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ACP annual conference success in Music City Near record-setting attendance for 38th Annual Session in Nashville

The 38th Annual Session of the ACP offered attendees a variety of events and opportunities to network as well as top-notch educational presentations to learn about the latest in the specialty. The cornerstone meeting of the year combined a comprehensive scientific program, exhibits and social opportunities into one exciting event. The success of the meeting is thanks in large part to the generous support of the ACP's corporate sponsors including: Nobel Biocare, as lead meeting sponsor; as well as GlaxoSmithKline, 3M ESPE,

Biomet 3i, Ivoclar Vivadent, Straumann, Astra Tech Dental, Procter & Gamble Professional Oral Health, Dentsply Tulsa Dental Specialties, Scientific Metals and Treload & Heisel, Inc.

Program highlights included a new Wednesday afternoon Membership Assembly focused on how to market a prosthodontic practice during a slow economy. The General Session featured "Perspectives on the Changing Role of Diagnostic Imaging, Computer Aided Design in Biomedicine," and this year's Exhibit Hall on Thursday and Friday showcased more than 60 companies with the latest products and services in prosthodontics. The President's Dinner on Friday evening celebrated the service of Immediate Past President Dr. David L. Pfeifer.

Saturday's Technology Forum offered interactive workshops where attendees tested the latest innovations in prosthodontics with hands-on demonstrations and mini-lectures from notable companies including: 3M ESPE, Astra Tech, Biomet 3i, Ivoclar Vivadent, Nobel Biocare, Sirona and Straumann. Saturday afternoon featured workshops geared towards dental technicians including communications and technology in the dental lab.

2009 Election: Nominating Committee considers candidates

The 2009 Nominating Committee is reviewing candidates and selecting a slate for the 2009 Election, which includes the following positions to be filled:

- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Member Services Division Director

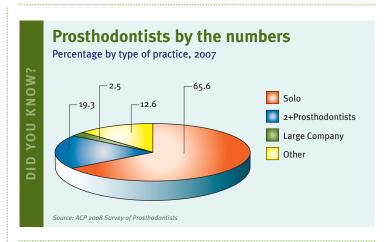


Rhonda F. Jacob, D.D.S., M.S., of the MD Anderson Cancer Center presented Cancer Treatments: Surgery, Radiation & Chemotherapy related to the recent aggressive implementation of implants in cancer patients during the Scientific Session in Nashville.

The Gaylord Opryland® Resort & Convention Center was the host site for the meeting and featured majestic, climatecontrolled glass atriums, nine acres of lush indoor gardens, winding rivers and pathways, sparkling waterfalls where attendees were able to unwind, shop, dine and be entertained throughout the conference.

Save the date for the ACP's 39th Annual Session in San Diego, this fall on November 4-7, 2009 at the Manchester

Grand Hyatt. For the latest details including hotel reservation information go to www.prosthodontics.org/AS. See you in San Diego!



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Increasing ethical challenges during decreasing practice productivity

As I have talked with practitioners recently, some are experiencing a "slowdown" because of the current economic climate. To help share some expert insight about dental practice ethics during slower economic times, I asked Dr. Roger Levin, CEO of a premier practice management firm, to join me in this editorial.

When there are downturns that reduce the number of patients seeking dental care, a greater number of ethical challenges seem to arise and confront practitioners. When the office schedule thins, open times appear, and income decreases, what should one do?

It can be tempting to look at a tooth that you have been observing for some time and decide it now needs a crown when previously you were satisfied that the existing Class II restoration as an appropriate long-term treatment. One might be tempted to place ceramic veneers on irregularly shaped or positioned teeth rather than refer the patient for orthodontic treatment. Perhaps the incorporation of unproven, commercially promoted treatments or the use of alternative treatments that may even be outside the usual scope of dentistry will cure the busyness problem. We might even think of marketing ourselves in ways that cause the public to think we have expertise not possessed by anyone else. I have even noted that some specialists begin performing treatments that are included in the scope of practice of other dental specialists to stay busy.

A good friend recently sent me a copy of a letter he had written to the Dean of his state dental school. The letter described a dilemma my friend was experiencing. A number of periodontists in his area are now providing prosthodontic care for their patients. He indicated these practitioners did not have specialty training in prosthodontics nor had they completed an advanced education program that combined periodontics and prosthodontics.

Is it appropriate for a practitioner who has announced to the public that their practice is limited to periodontics to begin providing prosthodontic treatments? Is there a difference between prosthodontists surgically placing implants and periodontists making crowns? Have the lines been sufficiently blurred that it no longer makes any difference? These are tough questions.

Several years ago, I asked a number of my patients to think about the following question and provide me with written thoughts: *What do you expect from your health care providers?* There were some particularly poignant comments. One patient said he expected each provider to be "professionally competent to the highest current standards" and to also "focus on the entire welfare of each person, and go the second and third mile past the Hippocratic dictum of Do No Harm." I believe patients expect us to recommend the dental care we would desire for ourselves if we were in their position and then to provide that care at the highest possible level.

Even during economic downturns, it is my hope that prosthodontists will maintain the highest level of professional ethics and go well beyond the Hippocratic Oath.

There are methods of avoiding the temptation to alter the normal course of diagnosis and treatment while maintaining or enhancing practice productivity by focusing on what is in the best interest of the patient. For example, improve your customer service and strive to exceed patient expectations. Contact overdue patients and encourage them to schedule appointments to maintain their regular oral health. The same concept can be adapted for patients who have incomplete treatment and should be contacted in order to schedule an appointment. The focus of these contacts should be on the maintenance or enhancement of oral health. It is also important to think about the use of patient financing techniques to help patients who may be economically challenged to afford one of the appropriate treatment options. These examples, amongst others, will allow the practice to remain busy while maintaining the best interest of the patient.

Since this editorial has already posed several questions, we would like to leave you with an additional thought; Is there a difference in the types of treatments we recommend and provide when we have more patients who desire treatment than we can manage versus leaner times?



