and contributed chapters to several texts on the subject of the understanding of color for the practicing dentist.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Establishment of the ACP Education Foundation.
- Establishment of a computer operated financial accounting system for the College.



Jack D. Preston, D.D.S. ACP President – 1983-84



Jack D. Preston, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. from the USC School of Dentistry in 1957 and completed his residency in Fixed Prosthodontics from Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado, in 1967. After serving 11 years in the U.S Army Dental Corps he joined the Veterans Administration Dental service in Los Angeles, CA where established and directed the first fixed prosthodontic resident training program. He has been an Examiner and President of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Preston served for ten years as Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal of Prosthodontics. He was the first Harrington Foundation Professor of Esthetic Dentistry at the USC School of Dentistry and chaired the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Imaging. He also conducted a private practice of prosthodontics in Brentwood, CA. Dr. Preston presented innumerable lectures in the United States and on five continents. He and his wife Charlotte retired to Templeton, California in 2000 where they raise Bordeaux varietal grapes.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Proposed the concept for an International College of Prosthodontics.
- Led the members to agree to a dues increase to allow the College achieve its goals and establish a workable budget to finance its projects.
- Conducted Aims and Goals meetings to help set the course for the College and its role in organized dentistry.
- Actively participated in alliances resulting in the ACP overseeing the American Board of Prosthodontists.

Message to Future Presidents

The presidency presents an opportunity to unite disparate groups within the College and expand the Colleges influence among other organizations and the public it serves. The office of President is an honor and obligates the holder of the office to be circumspect.



***Stephen O. Bartlett, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1982-83**



Stephen O. Bartlett, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. from the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, in 1949. He served in the United States Navy Dental Corps from 1950-1971 and in 1971 became Professor of Prosthodontics, Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine. Dr. Bartlett was a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics. He was a member of the American College of Dentists, American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, American Dental Association and the American Academy for Plastics Research in Dentistry. Dr. Bartlett was one of the eleven founders of the American College Of Prosthodontists. He also served as Chairman of the Committee on Area and Regional Sections for the College.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Updated the College's Goals and Objectives
- Improved relations with the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations.

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Dean L. Johnson, D.D.S. ACP President – 1981-82



Dean L. Johnson, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. from Temple University in 1954. Shortly after completing his degree he was called on by the U.S. Navy to serve at the Marine Corps Base in San Diego, CA. After completing a tour of duty in Naples, Italy and receiving certification in prosthodontics through Indiana University, he went on to teach at the Naval Graduate Dental School in 1970. During that time he earned his M.Ed. at The George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He also served as the original Chair of Removable Prosthodontics, Graduate Prosthodontics Director and authored the book, “Fundamentals of Removable Prosthodontics” along with Russell Stratton. Dr. Johnson retired from the University of Oklahoma in 1995.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Created a Council for Affairs with the American Board of Prosthodontics

Message to Future Presidents

Support education! We do not know what we do not know. Our common assumption is that every dentist magically knows how to teach dentistry. There are a few gifted dentists who are born teachers. Most of us need to learn the teaching business. The ACP needs to get out of weekend hotel courses into institutional courses AND faculty need to complete Master Degrees in Higher Education, and they should be encouraged to do so. Primarily when a needy patient comes to a Prosthodontist for care, and lacks the funds for implants or extensive fixed bridges, they should be offered something more than our sympathy.



***Girard J. DiPietro, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1980-81**



Girard J. DiPietro, D.D.S., received his D.D.S. degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1957 and completed his prosthodontic training at Letterman Army Medical Center, San Francisco, California, in 1967. He became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1968. Dr. DiPietro had a distinguished career in the U.S. Army Dental Corps including a six year tour as Director of Removable Prosthodontics Residency Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. He received the “A” Professional designator from the U.S. Army Surgeon General, the highest award for demonstrated professional ability. He served as Chairman, Department of Graduate Prosthodontics at Emory University. Dr. DiPietro was a prosthodontic consultant for the Veterans Administration and numerous military installations. He published several scientific articles and lectured extensively throughout this country and Europe. Dr. DiPietro was a Charter Fellow of the A.C.P. and served the College in numerous offices.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- College membership exceeds 1100.
- The position of the College on the issue of Board sponsorship was presented to the FPO.

