

Annual Session 2003 ♦ October 8-11 ♦ Dallas, Texas

## ACP 2003 Annual Session Is A Success

If you missed out on the exciting events that transpired during the 2003 Annual Session in Dallas, just sit back and let us recap the highlights of what was one of the most significant meetings in ACP history.

The meeting was held at the Wyndham Anatole Hotel in Dallas, Texas from October 8-11, 2003. With over a thousand guests in attendance, the meeting offered a balanced mix of continuing education and networking opportunities for increasing professional development and renewing personal relationships, as well as the annual meeting of the House of Delegates that reviewed past accomplishments and set new priorities for 2004. (Complete report is on page 7). In addition, there was a larger than normal representation of dental technicians in attendance due primarily to the program's heavy emphasis on the Prosthodontist/Technician relationship.

Attendees at the Friday night reception had the opportunity to welcome Dr. Nancy Arbree, of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, as the first woman president in ACP history. Currently, 12 percent of the ACP general membership and 32 percent of its student members are female. These



The ACP, and 2004 President Dr. Nancy Arbree gives special recognition and appreciation to Dr. Jonathan Ferencz (with wife Maxine alongside) for his dedication and service as ACP President in 2003.

percentages are likely to increase in the future due to the fact that the current freshman class in US dental schools is approximately 45 percent woman.

Other meeting highlights included:

- Dr. Arbree presenting the past president award to Dr. Jonathan Ferencz at Friday night's President's Reception. Dr. Ferencz (with wife Maxine) proudly accepted the award and thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve them as their president in 2003.

- The installation of the ACP 2004 Officers and Board of Directors. (See page 4).
- Friday's luncheon provided an opportunity to recognize and honor members for achieving Diplomate status and becoming board certified by the American Board of Prosthodontics during the past year. (See photo on page 7).
- The top table clinic presentations awards for 2003 were (1) Dr. Ashraf Estafan, (2) X and (3) Dr. Edwin Goldin. Also, for the first time the ACP had a separate competition for predoctoral dental students. Pam Maragliano and Mike Oppedisano of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine received first place honors. (See photos on page 6).
- Award presentations of the 2003 John J. Sharry Research Competition went to: (1) Dr. Daniel Schweitzer, (2) Dr. Michael Guilizio and (3) Dr. Paivi Samant. (See photos on page 6).
- The ACP Annual Session exhibit hall continues to grow with over 70 participating companies!

See page 6 for a recap and photos of all 2003 award recipients.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings and Happy New Year from the BOD and your president. 2004 promises to be another important year for our specialty.

- In March, we will hold a pre-ADEA-ACP symposium tailored for educators to address the student recruitment and faculty recruitment/retention issues so critical to our postgraduate prosthodontic programs (see details on page 11).
- Throughout the year, we will be surveying membership to improve value and increase our numbers.
- In July, we will appear before the Commission on Dental Accreditation to address "communities of interest's" concerns and suggestions for our Postgraduate Prosthodontic Standards Revision.
- This year, all Chairs and Committee members received their usual December appointment letter with a new item: a list of Committee charges for the year. It is hoped that this will allow 2004 to be a most active year for our committees. We have a vibrant, committed Central Office staff, but they cannot do it all. Our committees, composed of members of our specialty, postgraduate students and Technician Alliance partners, help us to complete work that is vital in accomplishing our goals.
- This year, our President-Elect, Dr. Patrick Lloyd, is charged with studying our Committee structure in light of our conversion to Knowledge-Based Governance. Most organizations today, in order to remain nimble and flexible enough to respond to everyday changes, have less standing committees and more ad hoc "Task Forces" or "Virtual Focus Groups". Key standing committees will remain to continue to provide the stability for projects that occur annually.
- The Center for Prosthodontic Education will plan its first Complete



Dr. Nancy Arbree  
ACP President

Denture Prosthodontics Course.

- A survey will be initiated to help format a standardized part-time postgraduate prosthodontic program and an implant surgery curriculum to enhance our student recruitment efforts.
- The Parameters of Care will begin to be updated in light of our new ACP Classifications Systems and code changes.
- A Public Relations Plan will be drafted for consideration by the ACPEF; its implementation will enhance our members and patients' lives.
- Enhancements to our web site will occur.

One of the great accomplishments of 2003 was the excellent effort of your very dedicated ACP BOD in coming up with the blueprint for our future success as a specialty: the **June 2003 ACP Strategic Plan** (3 to 30 years!). A short version of the plan is provided as an insert with this newsletter. We look forward to your input via our membership surveys.

#### June 2003 ACP Strategic Plan – How consensus was attained

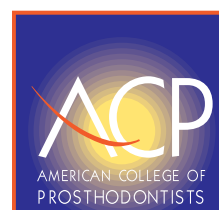
First, Your BOD considered the ACP's Core Ideology \*, which consists of our Core Purpose and Core Values. It is significant that our **Core Purpose** was determined to be non-self-serving: **To improve the quality of life through the advancement of Prosthodontics**. Our agreed upon five **Core Values** are reminiscent of our postgraduate prosthodontic training ideals:

- Excellence
- Innovation
- Vision and Leadership
- Integrity
- Accessibility

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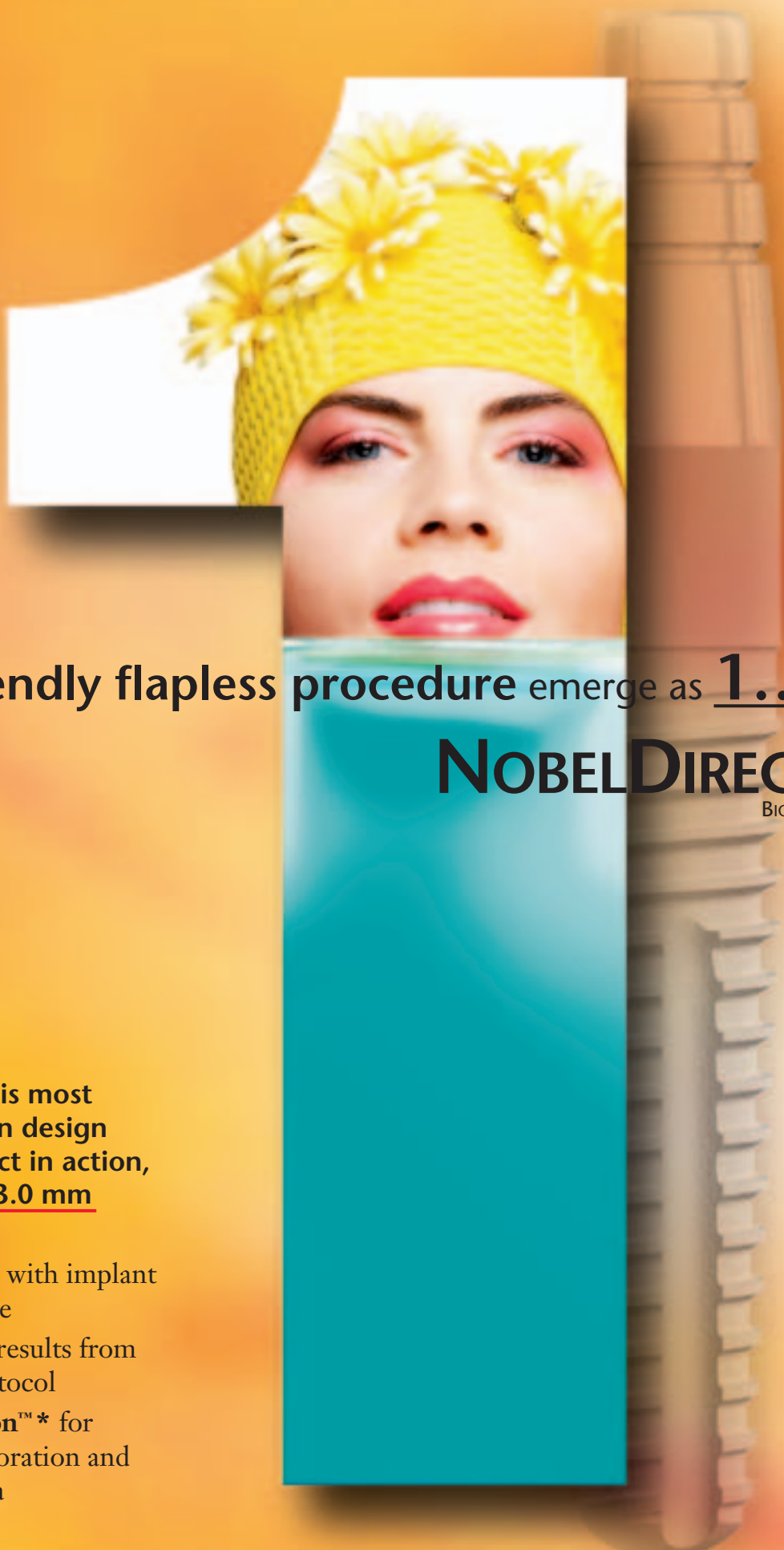
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## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Mr. Edward J. Cronin

**B**y the time you read this, I hope you will have received the comprehensive member questionnaire we sent and returned it by the February 13<sup>th</sup> deadline. Someone will win a complementary registration to our Annual Session to be held on

October 27-30, 2004 in Ottawa, Canada.