^bresident's Message

Charles J. Goodacre, D.D.S., M.S.D

May 8 Proposed slate of nominations published electronically to membership.

May 8 to June 22 Membership may submit additional nominees by petition. Those nominee(s) meeting the petition requirements are automatically placed on the slate.

June 25 Final slate of nominations is published to membership.

June 25 to July 19 Candidate campaign period.

July 20 to August 18 Election opens electronically to membership for voting.

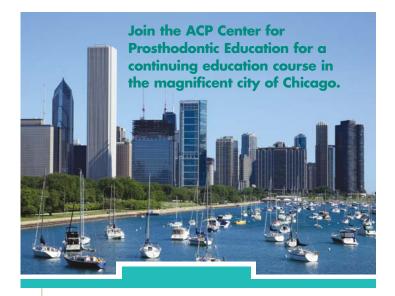
August 20 Election results announced to membership electronically.

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- Regional Director and Alternate, Region I (Northeast Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York and New Jersey)
- Regional Director and Alternate, Region III (Central Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, West Virginia and Wisconsin)
- Regional Director and Alternate, Region VI (Federal Services – Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy and Veterans Administration)

The 2009 Call for Nominations was open until February 7, and all members had an opportunity to nominate an individual for one of the open positions. The Nominating Committee will release its final slate of candidates electronically to ACP members in early May, and from May 8 to June 22, members may submit additional nominees by petition.

For more information about the 2009 Election login to the Members Only area of www.prosthodontics.org and click on the ACP Governance link.



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Reflections from a Past President

Editor's Note: This new Reflections from a Past President feature will highlight a past president and his or her outstanding contributions to our College.



I became a member of the College in 1976 as resident at the V.A. Hospital in San Francisco just six years after the founding of the ACP in 1970. I attended my first ACP board meeting in 1979 as a member of the Private Practice Committee and have stayed involved ever since.

The growth in membership, stature and leadership achieved by the ACP in these past years

has been incredible. As an early member of the Private Practice Committee and having been in practice more than 30 years, watching the specialty expand into being predominantly focused on direct patient care has been particularly satisfying. The young prosthdontist today has every opportunity to be successful in private practice with the ACP providing excellent support.

A second milestone has been the acceptance and growing adoption of diagnostic coding in practice and in dental education. In the past, prosthodontists made "things" and although the "things" were exquisite, the specialty was not given its due within dentistry. The commitment to establish a diagnosis prior to treatment gives the specialty the credibility it deserves. This commitment has been recognized by the inclusion of the Prosthodontic Diagnostic Index into the medical diagnostic system,

THOMAS J. MCGARRY, D.D.S. ACP PAST PRESIDENT (2000-01)

ICD-9. This achievement occurred through the work of many dedicated members whose vision has never wavered. The PDI gives the specialty the communication tools and knowledge platform to positively affect dental education and the scope of our specialty.

The third milestone is the growing inclusion of implant placement by prosthodontists in practice and in post graduate education. No other dental specialty is better positioned to provide comprehensive implant based therapy to patients and to teach implant assisted therapies in dental education.

I am probably most proud of the fantastic rebirth and growth of our Foundation, the ACP Education Foundation. At the beginning of my presidential year, I set a challenge to the Board, our members and our corporate partners to bring the ACPEF to a level of national prominence. The New Vision Campaign was developed and with the dedication of many members, especially Dr. Jonathan L. Ferencz, the ACPEF has become a true force in prosthodontics. The financial stability of the Foundation was further augmented by the Vision 2012: Brilliant Futures campaign, led by Dr. Lyndon F. Cooper and his team. The creation of a new culture of membership giving to the ACPEF will guarantee the future of the specialty.

The journey of leadership requires some sacrifice and a lot of work but in return the many friendships developed over the years have made it a pleasure. A wonderful example of the fun part of leadership was my summer Board of Directors Meeting in Colorado. As a team building event, the Board members saddled up and herded cattle in the dust for more hours than they thought possible. At the end of the day, everyone looked the same, dusty and dirty, even Dr. Nancy Arbree, but each person had a true sense of camaraderie and common purpose.

It is impossible to recognize by name all the friends who looked out for Gretchen, my wife, while I roamed the meetings, friends who worked tirelessly behind the headlines, friends whose confidence in me allowed me to stretch my talents, friends who helped reign me in at times and just regular friends who were always there for me. These friendships are the rewards that surpass the awards and accolades of personal achievement.

ACP Confirms 2009 Officers and Board of Directors

At the 38th Annual Session in Nashville, Tennessee, the ACP confirmed its new Officers and Board of Directors for 2009.

Dr. Charles J. Goodacre was confirmed as President of the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Goodacre is Dean of the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry. He has served as an Editor of the *International Journal of Prosthodontics* for 10 years and as Editor-in-Chief of the ACP *Messenger* newsletter. He is a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Past President of the ABP, and Fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics and the ACP.



Dr. Lyndon F. Cooper was confirmed as President-Elect of the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Cooper is Chair and Program Director of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry. He is the Stallings Distinguished Professor of Dentistry at UNC and Director of the Bone Biology and Implant Therapy Laboratory. Dr. Cooper is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the ACP. He also is the Editor-in-Chief of the ACP *Messenger* newsletter.

Dr. Jonathan P. Wiens was confirmed as Vice President of the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Wiens has been in private practice limited to prosthodontics in West Bloomfield, Mich. since 1979. He is the attending staff maxillofacial prosthodontist in the Craniofacial Institute at Providence Hospital in Southfield, Mich. Dr. Wiens attained Diplomate status of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1982 and currently is serving as the ABP Secretary-Treasurer.





Dr. John R. Agar was confirmed as Treasurer of the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Agar is retired from the U.S. Army in which he served as clinician, educator, consultant and commander. He is currently Director of Graduate Prosthodontics at the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine. He is President of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics and is a Past President of the American Board of Prosthodontics.



Dr. Lily T. Garcia was confirmed as Secretary of the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Garcia is Professor and Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio. She also serves as Chair of the Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Garcia is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and Fellow of the ACP. Dr. Garcia maintains a practice limited to prosthodontics.