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Robert M. Morrow, D.D.S. ACP President – 1979-80



Robert M. Morrow, D.D.S., is past Professor and Head of Graduate Prosthodontics at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He received his dental degree from the University of Texas Dental School at Houston and Wilford USAF Medical Center at San Antonio. Dr. Morrow is a past President of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Morrow co-authored the texts *Dental Laboratory Procedures Volume I and II*.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Patient brochures were developed by the Professional Relations Committee.
- Established an Affiliate breakfast during the Annual Meeting.
- Eliminate the initiation fee for Affiliates transferring to Associate status.



Kenneth D. Rudd, D.D.S. ACP President – 1978-79



Kenneth D. Rudd, D.D.S., was Professor in the Department of Prosthodontics and Director of the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School's Continuing Dental Education Office upon his retirement in 1993. He was appointed as Professor Emeritus on September 1, 1994. Dr. Rudd is a Diplomate and Past President of the American Board of Prosthodontics. He is a Fellow and one of the ten founding members of the American College of Prosthodontists which he served as Secretary and President. Dr. Rudd is a Past President of the Southwest Prosthodontic Society, the Southwest Academy of Restorative Dentistry, the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations, and the Academy of Prosthodontics.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Established a Central Office in San Antonio, Texas
- The College reached over 1000 members.



***Daniel F. Gordon, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1977-78**



Daniel F. Gordon, D.D.S. was involved in the private practice of prosthodontics in Newport Beach, California. He was also the Clinical Professor in Advanced prosthodontics at the University of Southern California. Dr. Gordon was a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists. He was a Charter Member of the College. Dr. Gordon involved himself at all times in organized dentistry, as evidenced by his positions as the past Chairman of the ADA's Council on Judicial Affairs and as Past President of the Southern California Dental Association. Dr. Gordon wrote and lectured extensively throughout the United States. He was a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics.

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***Robert W. Elliott Jr., D.D.S.
ACP President – 1976-77**



Robert W. Elliott Jr., D.D.S., received a bachelor of Metallurgical Engineering degree from Ohio State University in 1943 and a D.D.S. from Western Reserve University in 1950. Subsequently he served in the United States Navy as a dental officer, retiring in 1977 as Chief of Naval Dental Corps, in the grade of Rear Admiral. He taught at Georgetown University School of Dentistry where he was an Associate Professor in the

College and addressed numerous groups both in the United States and abroad. He was a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists, a Fellow of the American College of Dentists, a Fellow of the International College of Dentists, a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Associate editor of the JPD for the Carl O. Boucher prosthodontic Conference, member of the American Prosthodontic Society and Chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee of the Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- The first ACP prosthodontic Research Award was established.

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***John J. Sharry, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1975-76**



John J. Sharry, D.D.S., earned his Degree of Dental Medicine from Tufts College of Boston. He was associated with the College of Dental Medicine at the Medical University of South Carolina for seven years and served as Dean from 1971 to 1975. Previously he had taught at the University of Alabama, Birmingham, for 22 years, rising to professor and Chairman of prosthetic dentistry and serving for four years as assistant to vice president for health affairs of the University. Dr. Sharry shared his time and expertise with many professional memberships, advisory committees, and editorial positions. He was honored by the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics as the Distinguished Lecturer of 1980.