As we have discussed before, the ACP Board of Directors has endorsed a concept of Knowledge Based Governance. We have been transitioning over the past year to move our three board meetings each year away from primarily reporting on activities and to focus our time on a dialogue about the important issues facing our specialty and our association. We do spend plenty of time on reviewing activity during our monthly board conference calls which allows the time for forward thinking during our in-person meetings.

The first Mega Issue we have identified relates to the Membership levels in the College. For the past few years our Membership has remained constant at about 65% of the eligible Prosthodontists. This relates poorly to the other dental specialties which all have saturation rates of greater than 90%. If the ACP can make a strong step in the direction of these higher participation rates it would significantly strengthen our organization's ability to meet the needs, wants and preferences of our members. This, in turn, will make the College more attractive to more potential members. The Board has committed to improving Membership rates during 2004 and beyond.

The first step is to gather necessary data. We have developed a comprehensive survey for ACP members and a shorter version for non-members. We are hopeful that we will receive a significant response which will provide the important information to the Board so that they can marshal the human, financial and intellectual resources of the specialty to move it in the right direction. This process will involve making the changes necessary to improve our performance as well as removing any obstacles that hinder our progress.

You as an individual Member of the ACP can also make a difference. Like other associations, our Members are simultaneously our owners, customers and workforce. The ACP belongs to each of you and it will be because of your participation, energy and commitment that will determine our ability to be successful. Your completed survey is a step in the right direction. If you identify and recruit a new member, you will have made a significant contribution.

As far as I can tell, there are no factors inherent in our specialty that make 65% an acceptable membership level. If we all work hard together, we will make a difference and a year from now be able to say we are moving in the right direction.

## CENTRAL OFFICE UPDATE

### Meet Your ACP Staff



Robin Arrena Swartz

**Name:** Robin Arrena Swartz

**Department/Title:** Executive Assistant

**Favorite Restaurant:** Mia Francesca

**Last book read:** "Catch Me If You Can"

**When not in the office, you can find me:** Winter: At home reading a good mystery novel or watching a "good" movie. Summer: Walking or reading by the lake/park and hitting the "movie in the park" night.

**One material thing, I can't live without:** Purse and laptop

**Three words that best describe me:** helpful & Eager

**You can contact me for:** Anything. If I do not have the answer, I will make it a priority to find the answer.

### At Your Service...

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## ACP Elects New Officers and Board of Directors for 2004

The ACP has elected **Dr. Nancy S. Arbree**, of Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, as its 33rd President for 2004. Dr. Arbree will be the first woman to serve in this position in the history of the College.

Dr. Arbree received her DDS Magna Cum Laude from Georgetown University School of Dentistry in 1977, completed a General Practice Residency at the VA Hospital in Gainesville, FL in 1978, and a General Prosthodontics Residency and Maxillofacial Prosthetics Fellowship at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in 1981. Dr. Arbree became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1990, and received a Master's degree in Dental Science from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1996.

Dr. Arbree is Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor in the Department of Prosthodontics and Operative Dentistry at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, and maintains a private practice in Boston.

Dr. Arbree is currently a member of numerous dental organizations including the ADA, the Academy of Osseointegration, the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, and the American Dental Education Association.



*Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd*

**Dr. Patrick M. Lloyd** was elected President Elect of the College for 2004. Dr. Lloyd received his DDS from Marquette University School of Dentistry in 1978, Certificate in Prosthodontics from the VA Medical Center in Milwaukee, WI in 1981 and MS in Dental Science from Marquette University Graduate School in 1989, and became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1991. Dr. Lloyd is Chair of the Family Dentistry Department at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry, and previously served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Prosthodontics* from 1993 to 2003.



*Dr. Bruce G. Valauri*

**Dr. Bruce G. Valauri** was elected Vice President of the College for 2004. This will be his fourth year serving on the ACP Board of Directors, most recently as Director of the Membership Division. Dr. Valauri graduated from the New York University College of Dentistry in 1983, and completed his General Practice, Prosthodontic and Maxillofacial Prosthetic residencies at the New York Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in 1987. Dr. Valauri is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow of the

ACP and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics and member of numerous other organizations. Dr. Valauri is Clinical Assistant Professor at New York University College of Dentistry and maintains a private practice in Manhattan. Previously, he served as Director of the Prosthodontic and Maxillofacial Prosthetic residency programs at the New York VAMC from 1989-2002.



*Dr. Lily T. Garcia*

**Dr. Lily T. Garcia** was elected Secretary of the College for 2004. This will be Dr. Garcia's first year on the ACP Board of Directors. Dr. Garcia is Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA), and currently maintains a practice limited to Prosthodontics which includes simple and complex esthetic treatment and implant therapies. Dr. Garcia graduated from The University of Texas at Austin and received her DDS from Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas, TX and Certificate and MS in Prosthodontics at UTHSCSA. She has published numerous articles and abstracts, edited several dental textbooks, and co-authored *Osseointegration and Occlusal Rehabilitation*. She also serves on the Editorial Boards for *Quintessence International Journal* and *International Journal of Prosthodontics*, and as a Reviewer for the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry*. Dr. Garcia is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow of the ACP and member of numerous other dental organizations, and she has received both the Rocky Mountain Study Club Professor of the Year and the University of Colorado Health Science Center President's Excellence in Teaching Award.



*Dr. David L. Pfeifer*

**Dr. David L. Pfeifer** has been elected Treasurer of the ACP for 2004. This is Dr. Pfeifer's second year as ACP Treasurer. Dr. Pfeifer received his DDS from Indiana University School of Dentistry. He began a residency program in Prosthodontics at the Navy Graduate Dental School in Bethesda, MD, received his MS and MED degrees from the George Washington University and BS from the University of Dayton. Dr. Pfeifer became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1977. Dr. Pfeifer is currently in private practice at the Rossmoor Medical Center in Walnut Creek, CA. Previously, Dr. Pfeifer served 22 years with the U.S. Navy attaining the rank of Captain in 1980, and his last active duty

assignment as Executive Officer of the Naval Dental Clinic in San Francisco. In 1988, Dr. Pfeifer was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for exemplary and dedicated service to his country by the U.S. Navy.



*Dr. Deron Ohtani*

**Dr. Deron Ohtani** has been elected to serve on the ACP Board of Directors in 2004 as Director of the Public & Professional Relations Committee. This will be Dr. Ohtani's first year serving as a Director. Dr. Ohtani received his DDS from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Previously, Dr. Ohtani served as President of the Hawaii Dental Association (1993) and Chair of the ADA Council on Dental Education and Licensure (2001-2002). Dr. Ohtani currently works in private practice in Hawaii.



*Dr. Frank Tuminelli*

**Dr. Frank Tuminelli** has been elected Director of Membership for 2004. This is Dr. Tuminelli's first year as Director of the ACP Board of Directors. Dr. Tuminelli received his DMD (1981) and Certificate in Prosthodontics (1984) from Farleigh Dickinson University School of Dental Medicine. He is a member of various dental organizations including the ACP, the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, the Northeast Gnathological Society, the American Dental Association and the American College of Dentists. Dr. Tuminelli is Director - Advanced Prosthodontics and Implant Dentistry and Chief - Division of Prosthodontics at the NSUH-LIJ Health System and Section Head - Implant Prosthodontics and Advanced Restorative Dentistry at Long Island Jewish Medical Center. He currently maintains a private practice limited to Prosthodontics in New York and is Team Dentist for the New York Islanders.