New or re-elected to the ACP Board of Directors are Dr. Susan E. Brackett, Director of Public and Professional Relations; Dr. Lee R. Jameson, Director of the Prosthodontic Forum; Dr. Steven Sadowsky, Director of Prosthodontic Practice and Patient Services; Dr. Terry Kelly, Region 2 Director; Dr. Alfonso Monarres, Region 4 Director; Dr. David Guichet, Region 5 Director; and Dr. John Zarb, Region 7 Director.

Additional members who will continue to serve on the ACP Board of Directors in 2009 are: Dr. David L. Pfeifer, Immediate Past President; Dr. David Felton, *Journal* of *Prosthodontics* Editor-in-Chief; Dr. Frank J. Tuminelli, Director of Membership; Dr. John Murrell, Director of Continuing Professional Education; and Dr. Clark Stanford, Director of Education and Research.

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2009 Research Fellowships Awarded

The ACP and ACP Education Foundation are pleased to announce the 2009 ACP Research Fellowships, sponsored by the ACPEF.

Dr. Tariq Fadel Alghazzawi, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Department of Materials Science and Engineering

Title: Low Temperature Degradation Effects on the Flexural Strength, Structure, and Hardness of Zirconia Based CAD/CAM Dental Restorations, Mentor: Gregg Janowski

- **Dr. Sandra Al-Tarawneh,** University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Dentistry, Department of Prosthodontics, *Title:* Analysis of Saliva in Patients with Denture Stomatitis: An Exploratory Study, *Mentor:* Sompop Bencharit, D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D.
- **Dr. Jennifer Fritz**, University of Iowa, College of Dentistry, Certificate of Prosthodontics, *Title*: In vitro Microleakage of Dual-Cure Composite Core Materials, *Mentor*: Terry J. Lindquist, D.D.S., M.S.

Dr. Vinay Jain, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, College of Dentistry, Advanced Prosthodontics Program *Title:* Neural crest contributions to dental pulp stem cells and craniofacial structures: alveolar process, tongue and temporomandibular joint, *Mentor:* Christopher Nosrat, D.D.S., Ph.D.

- **Dr. Irfan Kachwala**, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Masters Program in Oral Biology, Department of Restorative Dentistry, *Title*: Dimensional Stability of Stereolithographic Surgical Guides on Exposure to Light, Temperature, Moisture and Autoclaving: A Pilot Study *Mentor*: Reena Varghese, D.M.D., M.S.Ed., M.Sc., F.A.C.P.
- **Dr. Richard Wilson**, University of Maryland, Dental School, Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, *Title:* The Effect of Angulation on the Retentive Values of Locator Attachments; an In Vitro Study, *Mentor:* Radi Masri B.D.S., M.S., Ph.D.



Annual luncheon honors exceptional accom

The 2008 Annual Session Awards Luncheon honored numerous contributions to the College and the prosthodontic specialty. Each award winner was invited to share some thoughts with their colleagues, and the ACP has included those which were received.

ACP Distinguished Lecturer Award

The ACP presented this award to Dr. Rhonda F. Jacob for her contribution in the areas of science, publication and education and her devotion as a dental educator.

ACP Distinguished Service Award

The ACP presented this award to Dr. Jonathan L. Ferencz for his long-term service and support of the goals and objectives of the College and substantive contributions to the specialty of prosthodontics.

"I am extremely honored to have received the 2008 ACP Distinguished Service Award. Having served the College for 15 years, I am most appreciative to have been given the opportunities to contribute to the specialty of prosthodontics. I have been mentored by some outstanding leaders and, in turn, have tried to do the same for people who followed me. It is this continuum of leadership, intellect and ethics that has enabled us to have made such significant progress during this period. I also owe a special thanks to my office family,' my New York University 'family,' and most importantly, my family who so generously gave me the time to devote to the College and its activities. I am especially appreciative of the counsel, support and encouragement of my wife Maxine. Thank you all."

ACP Educator of the Year Award

The ACP presented this award to Dr. Steven A. Aquilino for his academic dentistry achievement and contributing to the advancement of the specialty of prosthodontics, science and the health professions.

"I am honored to accept the ACP Educator of the Year Award for 2008. I have been fortunate in my career at the University of Iowa to work with some amazingly talented students. This award is a tribute to each one of them.



2008 President's Award

During the President's Dinner honoring Dr. David L. Pfeifer, the 2008 President's Award was presented to Dr. Robert J. Leupold to honor his outstanding contributions to the specialty of prosthodontics. Pictured rom left to right, Dr. David L. Pfeifer, Dr. Robert J. Leupold, Mrs. Rosalie Leupold and Dr. John B. Holmes, a Past President of the ACP.



2008 Table Clinic Winners

From left: Dr. Mark Danbe, second place, Resident Competition; Dr. Sara Hahn, third place, Dental Student Competition; Dr. Caroline Nguyen, third place, Resident Competition; Dr. Matilda Dhima, first place, Dental Student Competition; Dr. Marisa Zarchy, first place, Dental Student Competition; and Dr. Paul Cashman, first place, Resident Competition. Not pictured: Dr. Lauren Mills, second place, Dental Student Competition.

Pictured with Dr. David Pfeifer are

and Dr. Steven A. Aquilino (above).

Dr. Ionathan L. Ferencz (top)



plishments in prosthodontics

I would like to acknowledge former mentors Dr. James White and the late Dr. H.V. Murray who encouraged me to go into prosthodontics, and Dr. Kenneth Turner who recruited me to Iowa. I would also like to recognize my family. My daughter Kristin for never letting me forget the child within; my son Michael, for reminding me what's important in life; and my wife Mary, for her love and support throughout my career. Finally, I would like to accept this award in memory of Dr. James Michael Leary, who died recently after a courageous battle with leukemia and who had more passion for teaching than anyone I have known."