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***Edwin H. Smith Jr., D.D.S.
ACP President – 1974-75**



Edwin H. Smith Jr., D.D.S., attended the University of Pennsylvania for Dental School and Northwestern University of his prosthodontic training. Dr. Smith was born May 3, 1916 and died on June 19, 2001. He was last known to be living in Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

Message to Future Presidents

*Any organization is only as strong as its membership is willing to work for it.
The work can be accomplished by a few or spread among many willing hands.
The greater number of hands involved in the activities of an organization, the
stronger and more united it becomes.*

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***Keith R. Marcroft, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1973-74**



Keith R. Marcroft, D.D.S., graduated from the University of Utah, where he had participated in the ROTC program. After serving in World War II in the Pacific Theater, he attended Washington University in St. Louis, graduating with honors with a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree. He also served as an officer in the US Army Dental Corps. After graduation he was a faculty member at Washington University Dental School. He later accepted an appointment with the Veterans

Administration and concurrently served on the faculty of several dental schools, including Georgetown University and Howard University, and later became the Chairman of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Alabama in Birmingham. For 25 years he served on the faculty at the University of the Pacific Dental School in San Francisco. Dr. Marcroft also served at the VA's Central Dental Office in Washington DC after receiving a Presidential appointment to the position.

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***Alex Koper, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1972-73**



West Coast.

Alex Koper, D.D.S., attended UCLA for 3 years and received his B.S. at USC and then D.D.S. in 1942. He enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed in Guam in World War II. In addition to his practice in Inglewood and then West Los Angeles, Dr. Koper was the director of the USC Odontic Seminar for forty years of continuous study of prosthodontics. While at USC, he established one of the first organized Advanced Prosthodontic Education and Training programs on the

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- He served on the first Board of Directors for the ACP
- The first issue of the ACP's membership publication, the *Newsletter*, was published.

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***Louis J. Boucher, D.D.S, Ph.D**
ACP President – 1971-72



Louis J. Boucher, D.D.S., Ph.D, was educated at Northland College, University of Wisconsin, and Marquette University School of Dentistry DDS (1953), PHD (1961). He had a Residency in Prosthetic Dentistry at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Wood, Wisconsin and a Residency in Maxillofacial Prosthetics at the United States Naval Dental School in Bethesda, Maryland.

Dr. Boucher had a vital career as a practicing dentist, dental educator and administrator. He joined the faculty at Marquette University while balancing the responsibilities of a private practice. Later he served as Dean of Fairleigh Dickinson Dental School in New Jersey. He held the position of Associate Dean of both the College of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (CMDNJ) and the School of Dental Medicine State University of New York (SUNY) at Stony Brook. Dr. Boucher was active in organized dentistry. He served as President of seven national and international dental organizations. He served as consultant to the American Dental Association Council on Dental Education; the Veterans Administration; the United States Army Dental Corps.; the Surgeon General of the United States Air Force; and to various branches, bureaus and programs of the United States Public Health Service. He published seven textbooks and over 90 articles pertaining to research, education and prosthodontics. He lectured extensively in the United States as well as in Canada and South America, receiving numerous honors and awards.

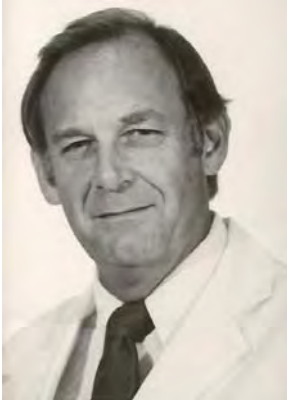
Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- The Federation of Prosthodontic Organizations (FPO) sponsors the ABP.

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***Raymond J. Loiselle, D.D.S.
ACP President – 1970-71**



Raymond J. Loiselle, D.D.S., earned his D.D.S. from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, Tenn. in 1953 and then studied prosthodontics at the Veteran's Affairs Medical Center, Memphis, where he earned his Certificate in Prosthodontics in 1959. Dr. Loiselle was the Director of Dental Services at the V.A. Research Hospital in Chicago, and later, Director of the Dental Department at Hines V.A. Hospital, the world's largest dental clinic. During this time, he served as a professor at Northwestern, Loyola, and the University of Illinois Schools of Medicine, concurrently.

Accomplishments During ACP Presidency

- Helped found the ACP and served as the first President.
- The first Annual Session of the ACP convened on February 11, 1971 at the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago, Illinois.

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