Other members who will continue to serve on the ACP Board of Directors in 2004 are: Drs. Lyndon Cooper, Education and Research Division Director; Stephen Campbell, Forum Director; Ana Diaz-Arnold, Annual Session Division Director; David Felton, *Journal of Prosthodontics* Editor-in-Chief; Charles Goodacre, Director at Large; Gregory Guichet, Prosthodontic Practice and Patient Services Division Director; Richard Seals, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates; Jonathan Ferencz, Immediate Past President; and newly appointed Frank Tuminelli, Membership Division Director; Deron Ohtani, Public and Professional Relations Division Director.

## Prosthodontic Review Course Is A Hit

The Prosthodontic Review Course (PRC) was held November 13-15, 2003 at the Intercontinental Chicago Hotel and met with unprecedented success. The ACP Center for Prosthodontic Education (CPE) brought back the course that was initially given by the University of Michigan in the 1990's, and believes the positive reception for this course is an indication for the success for this and future CPE courses. "This is a must every year for anyone who practices Prosthodontics," says Dr. Nancy Arbree, ACP President.

Over 230 dental professionals were in attendance anxiously anticipating a high quality, comprehensive, prosthodontic review as promised, and the CPE did not let them down. The program, with 25 speakers, set a precedent for maintaining a high standard of achievement in the art and science of Prosthodontics and dentistry. "It is our belief that Prosthodontists and all dentists will find a home outside the university environment to study and become exposed comfortably to the new and developing areas of quality patient care," said Dr. Kenneth Malament, 2003 PRC

Program Moderator.

Overall, the content, format and speakers exceeded the expectations of nearly all who attended. "An excellent course," said Dr. Stephen Cohen and "the best three day meeting I ever attended," said Dr. Anthony LaVacca were just a couple of the remarks made from course participants. Other comments include:

- "Outstanding three days with a great diversity of speakers...A wonderful resource"  
– Dr. Stephen Hudis
- "Excellent review course of nearly all the different aspects of a modern prosthodontic practice"  
– Dr. Hassan Abed
- "Great, comprehensive program"  
– Dr. TC Hilger

Created as the continuing education arm of the American College of Prosthodontist, "the CPE is dedicated to promoting better dentistry through knowledge and education to all dental professionals, and to being recognized as the global resource for all your prosthodontic continuing education

needs," according to Dr. Kenneth Hilsen, Chair of the CPE. As a leading resource for educational excellence, the CPE provides the highest quality educational programs related to the specialty and discipline of Prosthodontics. Course offerings include advances in clinical prosthodontics, science, and technology to assist dental professionals to stay up-to-date with the latest innovations in the field of Prosthodontics. Programs on dental implants, complete dentures, and esthetic dentistry are available for dentists as well as programs for auxiliaries and technicians.

For a current list of all upcoming CPE courses, visit [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org).

### 2003 PRC Attendance Breakdown

ACP Members	– 47%
ACP Students	– 23%
Non-Member	– 25%
Other Students	– 5%

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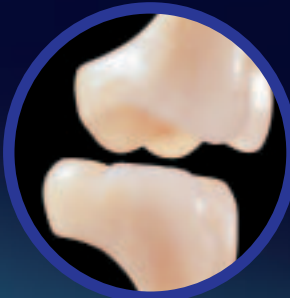
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## Award Winners from the 2003 Annual Session

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



### The John J. Sharry Research Competition

ACP Education Foundation Chair Dr. Thomas McGarry and Research Committee Chair Dr. Clark Stanford with the John J. Sharry Research Competition winners (left to right): **Dr. Daniel Schweitzer** (first), **Michael Guilizio** (second), **Paivi Samant** (third).



Ms. Deborah Kelly of Waterpik Technologies, pictured with the recipient of the 2003 Best of the Best Student Prosthodontic Award, **Jesse W. Smith** (Marquette University School of Dentistry).



### ACP Clinician/Researcher Award

Dr. Jonathan Ferencz with the ACP 2003 Clinician/Researcher Award recipient, **Dr. Robert Kelly**.



### President's Award

Dr. Jonathan Ferencz with the 2003 ACP President's Award recipient **Dr. Thomas Taylor** of the University of Connecticut.



### ACP Educator of the Year Award

Dr. Jonathan Ferencz with ACP 2003 Educator of the Year recipient, **Dr. Charles Goodacre**.



In the first ever Table Clinic Competition for dental school students **Pam Maragliano** and **Mike Oppedisano** received the top honors.



### Table Clinic Winners

Table Clinics Chair Dr. Michael Mansueto pictured with the 2003 table clinic winners (left to right): **Drs. Ashraf Estafan**, (first), **Sameer Sajoo**, (second) and **Edwin Goldin** (third).



# ACP House of Delegates Report

by Dr. Richard Seals, ACP Speaker of the House

When representatives from State Sections, the Federal Services and Student Special Interest Groups, and the Prosthodontic Forum came together at the 2003 ACP Annual Session in Dallas, the focus was on facilitating ACP responses to the changing demands facing our members, organization and specialty. Due to the dynamic nature of our specialty organization, streamlining the ACP administrative structure and increasing the efficiency of College activities were at the forefront of many issues considered by the House of Delegates.

The 2003 ACP House of Delegates convened at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 8, 2003. House Speaker Dr. Richard Seals, Vice Speaker Dr. Robert Ahlstrom, and Parliamentarian Dr. Mark Pigno presided over the opening session as reports for deliberation and action were presented. Dignitaries included ACP President Dr. Jonathon Ferencz, all Officers and Directors of the ACP, ACP Immediate Past President Dr. David Felton, ACP Executive Director Mr. Edward Cronin, ACEF Chairman Dr. Thomas McGarry, ABP President Dr. Robert Cronin, ABP Executive Director Dr. Thomas Taylor, and Prosthodontic Forum Chair Dr. Stephen Campbell.

During the Report of the Public and Professional Relations Division, the public relations firm CKPR presented an update on the ACP's national campaign to increase public awareness of Prosthodontics and Prosthodontists. Clearly, the video news releases broadcasted by television stations across the country and the feature articles printed in newspapers around the country are promoting the specialty of Prosthodontics and the ACP to the general public.

Delegates elected Dr. Patrick Lloyd as President-Elect, Dr. Bruce Valauri as Vice President, and Dr. Lily Garcia as Secretary. Delegates also elected Drs. Deron Ohtani and Frank Tuminelli to positions on the ACP Board of Directors and Drs. Robert Gillis, Debra Haselton and Carol Lefebvre to positions on the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics.

Delegates adjourned from the opening session to form reference committees which discussed specific House resolutions. Reference Committee A, chaired by Dr. Betsy Brackett, reviewed International Membership and considered resolutions regarding the transaction of business within the House of Delegates and ACP strategic planning. Both resolutions considered by Reference Committee A were unanimously recommended for adoption by the House. The recommended resolution concerning the transaction of business in the House of Delegates modifies the order of business for House meetings, directs proposed resolutions to the Speaker and extends the terms of the Speaker and Vice-Speaker to two years. The recommended resolution concerning strategic planning eliminates the Planning Committee and assigns responsibility for annual review and revision of the ACP Strategic Plan to the President-Elect.

Reference Committee B, chaired by Dr. Daryl Roy, reviewed proposals to expand the charge of the Nominating Committee, eliminate the Private Practice Workshop Subcommittee of the Prosthodontic Practice Committee and revise policies governing the Annual Session. All three resolutions considered by Reference Committee B were unanimously recommended for adoption by the House. The recommended resolution concerning the Nominating Committee charges the committee with the responsibility of presenting to the Board of Directors three candidates for prosthodontic consultants for the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation. In light of the fact that the membership of the ACP now represents a majority of private practice Prosthodontists and the Annual Session program is primarily geared to their needs, the second recommended resolution eliminating the Private Practice Workshop Subcommittee recognizes that it is no longer necessary to have a separate, stand-alone Private Practice Workshop. The recommended

modifications to the Annual Session Policies direct the ACP Central Office, in conjunction with the ACP Annual Session Committee, to determine a budget for the Annual Official Session at least one year prior to the meeting for approval by the Board of Directors, to use the Annual Session Compensation Guidelines for speaker compensation packages as well as other benefits allowed to Annual Session participants, and to conduct the Annual Session within the approved budget.