ACP Dan Gordon Award

The ACP presented this award to Dr. Thomas J. McGarry for a lifetime achievement in contributing to the advancement of the College and the specialty of prosthodontics, dentistry, science and the health professions.

ACP Clinician/Researcher Award

The ACP presented this award to Dr. Sreenivas Koka for his contributions to academic dentistry and contributing to the advancement of the specialty of prosthodontics, science and the health professions.

ACP Major General, USA (Retired) Bill B. Lefler Federal Services Award

The ACP presented this award to Dr. Thomas R. Schneid for excellence in leadership, patient care, mentorship and community service.

"I would like to thank the College for this award and for continued support of prostbodontists in all branches of the Federal Services. I am bonored and humbled to have received the 2008 Federal Services award and through that award, be associated with an exemplary military officer and outstanding prostbodontist, Major General (U.S.A. Retired) Bill B. Lefler. His record of excellence as a clinician, mentor and selfless community servant serves as a model for us all. I would also like to recognize all Federal Services prostbodontists who serve our patients and our profession as clinicians, educators, and leaders. It is my privilege to serve with you all. I would also like to express my gratitude to all the Federal Services prostbodontists who came before us; those who were instrumental in the formation of our College and in establishing a standard of integrity and excellence that we all strive to maintain."

Recognition of the 2008 Annual Session Committee Chair

The ACP recognized Dr. Clark Stanford for his contributions as the 2008 Annual Session Chair.



ACP congratulates its newest Diplomates

Bottom row (from left to right): Dr. Lillian M. Mitchell, Dr. Nancy Dubois, Dr. Zahra Khabbaz Hashemi; Second row (from left to right): Dr. Sarit Kaplan, Dr. James Matson Piper II, Dr. Keith Kinderknecht, Dr. Max H. Molgard Jr., Dr. Sassan Nadjmi, Dr. Sam J. Westock and Dr. Scott Randall Dyer;and Back row (from left to right): Dr. Stefan Olpinski, Dr. Thomas Richard Gunnell, Dr. Alaaeddin Alwazzan and Dr. Louis F. DeSantis.

Young Stars

Pictured with Dr. David Pfeifer from left;

Sreenivas Koka, Dr. Thomas R. Schneid

Dr. Clark Stanford and Dr. Rhonda F.

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and Dr. Clark Stanford.

This new Young Stars feature will highlight ACP members who are making a mark on our specialty early in their careers.

The recipients of the 2008 Sharry Awards Competition are among the best and brightest in the specialty. Each winner was asked: what inspires them and what do they value about their involvement with the ACP.

Min-Chieh Liu, D.D.S. University of Iowa, College of Dentistry '08

What inspires you?

During the three years of my prosthodontic residency, Dr. Steven Aquilino who is my thesis supervisor,

and

was

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Weir, who

program

director,



led me to a new horizon of prosthodontics. They showed my how the basic science and logical thinking can support the clinical practice and predict the success of the patient care. I also enjoyed working with all my colleagues and supervisors in the University of Iowa. They furnished tremendous support and assistance in my clinical

What do you appreciate most about your involvement with the ACP?

training and research.

What I appreciated most was the opportunity to attend and present in the 2008 Sharry Award Competition. It was a great honor for me to share my research efforts and results. The diverse and in-depth presentations during the ACP Annual Session gave me the opportunity to learn about latest concepts in prosthodontics. I also appreciated the travel stipends from the ACP Education Foundation, which helped me and other residents to be able to attend the meeting. Through networking with the College, I have made many good friends around the world.

Deepali Jere, D.D.S.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Dentistry, ' 08

What inspires you?

The simple idea of restoring a person's smile is powerful enough and completely satisfying to make my day as a prosthodontist.

What do you appreciate most about your involvement with the ACP?



The ACP provides a compelling platform for young and upcoming prostho-

dontists to get involved in the community, learn from their leaders and peers, and help advance the science of prosthodontics.

Chin-Chuan Fu, D.M.D.

University of Alabama, Birmingham, School of Dentistry, ' 07

What inspires you?

I picked up many pearls from the experts who are members of the ACP. In the beginning, I thought I was good andthought I had known many things about prosthodontics. However, when I met colleagues at ACP meetings, I realized how little I know and how far I need to go to get there. The ACP makes me humble, but through the ACP, I feel more confident than ever.

What do you appreciate most about your involvement with the ACP?

The ACP offers many excellent educational courses and provides many excellent



speakers to update the prosthodontics knowledge. In addition, the ACP Education

Foundation provides the support for my research projects to investigate the questions I generated from the clinic. The ACP for me is like a big family. I received education from the courses; research opportunities from the support of the Foundation, and I formed new friendships at every ACP activity.

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ACP Education Foundation sponsors student dues

The American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation has once again sponsored students'



once again sponsored students' membership dues through the 2009 Postgraduate Student Support Program. The program is designed to provide exceptional value and benefits for all prosthodontic residents who become members of the College including: a subscription to the Journal of Prosthodontics and the ACP

Messenger; access to online resources, such as Listservs and job opportunities; discounts on continuing education courses and the ACP Annual Session, as well as savings with other Affinity Programs offering discounts to College members.

ABP elects new examiner

The Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics is pleased to announce that Dr. Robert M. Taft has been elected



as the new examining member of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Dr. Robert Taft is a Captain in the U.S. Navy, Director of Dental Services for the National Capital Region and serves as Dean of the Naval Postgraduate Dental School in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Taft received his certification in Prosthodontics at the Naval Postgraduate Dental School in 1990

and his certification in Maxillofacial Prosthetics at Wilford Hall Medical Center in 1992. He achieved Diplomate status of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1993, with subsequent ABP recertification.

38th Annual Session presentation CDs available for purchase

Did you miss a speaker during the Annual Session in Nashville? Unable to attend the conference? Limited quantities of the 2008 ACP Annual Session CD-ROM are still



available. The CDs, which include speaker slides and audio, are \$99 and may be purchased online by visiting IntelliQuest Media at www.intelliquestmedia.com or call (866) 651-2586. For questions about an

ACP speaker or session, contact Melissa Kabadian, ACP director of education and meeting services, by e-mail at mkabadian@prosthdontics.org or by phone at (312) 573-1260, ext. 227.