Reference Committee C deliberated resolutions to add the Treasurer to the Central Office Oversight Committee, establish the 2004 budget and change the deadline for submitting the annual budget to the House of Delegates from the current sixty days prior to the House of Delegates Annual Meeting to at least 30 days prior to the meeting. The three resolutions considered by Reference Committee C were unanimously recommended for adoption by the House. The recommended budget establishes the 2004 ACP dues as \$602.00 for Active Members and Fellows, \$75.00 for Student Members, and \$200.00 for Alliance Technicians.

The Reference Committee meetings were followed by a Sections Meeting in the afternoon. Sections are the voice of ACP members, and the commitment of the Section representatives participating in the meeting was inspiring. Led by Dr. Bruce Valauri, with assistance from Dr. Jonathon Ferencz, Dr. Richard Seals and Ms. Michelle Martin, participants discussed issues vital to our Sections including a protocol to help Sections investigate general dentists advertising as Prosthodontists and the use of e-mail and web-

sites to improve Section communications.

In the closing session on Friday, October 10, 2003 each Reference Committee Chair presented the committee recommendations on their specific resolutions. Committee B recommended in a new resolution to charge the Board of Directors with reviewing the ACP committee structure and recommend potential committee reorganization to facilitate timely responses to changing demands facing the specialty. All recommended resolutions from Reference Committees A, B and C were passed by the House. The approved budget maintains College dues and fees at their current levels and dedicates approximately 16% of dues revenue to funding the ACP National Public Relations Campaign.

Dr. Nancy Arbree was welcomed with applause as the new ACP President. Her New President's address commented on the landmark nature of the decisions made over the last two years and expressed how the Board of Directors is committed to a long term vision for the College through the implementation of a knowledge based governance system of leadership allowing the Board of Directors to focus on strategic planning and the needs of the specialty. House leadership was affirmed by the reelection of Dr. Seals as Speaker and Dr. Ahlstrom as Vice Speaker. Commendation goes to Dr. Betsy Brackett, Dr. Daryl Roy and Dr. Deron Ohtani for their efforts as Reference Committee Chairs, to ACP staff, and to the Delegates and Alternate Delegates who gave their time and energy to represent their fellow members.

## New Fellows of the ACP



The ACP congratulates the following new Diplomates of the American Board of Prosthodontics (pictured left to right): Drs. Martin Yules, Benjamin Dale Hunter II, Allan Scott Parke, Narong Potiket, Stephen Keese, Nancy Reeves, Tarek AbdelHalim, James Dunne Jr, and Omar Abdo. Not pictured: Drs. Douglas Ford, Kanchana Kanchanatawewat, Tee-Khin Neo, Michael Razzoog, Stuart O'Brien Rimes, Gustavo Tapia and Sudsukh Thongthammachat.

## Dr. Rhonda Jacob Is Named Examiner of ABP



Dr. Rhonda Jacob

Dr. Rhonda Jacob was elected Examiner of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP) by the Diplomates of the ABP beginning in October 2004. This year's election was significant because it was the first under the new format in which insures that the ABP represents the diversity of the membership of the prosthodontic community.

Dr. Rhonda Jacob received her DDS and MS in Prosthodontics from the University of Iowa, and certification in maxillofacial prosthodontics at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. Dr. Jacob is currently Professor at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and the University of Texas Dental Branch-Houston. Dr. Jacob is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow of the ACP and served on the Board of Directors as Executive Council of the Academy of Prosthodontics; Secretary, Treasurer and currently Vice President Elect of the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, and Council of the International College of Prosthodontists. She has also served on several editorial and review boards including the *Journal of Prosthodontics*, the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry* and the *International Journal of Prosthodontics*.

The officers of the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) and the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics thank all the Diplomates for their participation in this electoral process. This year there was approximately 25 percent more ballots cast from the past few years which may be attributed to the new format. This level of participation signifies the interest, responsibility and awareness that mark our specialty and Diplomate status.

## Public Relations Recap

**H**appy New Year! As we close the door on 2003 and move into 2004, we reflect on the many successes we've had in this first year of our national public relations initiative.

We've educated the public on who Prosthodontists are, what we do and the additional training that sets us apart from general dentists. We've shown how Prosthodontists bring joy back to people's lives, and we've explained procedures like dental implants and showed people how to choose a qualified professional.

We've issued a call to action and encouraged consumers to contact their local Prosthodontist, thus, raising interest in the subject of Prosthodontics with local newspapers, increasing business and gaining recognition within respective communities. In all communications, we've positioned Prosthodontists at the forefront of the restoration and replacement of teeth.

Some of the tactics we used to publicize these messages include pre-packaged news stories in the form of mat releases and a video news release. As a result, Prosthodontists have been the subject of over 1,156 news stories in 37 states and featured on major television networks throughout the U.S., including CBS, NBC, FOX, ABC and the WB. In fact, you may have seen our own Dr. McGarry and Dr. Ferencz on the television screen in your own living room! We've also distributed these tools to the entire ACP membership, and members have customized press releases for recognition in their own markets. Altogether, these efforts have generated more than 29,000 impressions among the U.S. public.

We've already begun to take on 2004 by storm, gaining recognition among our peers with a recent feature story in the January 5<sup>th</sup> issue of *ADA News* announcing Dr. Nancy Arbree's new leadership role as the first female president of the ACP. Moving forward, we would like to continue to receive your input on the types of procedures you feel we should tout or any advances you are pioneering. We will also continue to offer strategy suggestions and advice for reaching out to your local media and keep you updated on new PR programs as they arise.

We look forward to a successful 2004!



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**Second**, we spent time on deciding "Day-to-Day Behaviors" that would reflect these values, such as:

- Continually elevating the standard of care for all prosthodontic patients (**Excellence**),
- Maintaining an environment that promotes the highest ethical behavior (**Integrity**) and
- Encouraging members to participate in outreach programs (**Accessibility**).

**Third**, from these common starting points, we reestablished our

### □ "Envisioned Future (10-30 year horizon)":

□ **Internal Vision** = The ACP, improving the quality of life through the advancement of Prosthodontics:

- Visionary leaders in advancing patient care through advocacy, education, and research
- Innovators in the scope of Prosthodontics
- The valued organization for all Prosthodontists
- Architects of effective partnerships for Prosthodontics
- A global prosthodontic resource

**External Vision** = Organized Prosthodontics will have a shared vision of the Specialty and prosthodontic care. Prosthodontists will work together to promote and achieve the vision of prosthodontic care available to all who could benefit from that care.

**Fourth**, Goal areas were developed:

- **Awareness of Value**, e.g., 50% of the US population will know what a Prosthodontist is.
- **Access to Prosthodontic Care**, e.g., prosthodontic care will be available to all.
- **Role of Prosthodontists**, e.g., Prosthodontists will provide prosthodontic education to other practitioners and dental staff in order to support them in providing care.
- **Prosthodontic Education**, e.g., the specialty will attract, educate and fund the highest caliber of students in sufficient numbers to meet the projected needs of the public.
- **Role of Research**, e.g., the specialty will play a vital role in tissue engineering, biomaterials, clinical and behavioral research.

**Fifth**, three to five year goals or outcomes for our stakeholders were described:

### GOAL A: RECOGNITION OF THE VALUE OF PROSTHODONTIC CARE

Patients, general practitioners, specialists, and others will

understand the value of prosthodontic care.

### GOAL B: NATIONAL ADVOCATE FOR PROSTHODONTIC CARE

The ACP will be the national advocate for patients who require rehabilitative and esthetic prosthodontic care.

### GOAL C: STRONG DENTAL EDUCATION

The ACP will strengthen the position of Prosthodontics in dental education.

### GOAL D: SCOPE OF PROSTHODONTICS

Through the success of ACP as innovators of change, the scope of Prosthodontics will be enhanced.

### GOAL E: STRONG LABORATORY INDUSTRY

The dental laboratory industry will be strong and will meet the needs of Prosthodontists, other dental professionals, and their patients.

### GOAL F: RESOURCES

Resources will be increased in number and quality for the purpose of enhancing the vision of the ACP.

**Sixth**, each Goal (A-F) was exploded into a "wish list" of objectives within three to five years, with accompanying strategies and priorities.

**Seventh**, "Wildcards" or "What-ifs" that could affect our specialty were discussed. The discussion of these allows your BOD to be flexible enough to brainstorm should the unexpected occur, e.g., like the loss of GME funding.

**Eighth**, a series of "Mega issues" were listed for the BOD to consider. After the GME funding issue (considered by the BOD in June 2003), the BOD considered "Membership" at its October 2003 meeting. A series of projects for this year were determined to reach out to our membership to further appreciate their loyalty and serve their needs.

What does all this mean? It means that your ACP BOD is on track. They are not just concentrating on today's issues, but are looking to the future to anticipate influences on our profession. As a dedicated volunteer group, they stand ready to react and be proactive to grow our power. Let us know your thoughts. Help us achieve our goals. If we all work together, everything is possible.

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## Term Life Insurance Basics 101

by: *Kenneth C. Thomalla, CPA, CLU, CFP- Vice President, Marketing Treloar and Heisel, Inc.*

A few years ago, term life was in the news due to a pending, and subsequently approved, legislation that was intended to halt the pricing pressures on the longer duration plans. Though rates for 20 and 30 year term plans did level and increased slightly in some cases, we did not see the end of the price wars between insurance carriers.

We now feel that the era of low term life insurance rates may be coming to an end. Legislation could not stop the downward spiral of premiums, however, the low interest rate environment may eventually stop this trend. Insurance companies are finding it increasingly difficult to obtain reinsurance companies to take on the same amount and class of risk at the same premiums. Do not be surprised to see term insurance premiums level off and even increase by year end. You still have the time to lock into guaranteed rates for up to 30 years.

Therefore, it is a very good time to re-evaluate your total life insurance needs and make the necessary changes to your term portfolio. Remember, term insurance should always be supported with a base of permanent coverage. (We will only address the features of term insurance in this article as permanent coverage was discussed in a recent article). How much term coverage is needed, proper duration, waiver of premium and the conversion feature will be discussed below.

It is important to emphasize why you must carry both term and permanent insurance as part of a well-balanced financial portfolio. We all have financial obligations-many of which won't disappear if and when we die. Therefore, it's necessary to cover those obligations through life insurance. Where the importance of combining term and permanent life insurance lies is within that "if and when you die" statement. Term insurance provides coverage *if* you die and permanent insurance provides coverage *when* you die.

Theoretically speaking, the younger you are, the more financial obligations you accumulate- whether it be starting a new practice, buying a first home, or having a family. Then as you grow older, these obligations slowly wane-kids move out, you've retired from a successful practice, and that home is paid off. Though the amount of life insurance declines, it never goes completely away.

Term life insurance is nothing more than hedging against a bet. The bet is that something will happen to you before you can fulfill your obligations. Most residents and new practitioners will start with 100% of term coverage. You can buy vast amounts at a reasonable price. As one moves throughout their careers, it is wise to start adding some permanent coverage into the mix. Ultimately, one will have between 25-50% of permanent insurance in their life insurance portfolio. This base of permanent life insurance will provide liquidity to an estate when one dies after retirement.

What's convenient about term life insurance is that it's flexible in the duration of cover-

age offered. You can purchase 10, 15, 20, or 30-year plans, which will usually suit people of all ages for all sorts of obligations. The longer requested duration, the higher the premium. When you're young and healthy, term insurance is the most effective way to ensure maximum insurance protection for a minimum current cash outlay.

Usually, one would use a 10 or 15 year level term to satisfy a business or personal loan obligations. A 20 and 30 year term plan is ideal for someone looking to protect income replacement for a young family. Note, many of the plan premiums advertised on the television are for 10 year level term plans. We find that most of the time, this is not a suitable plan.

Another attractive feature of term insurance is the waiver of premium rider. This provides a way for you to insure your monthly life insurance premiums. Should you become disabled, your premiums will be paid for the duration of the policy term or until you are able to return to work. Though the rider is not free, the benefit, should it

be used, far outweighs the cost.

Finally, a conversion feature on a term life policy allows the insured to convert from a term plan to a permanent plan of life insurance without medical underwriting. This is a must provision that locks you into the rate class when your term policy was originally purchased. Thus, if there is a dramatic change in health, it will not affect your ability to buy a permanent life insurance policy at a reasonable premium.

As stated above, insurance companies are having an increasingly difficult time finding reinsurance companies to take on the same amount and class of risk at the same premium. Therefore, expect to see term premiums increase by the year's end. That being the case, it's best to lock in those low rates now. This article was intended to be general in nature and further guidance should be sought. For more information, contact Treloar and Heisel, Inc. at 800-345-6040 or [www.th-online.net](http://www.th-online.net)

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*Forum Report: The Academy of Prosthodontics Outreach Program*

## A Heritage of Community Service

by: Drs. James Chandler and Stephen Campbell

The Academy of Prosthodontics has had a long history of scholarly activity and leadership in Prosthodontics. The founding of the specialty and Glossary of Prosthodontic Terms are just two of its noteworthy accomplishments. However, the Academy's heritage of community service is perhaps one of its most beloved contributions. The Academy of Prosthodontics has been involved in Outreach Programs for underserved rural and urban communities for eleven years. The Community Outreach Program began in 1993 at the Chickasaw Nation in Ada, Oklahoma and since that time the majority of the programs have focused on Native American populations.

During the 11-year history of the Program, the Academy has provided care for 474 patients, having completed 871 dentures. Thirty-one Academy Fellows have participated in the Program through the donation of their services. In addition, 17 guest dentists and graduate students, as well as 13 dental technicians have participated in the program. Supplies and equipment have been donated through a variety of sources. While the program has focused on rural Native Americans, the urban community has also benefited. Twenty-nine programs have been held at eight different sites.

Academy Fellows Dr. Dorsey Moore and Dr. Tom Taylor have participated in many of these outreach efforts over the years in Alaska and Montana and were asked to share their experiences and insights. When asked why someone would want to participate in these projects year in and year out, Dr. Taylor said, "the Outreach Program has provided the method of giving something meaningful to some people who might not otherwise receive the benefit of the wonderful

training, profession and specialty that I am so lucky to be a part of. So, the feeling of doing something that is clearly appreciated by the recipient is the superficial egocentric reason I love the Outreach Program." Dr. Moore said, "the denture treatment experience with these patients provided many heartwarming times. The appreciation for the healthcare professional was always evident. One woman walked eight miles to receive her completed dentures as she could not get a ride that morning. As I have worked with this Native American population, I now feel as though every person whom I have treated is a friend."

When asked why the Academy Outreach is important, Dr. Taylor said, "the Academy Outreach Program is more than a vehicle for those who participate to feel good about their contribution. The Outreach Program puts the Academy and all of Prosthodontics in a great position for gaining recognition. Our profile in the Native American communities we work in is high and beneficial to Prosthodontics and dentistry." Dr. Moore responded in a similar fashion, stating that while treating 108 Native Americans in Alaska between the ages of 34 and 90 years old, he has also been able to provide valuable dental continuing education to the local Indian Health Service staff who always ask him "Are you coming back next year?" When asked how the Outreach Program has changed them personally, Dr. Taylor said that he "became hooked on the first trip and continues to be an addict for the feeling he gets when he treats people who are so needy of the services he can provide." Dr. Moore says that he feels as though his Native American patients in Alaska are his extended family and has witnessed

their concern and caring for one another, especially for their senior citizens. "This program definitely has altered my feelings and concern for the Blackfeet of Montana and the Tlingit tribe in Alaska".

When asked if they could make a wish for the future of the Outreach Program, Dr. Taylor said that his only wish would be to "expand it a hundred times over to the point where every Academy member participates in the program. This program allows our foundation to approach individual organizations with a meaningful cause that can be invested in for the benefit of all. I hope the future of the Outreach Program is growth and expansion." Dr. Eric Rasmussen deserves special recognition for his commitment to the Program during the past 11 years as the Chair of the Academy's Community Outreach Program.

The Outreach Program offers an inviting combination of caring for a population with a desperate need for prosthodontic care while providing a unique environment of fellowship between Academy members. Groups such as the Tlingit Hadia Nation of Juneau, Alaska; the Blackfeet Nation of Browning, Montana; the Chickasaw Nation of Ada, Oklahoma, and the Northern Utes Nation of Fort Duchesne, Utah have all benefited. Even the most conservative financial estimates of these services would place the value in excess of a million dollars in prosthodontic care for these underserved groups. However, the real value has been in the people and the lives that have been touched, both the patients and the Fellows that have participated. The Academy is proud of its heritage of service and giving back to the community.