ACP's Rx: Thriving in a slow economy tips online

Is your practice feeling the effects of the slow economy? The College is committed to providing resources, tips and ideas to help you thrive in these trying times. Check out the new



Thriving in a Slow Economy page on www.prosthodontics.org in the Dental Professionals section. Watch for surveys, articles and news you can use in the weekly e-newsletter, the Wednesday Wake-up Call, to help your practice stay afloat. The ACP

also offers several resources for sale to members at discounted pricing including CDs, books and brochures to help you market and attract new patients and maintain best practices during this slow economy.

Galen B. Schneider, D.D.S., Ph.D., F.A.C.P.

Editor's Note: This new Research Luminary feature will highlight an ACP member who has made outstanding contributions in prosthodontic research.

Dr. Galen B. Schneider is Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics at the University of Iowa, College of Dentistry. He earned his D.D.S. in 1991 from the University of Iowa, and earned his Prosthodontic Certificate and Ph.D. in Cell Biology from the University of North

Carolina in 1996. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the ACP. He teaches both didactically and clinically, and actively participates in patient care as it relates to prosthodontics. He has mentored more than 35 students in his research laboratory, many of whom have received national research awards.

Dr. Schneider's National Institutes of Health funded research program focuses on implant osseointegration and osseous tissue engineering. His current research interests include modifying implant surfaces at a nanoscale level to control gene activation in bone cells to regulate



osseointegration. In addition his laboratory is working on novel translational methods to engineer osseous tissue in three dimensional environments to develop autogenous tissues from stem cells or mesenchymal cells that could someday be used to graft osseous defects.

Having published extensively as represented by more than 100 combined manuscripts, book chapters and abstracts, Dr. Schneider currently serves as a basic science Section Editor for the Journal of Prosthodontics and serves as an ad hoc reviewer for numerous other scientific and clinical journals. In addition, he has served, or is serving, on committees or study sections for the International and American Associations for Dental Research, the ACP and the NIH.

AROUND THE PROSTHODONTIC FORUM GNYAP Celebrates 54th Scientific Meeting

The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics hosted the organization's 54th Scientific Meeting at The Home of Jazz at Lincoln Center in December 2008. The panoramic views of Columbus Circle and Central Park greeted the members, speakers and guests in attendance. The Academy has a long and impressive history of excellent scientific programs presented by experts from around the world.

The Academy honored E. Dianne Rekow, D.D.S., Ph.D. with the 2008 Jerome M. and Dorothy Schweitzer Research Award, and Harold W. Preiskel D.D.S. with the 2008 Distinguished Lecturer Award during the meeting. The GNYAP also welcomed new elected officers and Council members including President Stephen D. Campbell, D.D.S., M.M.Sc., F.A.C.P.



From left to right: The Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics 2009 Officers and Council Members: Lawrence E. Brecht, D.D.S., Secretary; Jonathan Zamzok, D.M.D., President-Elect; Frank J. Tuminelli, D.M.D., Vice President; Stephen D. Campbell, D.D.S., President; Graziano D. Giglio, D.D.S. Treasurer; Marion Brown, D.D.S., Council; and John Agar, D.D.S., Council.

Nominate a colleague to become an ABP examiner

The Council for the American Board of Prosthodontics is responsible for the annual recruitment of nominations for election of a new examiner to the ABP. In addition to the Council's internal recruitment process, members of the Council invite your nominations for ABP examiner which can be submitted by a petition signed and endorsed by 25 Diplomates. The petition along with the nominee's letter of intent and Curriculum Vitae must be received by the ACP Executive Director by July 1, 2009.

Send the petition and supporting documentation to:

Ms. Nancy Deal Chandler

Executive Director, American College of Prosthodontists

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Executive Director's Corner

NANCY DEAL CHANDLER, MA, RHIA, CAE

College committed to your needs, determined to triumph in sea of change

We have begun an important new year that will be filled with both challenges and opportunities. Against the backdrop of a worldwide a reticent economy and geographic unrest, the 44th President of the United States has taken office. We now live in a "flatter world" where barriers to communication have been eliminated, and education now occurs instantaneously around the world by the simple stroke of a computer key. These challenges require that the new leadership in the federal government and leading private sector institutions prepare for these major changes. This inevitable sea of changes impacts virtually every aspect of our lives and represents our opportunity.

It is at times like these when many look to their leadership to facilitate those changes to restore a sense of normalcy and a return of productivity. Your College remains committed to nurturing lasting connections with every ACP member, to providing the services you value, and to advocating for you and the specialty. We will continue to do this through advocacy and outreach activities at the national level on such issues as increasing public awareness of the specialty, insurance reimbursement, access to care, and education standards. We will also reach out to each Region and Section through your Regional Directors in new ways, such as the new custom ACP Web sites for each Section where you can glean and share information and dialogue with your colleagues on the professional and clinical issues most important to you and seeking your input on ACP positions on topics like edentulism.

with the College, and to become an active, engaged member. As part of the ACP family, you help to strengthen our voice and influence, and we need you with us now more than ever. The College's leadership can facilitate our specialty moving in the right direction. However, it will take the entire membership rolling up their sleeves to provide the necessary commitment to create the critical mass to make things happen.

In thinking about the pressures, tensions, and uncertainties in our world today, I am reminded of a quote from Teddy Roosevelt that has been described by some as a full life plot from a Rocky movie. We are in the arena he describes - where we are barraged with a constant assault of news - some positive, most not - and where we are contemplating and making tough life choices...

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, and comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat."

This year we plan to choose that "triumph of high achievement" and we will seek to help you do the same. The challenge is certainly there and so is the opportunity.

I encourage you to join your local Section, to stay involved Deal Chandler may be reached by e-mail at dchandler@prosthodontics.org.