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# INDUSTRY NEWS

## Forum Report: AAMP 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting



Pictured from left to right: **Dr. Mark Marunick**, AAMP President; **Dr. Nancy Arbree**, ACP President; **Dr. Thomas Cowper**, AAMP Immediate Past President and **Dr. Thomas Vergo**, AAMP President-Elect.

ACP President **Nancy Arbree** was invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics (AAMP) at the Camelback Marriott Resort in Scottsdale, AZ on November 1-4, 2003. AAMP President, **Dr. Thomas Cowper**, incoming President **Dr. Mark Marunick**, and Secretary-Treasurer **Dr. Glenn Turner**, were gracious enough to invite the ACP President to attend the start of their AAMP Board of Directors Meeting on November 1.

Dr. Arbree updated the AAMP BOD on ACP activities of note. The AAMP was thanked for their active participation on our ACP Maxillofacial SIG, help in revising the Private Practice Manual and the Prosthodontic Standards, and generous contribution to the ACPEF. Most importantly, we discussed ways

that the ACP and AAMP could improve communication between our organizations and partner on collaborative endeavors. One area that is common to both organizations is our commitment to having all our members challenge the American Board of Prosthodontics. Maxillofacial Prosthodontists who are members of the ACP and the AAMP were sought for active participation on ACP committees. A special request was made to ask the AAMP to reconsider membership in the ACP Forum. Efforts will be organized to facilitate ACP/AAMP booths at each other's meetings to encourage membership in both organizations. Future considerations might include continuous annual meetings when same-city sites are selected.

Dr. Arbree then passed out a written description of the new Board Examiner selection process for clarification.

The highlight of the meeting was an excellent program arranged by Program Chair, **Dr. Thomas Vergo** and his committee. Speakers included: **Drs. Brendan Bernhart** (Hard Palate Resection), **George Bohle III** (Immediate Obturator stabilization with implants), **Devin Okay** (Mid-face Rehabilitation), Greg Waskewicz/**Peter Gronet** (Cranial Defects), **Kenneth Kent** (Technology), **Al Guckes/Bruce Rotter** (Ectodermal Dysplasia Patients), Tom Diekwisch (Dental Biotechnology), **David Reisberg** (Distraction Osteogenesis), Jeremy Mao (Tissue Engineering of the mandibular condyle), Jack Light (Functional Therapy), Ellen Manzullo (Perioperative Medicine), Steven Lee (Radiobiology), Bruce Brockstein (Chemoradiotherapy), Athena Papas (Complications of Radiation and Chemotherapy), **Craig Van Dongen** (Oral Complications Management), and Ms. Kathryn Bellamy (New Prosthetic material) and Susan Habakuk (Role of the Medical Artist). As Maxillofacial Prosthodontists, **Dr. Arbree** and her ACP member husband, **Dr. Arnie Rosen**, appreciated the excellent speakers from all around the globe. The social events provided a time to renew acquaintances and make new friends. ACP members are encouraged to take advantage of attending a future AAMP meeting which usually occurs right before our ACP Annual session in the same location (True of Ottawa, 2004).

## Forum Report: GNYAP Fall Scientific Session



The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics (GNYAP) held its 49th Annual Fall Scientific Meeting on December 5 and 6 at the Plaza Hotel. The GNYAP and its President, Dr. Peter Furnari, were honored to have 60 members of the Japanese Prosthodontic Society in attendance including Dr. Takashi Ohyama, JPS President. The scientific session, chaired by **Dr. Hans-Peter Weber**, included presentations from Japan and North America.

Another first for this year's meeting were 20 scientific poster presentations prepared by dental students from the USA and Japan. The Academy honored Dr. Van P. Thompson as recipient of the 2003 Jerome M. and Dorothy Schweitzer Award and Dr. Glen P. McGivney with the 2003 GNYAP Achievement Award and Dr. Terry T. Tanaka with the GNYAP Distinguished Lecturer Award.

Pictured are the 2004 officers of the GNYAP. Standing (left to right): Drs. James D. Hudson, Council Member; **Kenneth M. Schweitzer**, Secretary; **Jonathan Zamzock**, Treasurer; **Stephen D. Campbell**, Council Member; **Hans-Peter Weber**, Program Chair. Seated (left to right): **Drs. Kenneth Malament**, President-Elect; **Dennis N. Morea**, President; **Cosmo V. DeSteno**, Vice President; and Peter C. Furnari, Immediate Past President.

## Upcoming Events

### ACP Symposium: Creating a New Vision for Prosthodontic Education

On **March 4-5, 2004**, immediately prior to the ADEA meeting, the American College of Prosthodontists will hold a pre-meeting symposium entitled "Creating a New Vision for Prosthodontic Education" at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers in Seattle, WA. This seminal, two-day symposium will focus on both pre-doctoral and graduate education in Prosthodontics, and will feature innovative new methods for teaching and evaluating students and faculty, recruiting graduate residents, and funding graduate programs. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Ed Neal from the UNC Center for Teaching and Learning.

Travel grants for two full-time Prosthodontic faculty per institution will be provided and will include round trip coach airfare to/from Seattle, plus up to three nights hotel stay at the meeting hotel. To apply for a travel grant for this landmark educational event, contact Michelle Martin at the ACP Central Office at 1-800-378-1260, x224. The meeting is limited to 150 participants, so early registration is a must. To reserve your hotel room, call 206-447-5555 and indicate that you will be attending the ADEA Annual Session.

At the time of publication, support for the Symposium has been pledged by the following organizations: ACP Education Foundation, Procter & Gamble, ADEA Council of Sections Project Pool and ADEA Fixed and Removable Prosthodontic Sections.

### Dialogue 04 Education Congress & Exhibits

The first ever Dialogue Education Congress & Exhibits is scheduled for **April 29 – May 1, 2004** at the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, CA. The ACP will be the only dental group sponsor to participate in the exhibit. See details on page 8.

### ACP Georgia Section Meeting

The ACP Georgia Section will hold its Annual Meeting on **Friday, April 30, 2004** from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the Evergreen Marriott Conference Center in Stone Mountain, GA. The program, 'The Art of Maintaining Bone: It's ALL in the Implant Design', will feature speakers Drs. Michael Norton and Lyndon Cooper to address the factors that influence prosthetic success with an emphasis on anterior esthetics and the criteria for immediate loading and the new technique of flapless surgery. Seven CE credits are awarded to attendees.

ACP member rate is \$195 and \$245 for non-members. Contact Yvonne Goldman at 770-654-0629 or email ygoldman@charter.net for more information.



### ADA New Dentist Conference

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual ADA New Dentist Conference will be held at the Westin Horton Plaza Hotel in San Diego, CA from **June 24-26, 2004**. The conference is being sponsored by Mentadent and will include continuing education sessions targeted to new dentists, recent graduates and dental students. The three-day program offers up to 11 CEU's on topics ranging from pediatric restorations, financial and tax information, patient compliance, managing complex treatment plans, as well as an open forum and Q & A session with members and officers of the ADA Board of Trustees.

Early registration discounts are available to attendees who register by May 14, 2004, and all early registrants (dentists and dental students only) will be eligible for special prize drawings. For more information, call 1-800-621-8099, x2779 or visit [www.ada.org/newdentconf](http://www.ada.org/newdentconf).

## Member News



Dr. Izchak Barzilay

**Dr. Izchak Barzilay** was elected president of the Association of Prosthodontists of Canada for 2004. Dr. Barzilay is the Head of the Division of Prosthodontics and Restorative Dentistry at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Toronto, Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto.

**Dr. Carl J. Andres** was presented with The Andrew Ackerman Award for lifetime contribution to the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics.

**Drs. James H. Doundoulakis**, past president of the Academy of Osseointegration presided over a joint collaborative meeting in Boston with the ACP, AAP & AAOMS. His research on Implant-supported Overdentures was the cover story in the November, 2003 issue JADA. Co-authors include **Drs. Steven E. Eckert**, Clarence C. Lindquist and Marjorie K. Jeffcoat.