Prosthodontic Champion: Dr. Richard Persiani

Editor's Note: This new Prosthodontic Champion feature will highlight an ACP member who has made outstanding contributions to our specialty.

Dr. Richard Persiani

Giving back

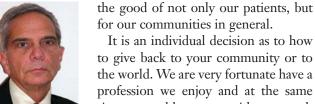
I have been fortunate to have chosen dentistry as a career and more so the specialty of prosthodontics. After years of volunteering through Operation Smile, an organization providing cleft lip/palate surgery and dental care in more than 30 countries

worldwide, I decided to give back in my home state of Michigan. I formed the Children's Toothfairy Foundation, which provides free dental care for more than 5,000 children living in foster care and in shelters in the four counties surrounding Detroit.

and The gratitude appreciation I have received for providing care to children in need has been far beyond the financial remuneration. The self-satisfaction, donations and recognition that I have received for work that I enjoy is truly amazing. My patient base and referrals from within the community has increased as a result of my volunteer work.

Impact change

It is my feeling that if we, as prosthodontists, wish to become recognized apart from the general dental community, we, as an organization, need to provide a service for



for our communities in general. It is an individual decision as to how

to give back to your community or to the world. We are very fortunate have a profession we enjoy and at the same time are able to provide a much needed service. The World Health Organization stated that dental disease

is one of the biggest problems facing the underdeveloped world. This need is not only in developing countries, but also in our own communities.

Words of wisdom

Find something you enjoy, whether it is dental care for the needy and underserved of your community or the world. Research Web sites, join an existing organization and if you enjoy what you are doing, keep doing it. If not, find something that meets your special interests. Most importantly, remember that we are fortunate in what we do and we can give back and make a difference if only we try.

Dr. Persiani practices prosthodontics in West Bloomfield, Mich. and has been in private practice for 31 years. He attended dental school at the University of Detroit Mercy, School of Dentistry where he graduated from in 1973. Dr. Persiani earned his Prosthodontic Certificate from Indiana University, School of Dentistry in 1978.

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2009

American Academy of Cosmetic **Dentistry Annual Meeting** Honolulu, HI Apr. 27- May 1, 2009 www.aacd.com

Academy of Prosthodontics Annual Meeting Chicago, IL Apr. 29-May 3, 2009

www.academyofprosthodontics.org

MAY 2009 American College of Prosthodontists Removable Partial Denture Course Chicago, IL May 8-9. 2009 www.prosthodontics.org

American Academy of Implant **Dentistry International Meeting** Acapulco, Mexico May 28-30, 2009 www.aaid.com

JUNE 2009

Greater New York Academy of **Prosthodontics Spring Meeting** New York, NY Jun. 12, 2009 www.gnyap.org Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontics 74th Annual Meeting Bend, OR

Jun. 24-27, 2009 www.pcsp.org

AUGUST 2009

American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry IFED 6th World Congress Las Vegas, NV Aug. 2-5, 2009 www.estheticacademy.org

SEPTEMBER 2009

International Academy of Gnathology Congress XXIV Tucson, AZ Sept. 23-26,. 2009 www.gnathologyusa.org

OCTOBER 2009 American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics Annual Meeting San Diego, CA Oct. 31-Nov. 3, 2009 www.maxillofacialprosth.org

NOVEMBER 2009

American College of Prosthodontists Annual Meeting San Diego, CA Nov. 4-7, 2009 www.prosthodontics.org

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MEMBER NEWS

ACP International member saves smiles with **Project Talamanca**

Costa Rica and Panama have recently experienced major rainfall and natural disasters that will have a lasting effect on the country. The following is an account of the devastation from Dr. Peter Aborn, an International member of the College and group director and coordinator of Project Talamanca.

"Just prior to Thanksgiving 2008, the southeast region of Costa Rica near the Panama border, Talamanca, experienced the worst floods Costa Rica has seen in more than 35 years. On Tuesday (November 25) the rain began to fall, followed by a 6.5 earthquake in Panama. The Rio Telire rose almost 10 feet in less than10 days. The local markets ran out of food which had previously supplied all the people in the area. People around the river lost all of their farms and animals in



the flood. The Costa Rica National Emergency Commission (Comision Nacional de Emergencias) estimates that there has been \$77 million in damage to crops, roads and community buildings such as schools and clinics. Nearly all the banana and plantino crops were destroyed, putting the indigenous people whose livelihood depends on these crops in serious financial trouble. Nothing can be replanted for at least a year. That means these Bribri and Cabecars won't have an income for at least 18 more months. CNE also estimates some 46,000 persons affected

by the flooding including 5,497 who remain in shelters, are unable to return to their homes. They are also reporting that although the water has receded inmost places there remain 35 communities whose access to the outside world is cut off by the flooding."

Project Talamanca was established in 2005 by Drs. Aborn, Boza and Pereira after torrential storms affected the area of Talamanca. The impact of this volume of rain was devastating - major flooding, serious erosion of land, loss of crops, produce, homes, school equipment, etc. Help from people living and working in other parts of the country was directed to the lower mountain areas mainly Daytonia and Sixaola near the frontier of Panama. Almost no aid reached the indigenous living on the reservation of Talamanca... above Bribri. There are approximately more than 30,000 Indians who inhabit this area. About 60 to 70 percent of this population is children and young adolescents. After two fact-finding missions to understand and define the damage, problems, and needs, Drs. Aborn, Boza and Pereira made the first "campo de trabajo" in Amubri, in July 2005. This trip was the second of many planned to coordinate and deliver services to many communities living on the reservation. The objectives include establishing a main base of operations which will provide needed health services (dentistry, medicine, ophthalmology, physiotherapy, social work, etc.) From this base mobile units will be used to reach the outlying areas that have minimal or no resources; i.e., electricity, water, accessibility. In some of these areas, children have never seen a dentist.

To learn more about Project Talamanca and the devastation in Costa Rica and Panama, and to learn how you can help, visit www.project-talamanca.org.



(From left to right) Dr. Thomas Balshi, Dr. Ramon Hernandez, Mr. Rai Rawal and Mr. Stephen Balshi aather durina the Brevard County Dental Society meetina in Melbourne, Florida.

ACP father-son team lecture on trends in dental implant treatment

ACP Fellow Dr. Thomas Balshi, founder of Fort Washington's Pi Dental Care Center and his son, Mr. Stephen Balshi, a biomedical engineer and CEO of CM Ceramics and also a member of the College, received crystal "Space Coast" clocks in Melbourne, Florida after delivering a full day lecture on the topic of successful dental implant treatment for individuals missing substantial bone.

The father and son team presented the essentials of their trademarked Teeth in a DayTM protocol to the Brevard County Dental Society, composed of dental specialists from all areas of the profession. In addition they capped off the day with the introduction of the "Stability Star," a biomedically engineered system for creating esthetic, healthy smiles without the need for bone grafting.

Member enters implant fellowship

Dr. Michael Litvak has taken a four year leave of absence from the Postgratudate Prosthodontics faculty at New York University College of Dentistry to enter the Implant Fellowship Program at NYU, which is one day a week for four years. Dr. Litvak may be reached by e-mail at papeny@aol.com or by phone at (212) 751-2544.

In Memorial

The College and the Board of Directors remember the following colleagues who are deceased:

Dr. Girard DiPietro Dr. Earl E. Feldmann Dr. Francis Goska

Dr. James E. House Dr. George Kirk Dr. Paul Pokorny

Welcome New Members

Welcome New Members (Approved by the Board of Directors during the December and January conference calls and March meeting.)

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- Dr. O'Tisha Preston
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- Dr. Marjan Salari Dr. Andrea Smith
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International Members Dr. Dina Macki Dr. Gregorio Sena

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Dr. David Kaiser Dr. Charles U. Kastner Dr. Jeffrey Leben Dr. Michael Lucas Dr. Richard Newburg Dr. James Palermo Dr. Thomas Rea Dr. Edith Segal Dr. Robert Swords **Retired Life Members Active Life**

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Members to Student Members Dr. Yaser M. Al-Yakoubi Dr. Yousef S. Marafie

Reinstated Members Dr. Khaldoun Al-Ajlouni

Reinstated Fellows Dr. R. Bruce Miller

Classifieds

PRACTICE FOR SALE

Arizona (Scottsdale/Phoenix) – Well established Prosthodontics Private Practice and Concierge Care Service. Located in beautiful NE Scottsdale by Mayo Clinic and Scottsdale Hospitals. Office is adjacent to excellent dental laboratories facilities and is located in a community of Dentists and other Dental Specialists. Please contact Dr. Fritch to discuss further details: (602) 689-0508; kentfritch@aol.com.

Canada (Calgary, AL) – This well established Prosthodontics and Implant Practice is located in beautiful Calgary, Alberta, Canada. This is a fee for service practice grossing 1.2 million dollars a year on 4 days/week with 2 fully equipped operatories plus one plumbed. In house Laboratory. Owner places most of his own implants and is willing to stay for period of time to provide for a smooth transition. Contact Ron Mackenzie at mackenz@telus.net Tel.604-685-9227.

Florida (Bradenton) – High-end southwest Florida practice with outstanding patient base. Six operatory (five equipped), four day/week, 100% fee for service. Well trained staff, beautiful interior and condo for sale. \$1.8 million in collections with purchaser estimated net income of \$500,000+ (includes all overhead costs and 100% financing of practice and condo purchase). Contact Greg Auerbach, ADS Florida, LLC at 800-262-4119 ext. 13 or by email above.

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Michigan (Grand Rapids) Michigan (Grand Rapids) – Outstanding fee for service prosthodontic practice. Grossed in high 6 figures in 2005, 2006, 2007. On 4 days per week. Revenues in 2008 are up over 12% from last year. New building, 2,650 sq. ft., office, 5 high tech operatories, Digital cameras, Digital pano, Dentrix Computerized, Management software, Procera Nobel Guide Software, New Tom 3-D Cone Beam, radiography machine located in building, 1/3 fixed, 1/3 removable, 1/3 implants. Full service dental lab on premises with Cerec in-lab milling machine, Eris, Empress and Captek crowns. Emphasis on dental implant treatment. One operatory is equipped and staffed by a Board Certified Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon. Surgeon is paid on a percentage resulting in increased practice income. Transition to early buyout. Dr. will stay as long as desired. Great community. Rapidly developing medical service/research corridor. 200 research scientists at the Van Andel Institute (600 additional research scientists planned), without dependence Michigan Corre vibrant downtown, Michigan State Medical School, numerous local colleges, minor league sports (hockey, arena football and baseball), close to Lake Michigan beaches, skiing, hunting, fishing. Great place to raise a family. Take an "Office Tour" at our high tech Web site www.MooreSmiles.org. Call Dr. Tim Moore in evenings at home (616) 942-6838.

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Minnesota (Minneapolis) – Limited practice (35 year existence) within expense sharing Prosthodontic group. Two Partners. Full patient services, (Fixed, Removable, Implants). Six operatories, spacious equipped laboratory. Long employed Dental Hygienist. Cohesive Staff. Will transition for complete turnover of patients and sense of comfort assuming fee for service practice. Background: Diplomate, former Clinic Director (School of Dentistry), former Veterans Administration Consultant, CAPT (Ret), Naval Reserve. Dr. Meyer, (612-338-8638)

New York (Capital District) – Restorative dental office in Capital District of New York. Great mix of removable, fixed, esthetic and implant Prosthodontics. Owner does no surgery, perio or endo. Good opportunity for restorative dentist to place implants and do endo. Practice and dental office for sale. Owner relocating. If interested contact Dave Kasper at Jim Kasper Associates, LLC at (603) 355-2260 ext. 204.