**Dr. Robert J. Flinton** has been appointed Chair of the New Jersey Dental School Dept. of Restorative Dentistry.

**Drs. Douglas Goff** and **Richard Cunningham** were inducted into the International College of Dentists at the ADA meeting in San Francisco.

**Dr. Michael Huband** is named Director of Maxillofacial Prosthetics at the Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans Charity Hospital Campus.

**Dr. Dennis Morea** has been elected President of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics for 2004. Dr. Morea is clinical professor at Columbia University School of Oral Surgery. He also maintains a private practice limited to Prosthodontics in Manhattan.

**Dr. Steven K. Nelson** of the Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry was selected as the Director of the Postgraduate Prosthodontic Program. He assumed the position in July 2003.

**Dr. Robert B. Stevenson** was awarded Fellowship in the American College of Dentists. Dr. Stevenson is treasurer of the Carl O. Boucher Prosthodontic Conference and member of the Editorial Council of the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry. He is in private practice limited to Prosthodontics in Columbus and Clinical Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Restorative & Prosthetic Dentistry at The Ohio State University College of Dentistry.

A \$2.9 million research grant from the NIDCR has been awarded to **Dr. Lawrence Gettleman** of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry and a team of prosthodontists at 3 other institutions for a Phase III clinical trial of a new maxillofacial prosthetics material. Coinvestigators include **Drs. Sudarat Kiat-amnuay** at the University of Texas-Houston, Dental Branch, **Marion J. Edge**, **Zafrulla Khan**, and **Ann Windchy** at Louisville's J.G. Brown Cancer Center, **Rhonda F. Jacob**, **Mark Chambers**, and **James C. Lemon** at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center (with Peggy Wesley, anaplastologist), and **James D. Anderson** and **Susan E. Sutherland** (with Todd Kubon and David Morrison, anaplastologists) at the University of Toronto and the Toronto Sunnybrook Regional Cancer Centre. The research design is a multicenter randomized single-crossover double-blind Phase III clinical trial, testing chlorinated polyethylene against conventional silicone rubber for adhesive-supported extraoral facial prostheses in 100 patients over 5 years. Prosthesis-specific and quality-of-life measures will be determined over 4-month periods, plus longevity after the crossover ends. If you know of possible patients in the Louisville, Houston, or Toronto areas, you can contact any of the coinvestigators listed above.

## New Members (approved at the October 2003 meeting)

### Student Members

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The ACP 2004 Membership Directory has been published and mailed to all members. Designed to maximize your communications and networking opportunities, and increase member-to-member referrals, this compact and easy-to-use listing makes a valuable addition to any Prosthodontist's office. Updated and published annually, the comprehensive directory contains listings for nearly 2,700 Prosthodontists throughout the world. The directory includes an alphabetical listing with names, addresses, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web site address, primary activity and interests for each member, as well as a geographical listing of members to provide a fast and convenient method for locating and communicating with colleagues. Also, be sure to check out the revised Bylaws and Policies sections in the back, and the ever growing Technician Alliance section. If your technician partner(s) are not listed, contact your membership services representative to learn how to add them.

Membership update forms will once again be mailed later this summer. However, you can use the update form included inside your directory to report any discrepancies to your listing at any time, or visit the ACP web site at [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org) (in the Members Only section) to submit your changes online. It is our goal to provide the most complete and accurate directory as possible to our membership.

Additional directories can be purchased through the central office for \$25.00 at (312) 573-1260, or ordered online at [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org).

## Expanding Our Horizons and Providing Care for Our Patients

Take a journey 'across the border' as we visit with our neighbors to the north for the ACP 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Session.

Experience one of the world's most beautiful capital cities that is rich in both historical and cultural attractions, and enjoy another outstanding scientific program with an excellent group of speakers.

The year 2004 will be our first ever Annual Session outside the United States. Scheduled for October 27-30, at the Ottawa Congress Centre/Westin Ottawa & Fairmont Chateau Laurier Hotels in Ottawa, the ACP Annual Session will expand our horizons to provide better care for our patients.

Changing technology and patient care trends have expanded our scope of patient therapy in a way that few envisioned. The program will focus on strategies for making better choices and providing better treatment for our patients. It will provide the dissemination of new knowledge, evolving standards of care, critical diagnostic factors and the incorporation of new therapies for the prosthodontic practice.

Scheduled speakers and topics will include:

- **Evolving Standards of Care** – Drs. Chester Douglass, Gunnar Carlsson, Lyndon Cooper, Clark Stanford, Charles Goodacre
- **Diagnostic Considerations in Patient Care** – Drs. Lars Sennerby, Kent Knoernschild, John Zarb, Steven Aquilino
- **Surgical Considerations in Implant Care** – Drs. Marc Nevins, John Russo, Sam Lynch, Richard Kraut, Hy Smith
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- **Keys to Esthetics & Materials** – Drs. Thomas Diekwisch, John Kois, John Wataha, Rod Mackert, Robert Kelly
- **Limited Attendance/Hands-On Workshops** – Drs. Carl Misch, Thomas Balshi/Glenn Wolfinger, Richard Kraut, Arun Garg

Other educational offerings during the 2004 program includes the always popular Board Preparation Course which continues to provide attendees with a comprehensive, thorough review for taking the board exams, and the Implant Surgical Training Courses which are being offered this year by the following companies: Nobel Biocare, Straumann, Astra Tech, Zimmer Dental, 3i and BioHorizons. This year these courses will go beyond the basics and offer expanded techniques such as site development, soft tissue management and custom abutments.

Ottawa offers a variety of dining, shopping and entertainment options for both business and pleasure. From the elegant Casino de Hull to enjoying the ambience at one of the many popular restaurants, Ottawa is truly a world-class destination with stunning architecture, theatres and collection of landmarks including the Parliament Building, the Canadian Museum of Civilization and the National Gallery of Canada.

Registration details will mail along with the Spring issue of the *ACP Messenger* in early May. For the most current information, visit the ACP web site often at [www.prosthodontics.org](http://www.prosthodontics.org) as details will be posted as they become available.



### EDITOR'S MESSAGE

DR. PATRICK M. LLOYD

## Do You Have a Minute?

It was about 4:00 PM on Thursday the week before the ACP meeting in Dallas when Debra bolted into my office and said, "I need to talk to you. Do you have a minute?" Debra doesn't usually make such dramatic entrances, so I put aside my work. "Sure I have time. What's up?"

She had just talked with Don Ross (a senior dental student) about his interests in prosth, and he was thinking about applying for our program. "Wouldn't it be great if Don could go with us to Dallas and see firsthand what prosthodontists do? He could learn what the specialty is all about and see the amazing things we do for patients!"

I told her it all sounded great. "Did you talk to him about going to the Dallas meeting?" She said that she would – right away. Then she asked, "Do you think there's any way we can make this work?" Before I could answer, she rushed on, "Don could probably share a room with one of our residents." I nodded. "And if you could work something out to cover his registration, then maybe we could make this happen?"

Debra dashed off to check Don's interest in going to the ACP meeting, and I called Kevin Fitzpatrick at the central office to see whether we could still get an early registration rate for students. I told him what Debra and I were trying to do, and he said we still had time.

By the time I got back from my 8:00 lecture the next morning, Don was waiting for me. He repeated what Debra and he had talked about the day before and said he had been thinking about prosthodontics for quite a while. He specifically mentioned how exciting it would be to treat patients seeking esthetic and implant care and told me how thrilled he was to maybe get the chance to attend the ACP meeting. He had already called his brother-in-law who works for one of the airlines and found that he could arrange for a free standby ticket to Dallas. I followed up by letting him know that I would take care of his registration fee and any incidental expenses.

He left my office brimming with enthusiasm. I turned around and hit my speed dial button to Kevin. I gave him my Visa information, and we were on our way. No more than 20 hours had passed, and we had an interested senior dental student on his way to see whether prosthodontics would be a good career fit for him.

The next time I saw Don, he was walking from the registration desk to one of the lecture rooms in Dallas. I walked over to him and asked how everything was going. "Great," he said, "Thank you again for all you did to get me here. I really appreciate it." I told him how important it was for me to do whatever I could to help anyone who was interested in prosthodontics. "Ours is a unique dental specialty and when someone comes along who seems to have 'the right stuff,' we need to do all we can to give them a chance to see if the goals of the specialty match their personal goals." I reminded him that he should get all he could out of the meeting. My parting comment as I walked away was – "The future of our specialty depends on people like you."