New York (Williamsville) – ASSOCIATE LEADING TO OWNERSHIP Prosthodontist, Upstate, NY: Well established Prosthodontist seeking an enthusiastic, caring partner with commitment to excellence. This is a great opportunity for a successoriented associate leading to ownership in progressive, spacious, highly regarded Prosthodontic practice. This opportunity is available for either a recent Prosth Grad or an associate seeking change. Bring your creative ideas and commitment to growth, share a caring team and enjoy a beautiful lake view, golf, boating, skiing, numerous cultural activities and professional sports teams. For more information please visit our website at www.hudsontransitions.com or call us at (716) 633-0550. The Doctor welcomes the opportunity to set up an interview with those interested. Please e-mail cover letter and resume to info@hudsontransitions.com.

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Dr. Noshir Mehta Chair, Search Committee Department of General Dentistry Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, One Kneeland Street, Boston, MA 02111

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Ohio (Columbus) – The Ohio State University College of Dentistry, Section of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry, is seeking applications for a full-time tenure or clinical track position at the assistant/associate professor level in prosthodontics. Duties to begin as soon as possible and include preclinical and clinical teaching. Advanced training in prosthodontics is preferred. Applicants must be eligible for licensure in Ohio. An intramural practice opportunity is available for up to one day per week. Salary and rank are set commensurate with the candidate's qualifications and experience. The Ohio State University is an Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer. Qualified women, minorities, Vietnam-era Veterans, disabled veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Send supporting documents to Dr. Stephen F. Rosenstiel, Section Head, Section of Restorative and Prosthetic Dentistry, Postle Hall, 305 W. 12th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43218-2357. Phone: (614) 292-0941 or E-mail: rosenstiel.1@osu.edu.

Tennessee (Memphis) – First established Memphis prosthodontist (1973) seeing patient centered, technically skilled, ambitious prosthodontist with opportunity to purchase. Building (7000 +) houses prosthodontist-owner, (IUSD Grad), two periodontal-implant surgeons, one G.P. and a 3-man zirconia lab (Forte). Pros gross 1.23 M + avg. last four years. Serious available individuals only. Apply by email to Melendy@xspedius.net.

Texas (San Antonion) - The Department of Prosthodontics at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Dental School is seeking applicants for a clinical non-tenure, or tenure-track faculty position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level. The primary area of responsibility of the faculty position will be direct patient care in a maxillofacial prosthodontic tertiary care center. Participation in teaching, research, service and patient care is expected. Board certification or commitment to becoming board-certified, research experience and a commitment to academic dentistry are also expected. Qualifications include a DDS/ DMD degree, completion of an ADA-accredited advanced education program in prosthodontics, completion of an ADA-accredited maxillofacial prosthodontic program and eligibility for licensure in Texas.

Evaluation of applicants will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All faculty appointments are designated as security sensitive positions. Applicants should provide a personal statement delineating their qualifications and career goals, curriculum vitae, and the names and addresses of three references. Direct applications or inquiries to:

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West Virginia (Morgantown) – West Virginia University School of Dentistry is seeking applications for full time faculty position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level in the Department of Restorative Dentistry. Responsibilities will include pre- and

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Communications and Marketing Coordinator – ext. 235 or ckinczyk@prosthodontics.org Assists with ACP Web site, communications and marketing including the *Messenger* newsletter.

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Putting your best foot forward, one millimeter at a time

By Lyndon F. Cooper, D.D.S., Ph.D., F.A.C.P.

LYNDON F. COOPER,

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We prosthodontists are a careful bunch. Our training reinforces the old adage "measure twice, cut once" and our approach to many things, not only prosthodontic procedures, reflects this sensibility. This past year I have had the pleasure of serving as the Chair of the American College of Prosthodontists Education Foundation capital campaign. The resounding success of the Vision 2012: Brilliant Futures campaign truly embodies the concept of putting our best foot forward.

This campaign's success reflects the leadership of your ACP Board of Directors who met the challenge of contributing approximately \$25,000 per member. These ACP members contributed generously to the advancement of prosthodontics without hesitation and in direct contrast to the careful, ever-measuring, twice-doubting nature of the "typical prosthodontist." I think this reflects two important features of leadership. One is that this group is well informed and thus they were very comfortable with the envisioned future of prosthodontics. The other is they are inspired to serve. They are inspired by the vision, aware but undeterred by the possible risks and fully understanding of the needs of our membership. This campaign also benefitted from the leadership of our corporate donors. Most significantly, the campaign's premier partners – AstraTech, Ivoclar Vivadent and Nobel Biocare – established the tone for this success. This giving represents several appreciable steps forward in the process of achieving our goals.

I hope you embrace the new opportunities we are creating in service to our membership and its growth, in education and in research and technology.

These goals that move prosthodontics forward may not reflect the typically incremental steps of a prosthodontist. How our membership feels about these steps is important to me as the ACP President-Elect. I hope that the membership embraces the new opportunities we are creating in service to our membership and its growth, in education and in research and technology. I am concerned that our membership is not fully aware of the successes and the achievements, those millimeter steps the ACP has made in promoting and, in fact, enhancing our profession of prosthodontics.

This year, please be engaged. Take advantage of the simple opportunities to be an active member. First, read and reflect on the weekly e-newsletter, the Wednesday Wake-up Call. Check out www.prosthodontics.org. Read the *Messenger* and take full advantage of your *Journal of Prosthodontics*. Second, become interested in your ACP Section's activities and participate in local events. Create the most local of events by celebrating prosthodontics in your office by sharing the ACP's success stories with your staff, your patients and your local laboratory. These are millimeter steps indeed. Take further effort to join in Regional support of the ACP and prosthodontics. Return to your university or residency, participate in education and discourse. Attend a local meeting and celebrate the achievements of your peers. On the national level, become involved with a project through committee activities, share your ideas with your regional board member, and continue to attend the 39th Annual Session of the College this November in San Diego. Take another millimeter step and support the ACP Education Foundation through its 2009 Annual Appeal.

I see prosthodontics as a unique profession and one I am affiliated with proudly. We have become leading advocates of technical innovation, evidence-based therapy and quality in clinical achievement. We are growing, step by step. Take the next big step forward – become involved.

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