Part of the tradition of ACP meetings is for members of our Department to get together one night for dinner. This year I invited Don to join us so we could see how he was taking in the program. We talked about who we'd seen over the past few days, the facilities at the hotel, the presenters and their presentations, the exhibitors, and everything else that goes into an ACP meeting. I watched Don's reactions. He followed the conversation around the table, listening attentively to each comment. Occasionally, when there was an opening, he would jump in and ask a question so he could have a better understanding of the points being made.

It was a great time that night for many reasons. High on my list was the chance to expose Don to the "other side of the meeting" – those informal moments when the real heart of the program content gets reviewed and people are uninhibited about sharing their ideas on all kinds of topics related to what we do. From his remarks as we left the restaurant and the enthusiasm evident in the tone of his voice, I could tell he had just as great a time as I did.

We didn't catch up with each other again until early Sunday morning at DFW airport. Most of the Iowa people were headed back on American Airlines (for the first time ever, we had a non-stop flight from the ACP meeting). Debra was already there, and Don joined us a short time later. When I asked if he was on our flight he said, "I think so but I'm waiting standby. My brother-in-law couldn't get me a guaranteed flight out of Dallas." As we waited for the call to board, I asked Don how everything went. He again thanked me for helping to make all this happen. Then he went on to say how much he had learned and how excited he was by it all. I told him I was glad we could do it for him. As we were called to board, I turned to him and said, "I know you're on extramurals these next several weeks and I won't be seeing you, so please keep me posted on the progress of your application to prosth." He told me he would, and I wished him all the best.

It all came to an end yesterday. As I was walking down the hall, Don came up to me with this warm smile and extended hand. From the look on his face, I could tell something was up. Before my hand met his, he said "I got in!" and as we shook, I told him how happy I was for him. Almost reflexively he came back with, "Going to the ACP meeting is what cinched it for me. I really appreciate all you did for me." I congratulated him, wished him all the best, and said I would be there when and if he ever needed anything. I don't mind saying it felt pretty good.

### Call for Table Clinic Presentations

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- 6 - 10     **ADEA Annual Session**  
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- 10 - 13    **AADR Annual Meeting**  
Honolulu, HI
- 18 - 20    **Academy of Osseointegration Annual Meeting**  
San Francisco, CA

#### April

- 16 - 17    **39<sup>th</sup> Annual Carl O. Boucher Prosthodontic Conference**  
Columbus, OH
- April 29 - **Dialogue 04 Education Congress & Exhibits (See pg. 8)**  
May 1      Anaheim, CA
- 30         **ACP Georgia Section Annual Meeting (See pg. 11)**  
Stone Mountain, GA

#### June

- 11         **Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics Spring Scientific Session**  
Columbia University School of Dentistry - New York, NY
- 24-26     **ADA 18<sup>th</sup> New Dentist Conference (See pg. 11)**  
San Diego, CA

#### August

- 20 - 21    **Center for Prosthodontic Education Contemporary & Esthetic Denistry: The State of the Art 2004 (See pg. 10)**  
LSU School of Dentistry - New Orleans, LA

#### October

- 25 - 27    **ACP Board of Directors Meeting**  
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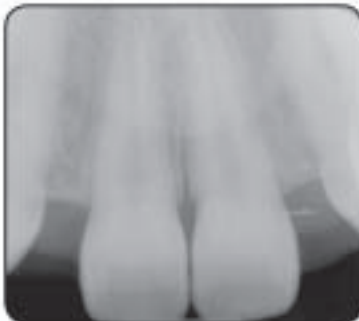
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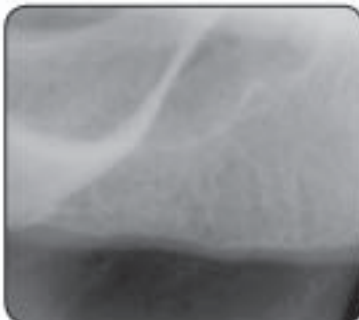
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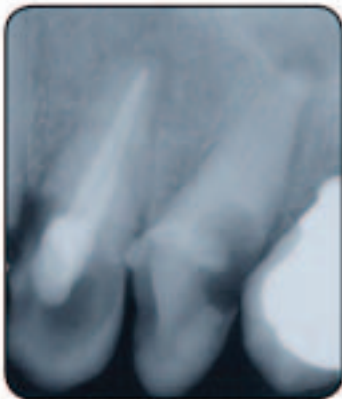
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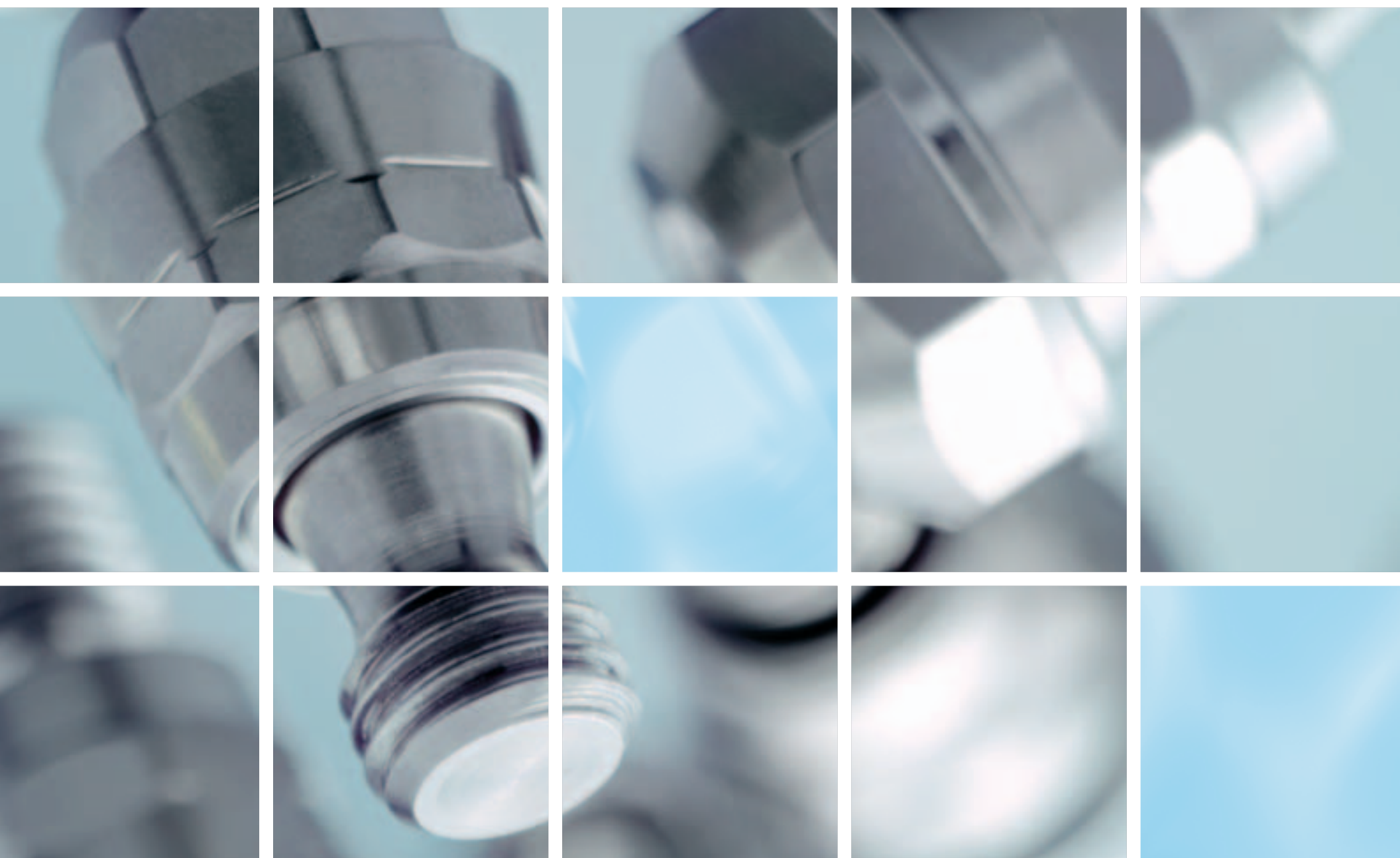
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